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# 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.

PASTOR  
Rev. Fr. Joshua Sia

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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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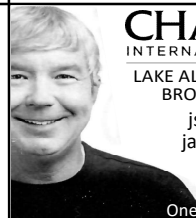
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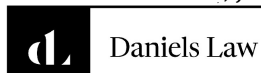
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## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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October 27, 2024

# Good News

# dear Padre

# OLS News

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
(B) Jeremiah 31:7-9 / Hebrews 5:1-6 / Mark 10:46-52**

The story of blind Bartimaeus is an illustration of how we come to be people of faith. Like Bartimaeus, we may find ourselves helpless and on the side of life's road as we watch the world go by. And like him, we too then turn to God for help.

Just as Jesus called Bartimaeus, we may sense that God is calling us to trust and surrender to his vision of life for us. Throwing aside the cloak that he would use to gather alms by the roadside, Bartimaeus comes to Jesus. That simple action displays his willingness to leave his old way of life behind in order to follow Jesus.

This is how we come to faith—we are given a glimpse of life from God's perspective and must trust enough to cooperate with whatever God may bring our way. Such pivotal moments in life may come with the death of a loved one, the end of a relationship, or the loss of a job, when we need to trust that there is more to life in what lies ahead. Or it may come in those times when we need to learn how to cope with a lifelong illness, a failed dream, or growing old.

It's all about how we come to faith—by trusting that God will bring us to new life, even though we may be blind to the ways He will bring it about.

—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.**

**At Fatima, Our Lady said, "Pray the Rosary every day in order to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war."**

***I am an eighty-year-old with painful knee replacements. Am I allowed to remain seated during Mass? Also, at what age am I free to watch a televised Mass at home instead of going to Mass?***

Your health condition permits you to remain seated while others in the congregation kneel or stand. Of primary importance is your valued presence, and your full, active participation with fellow members of your Catholic faith community. At Mass, "the faithful form a holy people...so that they may give thanks to God and offer the unblemished sacrificial Victim not only by means of the hands of the Priest but also together with him..." (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 95). However, if someone is incapable of attending Mass, then the obligation is abrogated, regardless of age.

The Church allows a televised Mass primarily for people who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes, and prisons.

"The televised Mass is never a substitute for the Church's pastoral care for the sick in the form of visits by parish ministers who share the Scriptures and bring Communion, nor is it ever a substitute for the Sunday Mass celebrated within a parish faith community each week" (Guidelines for Televising the Liturgy, USCCB, 2014).

If you are unable to be present at Mass, you have an opportunity to identify with a worshipping community, hear the word of God, be moved to expressions of praise and thanksgiving, and unite with Christ in spiritual communion. --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: Sat. 4 to 4:30 PM or by appt.

**Our Lady of the Snows Men's Group meets on Monday, October 28th at 5 pm in the Social Hall. Dinner will be served. Hope to see you there!**

**Holy Day of Obligation: Nov. 1st (Friday) is The Solemnity of All Saints and a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 9:30 am and at 5:30 pm that day.**

**November is the month of All Souls: All Souls Day is Nov. 2nd. During the month of November, we especially remember our deceased loved ones. Here are two ways that you can do that:**

**(1) All Souls Remembrance Leaves: We are continuing the custom in our parish of writing names of deceased loved ones on "leaves," which will hang on the "tree" in front of the altar during November. Leaves are available in the Social Hall: write names of your deceased loved ones on a leaf, and drop the leaf in the collection basket or in the basket in the Social Hall. We will hang the leaves on our All Souls Remembrance Tree in front of the altar, during the month of November.**

**(2) There are also envelopes in the Social Hall for Remembrance of All Souls. You may write the names of deceased loved ones on these. Drop in any collection. During the month of November, Father will read some of the names from these envelopes and from the All Souls "leaves" during each Mass.**

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



## Father Josh's Liturgical Tidbits

### The Prayer after Communion:

After the reception of the Body and Blood of Christ, the concluding rites will now wrap up the celebration of the Eucharist. The Prayer after Communion is said, and the priest introduces it just as he did the Collect at the beginning of the Mass with: "Let us Pray."

