“No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”

John 15:13

Memorial Day
REMEMBERING OUR HEROS
ABOUT OUR PARISH
MISSION | SACRAMENTS

Our 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.

Our 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, Interim 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 parishoner who is homebound and 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.

Our Catholic Schools

**Our Lady of Peace School** (Grades PK 4 to 8)
OLPClarksSummit.com

**Holy Cross High School** (Grades 9 to 12)
HCHSpa.org

REMINDING OUR BELOVED | MAY 27 - 31

WEEKDAY

**MONDAY | MAY 27TH**
OLS 9:30 AM William Longstreet (Anna Longstreet, Family)

**TUESDAY | MAY 28TH**
CSG 7:00 AM Alice O’Malley / Joseph Simpson (Family)
OLS 12:10 PM Michael Carpenter (Alice & Edward Manley)

**WEDNESDAY | MAY 29TH**
CSG 7:00 AM Msgr. John H. Louis (Jean Conlon)
OLS 12:10 PM Jesse Kane (Family)
OLS 5:30 PM ASCENSION THURSDAY VIGIL MASS

**THURSDAY | MAY 30TH**
CSG 7:00 AM Msgr. James J. McGarry (Trudy Stoney)
OLS 12:10 PM ASCENSION THURSDAY LITURGY
OLS 5:30 PM ASCENSION THURSDAY LITURGY

**FRIDAY | MAY 31ST**
CSG 7:00 AM Catherine Loughney (Leahy/Gilroy Families)
OLS 12:10 PM Udomsak Family (Family)

WEEKDAY

**SATURDAY | JUNE 1ST**
CSB 3:15 PM CONFESSIONS (Golda Toe Family)
CSB 4:00 PM Ann Picca
OLS 5:00 PM CONFESSIONS (Marise Garofalo)
OLS 5:30 PM ANGELO GAROFALO

**SUNDAY | JUNE 2ND**
OLS 7:00 AM Deceased Parishoners of OLS Parish
CSB 8:00 AM James A. Donahue, Jr. (Debra Dodgson)
OLS 9:30 AM Dominick A. Cruciani, Jr. (Pusateri Family)
CSB 11:00 AM William Somers Carey (Carey & Berry Families)
OLS 11:15 AM Grassi & Bellino Families (Estelle & Dennis Kelly)

This week, we remember especially those parish members and friends who died recently:

William O. Donath
Paul H. Coleman, Sr.
Barbara Balkunas

May God’s peace forever be theirs.

26 May 2019 | Sixth Sunday of Easter
The Sunday Connection

Bringing Sunday’s Scripture into Everyday Life

Gospel Meditation

God’s Dwelling is Near

To listen openly and be willing to dialogue are the most effective ways to discern how to solve a problem.

We must be open to the Holy Spirit and, under his guidance, allow our opinions to be challenged and changed. Learning to trust the active work of the Holy Spirit in all things releases us from fear and brings us closer to living in the peace Jesus promised.

Scripture, Church teaching and practice, the wisdom of others in our community, our relationship with God, and the promptings and stirrings of our hearts all have to be weighed when making important decisions. This is how the Holy Spirit keeps us faithful to Christ and the way the Church brings resolution to questions that inevitably arise.

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- Holy Day (Thurs): 7:00 am (CSG)
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Remember your beloved at...

Memorial Walkway at Church of St. Benedict

Paver Stone Sample Options:

- 9” x 9”: $200
- 13” x 9”: $300

Submissions Due This Week!

Visit OLSParish.net for more information.
THE WEEK AHEAD
SEE MORE ONLINE  |  OLSPARISH.NET

MONDAY | MAY 27TH
OLS 9:30 AM  MEMORIAL DAY MASS

TUESDAY | MAY 28TH
GR 9:45 AM  BIBLE STUDY (MORNING GROUP)
GR 6:30 PM  BIBLE STUDY (EVENING GROUP)

WEDNESDAY | MAY 29TH
OLS 12:35 PM  WEEKLY NOVENA
OLS 5:30 PM  ASCENSION VIGIL MASS
GR 6:00 PM  JUST A SOCIAL

THURSDAY | MAY 30TH
CSG 7:00 AM  ASCENSION THURSDAY MASS
OLS 12:10 PM  ASCENSION THURSDAY MASS
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FRIDAY | MAY 31ST
GR 10:00 AM  FRIDAY MORNING COMPANY

