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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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PENTECOST SUNDAY

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June 8, 2025

Good News

dear Padre

OLS News

Pentecost (C) Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Romans 8:8-17 / John 20:19-23 or John 14:15-16, 23b-26

We are in a time when many seem to live with deep anger, much of which may come from fear generated by a sense of loss of control over our lives. We struggle to control the economy, our borders, the spread of disease, the violence in our cities and on our roads. Places once deemed safe—our schools, stores, and churches—have been invaded by violence.

Ironically, those who feel most threatened by violence tend to turn to violence as a solution. Do the scripture readings on this feast of Pentecost offer any hint of light as to how we might move forward?

Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans contrasts living in the flesh with living in the spirit that has been given to us. To "live in the flesh" is Paul's code word for living by our baser instincts—lust for power, revenge, and pleasure; anger; greed—all of which focus on ourselves. By contrast, to live in the spirit is to respond not from our baser instincts but rather to choose a more noble path, to take the high road, to care for the common good.

For Paul, living in the flesh is a dead end, unable to bring us to life now or in the hereafter. To live in the spirit is to live in God, already in this life. Thus, Paul cautions that we not "fall back into fear," something that arises from our preoccupation with the flesh.

—Father Joseph Juknialis

"If we live in the Spirit, let us also follow the Spirit."—Galatians 5:25

My Catholic friend says she speaks in tongues and does not feel she needs an interpretation as she does so. She writes down the exchange as she listens to others. What does the Catholic Church say about speaking in tongues? How should I respond if she asks to pray for me in this way?

Good for your friend. A robust spiritual practice is a real grace from God. At the same time, it seems that a gentle reminder, albeit a respectful one, to your friend might include the wisdom of St. Paul. In 1 Corinthians, Paul cautions that the person who speaks in tongues must ask for interpretation of what is spoken so that it may be confirmed.

There is real wisdom offered here. It is also helpful to remember that in the Christian understanding of supernatural gifts, such gifts are not intended solely for the individual person but always for the well-being of the community and the common good (1 Cor 12:7).

Keeping this integrated and balanced understanding as an essential component of the manifestation of the charismatic gifts of the Holy Spirit will only lead to good and to a more powerful experience of God's grace and life. In the Christian life, it is never about just the individual, but always inclusive of the experience of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

—Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSSR

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

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.

2nd Collection this weekend is shared by Helping Hands in Chester and Westwood Resource Center. Thank you for helping those in need who live near us.

Next weekend (June 14-15) there will be a **2nd collection for our Maintenance Fund.** During the summer months, a second collection for Maintenance will be taken up **each weekend** except for the second weekend of the month, which is our collection for the poor.

OLS Men's Group meets the second Tuesday of each month. Next meeting is Tues. **June 11th at 5 pm** in the Social Hall. **Dinner will be served.** We hope that you can join us! And thank you to all who attended and all who worked at the Men's Group Breakfast last Sun.!

The Altar Society says "thank you and God Bless you" to all who baked for our May 24th Bake Sale, to all who helped at the sale, especially to members of the Men's Group who set up the tables and awning, and to all who purchased baked goods and gave donations!

To our **Summer/Seasonal Parishioners:** You are members of our "parish family," year-round, even if you are only here part of the year. We welcome you to join any and all of our activities and parish groups. We are blessed to have you in our parish!

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

Father Josh's Liturgical Tidbits

The Recessional

After the Final Blessing and with the priest's closing words: "Go forth, the Mass is ended!" The priest reverences one final time the altar and then follows the processional cross as they recess to where they entered.

The Recessional is an important action at the end of the Mass, as it signifies something very important—As we entered the Eucharistic celebration processing in *from* the world, the Recessional is an outward action wherein we go back *to* the world as we continue to bear the fruits of the Mass outside of the Church's visible confines.

The processional cross leads the way out as it is a symbol for all of Christ's disciples to follow the Cross into the world. We carry the Cross of the Lord with us as it was "by this Holy Cross, You have redeemed the world," and so we continue His salvific work as we "process" out, back into the world.

Weekly Offerings

Sunday 25th	\$	\$2,220.00
Maintenance	\$	1,782.00
Helping Hands/Westwood Resource Center	\$	92.00
Brick Donations	\$	500.00
Mass Stipends	\$	55.00

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

Distribution of the Cup at Communion is reinstated now - We need 3 Eucharistic Ministers at Mass.

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Sat. 5 pm	Toni P, Pat D, Volunteer	Lori Koehnen
Sunday 9:30 am	Carolyn W, Ray P, Julie C	Mike Willhoit

Email us at: olslakealmanor@gmail.com

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

Our website: ourladyofsnowparish.org.

To receive our bulletin by email, contact Steve DeWitt: cranmorti@gmail.com or call him at 530-258-4222.

ONLINE GIVING is so easy! Simply click the "Donate Now" link on our website ourladyofsnowparish.org. There are also information cards in the Social Hall (for the app).

Did you know? Pope Leo XIV is on Instagram! His first official post was made on May 13, 2025. The account, *@pontifex*, is the official Instagram account of the Pope.

Pray for our Sick and Deceased Loved Ones

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

† indicates deceased

Weekly Mass Intentions

June 7	Saturday	5:00 pm	Andy Willhoit †
June 8	Sunday	9:30 am	Cindee and Mitchell Padula ††
June 9	Monday	—	NO MASS
June 10	Tuesday	8:30 am	Vernon Burgess
June 11	Wednesday	8:30 am	George Hormel
June 12	Thursday	8:30 am	Rick Williams
June 13	Friday	8:30 am	Todd Karbowski †

OLS NEWS (continued)--

Sacred Heart Pilgrimage, June 26th-27th, hosted by Sacred Heart Church in Susanville. This will be an important Jubilee Year event in our area! Flyers and information available in the Social Hall and also online at sacredheartpilgrimage.net. The event includes an afternoon of Recollection at Sacred Heart Church in Susanville on Friday, June 27th (Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus), followed by Mass celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop Rey, and a dinner. Please make plans to attend! **Reminder:** On the "Jubilee Year Information" table in the back of the Social Hall, there are stickers to record your pilgrimages. Please help yourself to these and to other information about the Jubilee Year.

Commemorative Bricks can be ordered for \$100. Forms are available in the Social Hall. Contact Steve DeWitt at 530-258-4222 for more information, or email him at cranmorti@gmail.com.

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.