Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

(John 1:9)
ABOUT OUR PARISH
MISSION | SACRAMENTS

Mission Statement

We the people of Our Lady of the Snows and the Church of Saint Benedict comprise a joyful Catholic Community of the faithful united in Baptism in Christ Jesus the Son, guided by the Father, and sustained by the Holy Spirit.

We are dedicated to serving God and one another with love and understanding. We also recognize the diversity of cultural, ethnic, and religious traditions among us and extend our hands and hearts to all with care and compassion.

Challenged by the Word of God, we are nourished by the Eucharist and strengthened by prayer and the sacraments to attain our ultimate goal of eternal life and everlasting happiness in complete union with God.

Sacramental Life

Baptism: First time parents are asked to attend a pre-baptismal class. Call the Parish Center to schedule an appointment.

Eucharist: Questions regarding this cornerstone of our faith can be directed to Tricia Rubner, Int. Director of Religious Education.

Confirmation: Administered yearly to all 8th graders who have been enrolled in our religious education program for two years.

Marriage: Couples - please contact the Parish Center at least six months in advance of your desired wedding date so that appropriate preparations can be made for your celebration.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Center whenever a member of your family has become sick or hospitalized.

Visitation of the Sick: Any parishioner who is homebound & would like to regularly receive the Eucharist is encouraged to contact the Parish Office to schedule a visit.

Funerals: Please notify the Parish Center at the time of your loved one’s death to assist in helping to plan their funeral.

REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED | HOLY WEEK

MONDAY | APRIL 15TH
CSG  7:00 AM Mary Murray (Family)
OLS  12:10 PM Ann Zinicola (Betty Sfarr)

TUESDAY | APRIL 16TH
CSG  7:00 AM Katie Hennemuth Reap (Family)
OLS  12:10 PM Mary Woods (James Mellon)

WEDNESDAY | APRIL 17TH
CSG  7:00 AM Rebecca Haggerty (Kilner Family)
OLS  12:10 PM Elizabeth White (Les White)

HOLY TRIDUUM 2019 | APRIL 18 - 20

THURSDAY | APRIL 18TH
CSB  7:00 PM Mass of the Lord’s Supper

FRIDAY | APRIL 19TH
OLS  3:00 PM Passion of the Lord

SATURDAY | APRIL 20TH
CSB  8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 21ST, 2019

OLS  7:00 AM Mass of the Resurrection
CSB  8:00 AM Mass of the Resurrection
OLS  9:30 AM Mass of the Resurrection
CSB  9:30 AM Mass of the Resurrection
CSB  11:00 AM Mass of the Resurrection
OLS  11:15 AM Mass of the Resurrection

We remember in a special way those who have passed recently, especially:

Thomas S. Barrett
Betty L. Lynn (mother of Deacon Leo Lynn)
Gina Van Wie Monahan
May God’s peace ever be theirs.

Pastoral Team

Msgr. Joseph G. Quinn, Pastor
Father Babu Muttikkal, Assistant Pastor
Deacon Leo Lynn, Parish Deacon
Donna O’Brien Arnold, Parish Operations
Stephen Murphy, Liturgical Music
Dorothy Lynott, Liturgical Ministries
Tricia Rubner, Religious Education
Pete Serine, Grounds and Facilities

April 14th, 2019 | Palm Sunday
Once hailed with blessings and hosannas as He approached the Mount of Olives, the same God is nailed to a cross amid cries for His crucifixion. What an ironic twist of fate. What an unjust end to this compassionate, simple, and loving life.

Life’s ironies and cruelties are dramatically witnessed today and throughout this Holy Week. The thread of God’s love is woven through it all as it reveals God’s transforming, redemptive, and salvific plan. It is all necessary: the hardship and the joy, the suffering and the glory, the disappointment and the inheritance. When life takes a turn for the worse, we often question where God is.

Are we ready to walk through our lives as did Jesus, with a persistent trust that regardless how difficult our journey, all will work out in the end! “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.”

“As He rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road; the whole multitude of His disciples began to praise God aloud with joy for all the mighty deeds they had seen.” - (Lk 19:36, 37b)

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**SUNDAY | APRIL 14TH**
- GR 2:00 PM BEREAVEMENT GROUP
- GR 6:00 PM YOUTH GROUP

**MONDAY | APRIL 15TH**
- OLS 5:30 PM THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

**TUESDAY | APRIL 16TH**
- CSP 4:00 PM CHRISTMAS SOLEMNITY
- OLS 7:00 PM CHOIR REHEARSAL

**WEDNESDAY | APRIL 17TH**
- OLS 12:35 PM WEEKLY NOVENA

**THE HOLY TRIDUUM**

**HOLY THURSDAY | APRIL 18TH**
- 8:30 AM MORNING PRAYER OLS
- 7:00 PM MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER CSB

**GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 19TH**
- 8:30 AM MORNING PRAYER OLS
- 3:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OLS

**HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 20TH**
- 8:30 AM MORNING PRAYER OLS
- 1:30 PM EASTER EGG HUNT OLS
- 2:00 PM BLESSING OF BASKETS OLS
- 8:00 PM EASTER VIGIL MASS OLS

**SPRING BIBLE STUDY**

BEGINNING APRIL 23RD | NINE TUESDAYS

Discover the meaning of the titles and images through which Jesus reveals Himself to us. Jesus Revealed is like no other Catholic Scripture Study. It is an engrossing look at more than 750 Scripture verses spanning the entire Bible.
MONDAY: LAST CHANCE!

