

Serving the Communities of the Almanor Basin

# OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS CATHOLIC PARISH

220 Clifford Drive, Lake Almanor



**O**ur Lady of the Snows Parish is a community that is ever mindful of the presence of God in the Blessed Sacrament, in our church, in each other and in ourselves. We envision all who enter our doors will be welcomed and valued for their gifts. We strive to respond to the needs of all -- to bring about joy and spiritual growth. We open our hearts to the poor and vulnerable. We promote peace and justice for all. We are committed to be active stewards of God's creation to preserve the beauty of nature and our surroundings and be ever grateful for His bountiful blessings.

## MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

|   |          |
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| Baptismal Preparation<br>(call Rectory at least 1 month in advance) | 259-3932 |
| Marriage Preparation<br>(call Rectory at least 8 months in advance) | 259-3932 |
| Altar Servers - Pat Martin  | 258-2101 |
| Facilities & Maintenance - Steve DeWitt                             | 258-4222 |
| Finance Council - Laura Hawkins, Chair                              | 259-5379 |
| Hospitality Ministry (Ushers) - Carl Deveny                         | 596-3319 |
| Liturgy Committee - Pat Martin, Chair                               | 258-2101 |
| Sick & Homebound Ministry - Fr. Alfredo                             | 259-3932 |
| Parish Pastoral Council - Fr. Alfredo                               | 259-3932 |
| Religious Education - Carolyn Straight                              |          |
| RCIA - Debbie & Larry Rives   | 259-2420 |
| Altar Society - Julie Chavez  | 596-4951 |
| Music Ministry - Cindy Hawkins                                      | 258-0319 |
| Environment Ministry - Luci Burgess                                 | 596-4636 |

## MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 8:30 a.m.

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:30 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

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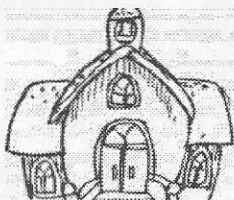
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## Third Sunday of Lent

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March 15, 2020



### Good News

Third Sunday of Lent (A)  
Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2,5-8; Jn4:5-42.

**Water flows through this Sunday's readings.** In the passage from Exodus, the Hebrews cry out for the water so necessary for life. In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of living water that provides eternal life.

The exchange between the Hebrews and Moses is straightforward and startling. Physical thirst led then to question the divine care that miraculously delivered them from the hands of the Egyptians oppressors. We shouldn't be too quick to shake our fingers at them. How many times we have looked past blessings we took for granted, only to focus on lesser immediate needs? These desert people are our ancestors in more ways than one.

The Gospel of John is most interesting. Jesus is in Samaria, a land hated by the Jews. There he initiates a conversation with an inhabitant of the town by Sychar, someone who is an outcast in three major ways. She is a woman—no self-respecting man would be alone with a woman he didn't know. She is a Samaritan—Jews considered Samaritans unclean. And she is promiscuous—his own honor might be at risk. The woman's questionable social status does not prevent Jesus from engaging her, first in social etiquette (Give me a drink"[4:7], then in a theological exchange (Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst" [4:14]).

The Hebrews experienced God's saving action in their exodus, but they lacked trust. The woman, hated by Jews, was an outcast of her own people, yet she believed. How do we respond to the water.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

May the Mother of Jesus, and our Mother, always smile on you and obtain for you, from her Most Holy Son, every heavenly blessing. Pray to Our Blessed Mother Mary.

### dear Padre

For many of us older Catholics, our children have either left the faith or they don't belong to any church. Consequently, their children aren't baptized. We were taught that anyone may baptize in an emergency. Can we baptize our grandchildren? If so, how?

When necessary, "any person" even one who is not baptized, "can baptize" provided that he has the intention of doing that which the Church does and provided that he pours water on the candidate's head while saying: I baptize you in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1284).

