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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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MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Wednesday, 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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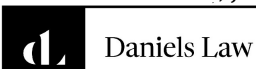
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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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June 30, 2024

Good News

dear Padre

OLS News

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Wisdom 1:13–15; 2:23–24 / 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13–15 / Mark 5:21–43 or 5:21–24, 35b–43

The hospital called, saying a young man had been in an accident and wanted to see a priest. As it turned out, I found him in a coma, and it was his parents who sparked the phone call. His girlfriend was there, and so the two of us talked about the accident and what happened, then about Michael and his interests and gentleness, and eventually his faith and goodness. She didn't understand, she told me, why God would do this to someone so good and how God certainly must have wanted this to happen.

I wanted to tell her I didn't believe God did this sort of thing, orchestrating traffic accidents. I hesitated, but then said so, only I tried to say it gently and kindly so it might be less like a lecture in Spirituality 101. I mumbled something about not believing in that sort of God, that I didn't believe God handed out death or suffering to folks. With her head hanging down, she just said, no—she thought God did.

Well, it seemed to me that that was not the time for any theological debate on questions about God, so I simply said no more about it. Then she and I prayed for Michael, or rather I prayed aloud, and she just sat there holding my hand and maybe praying silently or maybe not praying at all—I really wasn't sure. After I left I found myself wondering if she thought as much about my response as I thought about her answer.

--Father Joseph Juknialis

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

Does God have a plan for each of us?

We collaborate with God through continual prayer and discernment in planning out our best path of life. This path allows us to fulfill God's ultimate plan—namely, to find meaning in the life he gave us, enjoy his friendship while on earth, and spend eternal life with him in heaven.

God doesn't force us to live out our existence in some programmed, robotic way according to a predestined plan or inevitable fate over which we have no control. Rather, we're free and responsible for our own actions.

Moreover, God's plan for each of us is to experience his profound love and love him in return. "God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him" (1 John 4:16). As the supreme sign of God's love, his plan of salvation from the beginning of time was to send us his only begotten Son.

"Jesus' violent death was not the result of chance in an unfortunate coincidence of circumstances, but is part of the mystery of God's plan, as St. Peter explains...in his first sermon on Pentecost: 'This Jesus [was] delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God'" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 599). "By giving up his own Son for our sins, God manifests that his plan for us is one of benevolent love, prior to any merit on our part" (CCC 604).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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

Join us this Sunday June 30th after mass for coffee and treats, courtesy of the Altar Society!

Altar Society meets **Tues. July 2nd** at 11 am in the Social Hall. Please bring your lunch. Hope to see you there!

Altar Society Raffle! Party-in-a-Basket! Tickets are on sale after weekend masses: \$1 each or get 6 tickets for \$5! **Winner to be drawn Sunday June 30th after mass.** Thanks for supporting this fundraiser.

Fourth of July Float! Calling all Parishioners! The Men's Group is building a float to represent Our Lady of the Snows in the Chester 4th of July Parade. **We need volunteers** to decorate the float on July 3rd, to carry the Our Lady of the Snows banners in front of the float, to be on the float, and to walk alongside the float handing out flyers. It would be great to have young people carrying our banners! **Please sign up on the sheets provided in the Social Hall**, or call Jeffrey Janus at 301-514-6775.

First Friday Holy Hour takes place July 5th at 9am, after morning mass. Join us for Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. If you cannot stay the entire hour, you are still welcome to come and spend some time with Our Lord.

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

**Father Josh's Liturgical Tidbits:
The Lord's Prayer (Part II)**

We continue now our reflection on the use of the Lord's Prayer in Mass. Thus far, the prayer is all about positive things: God's glory and his gifts to us. But there are also obstacles to his glory and his gifts. These are our sins and other people's sins against us. 4) We need God's forgiveness for our ungratefulness in sinning, especially when we are in the act of asking him for good things. 5) We have to be willing to forgive others if we ourselves want to be forgiven. If we can forgive those who have hurt us, we will be acting like God and pleasing him — God loves a forgiving heart.

6) But there is also the struggle against sin when we are tempted. We are in complete need of help and grace; God will be faithful to us in times of trial. 7) The last negative: there is the devil, our spiritual enemy who constantly tries to remove us from God's glory, his holiness, his kingdom, his Eucharist, his pardon, and his help. Although the English and Latin versions of the Our Father pray simply for us to be delivered from "evil," the Greek original clearly prays for us to be delivered from the "Evil One." Thus, our most common prayer taught to us by the Lord himself contains a little exorcism against the devil. And this exorcism is a great way to purify ourselves as we prepare for our reception of the Eucharist.

Weekly Offerings

Sunday June 16th	\$ 984.00
Maintenance	\$ 889.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 20.00
Brick	\$ 100.00

--- This Weekend's Ministry Schedule ---

Eucharistic Ministers Lector

SAT. 5:00 PM Toni Pleau, Lori Koehnen
Barbara Longo, Pat Didier

SUN. 9:30 AM Ruthie Hinman Steve DeWitt
Julie Chavez, [and volunteer?]

Email us at: olslakealmanor@gmail.com

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Pray for our Sick and Deceased Loved Ones

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Vernon Burgess	Alma Kopernik	Linda & Dennis Porter
Lucia Carillo †	Ronald Longacre †	Janet Saitone †
Al & Estelle Cartlidge	Diane & Larry Miller † †	Lori Sinclair
Reuben Chavez †	Lou Ann Martin †	Frances Smith †
Ron & Fran Dennis	Pat Martin	Marcella Unalles †
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Monique Figlietti †	Mary Meissner	Ruby Vocke †
Jose Flores	Fran Moale †	Faye Wilkinson
Dolores Gard †	Dante Najera †	John Willhoit
Paul Gray	Kathy O'Donnell	Carole Zimmerman †
Dan Higgins	Lawrence Oliver †	
Aubrey Hawkins †	Scott Oswald †	† indicates deceased
Jane † & Reed Hilliard	Francis Ouellette	
Matthew Hunt †	Cindee Padula †	
Nancy Janus †	Mitchell Padula †	
Erin Kelly	Diana Pallari †	
	Miguel Pena †	

Weekly Mass Intentions

June 29	Saturday	5:00 pm	Diana Pallari †
June 30	Sunday	9:30 am	Paul Gray
July 1	Monday	-----	No Mass
July 2	Tuesday	8:30 am	Janet Saitone †
July 3	Wednesday	8:30 am	Bob McCulloch
July 4	Thursday	8:30 am	Pat Martin
July 5	Friday	8:30 am	Sonja Burton

OLS NEWS (continued)--

Thanks to all whose efforts made the Men's Group **food booth** at the Almanor Art Show last weekend a success! Special thanks to Altar Society members who helped out at the booth! Also thank you to Luci Burgess for the beautiful banner!

Parish Picnic! Sunday, August 4th, after the 9:30 Mass, on our patio. The picnic is free. There is a sign-up sheet in the Social Hall for those who plan to attend, so that we know how much food to prepare. Hope you can join us at this fun event!

A **Silent Auction** will take place during our Parish Picnic on Sunday August 4th. Do you have new or "quality" used items to donate? Look for further details in the upcoming weeks!

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 ease your burden.