THIRD SUNDAY *of* LENT
7 MARCH 2021

Our Lady *of the* Snows Parish

FAITH, HOPE & HEALING

"Lord, you have the words of everlasting life."

John 6:68c

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UPCOMING celebrations

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

First Penance
at St. Benedict's

March 20th (Saturday)
10am & 12pm

FIRST Communion

First Holy Communion
at St. Benedict's

May 8th (Saturday)
10am & 12pm

May 9th (Sunday)
10am & 12pm

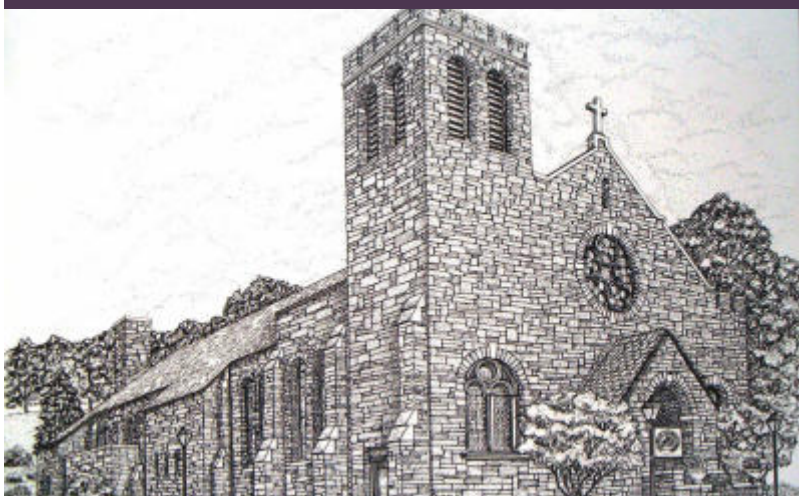
CONFIRMATION

Confirmation
at St. Benedict's

May 22nd (Saturday)
10am & 12pm

May 23rd (Sunday)
10am & 12pm

REMEMBERING
OUR BELOVED | MARCH 8th - 14th



MONDAY | MARCH 8TH — **LENTEN WEEKDAY**
CSG / 8:00am — **Judge James Munley** *(Dr. & Mrs Jeremiah Eagen)*
OLS / 12:10pm — **Jane Vessel** *(Tom & Rose Kamla)*

TUESDAY | MARCH 9TH — **LENTEN WEEKDAY**
CSG / 8:00am — **Paul Durkin** *(Pat & Mary Jane Sheridan)*
OLS / 12:10pm — **Virginia Parlato** *(Petrone Family)*

WEDNESDAY | MARCH 10TH — **LENTEN WEEKDAY**
CSG / 8:00am — **David L. Tressler** *(Mr. & Mrs. James Scott)*
OLS / 12:10pm — **John Christopher Moyles** *(Family)*

THURSDAY | MARCH 11TH — **LENTEN WEEKDAY**
CSG / 8:00am — **Carolyn Meyer** *(Friend)*
OLS / 12:10pm — **David Matechak** *(Family)*

FRIDAY | MARCH 12TH — **LENTEN WEEKDAY**
CSG / 8:00am — **Paul Milani** *(Dr. Frank Milani)*
OLS / 12:10pm — **Chester & Lilian Batroney** *(John Wilk)*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT | MARCH 13th - 14th

SATURDAY | MARCH 6TH
CSB / 4:00pm — **John J. Gentile** *(Joseph J. Gentile, Jr.)*
OLS / 5:30pm — **John Stracham** *(Wife)*

SUNDAY | MARCH 7TH
OLS / 7:00am — **Edward Monahan** *(Connolly Family)*
CSB / 8:00am — **All Deceased Members of OLS Parish**
OLS / 9:30am — **Richard Gralinski** *(Family)*
OLS / 11:15am — **Francis J. O'Boyle** *(Family)*