“The Light is on for You” is an opportunity for you to get to Confession during this 2019 Lenten Season. If you have yet to celebrate this sacrament this Lent, come to Our Lady of the Snows this Monday evening anytime from 5:30 pm to 7 pm.

TUESDAY: CHRISM MASS

All of the faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are invited to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter this Tuesday, April 16th at 4pm.

At this Mass, priests from across the Diocese will renew their ordination promises and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders will be blessed.

Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support the priests of the Diocese of Scranton!

THURSDAY: CHURCH HOPPING

The tradition of visiting seven churches on Holy Thursday is an ancient practice where early pilgrims visited the seven Roman Basilicas on Holy Thursday.

Our OLS Youth Ministry is sponsoring a similar event this Thursday. Students and families should attend the 7pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper at St. Benedict then, immediately after Mass, all will depart to visit St. Peter’s Cathedral, St. Ann’s Basilica and St. Thomas More Church. At each stop, everyone will have a brief time to find a quiet spot and pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Interested? Call (570) 586-1741.

SATURDAY: BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS

Following this coming Saturday's 1:30pm Easter Egg Hunt, baskets containing a sampling of your Easter foods can be brought to Our Lady of the Snows Church this Holy Saturday at 2pm to be blessed. Just seeing the creativity of other parishioners in decorating their baskets is one of the special joys of the event!

The Blessing of the Food is a festive occasion with special prayers for the meats, eggs, cakes and breads, as well as the families that will gather at table on Easter Sunday.

We hope your family can join us for this special Easter Blessing!
HOLY TRIDUUM 2019

HOLY THURSDAY

8:30 AM MORNING PRAYER OLS
7:00 PM MASS OF LORD’S SUPPER CSB

Holy Thursday marks the day on which Christ instituted the Holy Eucharist and the priestly Order and gave us the commandment concerning fraternal charity. During the Mass, there will be the rite of the Washing of Feet, which re-enacts Christ’s washing of the feet of his apostles at the Last Supper.

GOOD FRIDAY

8:30 AM MORNING PRAYER OLS
3:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE OLS

This solemn liturgy consists of three parts: The Liturgy of the Word, the Adoration of the Cross, and Holy Communion. Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum is the high point of the entire Liturgical Year.

HOLY SATURDAY

8:30 AM MORNING PRAYER OLS
1:30 PM EASTER EGG HUNT OLS
2:00 PM BLESSING OF BASKETS OLS
8:00 PM EASTERN VIGIL MASS OLS

Following the Gospel admonition (Luke 12:35-37), the Faithful, carrying lighted candles in their hands, should be like those looking for the Lord when he returns. This vigil is the greatest and most noble of all solemnities in the Church.

EASTER SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

Alleluia!
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CROP WALK

On **Sunday, April 28th**, the Abington Ecumenical Ministerium will host a Crop Walk. The event is intended to draw attention to those who are in need of food in our area and throughout the world. **Registration will begin at 1:30 PM** on Sunday, April 28th, at the **Dalton Fire Company**. The walk will take place on the Trolley Trail courtesy of Countryside Conservancy. To be part of **Our Lady of the Snows’** team, please call the Parish Center at (570) 586-1741.

LENTEN LITTLE WORKS OF MERCY

Our thanks to all who so generously supported this year’s **Lenten Little Works of Mercy**. All of the small gifts did indeed make a big difference in helping women in our community who have suffered with various forms of abuse and violence in their lives, most likely on the homefront.

The amazing goodness of so many members of the parish have helped the ongoing work of the **Women’s Resource Center**, Scranton.

We offer our special thanks to our own **Women’s Guild** here at **Our Lady of the Snows**, who once again so kindly coordinated this year’s efforts.

REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH AT EASTER

At Easter, we humbly ask you to remember the great recurring needs of our parish throughout the year and how much your added Easter Contribution can help our parish meet those needs on an ongoing basis.

Thank you for your generosity to our parish!

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

**COLLECTION TO SUPPORT CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND**

Pope Francis has again asked Catholics around the world to support Christians in the Holy Land through the annual Good Friday Collection.

Your support means that the Church can provide education, ministries, feed the hungry, build housing, maintain churches and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land.

Thank you for your help!

STEWARDSHIP

**Know how grateful we are for your Sunday Offerings from:**

**Weekend of April 6-7**
- Envelopes: $16,765.50
- Online: $1,771.50
- Total: $18,536.50

**Save time, give online**

Online giving is available through WeShare, a safe, easy, and completely secure way to donate to Our Lady of the Snows Parish.

Visit olsb.weshareonline.org or call the Parish Center at 570.586.1741.