OLS - Our Lady of the Snows
ER - Emmaus Room
GR - Gathering Room
PCR - Parish Conference Room

PRAYING THE ROSARY
CELEBRATING MARY’S MONTH

WEEKDAYS IN MAY
Monday 11:45 am  Rosary
Wednesday 12:40 pm  Novena
Friday 11:45 am  Rosary

SUNDAYS IN MAY
Together we will be praying two decades of the rosary prior to the start of the Sunday Masses at Our Lady of the Snows and Church of St. Benedict.

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Q. Why is the Easter season so long? And should we be doing something special for it?

A. You’ve probably noticed the priest continuing to where white vestments at the Sunday liturgy. While we celebrated Christ’s Resurrection several weeks ago, the Easter season extends fifty days, just over seven weeks, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. For most of that time - about six weeks - Jesus is still with the disciples, teaching and encouraging them. The Easter season isn’t just a celebration of when Jesus is with us. At the Last Supper, Jesus promised to send an “advocate” or “counselor” when He left. At the Ascension, He directs the disciples to await “power from on high” - the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Ascension completes the paschal mystery, beginning with Jesus’ suffering and death and continuing in the Resurrection. But the Holy Spirit ushers in a new era for the Church.

After spending weeks in prayer, fasting, and service during Lent, it may seem odd that we don’t widely have similar practices for Easter. That doesn’t mean you can’t embrace the season! Commit to taking moments of little joy throughout the weeks, like random acts of kindness towards others. Consider reading the Acts of the Apostles to learn more about the early Church or picking up an Easter devotional to pray with. He is still risen indeed!

Come to the Well
CATHOLIC WOMEN’S CONFERENCE

Saturday, June 22, 2019
BYRON CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF SCRANTON
$40 ADMISSION  (EARLY BIRD PRICING UNTIL JUNE 1ST)
$20 STUDENT ADMISSION
FREE RELIGIOUS

Register at CWCNEPA.COM

26 May 2019  |  Sixth Sunday of Easter
This year our Youth Group Summer Mission Trip will be returning to Sullivan County’s Shrine of St. John Neumann to complete the restoration work they began last year. The trip is set for July 21st to 26th. Our Lady of the Snows will be again teaming up with Steve Wallo and the Youth Group from St. John the Evangelist Parish in Pittston.

This year’s Vacation Bible School is coming quickly. We need students, Grade 6 and older, as well as adults to help!

Volunteers Needed! Visit OLSPARISH.NET/VBSVOLUNTEER to sign up!

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

All 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade students from across the Diocese are invited to be a part of the annual Up & Over Retreat on June 1 - 3 at Camp Orchard Hill in Dallas.

Team building exercises, problem-solving skills, and small group activities help students discover their inner gifts and strengths.

QUO VADIS DAYS

Quo Vadis Days 2019 are being held at Misericordia University from June 24 - 27. This camp for young Catholic men in High School (Grades 9 to 12) aims to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God’s call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more.

For information on these events, please call Shannon Kowalski in the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213.
More than three months following the death of our former pastor and beloved friend, Msgr. James McGarry, people are still sending in memorial contributions to the Parish to honor his twenty years of priestly labors at Our Lady of the Snows Parish.

Combining these recent memorial gifts with the thirty gifts previously received, our Parish has acquired beautiful new communion Ciboria (as pictured here) for use at Our Lady of the Snows and several new vestments for use at Saint Benedict’s. All have been memorialized with an inscription of his name.

We thank all who have so kindly remembered this extraordinary priest, pastor, friend and mentor. From his arrival in 1995 through his twenty years of service which he concluded in 2015, Msgr. McGarry’s goodness and kindness touched the lives of all.

**FOR NEXT WEEKEND JUNE 1ST - 2ND MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

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**STEWARDSHIP**

Know how grateful we are for your Sunday Offerings from:

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ONLINE GIVING is available through WeShare, a simple, safe, and completely secure way to donate to Our Lady of the Snows Parish. olssb.weshareonline.org or call the Parish Center at 570.586.1741.