MASS AT HOME

Weekdays from Cathedral via CTV/EWTN
12:10pm 7:00pm

Weekend Mass from OLS Parish:
Available all weekend on OLSParish.net

Weekends: Mass from Cathedral via CTV/EWTN
Saturday Vigil Mass: **4:00pm**
Rebroadcast on Sunday: **10:00am**

THE SUNDAY CONNECTION

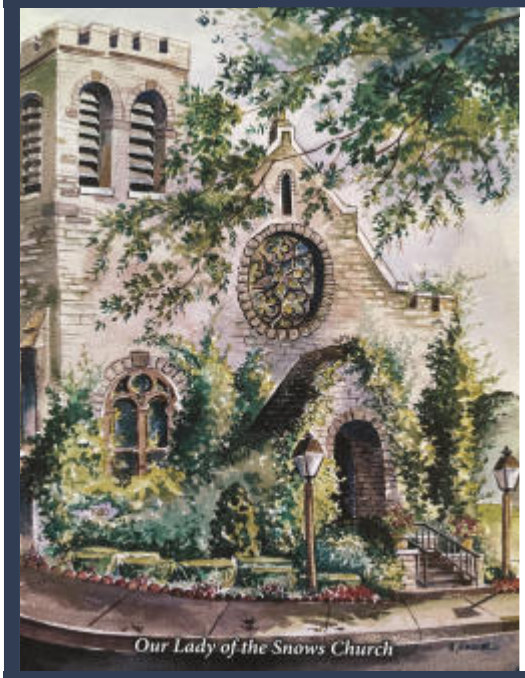
BRINGING SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE INTO EVERYDAY LIFE | **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

With our world in such constant turmoil and conflict, it makes such good sense to return to the simple directives given in the Ten Commandments. God's unassuming guidelines provide the perfect recipe for ordering our relationships with God, others, and even ourselves.

But yet, we are so quick to glance beyond them and even remove them from public view because we foolishly believe we can create something better. Arrogance runs far deeper in the members of our society than we can ever imagine.

Lent is a perfect time to call ourselves back to our foundations and the basic relationships that comprise our lives. It is also a time to remember that Jesus is the true sign of God's presence. Everything he says and does, including his suffering and death, is a sign of the God who sent him. The anger we witness when Jesus exhorts those in the temple to stop making his Father's house a marketplace can equally be seen in his anger and frustration over humanity's constant mission to turn God's creation into a secular world. We have a lot of work to do for sure.

YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR HELP!



As we all know, the coronavirus pandemic has changed *everything* we do, from the way we shop for groceries, the way we interact with each other and our families, to the way we gather as a community of faith.

During these uncertain times, we have learned that our love of God and of our neighbor has become more essential than ever before.

As a parish family, let us prepare to move beyond the darkness of the pandemic and embrace our mission of servant leadership as we provide ***Faith, Hope & Healing*** to those most in need among us.

To do that ever more vibrantly, we hope you will join us in supporting our ***Faith, Hope & Healing*** program. Each family was recently sent an information packet. We ask that you prayerfully consider how *you* and your family can help our parish by financially supporting our ministries, furthering our mission and stabilizing our parish's future.

Thank you!

have FAITH · *stay* HOPEFUL · *aid* HEALING

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING

EXODUS 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17

In those days, God delivered all these commandments: "I, the Lord am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in vain. For the Lord will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain. Remember to keep holy the sabbath day. Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the Lord, your God, is giving you.

You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 19

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the Lord is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the command of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eye.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true, all of them just.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

They are more precious than gold, than a heap of purest gold; sweeter also than syrup or honey from the comb.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 1:22-25

Brothers and sisters:

Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

JOHN 2:13-25

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me. At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up."

The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken. While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life, who proceeds from
the Father and the Son, who with
the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the
prophets.

