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OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS CATHOLIC PARISH

220 Clifford Drive, Lake Almanor



Our 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.

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Marriage Preparation (call Rectory at least 8 months in advance)	259-3932
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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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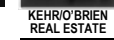
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5th Sunday of Easter

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May 2, 2021

Good News

dear Padre

OLS News

Fifth Sunday of Easter (B) • Acts 9:26–31; 1 Jn 3:18–24; Jn 15:1–8

The little word “in” appears eleven times in the Greek text of today’s short passage from John’s Gospel (ten times in most translations), and it has the same meaning in all cases. It refers to an intimate relationship: We are in Christ; Christ is in us. This being in does not mean “inside,” like being in a room or in a country. It means being an intimate aspect of something, like the relationship of a branch to the vine. Perhaps a way of understanding this intimacy is to remember that the branch cannot exist by itself, and there is no vine if there are no branches. We cannot be partially in. We are either in or out.

If we want to live and thrive, we must cherish and protect our relationship with Christ, who is our source of life and nourishment. Otherwise we risk being nothing more than dead branches, the usefulness of which is mere fodder for the fire. This sounds like a harsh punishment. However, it is not really punishment. Rather, it is the inevitable consequence of cutting ourselves off from our supply of life-giving nourishment. Furthermore, being cut off does not happen accidentally; we choose it deliberately.

Finally, this metaphor of vines and branches is an image of the Church. Though each of us, by grace, is “in Christ,” our source of life, the risen life of Christ surges through members of His body. Thus, when we are united to Christ by grace, we live in Him as Christ lives in all of us.

—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.

Why is the Church considering a word change to the Our Father? It seems fine as it is.

Of the two versions of the Lord’s Prayer in Luke 11:2–4 and Matthew 6:9–13, Luke’s is more concise. The petition, “and lead us not into temptation” in Greek means both “do not allow us to enter into temptation” and “do not let us yield to temptation” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2846). The *Catechism* includes the explanation from James 1:13: “God cannot be tempted by evil and He Himself tempts no one,” to certify that God “wants to set us free from evil. We ask Him not to allow us to take the way that leads to sin.” Consequently, Pope Francis reportedly approved the English wording, “do not let us fall into temptation” to replace “lead us not into temptation.” “It is not a good translation because it speaks of a God who induces temptation,” the Pope said in 2017. “I am the one who falls. It’s not Him pushing me into temptation to then see how I have fallen.” On the contrary, “a father helps you to get up immediately,” he added. “It’s Satan who leads us into temptation—that’s his department.”

However, unlike the change in the Italian Lord’s Prayer that will appear in their third edition of *The Roman Missal*, no immediate plans have been made to change the wording in English-speaking countries.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR

Pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for their release to praise the Lord. In return, these Souls will pray for us.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Weekdays Tues. thru Fri. 8:30 AM

Confessions: Saturdays 4 to 4:30 PM or by appointment

Altar Society meets Tues. May 4th (first Tues. of the month) in the Social Hall at 11 am. Hope you can join us for a “brown bag” meeting (bring your lunch).

Holy Hour this Friday: Beginning May 7th, there will be a Holy Hour on the First Friday of every month from 5 PM to 6 PM, with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. What a great opportunity to spend time in the Presence of Our Lord!

Bible Study: Join us in the Social Hall on Wednesdays from 12 noon to 2 PM for the study of the Book of Matthew. All are welcome! For more information, call or email Larry and Debbie Rives: (530) 941-5506, or drives1975@hotmail.com.

From May through October, a Maintenance collection will be taken up at all weekend Masses (our 2nd collection). This Maintenance Collection helps to keep our church and grounds in perfect condition. The only exceptions will be weekends that have a Diocesan Collection.

Please note: Weekend of May 16th, there will be a Diocesan Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (50% will remain in our Diocese to help support our local communications efforts). Thanks for your generosity!

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*

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April 25, 2021

Offertory	\$ 505.00
Building & Maintenance	\$ 630.00
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This Weekend's Ministry Schedule

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
Saturday	Pat Didier	Nita Jimenez
Sunday	Julie Chavez Kitty DeWitt Carolyn Willhoit	Priscilla McEfee

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Weekly Mass Intentions

May 1	Saturday	5:00 pm	Mass for the Parish
May 2	Sunday	9:30 am	Linda Porter
May 3	Monday		NO MASS
May 4	Tuesday	8:30 am	Dennis McEfee
May 5	Wednesday	8:30am	Priscilla McEfee
May 6	Thursday	8:30 am	Brian Harvey
May 7	Friday	8:30 am	Vernon Burgess

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