



# OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS PARISH

3 APRIL 2022

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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# A COMMUNITY OF FAITH



## REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED

This Weekend: **April 2 - 3**  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

### SATURDAY | APRIL 2

CSB / 4:00pm Patrick Prendergast (Ann Roslund)  
OLS / 5:30pm M/M Richard Youshock & Son, Richard (Mary Lou Biondi)

### SUNDAY | APRIL 3

OLS / 7:00am Deceased Members of OLS Parish  
CSB / 8:00am Mary Ann McNulty (Jack & Margaret McNulty)  
OLS / 9:30am William Clarke (Wife, Patti)  
OLS / 11:15am Joan & Robert Dondero & Joseph Trentacoste (Kate & Matthew Johnson)

## The Week Ahead: April 4 - 8

### MONDAY | APRIL 4

CSG / 8:00am LENTEN WEEKDAY  
OLS / 12:10pm Eugene Lombardi (Family)  
Robert Barnack (Family)

### TUESDAY | APRIL 5

CSG / 8:00am LENTEN WEEKDAY  
OLS / 12:10pm Linda E. Brake (Terry & Gina Cochran)  
Michael McNulty (Jack & Margaret McNulty)

### WEDNESDAY | APRIL 6

CSG / 8:00am LENTEN WEEKDAY  
OLS / 12:10pm Leah Burke (Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Walsh)  
Joseph Roche (Ann Roslund)

### THURSDAY | APRIL 7

CSG / 8:00am LENTEN WEEKDAY  
OLS / 12:10pm Shane Connolly (Connolly Family)  
Ann James (Family)

### FRIDAY | APRIL 8

CSG / 8:00am LENTEN WEEKDAY  
OLS / 12:10pm Margaret Arcangelo (Family)  
John Stracham (Wife)

## Next Weekend: April 9 - 10

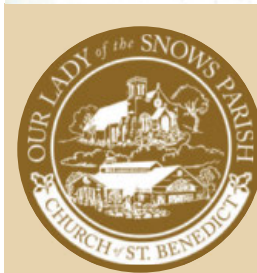
Palm Sunday

### SATURDAY | APRIL 9

CSB / 4:00pm Gerard Burke (Janet Glynn)  
OLS / 5:30pm Gerald Durkin (Jack & Margaret McNulty)

### SUNDAY | APRIL 10

OLS / 7:00am Deceased Members of OLS Parish  
CSB / 8:00am Maryclaire Jordan (Patti & Bill Thomas)  
OLS / 9:30am Flanagan Family (Rosaleen & Joe Gralinski)  
OLS / 11:15am Louise Bright (Jeff & Sue Gabriel)



## OUR MISSION

**We**, the people of Our Lady of the Snows and 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.

## SUSTAINING THIS LABOR OF LOVE

The continued generosity of so many allow *Our Lady of the Snows Parish* to minister to our parishioners and community. Under the thoughtful guidance of our parish's Finance Council, we have determined the necessary weekly funding to sustain ministries, operations, and facilities to be \$16,196. Below is a QR code, which will forward you to our Online Giving site. **Thank you!**

### SUPPORT REPORT | WEEK OF MAR 26-27



Weekly Offering: \$ 9,766.75  
Online Giving: \$ 3,142.50  
**Total: \$ 12,909.25**

## PARISH STAFF

Call the Parish Center  
**(570) 586-1741**

Msgr. Michael J. Delaney  
Pastor

Fr. Stephen Asomah  
Assistant Pastor

Deacon Leo Lynn, Parish Deacon  
Donna O'Brien Arnold, Director of Parish Operations  
Mark Bucciarelli, Director of Grounds & Facilities  
Sue Burke, Director of Faith Formation  
Dorothy Lynott, Director of Liturgical Ministries  
Michael O'Malley, Director of Liturgy & Music





## CELEBRATING MASS TOGETHER

# APRIL 3 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### GATHERING SONG | LITANY FOR THE EARTH



5. We are u - ni - ted with all in ex - is - tence:  
 6. Heal us from greed and dis - re - gard for oth - ers:  
 7. Fill us with peace, to live as one fam - 'ly:  
 8. Spir - it of God, you dwell deep with - in us:



1-8. Pour out your mer - cy, pour out your love!