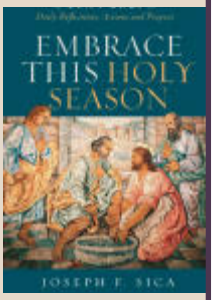
I believe in one, holy, catholic
and apostolic Church. I confess one
Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and
I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

LENT 2021

READ & REFLECT

Make full use of the late beloved Father Sica's daily reflections and prayers as we all strive to *"Embrace This Holy Season."* He finished this Lenten booklet just days before he died unexpectedly of a heart attack last year. His spiritual advice was always to the very end to "live every moment with passion." May his timeless wisdom help us all to do so.



PRAY AT MASS

M-F **DAILY MASSES**
In Person: 8:00am at St. Gregory's
12:10pm at Our Lady of the Snows
At Home: 12:10pm from St. Peter's Cathedral
7:00pm rebroadcast on CTV/EWTN

SAT **VIGIL MASSES** 4:00pm (CSB)
5:30pm (OLS)

SUN **SUNDAY MASSES** 7:00am (OLS)
8:00am (CSB)
9:30am (OLS)
11:15am (OLS)
At Home: On-Demand all day at OLSParish.net

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRI **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**
12 Noon (immediately prior to OLS Daily Mass)

CONFESSIONS

SAT **CONFESSIONS**
3:00pm at CSB 5:00pm at OLS

3/15
3/22
3/29
THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU
3 Mondays from 5:30 to 7pm at OLS
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconcilliation

This is an additional opportunity for Confession during the season of Lent. It is a wonderful chance for you to know and receive God's mercy in the amazing Sacrament of Healing.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Every parish in the Diocese of Scranton is responding to community needs during COVID-19

FOOD ASSISTANCE

30%

Diocesan parishes that operate their own food pantry

*Together, these pantries helped more than 2,000 families/individuals **each month** in 2020*

94%

Parishes without food pantries that collected food for another local agency or food bank

23%

Parishes hosting free community meals

20%

Parishes providing meals for seniors/homebound

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

63%

Parishes providing direct help to families struggling with food, fuel, utilities or rent

63%

Parishes providing assistance to families or others during the holidays

53%

Parishes collecting clothing for children and families

KEEPING CONNECTED

75%

Parishes that began livestreaming Masses

58%

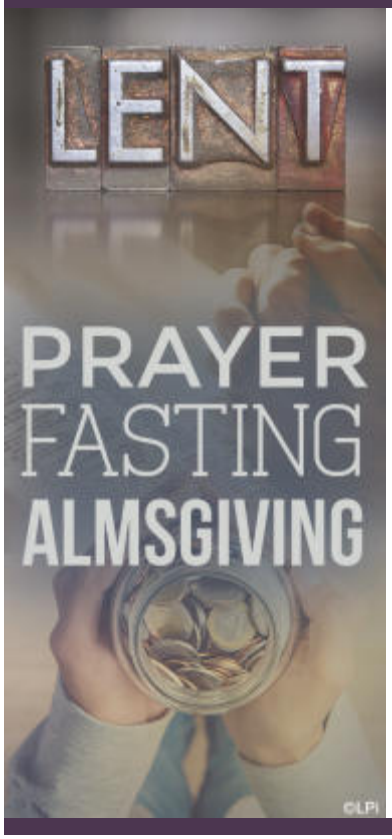
Parishes utilizing a phone calling ministry

33%

Parishes started new ministries during the pandemic

New ministries included: Pandemic hospitality teams, youth ministry outreach to essential workers, virtual ministries, small faith sharing groups, health ministries and summer lunch programs

YOUR GENEROSITY IS AN ACT OF LOVE!



FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Our support of local food banks becomes even more critical in this time of crisis. With our churches open, the collection of food donations is ongoing at the entrances to both *Our Lady of the Snows* and the *Church of Saint Benedict*.

Please do what *you* can to make certain that our neighbors in our own community never go hungry. Thank you for always thinking of others first!

OUR LADY of the SNOWS PARISH
CHURCH of ST. BENEDICT

Weekend of Feb 27-28

Envelopes: $8,934.25
Electronic: $3,686.00
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