Remember, the priest, as he invites us with "Let us pray," is inviting the whole congregation to practice the common priesthood of our baptism. The Mass that he celebrated is not for his priesthood alone, but rather for the priesthood of all the baptized. Together they have made a sacrifice and partaken of it.

The Prayer after Communion wraps up the celebration. The priest asks that the benefits of the Eucharist will remain active in our daily lives. The prayer takes various forms, but will encapsulate all the fruits of the mystery just celebrated: healing of body, mind, and spirit; the forgiveness of sins; the protection of God; and the strength to go forward in holiness.

We pray that the Eucharist will strengthen us to live as Jesus did.

### Weekly Offerings

Sunday October 13th	\$ 969.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 89.00
Helping Hands & Westwood Resource Center	\$ 1,148.00

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

#### Eucharistic Ministers      Lector

SAT. 5:00 PM	Toni Pleau and volunteer	Lori Koehnen
SUN. 9:30 AM	Ray Pallari, Julie Chavez, Ruthie Hinman	Steve DeWitt

Email us at: [olslakealmanor@gmail.com](mailto:olslakealmanor@gmail.com)

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

Make sure to check out our website, [ourladyofsnwsparish.org](http://ourladyofsnwsparish.org). Besides important parish information, you will find links to world news that is important to all Catholics, and articles to help you live in Christ each day!

To receive our bulletin by email, contact Steve DeWitt: [cranmorti@gmail.com](mailto:cranmorti@gmail.com) or call him at 530-258-4222. Thank you, Steve, for your time and effort in doing this for all of us!

ONLINE GIVING: simply click the "Donate Now" link on our website [ourladyofsnwsparish.org](http://ourladyofsnwsparish.org). There are also information cards in the Social Hall. Thank you for your contributions!

## Pray for our Sick and Deceased Loved Ones

Genny Amante †	Alma Kopernik	Diana Pallari †
Joe Beuchat	Ronald Longacre †	Miguel Pena †
Vernon Burgess	Lou Ann Martin †	Kerry Phillips †
Lucia Carillo †	Pat Martin	Linda & Dennis Porter
Al & Estelle Cartlidge	Priscilla McEfee †	Janet Saitone †
Reuben Chavez †	Jack Meissner †	Lori Sinclair
Ron & Fran Dennis	Mary Meissner	Frances Smith †
Mary Deveny †	Diane & Larry Miller † †	Marcella Unalles †
Dolores Gard †	Fran Moale †	Ruby Vocke †
Paul Gray	Dante Najera †	John Willhoit
Dan Higgins	Colin & Susan O'Brien † †	Carole Zimmerman †
Aubrey Hawkins †	Kathy O'Donnell	
Jane † & Reed Hilliard	Lawrence Oliver †	
Matthew Hunt †	Scott Oswald †	
Nancy Janus †	Francis Ouellette	
Erin Kelly	Cindee & Mitchell	
Karen Klemek †	Padula † †	† indicates deceased

### Weekly Mass Intentions

October 26	Saturday	5:00 pm	Frances Smith †
October 27	Sunday	9:30 am	Ronald Longacre Diane & Larry Miller & Genny Amante † † † †
October 28	Monday	—	NO MASS
October '29	Tuesday	8:30 am	Lou Ann Martin †
October 30	Wednesday	8:30 am	Dante Najera †
October 31	Thursday	8:30 am	Helen Karch †
November 1 (2 masses)	All Saints Day	9:30 am 5:30 pm	Mary Deveny † Diana Pallari †

### OLS NEWS (continued)--

**Year-end Charitable Giving:** If you have a "Required Minimum Distribution" (RMD) from a retirement account for 2024, please think about giving a portion of that distribution to Our Lady of the Snows. Thank you for considering us, and thanks to those who have already sent a donation from your retirement account.

**Commemorative Bricks** can be ordered for \$100. Forms are available in the Social Hall. Contact Steve DeWitt at 530-258-4222 or email him at [cranmorti@gmail.com](mailto:cranmorti@gmail.com) for more information. **Please note:** A Guide to Bricks is now available! Inside the entrance of the church, there is a binder that lists the coordinates of the Commemorative Bricks to help you quickly locate your brick(s). The list is in alphabetical order by the last name of the person who purchased the brick.

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.