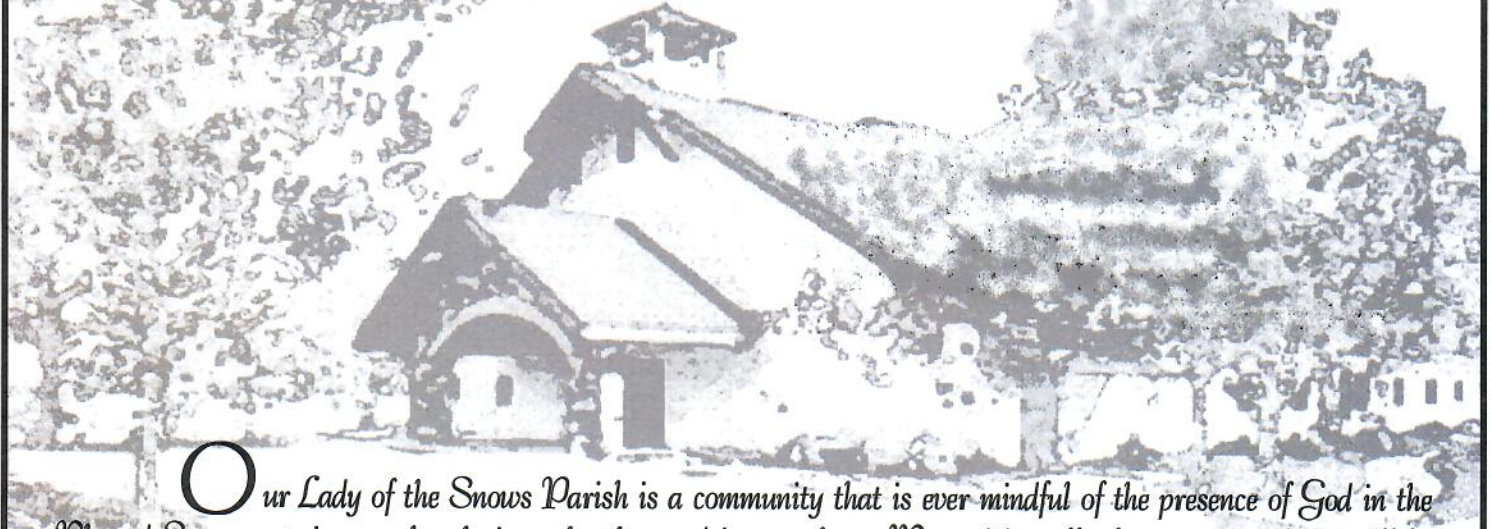


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MASS SCHEDULE

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

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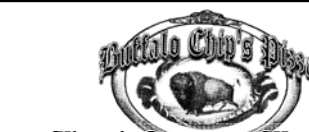
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Good News

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
(A) 2 Kings 4:8–11, 14–16a / Romans
6:3–4, 8–11 / Matthew 10:37–42**

Twelve score and seven years ago “our fathers brought forth, upon this continent, a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal,” as Abraham Lincoln once reminded us. This week we as a nation once again mark that new beginning, we who have inherited its blessings as a gift generously bestowed upon us by those who have gone before us, a gift not deserved but nevertheless ours, a gift we do not own, yet pass on to generations to come, a gift we eagerly share.

Hospitality is something to extend to those who come to our doors; it is also something we can extend to those who come to our shores. It seems worthwhile then, especially this week and amid so many disagreements over immigration, to revisit the words inscribed at the base of the Statue of Liberty written by the poet Emma Lazarus and inscribed in our psyche as a nation. It serves as a vision of who we are, perhaps as much as does our Constitution.

“Give me your tired, your poor, / Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, / The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. / Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me; / I lift my lamp beside the golden door! “
The woman at Shunem offered Elisha the prophet hospitality, and she was blessed. Jesus promised that those who offer the hospitality of a cup of cold water will be blessed. Surely then, any nation that welcomes others in hospitality will be blessed as well.

--Father Joseph Juknialis

dear Padre

How do we serve everyone in a culturally diverse parish?

In the past it was common to have parishes dedicated to different ethnic groups where such populations were concentrated. In 2010, the US bishops found that 33 percent of all US parishes were culturally diverse, and that’s perhaps using a narrow understanding of diversity. Then in 2014, they published *Best Practices for Shared Parishes: So That They May All Be One*, in which they outline a nine-movement process for creating an inclusive parish.

The term “shared parishes” describes parish communities in which two or more languages or cultural contexts are present in the ministerial life of a parish. The fact that there are nine movements is notable. It means that we slowly move toward inclusiveness; we don’t simply present a Mass in Spanish and think the job is done.

This brings to mind a parishioner in a parish I served in the Mississippi Delta. This was indeed a “shared parish,” with a large African-American population, a significant Spanish-speaking population, and an elderly population of white Americans who expected a more “traditional” Mass with familiar hymns. Rosemary was an Italian-American whose family had lived in the area since the beginning of the nineteenth century. She served as the parish’s director of education. Rosemary made it her practice to attend every Mass to welcome people and make them feel at home. She was the perfect example of the first movement toward serving everyone in a shared parish: hospitality.

--Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR

OLS News

Mass Schedule:

Saturday 5 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Weekdays Tues. thru Fri. 8:30 AM

Confessions: Sat. 4 to 4:30 PM or by appt.

The 2nd collection this weekend is for the **Diocesan Missionary Cooperative Appeal**. We welcome **Father Jorge Ochoa** from the Comboni Missionaries will be at our masses this weekend. The Missionary Appeal takes place every summer in our diocese. There are envelopes in the Social Hall. Please make your checks out to Our Lady of the Snows--write “Missionary Appeal” in memo line.

Let’s decorate the float! Calling all Parishioners! We need your help. The OLS Men’s Group is creating a Parish float for the Fourth of July Parade this year. Can you join us on July 3rd to help decorate the float? Call for information: Steve DeWitt 530-258-4222 or Jeffrey Janus 301-514-6775 or Larry Gibbs 707-479-6661. Thank you for being part of this important and fun parish activity.

PARTY IN A BASKET Raffle: The Altar Society is selling tickets for the “Party in a Basket” to be raffled this weekend--after 9:30 Mass on July 2nd. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. Don’t miss out!

Bible Study meets each Wed. from 10am to 11:30 am in the Social Hall. Our topic is “The Bible and the Church Fathers.”

Altar Society meets on Tues. July 11th at 11 am at the Bailey Creek Golf Course Grill. Please join us!

The 2nd Collection July 8-9 will be a Special Diocesan Collection, for the Holy Father (Peter’s Pence). Thank you!

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

Pray for our Sick and Deceased Loved Ones

Liturgical Tidbits from Father Josh: “And with your Spirit!?”

In the past decade, I’m sure we all remember when the translation for some parts of the Mass was changed. One of the changes that we may still be getting used to is this: instead of saying “and also with you” we now respond with “and with your Spirit” when clergy invokes the Lord to be with us.

Why was the change necessary? To put it simply, it is because the old English translation was not an accurate translation. The original Latin response was “*Et cum spiritu tuo*,” which literally means “and with your spirit.” It is also more appropriate as when the clergy says “The Lord be with You,” he is not acting on his own behalf, but rather acting in the spirit of his ordination: Jesus Christ. As a people, we are addressing the spirit whom the clergy is acting on behalf of. We are also asking God’s spirit, more specifically, for help for the clergy to use the charismatic gifts given to him in ordination and in so doing, to fulfill his prophetic function in the Church. May the Lord continue to guide our clergy to be faithful.

[a new “Liturgical Tidbits appears every other week.]

Joe Beuchat	Helen Karch †	Mitchell Padula †
Vernon Burgess	Erin Kelly	Diana Pallari †
Troy Buzzell †	Karen Klemek †	Miguel Pena †
Rosa Cahill & Family	Abigail Krebs	John Pezzi †
Lucia Carillo †	Alma Kopernik	Kerry Phillips †
Reuben Chavez †	Nancy Lambert †	John Price
Ron & Fran Dennis	Ronald Longacre †	Linda Porter
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Aubrey Hawkins †	Scott Oswold	Ruby Vocke †
Jane & Reed Hilliard	Francis Ouellette	
Matthew Hunt †	Cindee Padula †	† indicates deceased

Weekly Offerings

Sunday June 25th	\$ 1,524.00
Maintenance	\$ 1,710.00

This Weekend’s Ministry Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Lectors

SAT. 5 PM

Pat Didier
Sonja Burton
Toni Pleau

Nita Jimenez

SUN. 9:30 AM

Debbie Rives
Julie Chavez
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Ruthie Hinman

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Weekly Mass Intentions

July 1	Saturday	5:00 pm	Ronald Longacre †
July 2	Sunday	9:30 am	Lucia Carillo †
July 3	Monday	-----	NO MASS
July 4	Tuesday	8:30 am	Jim and Janice Carleton
July 5	Wednesday	8:30 am	Janet Saitone
July 6	Thursday	8:30 am	Dan H.
July 7	Friday	8:30 am	Joseph Cyril Darling †

OLS NEWS (continued)--

Parish Picnic! Join us on **Sunday, August 6th**, after the 9:30 am mass, on the patio! There is no charge. Please sign up on the sheet in the Social Hall so that we know how much food to prepare. This fun event brings us together to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Snows, our Patroness.

On Sat. August 12th, the OLS Men’s Group will serve a barbeque dinner after our 5pm Mass. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted. There is a sign-up sheet in the Social Hall so that we know how much food to prepare.

Have you ever wondered what the origins of the Eucharist are? Father Josh will teach an **8-week course** on the Biblical and Jewish roots of the Eucharist **beginning on Wed. Aug. 9 from 10am to 11:30am** in the Social Hall. All are welcome!

Please remember if you are in need of spiritual guidance, special anointing, or just information—call the Rectory (530-259-3932) for an appointment. We are here to help and to lessen your burden.