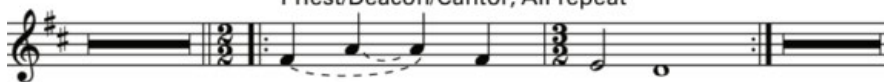
5. May we sow beau - ty, not pol - lu - tion and waste:  
 6. Help us to res - cue the poor and a - ban - doned:  
 7. Broth - ers and sis - ters, not harm - ing each oth - er:  
 8. Lead us, in - spire us to do what is good:



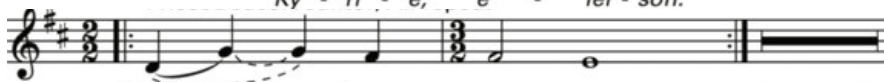
1-8. Heal our com - mon home!

### PENITENTIAL ACT

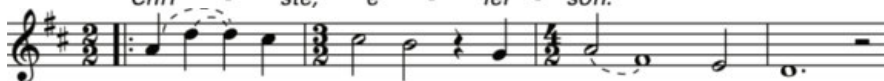
Priest/Deacon/Cantor; All repeat



(Invocation) Lord, have mer - cy. (Invocation)  
 Ký - ri - e, e - léi - son.



Christ, have mer - cy. (Invocation)  
 Chri - ste, e - léi - son.



Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us.  
 Ký - ri - e, e - léi - son, e - léi - i - son.

### Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

O Loving God, your Son,  
 Jesus Christ, came into the world  
 to do your Will and  
 leave us His Peace.

Through the intercession and  
 example of our Blessed Mother  
 Mary, Queen of Peace,  
 grant peace to the people  
 of Ukraine, and all humanity  
 distorted by war.

Grant global leaders the wisdom  
 and humility to reflect that peace  
 to the people in Ukraine.

May the panic in their streets give  
 way to the sound of children playing,  
 and the sounds of bombs, guns and  
 sirens give way to songs of hope.

Inspire our thoughts, words  
 and deeds to bear witness  
 to your presence in our midst.

As we prepare to open our hearts  
 and homes to those in need,  
 may your Holy Spirit fill us with  
 every grace and blessing so that  
 we may pursue what leads  
 to peace for all humanity.

*Mary, Queen of Peace,  
 Pray for Us!*

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## FIRST READING

ISAIAH 43:16-21 (36C)

Thus says the Lord, who opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters, who leads out chariots and horsemen, a powerful army, till they lie prostrate together, never to rise, snuffed out and quenched like a wick. Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!

Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? In the desert I make a way, in the wasteland, rivers. Wild beasts honor me, jackals and ostriches, for I put water in the desert and rivers in the wasteland for my chosen people to drink, the people whom I formed for myself, that they might announce my praise.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL

JOHN 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. But early in the morning he arrived again in the temple area, and all the people started coming to him, and he sat down and taught them. Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle. They said to him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of adultery. Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?"

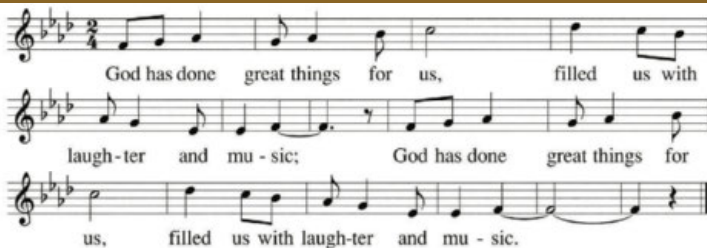
They said this to test him, so that they could have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders.

So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

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

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 126



## SECOND READING

PHILIPPIANS 3:8-14

Brothers and sisters:

I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having any righteousness of my own based on the law but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God, depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

It is not that I have already taken hold of it or have already attained perfect maturity, but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it, since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ Jesus. Brothers and sisters, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession. Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

FIFTH SUNDAY OF

Lent

*The Passion, the Gospel for Palm Sunday, will not be included with the bulletin next week. Printouts will be available for those with hearing impairment.*

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## THE NICENE CREED

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.

## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

## ONLY THIS I WANT

Refrain

On - ly this I want: but to know the Lord,  
and to bear his cross, so to wear the crown he wore.

