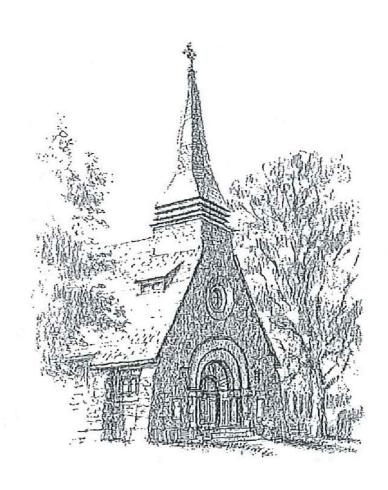
Our Lady of the Snows Parish in Woodstock Our Lady of the Mountains Church in Killington

January 1, 2023, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God



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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. at OLM and 6:00 p.m. at OLS

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. at 015

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:00 a.m., at OLS (Check weekly bulletin.)

Confessions: OLS: Friday, 9:30 a.m. & Saturday 7:00 p.m. OLM: Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 31

New Year's Eve Our Lady of the Mountains 4:30 p.m. safety of all travelers

Our Lady of the Snows 6:00 p.m. Charles Racicot, Carmen Garcia

Sunday, January 1

New Year's Day Our Lady of the Snows 8:30 a.m. John & Mildred Weigert

Our Lady of the Snows 10:30 a.m. James Malone, Michael Bly

Monday, Jan. 2 Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Myra Harrington

Tuesday, Jan. 3 Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Thomas & Anna Terry

Wednesday, Jan. 4 Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. No Mass

Thursday, Jan. 5 Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Paul Veyette, Jr.

Friday, Jan. 6 Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Powell family, by Georgia Plattner

Saturday, January 7

Our Lady of the Mountains 4:30 p.m. Pope Benedict

Our Lady of the Snows 6:00 p.m. Adam Slezak

Sunday, January 8

Our Lady of the Snows 8:30 a.m. Ed Augustinowitz

Our Lady of the Snows 10:30 a.m. Sarah Dembinski, Pat Alden

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

It is Father Mike's ardent desire to bring the Sacraments to the Sick and the Dying. If you are aware of anyone in need of the Sacraments, be they homebound, hospitalized, in nursing homes or in prison, please notify the parish office and Father will respond as soon as possible.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK

Please remember the following in your prayers this week: Philippe and Therese Rottner, Megan Skakel, Mike Fenn, Greg Flitner, Bob Burke, Brigid Cooke, Isabella Brosio Lauzon, John Huffstedler, Melissa Kiely, Michael Smith, Peter Daily, Eileen Hayden, Richard Avicolli, Matthew Drugonis, Ed Jagelski, John Belohlavek, Kay Camp, Allen Dougherty, Mary Riley, Danny Jones, Carole Arnold, Heather Regan, and Mark Herz.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Woodstock

Email: ourladyofthesnows@comcast.net

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

December 24 and December 25

Amount needed weekly: \$2,500

Our Lady of the Snows: \$5,011

Our Lady of the Mountains: \$657

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Pat Alden, Fr. Charles Davignon, Bob Kiely, Bob Plattner, Michael McCarthy, Bill Gallagher and Bernadette Darakjy. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace.



TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

"The Twelve Days of Christmas" is an English Christmas carol that enumerates a series of increasingly grand gifts given on each of the twelve days of Christmas (the twelve days that make up the Christmas season, starting with Christmas day.) Some have used this carol also to highlight some aspect of our Faith. For example, the partridge in a pear tree is Jesus Christ. Two turtle doves are the old and new testaments. Three French hens stand for faith, hope and charity. Four calling birds are the four gospels. The five golden rings recalled the Torah or law, the first five books of the Old Testament. The six geese a-laying stand for the six days of creation. Seven swans a-swimming represent the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. The eight maids a-milking are the eight beatitudes. Nine ladies dancing are the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit. The ten lords a-leaping are the ten commandments. The eleven pipers piping stand for the eleven faithful disciples. And the twelve drummers drumming symbolize the twelve points of belief in the Apostles Creed. Whatever were the author's intention, these amazing images can remind us of some aspect of our marvelous gift of Faith.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS AT THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE, ENFIELD, NH

This year the "Festival of Lights" starts Thanksgiving evening and will continue until January 2, 2023. We will turn the lights on nightly from 5pm until 9pm. Because of covid19, we will not be open Monday or Tuesday evenings. We will be providing a reduced food selection in the cafeteria to help keep everybody safe and socially distanced from each other

The theme of our "Festival of Lights" this year is "Mary Uniting all Cultures". Once again, we are offering our heartwarming panorama of Christmas light displays and the wonderful display of nativity scenes from all over the world. We will celebrate the Holy Mass each evening at 6 pm so we can be nourished with sacred scripture, the Sacraments-Christ present in the Eucharist- and be with a supportive community of believers.

WOODSTOCK COMMUNITY FOODSHELF

With December here and therefore winter approaching, there are certain needs right now. The Food shelf will be preparing food baskets for Christmas so they can especially use soups, canned meats, and cans of vegetables. Your generosity is always appreciated.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2023

The offertory envelopes for the year of 2023 will be in the back of the church. Please feel free to pick up your box anytime. If you do not see a box with your name on it, and would like a box of envelopes, please call or come into the rectory and let us know. We will give you one.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to all who contributed to the parish's annual "Giving Tree" project, donating food and gifts to families in need. You shopped, you donated and have brought Christmas joy to many children who would not otherwise have had it. And a special thank you to Elizabeth Romano and Bev Regan who year after year do the hard work which makes this project possible, and so very successful.

YEAR-END GIFTS

As you consider what contributions you might make before the end of the year, I suggest you consider supporting your parish church, Our Lady of the Snows, in Woodstock, Vermont.

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