Church permits baptism when at least one consenting Catholic parent or guardian plans to nurture the child in the faith and in the faith community. Some people—with the best intentions—may disregard these legal conditions and resort to baptizing a child in secret or against the parent's will. However, while the Trinitarian formula used while pouring water over a child qualifies as the sacrament even under non-life-threatening circumstances, it's also contrary to Church law. This has negative consequences both for the child being baptized and the grandparents doing baptizing.!

May you find consolation in these words: "Baptism is necessary for salvation for those to whom the Gospel has been proclaimed and have had the possibility of asking for this Sacrament:(CCC1257). Should a child die without baptism, we can trust in God's mercy. Jesus' tenderness toward children allows us "to hope that there is a way of salvation for children who have died without baptism".

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR

### OLS News

**Daily Mass** will be in **Christ the King Chapel** at 8:30am on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri. **The Lord's Day Mass** is held on **Saturday** at 5:00pm and on **Sunday** at 9:30am in Church.

Please remember we will have Mass and Stations of the Cross each Friday at 5:00pm. Also there will be a Lenten Meal afterwards, soup and bread. There is a sheet in the hall if you would like to bring a soup for the Lenten Meal.

**Next weekend the second collection will be taken up for The Catholic Relief Services (shared /Church in Central & Eastern Europe)**

**Bible Study will start on April 6, in the Hall at 12 noon. The Gospel of Matthew, "King and His Kingdom." All are welcome. If you have a question contact Debbie or Larry at 259-2420.**

**Joey Maumoynier would like to start a "Men's Club" If interested call 808-954-1607.**

**Please take a moment and say a prayer for all our sick parishioners.**





*Pray for the Sick and Deceased  
Loved ones.  
Prayer is the best armor we have,  
It is the key which opens the heart of  
God. St. Padre Pio*

- Ruby Vocke †
- George Hawkins
- Robert Gonzales
- Kerry Phillips
- Jane Hilliard
- Lawrence Oliver
- Marcella Unalles
- Mitchell Padula †
- Cindee Padula †
- Vernon Burgess
- Ron Roderick †
- Matthew Settlemyre †
- George & Frances Angelis †
- Gayle Auge
- Art Tantardino †
- Frances Dennis
- Philip Aquila
- Lou Ann Martin †
- Alexa Rolin
- Debbie Stebbins
- Maynard Crowther
- Kathy O'Donnell
- Miguel Pena †
- Pat Pfeifer
- Karen Klemek †
- Allen & Kathy Hayes
- Margret Mugallis
- Bulah Bozzo †
- Julie Stangler
- Eileen Ruby †
- Francis Ouelette
- Diana Pallari †
- Carolyn Willhoit
- John Fehrman †
- Pat Penick †

### *Weekly Offering's*

March 8, 2020

Offertory — \$ 899.25

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| Building & Maintenance | \$ 55.00 |
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### *Weekly Mass Intentions*

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| Mar. 14 | Saturday  | 5:00 pm | Mass for the Parish |
| Mar. 15 | Sunday    | 9:30 am | Mac Hinman          |
| Mar. 16 | Monday    | 8:30 am | Mary Deveny         |
| Mar. 17 | Tuesday   | 8:30 am | June Madsen †       |
| Mar. 18 | Wednesday | 8:30 am |                     |
| Mar. 19 | Thursday  | 8:30 am | Ray Pallari         |
| Mar. 20 | Friday    | 8:30 am | Chris Gibbs         |

### *This Weekend's Ministry Schedule*

|          | Eucharistic Ministers                        | Lectors         |
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| Saturday | Toni Pleau<br>Monique F.                     | Pat Didier      |
| Sunday   | Mary Deveny<br>Laura Hawkins<br>Julie Chavez | Ray<br>Giordano |

### **OLS News cont**

**Pray the Rosary** thirty minutes before Saturday and Sunday Mass in the Chapel. All are welcome.

A couple extra dollars each week in your offertory envelope will help with our General Fund for the church. This helps to pay for the heating of the church and social hall, also to remove the snow from the parking lot (when we get it). God Bless all of you.

Please remember if you are in need of spiritual guidance, need special anointing, or just information please call Fr. Tamayo for an appointment. We are here to help and lessen your burden.

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