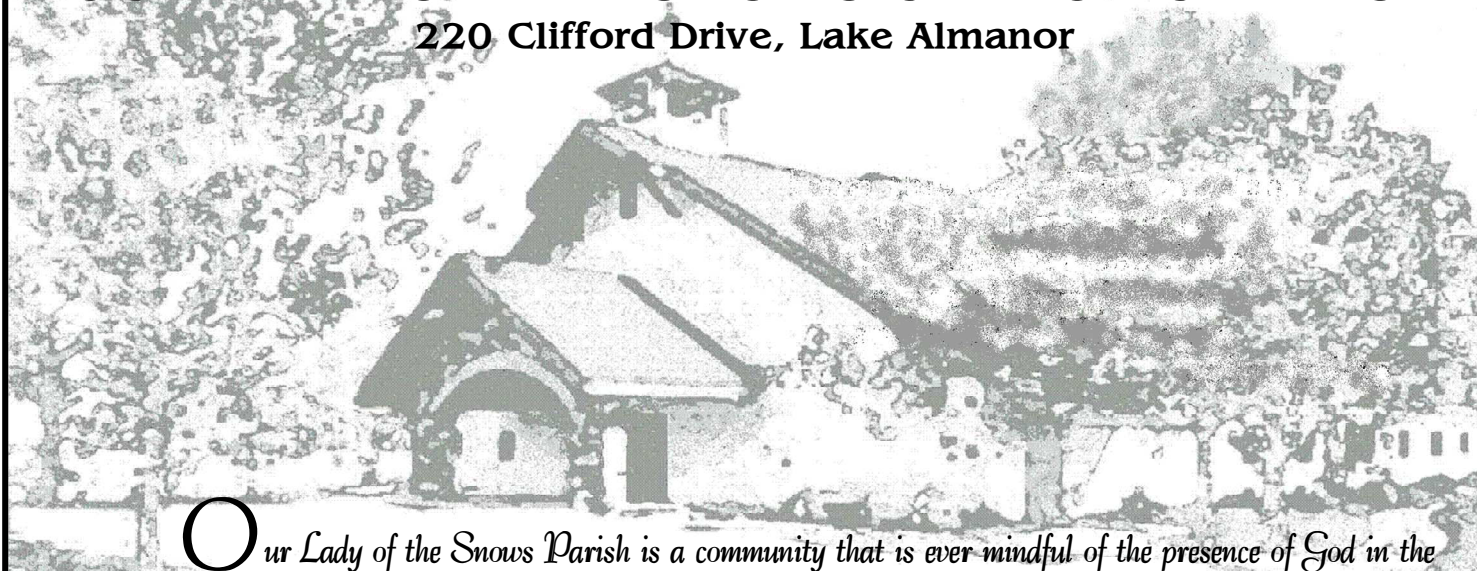


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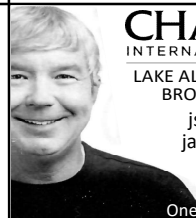
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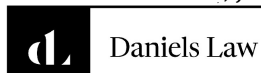
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Good News

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OLS News

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 / James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 / Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

One day, I asked the eighth-graders I was teaching to imagine themselves on a fantasy journey. They had to pretend they were flying across the ocean in a small airplane when suddenly the plane has engine trouble. The pilot manages to land on a sandy island beach. Everyone survives, but a few passengers are injured. The captain divides the passengers into groups, each with a specific task. One group is responsible for finding food; another for water; another to explore and map the island; another to care for the injured.

After explaining the scenario, I divided the eighth-graders into groups of four or five to complete the same "pretend" tasks—to create a set of rules by which to live until they were all rescued. The rules each group created were much the same: share everything, no hoarding, no fighting, obey the captain, no stealing, those who do not work do not eat.

In effect, these eighth-graders created their own "commandments," enabling the community to survive in its own kind of desert, likely in the same way the Ten Commandments helped the Israelites. The teachings of Jesus do not abrogate the original Ten Commandments. They continue to hold a great deal of wisdom for surviving as a community. Jesus taught us to focus on how our behavior shapes the sort of individuals we become and, ultimately, what sort of community we form. What flows from one's heart, Jesus taught, reveals who we are both alone and in community. —*Father Joseph Juknialis*

Do Christians need to follow the Ten Commandments, or are they the "Old Law"?

There is nothing arbitrary or old-fashioned about the commandments of God. The Ten Commandments, given to us by the Author of the World, are found in Exodus 20:2-17.