Verses

1. All but this is loss, worth - less ref - use to me,
2. I will run the race; I will fight the good fight,
3. Let your heart be glad, al - ways glad in the Lord,

1. for to gain the Lord is to gain all I need.  
2. so to win the prize of the king - dom of my Lord.  
3. so to shine like stars in the dark - ness of the night.

to Refrain

## COMMUNION PROCESSION

## I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

1. I am the Bread of life. You who
2. The bread that I will give is my
3. Un - less you eat of the
4. I am the Res - ur - rec - tion,
5. Yes, Lord, I be - lieve that

come to me shall not hun - ger; and who be -  
flesh for the life of the world, and if you  
flesh of the Son of Man and  
I am the life. If you be -  
you are the Christ, the

lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to  
eat of this bread, you shall live for  
drink of his blood, and drink of his  
lieve in me, e - ven though you  
Son of God, Who has

me un - less the Fa - ther beck - ons.  
ev - er, you shall live for ev - er.  
blood, you shall not have life with - in you.  
die, you shall live for ev - er.  
come in - to the world.

And I will raise you up, and I will  
raise you up, and I will raise you  
up on the last day.



# SONG OF SENDING FORTH | CHRIST IN ME ARISE

**Refrain**

Christ in me a - rise and dis - pel all the dark - ness.  
 Christ in me a - rise with your pow - er and your strength.  
 Christ in me pour out your bless - ing and heal - ing.  
 Christ in me a - rise and I shall rise with you.

**Verses**

1. Be now my vi - sion; o - pen these eyes, show - ing me  
 2. Be now my foot - steps, lead - ing the way, tak - ing me

1. all that I must see. } On - ward to the king - dom,  
 2. where I must go. }

1, 2. you are the way. A - rise in me and I shall rise with you. *to Refrain*

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## MUSIC MINISTRY

Our OLS parish choir has resumed their joyous song at Mass on Sundays during Lent and Holy Week. All are welcome to join them in leading music for worship! **Choir rehearsals are held each Thursday evening at 6:30pm at OLS Church.** Our music ministry is also seeking instrumentalists to play at weekend Masses and experienced, confident singers to serve as cantors.

If you are interested in serving in any of these ways, contact Michael at OLSmusic@olsparish.net



## LENTEN ACTS OF KINDNESS

At the beginning of Lent, each parish family was invited to take a drawstring backpack as part of our "Lenten Acts of Kindness" Program. By Holy Week, these backpacks should be filled and ready to provide much needed essentials to the homeless and working poor of the Scranton area, in partnership with Community Intervention Centers. **Filled backpacks will be collected on the weekend of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23 and 24, at all Masses.**

**REC ORY, SET, COOK!**

**DIocese of SCRANTON**

SCAN HERE FOR INSTANT WEBSITE ACCESS!

**WHO:** THIRTY "PASTOR CHEFS" PUT THEIR COOKING SKILLS TO THE ULTIMATE TEST!

**WHAT:** FRIENDLY VIRTUAL COLLAR-NARY COMPETITION TO BENEFIT PARISHES & CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

**WHEN:** WEBSITE LIVE NOW THROUGH APRIL 10, 2022. WINNERS ANNOUNCED APRIL 11!

## BISHOP'S YOUTH AWARDS

Heartfelt congratulations to these young men and women, who were honored this past week at a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Bambera at St. Peter's Cathedral.

The Bishop's Youth Award recognizes eighth and twelfth grade students who have demonstrated outstanding service and leadership skills. We are so proud of their accomplishments. God bless each for their outstanding service to our community!

### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade:

Karen Daly  
 Leah Ludwikowski  
 Sal Schiavone  
 Bryce Florey  
 Phoebe Glidewell  
 Alicia Farrell

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade:

Mark Barbrack  
 Nathaniel DeMeglio  
 James Mitchell  
 Bridget Fay  
 Grace Bennett  
 Joseph Arcuri  
 Wyatt Duggan  
 Geoffrey Stanton  
 Joshua Cuck

We love to make examples out of those who have erred and done wrong. Publicly punishing others serves as a means of demonstrating the consequences for what is deemed inappropriate or wrongful behavior. While this may appear an effective way of achieving conformity to established rules, it runs the real risk of distorting motivation. Obviously, we want people to do what is right and pursue healthy, virtuous behaviors and ideals. But is fear of punishment ever the best motivation for avoiding one action in favor of another?

Doing something out of fear is never healthy. Focusing exclusively on our behavior and what others expect or think, leads to living life with a self-focused superficiality. We become more concerned about protecting ourselves from something negative and unpleasant, than investing ourselves in the freedom, wonder and awe of being human! We can still find our way to the unacceptable or inappropriate behavior as long as we do not get caught! Being a whole, focused, and God-centered human being requires more. It demands an investment of the heart. Virtuous, moral, and mature lifestyles reflective of the Gospel necessitate love.

When we experience and recognize love, God's unconditional love, in the depth of our soul, we fall in love with what we have found. We then find ourselves leaving destructive and sinful actions behind in search of something more holy, dignified, true, integral, and loving. This is really "mercy realized." God's tremendous, loving, eternal forgiveness and willingness to bring us back to something more real and tender is transformational. The respect for myself that I receive from God is so life changing that it causes me to run quickly away from anything sinful and self-destructive to things that are whole and holy.

There are many people who want nothing more than to judge or criticize us. What would actually stoning the woman caught in adultery really accomplish? Nothing more than the inflation of the already self-righteous egos of a few men who think they have power. They have no power because they are sinners too, just like everyone else. What all of us have is the humble ability to express sorrow for pursuing destructive thoughts and actions and receive the power of God's mercy. Then, Jesus' request to "go and sin no more" will be one we proudly heed and follow.

## REPENT & BELIEVE



## THE WEEK AHEAD...

### SUNDAY | APRIL 3

6:30pm Deanery Penance Service Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church

### MONDAY | APRIL 4

7:00pm Deanery Penance Service CSG Church

### TUESDAY | APRIL 5

7:00pm Deanery Penance Service OLA Church

### WEDNESDAY | APRIL 6

10:00am *Laudato Si'* Group Session Gathering Room  
 10:00am Bereavement Ministry Emmaus Room  
 12:45pm Miraculous Medal Novena OLS Church  
 6:00pm Altar Server Training OLS Church  
 7:00pm *Laudato Si'* Group Session CSG Church

### THURSDAY | APRIL 7

6:30pm Choir Rehearsal Gathering Room  
 4:00pm Palms & Parade CSG Church

### FRIDAY | APRIL 8

10:00am Friday Morning Company Gathering Room  
 5:30pm Outdoor Stations of the Cross CSG Church  
 Join us at CSG today for this special event! No stations at OLS

## JOIN US THURSDAY!

Palms & Parade is a Holy Week Retreat for Children in Grades K – 4, featuring engaging age appropriate activities based on the events of Holy Week for students. Register by contacting Sue Burke at [sueburke@olsparish.net](mailto:sueburke@olsparish.net), or call 570-586-1741.

This Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>  
 4 – 5:30pm  
 St. Gregory's Church







## PRAYING AT MASS

<b>M-F</b>	<b>DAILY MASSES</b> 8:00am(CSG)    12:10pm(OLS)
<b>SAT</b>	<b>VIGIL MASSES</b> 4:00pm(CSB)    5:30pm(OLS)
<b>SUN</b>	<b>SUNDAY MASSES</b> 7:00am(OLS)    9:30am(OLS) 8:00am(CSB)    11:15am(OLS)

## WEEKLY NOVENA

<b>WED</b>	<b>MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA</b> 12:45pm(OLS)
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## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

<b>FRI</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b> 12:45pm(OLS)    5:30pm(CSG) <i>On Fri, Apr 8, we will pray Stations outdoors at 5:30pm at CSG. That day, there will be no OLS Stations.</i>
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## DAILY REFLECTIONS/PRAYER

**"A TIME FOR MENDING"** Follow along with this daily prayer booklet that offers the best of our Diocese's beloved Fr. Joe Sica.

## LENTEN PROGRAMS

**3/30**  
**4/6**  
**STUDY GROUPS: CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME**  
10:00am (OLS) 7:00pm (CSG)  
Groups will read excerpts of *Laudato Si'* and engage in reflection & discussion.