They are: (1) I, the Lord, am your God. You shall not have other gods besides me. (2) You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in vain. (3) Remember to keep holy the Lord's day. (4) Honor your father and your mother. (5) You shall not kill. (6) You shall not commit adultery. (7) You shall not steal. (8) You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. (9) You shall not covet your neighbor's wife. (10) You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

The first three Commandments were meant to guide us in our relationship with God; the remaining seven Commandments pertain to our relationships with others. Jesus gives us a new motivation for keeping the Commandments—the motivation of love. He gives a double commandment: love of God and love of neighbor (Mark 12:28-34).

Saint Paul tells us these new commands fulfill those of the Old Law (Romans 13:8-10); and John writes that keeping the Commandments simply out of fear of punishment is not enough: love must be the driving force (1 John 4:18).

—*The Redemptorists / 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.

September 1st is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.

The second collection this weekend is for our Maintenance Fund. Thank you for your generosity and God bless you!

THANK YOU to all who attended the Pancake Breakfast on August 25th! We appreciate your enthusiasm for our events. Your donations help us so much with our projects! Thanks to the Men's Group for your delicious meal and thank you also to the Altar Society for your help!

Altar Society meets Tues, Sept. 3rd in the Social Hall at 11am. Hope you can attend! Please bring your lunch.

First Friday Holy Hour takes place this Friday, Sept. 6th 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 in the Presence of Our Lord.

Copies of the Fall Schedule for Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors are available in the Social Hall. Please pick up a copy. It has also been emailed to you. *Thank you for all your help to serve our Church and the Lord.*

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

Pray for our Sick and Deceased Loved Ones

[Father Josh's Liturgical Tidbits will return next week.]

Prayer for Labor Day

As the sun rises to bring in the new day: We remember those who descend into the earth, their work begins in darkness, pulling from the earth, the resources we steward. We remember those who work inside a building away from the light and brightness of the day. We remember those who work outside in the harsh elements of our world, the bitter cold and sweltering heat of extremes. We remember those who do not have a job to go to, who are struggling to meet the needs of their daily living expenses, for whom the day becomes long and arduous.

As the sun sets to bring in the evening of rest: We remember those who work in the night. We remember those who are trying to recover from their labor and toils of the day. We remember those who participate in unsafe and dangerous work. We pray for a renewed sense of dignity in their lives and in their work.

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the worker. Make a place in our hearts for compassion to the men and women who labor tirelessly for basic necessities. Ensure a place for the men and women who are struggling to find work. May we continue to work together to bring about your reign! We ask this in your holy name, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Joe Beuchat	Ronald Longacre †	Linda & Dennis
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Lucia Carillo †	Pat Martin	Janet Saitone †
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Jane † & Reed	Francis Ouellette	
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Nancy Janus †	Diana Pallari †	
Erin Kelly	Miguel Pena †	† indicates deceased
Karen Klemek †	Kerry Phillips †	
Alma Kopernik		

Weekly Offerings	
Sunday August 18th	\$ 1,845.00
Holy Day	\$ 436 .00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,130.00
Helping Hands & Westwood Resource Center	\$ 65.00
Collection for Church in Latin America	\$ 302.00

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

Eucharistic Ministers Lector

SAT. 5:00 PM Cynthia Riggins Lori Koehnen
 Toni Pleau, & Volunteer

SUN. 9:30 AM Lani Hovland Ruthie Hinman
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Email us at: olslakealmanor@gmail.com

Sunday Mass is live on Facebook: <https://fb.me/ourladyofthesnowslakealmanor>.

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Weekly Mass Intentions

August 31	Saturday	5:00 pm	Ronald Longacre and Diane and Larry Miller † † †
September 1	Sunday	9:30 am	Scott Oswald †
September 2	Monday	-----	No Mass
September 3	Tuesday	8:30 am	Bob McCulloch
September 4	Wednesday	8:30 am	Colin and Susan O'Brien † †
September 5	Thursday	8:30 am	Diana Pallari †
September 6	Friday	8:30 am	Mary Deveny †

OLS NEWS (continued)--

Please join the Holy Father in his Prayer Intentions for September: "For the cry of the Earth—We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live."

Ways to have your loved ones included in our prayers: (1) There is a Prayer Box in our Social Hall. Slips of paper are provided to write names and intentions. (2) There is a book for names on the table in the back of the church. It is brought to the altar during the offertory. Write names of those you would like remembered in the masses that week. (3) There are "mass intention" envelopes on the table in the Social Hall if you want a mass said for someone (usual offering/stipend is \$10). God bless you!

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.