**3/31**  
**LAUDATO SI' AND ME**  
6:30 - 8:00pm (CSG)  
Students in middle school and their parents are invited to this creative retreat that explores *Laudato Si'*.

## PRAY, GIVE, FAST

**40 DAYS TO LIVE, 40 WAYS TO GIVE**  
This Lent, we invite you to PRAY, GIVE and FAST for the suggested intentions. Bags will be collected the week after Easter and donated to Community Intervention Center.

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**3/31**  
**LAUDATO SI' and ME**  
Creative Session for Students and Parents on how to Care for our Common Home.

**4/7**  
**RETREAT FOR STUDENTS in GRADES K-3**

**4/23**  
**DAY OF SERVICE (all ages welcome!)**  
Make a difference in our community!

## RECONCILIATION

**SAT**  
**WEEKEND CONFESSIONS**  
3:00pm(CSB)    5:00pm(OLS)

**MON**  
**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**  
5:30 - 7:00pm(OLS)

**4/3**  
**4/4**  
**4/5**  
**COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES**  
6:30pm Nativity BVM, Tunkhannock  
7:00pm Church of St. Gregory  
7:00pm Our Lady of the Abingtons  
Penance services where several priests are available to hear confessions.



April 4 Monday	April 5 Tuesday	April 6 Wednesday	April 7 Thursday	April 8 Friday
<b>Daily Mass:</b> 8am (CSG) 12:10pm (OLS)	<b>Daily Mass:</b> 8am (CSG) 12:10pm (OLS)	<b>Daily Mass:</b> 8am (CSG) 12:10pm (OLS) <b>Group Sessions :</b> 10am (OLS)/7pm(CSG) 12:45pm <b>Novena</b> (OLS)	<b>Daily Mass:</b> 8am (CSG) 12:10pm (OLS) 4-5:30pm (CSG) <b>Palms and Parades</b>	<b>Daily Mass:</b> 8am (CSG) 12:10pm (OLS) <b>Stations of the Cross (Outdoors):</b> <b>Join Us!</b> 5:30pm (CSG)
<b>7pm Penance Services</b> Church of <b>Join Us!</b> St. Gregory <b>Our Lady of the Abingtons</b>				
<b>GIVE</b> your spare change from last week	<b>GIVE</b> a toiletry of your choice	<b>PRAY</b> for children in need	<b>GIVE</b> Some time to reading Scripture	<b>FAST</b> From unnecessary use of plastic
<b>April 9 Saturday</b>	3pm Confessions (CSB) 4pm Mass (CSB) 5pm Confessions (OLS) 5:30pm Mass (OLS)	<b>GIVE</b> A reusable water bottle or thermos	<b>April 10 Sunday</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b> 7am Mass (OLS) 8am Mass (CSB) 9:30am Mass (OLS) 11:15am Mass (OLS)

April 11 Monday	April 12 Tuesday	April 13 Wednesday	<b>LAUDATO SI'</b> Pope Francis' Mission of Hope for our Earth 
<b>Daily Mass:</b> 8am (CSG) 12:10pm (OLS) 5:30-7pm <b>The Light is on For You</b> (OLS)	<b>Daily Mass:</b> 8am (CSG) 12:10pm (OLS) 4pm <b>Chrism Mass</b> (St. Peter's Cathedral)	<b>Daily Mass:</b> 8am (CSG) 12:10pm (OLS) <b>Group Sessions :</b> 10am (OLS)/7pm(CSG) 12:45pm <b>Novena</b> (OLS)	
<b>GIVE</b> your spare change from last week	<b>PRAY</b> for our priests	<b>GIVE</b> a hug to someone who needs one	

**LEARN MORE ABOUT LENT IN OUR PARISH ON OUR  
REDESIGNED WEBSITE: [WWW.OLSPARISH.NET](http://WWW.OLSPARISH.NET)**



**JOIN US FOR OUR 2022**

**EASTER**

**EGG HUNT!**

**SAT, APRIL 16  
1:30PM AT OLS**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

**NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED**



# Join us for Holy Week

...AT OLS

## HOLY THURSDAY | APRIL 14

8:30am	CSG	Morning Prayer
7:00pm	CSB	Holy Thursday Mass
8:00pm	CSB	Adoration
9:30pm	CSB	Night Prayer

## GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 15

8:30am	OLS	Morning Prayer
3:00pm	OLS	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
5:30pm	OLS	Stations & Veneration of the Cross

## HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 16

8:30am	CSG	Morning Prayer
1:30pm	OLS	Easter Egg Hunt
2:00pm	OLS	Food Basket Blessing
8:00pm	OLS	Easter Vigil Mass

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## EASTER | APRIL 17

Masses at Our Lady of the Snows  
7:00am 9:30am 11:15am

Masses at Saint Benedict's  
8:00am 11:15am



**OLS:** Our Lady of the Snows  
**CSG:** Church of St. Gregory  
**CSB:** Church of St. Benedict



## A NURTURING COMMUNITY

**FRIDAY MORNING COMPANY:** Each Friday, men and women meet in the Gathering Room to break open the Sunday Scriptures and pray about how God is calling them to live out His Word.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Stay tuned for our next bible study, which will be announced this spring in our bulletin!

**RCIA:** The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* is the ancient rite and ritual by which an adult enters into full communion with the Catholic Church. Have questions or thinking about taking the journey of becoming Catholic? Contact the Parish Center for more information.

**CURSILLO:** Cursillo groups are meant to expand your prayer life and foster continuous spiritual growth as well as enrich your knowledge about Scripture and the Catholic faith. They will also equip you to spread the Word of God in your everyday life.

**OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS:** Throughout the year, we also offer various other programs and events for the faithful of all ages, including video series and faith sharing groups. Stay tuned for updates!

## SERVING AT GOD'S ALTAR

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Parishioners (age 18+) are always needed to assist in the distribution of Communion during weekend Masses and liturgical celebrations.

**LECTORS:** All men, women, and high school students are invited to proclaim the Scriptures at all Masses.

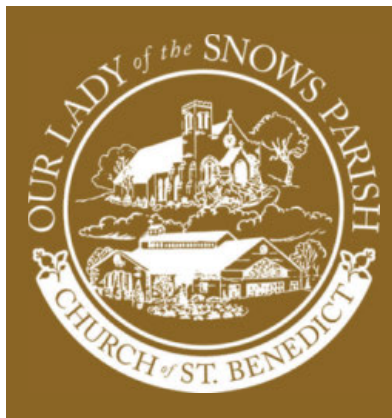
**ALTAR SERVING:** All boys and girls of the parish who have completed the third grade are invited to serve as acolytes for weekend liturgies and special liturgical celebrations.

### HOSPITALITY TEAM:

These ministers help create a culture and spirit of hospitality, while also ensuring the liturgy flows smoothly.

### MUSIC MINISTRY:

We welcome singers and a variety of instrumentalists to lead us in singing God's praises at worship.



## SACRAMENTAL LIFE AT OLS

**BAPTISM:** First time parents are asked to attend a pre-Baptismal class, available by appointment at the Parish Center.

**EUCHARIST:** This joyful celebration takes place each year as young girls and boys are welcomed into the full community of faith at our Parish.

**CONFIRMATION:** A yearly journey of all 8<sup>th</sup> graders who have been enrolled in our Religious Education program for at least 2 years, or attend Catholic School.

**MARRIAGE:** Contact the Parish Center at least 6 months in advance of your desired wedding date so preparations can be made for your celebration.

**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:** If a member of your family has become sick or hospitalized, please contact us.

**VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Any parishioner who is homebound and would like to regularly receive the Eucharist may contact the Parish Center to schedule a visit.

**FUNERALS:** Please notify the Parish Center at the time of your loved one's death so that we may assist in the planning of the funeral.

## FOSTERING FAITH IN OUR YOUTH

**YOUTH GROUP:** This organization seeks to energize the youth of *Our Lady of the Snows Parish* in strengthening a relationship with Jesus Christ. In addition to regular activities throughout the year, our Youth Group Committee plans to offer a variety of summer experiences.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** "*Growing the Seeds of Faith*" is the primary goal of our K-8 program, which includes sacramental preparation, cluster groups led by dedicated Catechists, and weekend classes at OLP School. Watch the bulletin for additional updates, and register your child on our website to enliven our community's next generation.

**VBS:** This fun and active way for children ages 4 - 9 to learn about God's love is offered in a week-long summer session.

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