

EASTER 2022 | OUR LADY of the SNOWS PARISH | 17 APRIL 2022

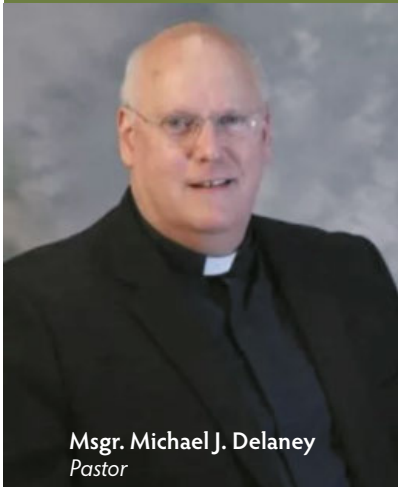
# Risen FOR US



*Easter 2022*  
Finding Peace in Christ!



# WARMEST EASTER GREETINGS... WELCOME TO ALL THIS EASTER DAY!



Msgr. Michael J. Delaney  
Pastor

May the peace of the Risen Lord be yours forever more. Easter Peace. For our families, our community, our nation, and for all the peoples of the world. Easter Peace. For Ukraine...women, men, and children. For refugees and the displaced. For the injured and the dead, for those with lives shattered and broken. Easter Peace.

May the peace of the Risen Lord be yours forever more. We pray for this peace as we celebrate new life in our parish this Easter. We are strengthened, renewed, and rededicated in this Springtime of hope. We are committed to sharing and to being Easter Peace here at *Our Lady of the Snows Parish*. Through this Easter life in us, we pledge to be Easter Peace for the world.

May the peace of the Risen Lord be yours forever more. With a deep and holy gratitude for the joy and honor of serving our Risen Savior in the company of our Holy Family, the Parish of *Our Lady of the Snows*, may Easter Peace flood our hearts and fill our homes. **Alleluia!**



Your Parish Staff,

*Msgr. Delaney, Fr. Stephen, Deacon Leo,  
Donna Arnold, Mark Bucciarelli, Sue Burke,  
Dorothy Lynott, and Michael O'Malley*

***May the peace of the Risen Lord be yours forever more!***



## JOIN IN PARISH LIFE AT OLS

### MONDAY | APRIL 18

Parish Center Closed for Easter Monday

### WEDNESDAY | APRIL 20

12:45pm Miraculous Medal Novena OLS Church

### FRIDAY | APRIL 22

10:00am Friday Morning Company Gathering Room

### SATURDAY | APRIL 23

3:00pm Confessions CSB Church  
5:00pm Confessions OLS Church

### SUNDAY | APRIL 24

3:00pm Divine Mercy Liturgy OLS Church

## SUPPORTING OLS

*Our Lady of the Snows Parish* relies heavily on our Easter contributions to live out our mission, helping and servicing those in our community and beyond.

For your convenience, here is a direct link to our secure Online Giving portal.



Just scan with your phone for direct access.

Thank you for your generosity!





# Christ

# HAS RISEN!

APRIL 17, 2022  
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## GATHERING SONG

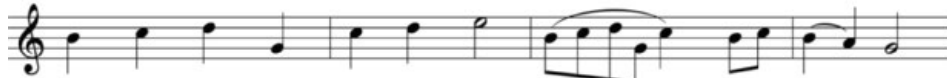
## JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4. Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise e - ter - nal, as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise him, now his might con - fess, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest. Al - le - lu - ia!

## GLORY TO GOD | REFRAIN



Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est.



Glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on



earth peace to peo - ple of good will.

## GLORY TO GOD

We praise You.  
We bless You.  
We adore you.  
We glorify You.  
We give You thanks  
for Your great glory.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

*(to refrain at left)*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of  
God, Son of the Father,  
you take away  
the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins  
of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the  
right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

*(to refrain at left)*

For you alone  
are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the  
Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit  
in the glory of God the Father.

*(to refrain at left)*

# EASTER SUNDAY 2022

## FIRST READING

ACTS 10:34A, 37-43

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.

They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead.

To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 118



- V1: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."
- V2: "The right hand of the Lord has struck with power; the right hand of the Lord is exalted. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord!"
- V3: The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

## SECOND READING

COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters:

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

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

## EASTER SEQUENCE

Verses

1. To the Pas - chal Vic - tim Give thank - ful praise!  
2. Ma - ry, speak, con - fess - ing What you have seen.  
3. Chris - tians, sing his glo - ry With ev - 'ry breath;

1. Christ, ev - er sin - less, his sheep now he saves.  
2. "Christ's tomb lies emp - ty where once he had been;  
3. Sing of his king - dom, vic - to - rious o'er death!

1. Death and life con - tend - ed In dread - ful strife;  
2. An - gels bright, con - firm - ing; Shroud laid a - side;  
3. Je - sus, grant us mer - cy: New life from heav'n!

1. Death did not hold \_ him, im - mor - tal his life.  
2. He goes to Gal - i - lee, he lives though he died."  
3. Christ ev - er reigns! \_ Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, his tri - umph we sing!

Christ is a - ris - en, the Vic - tor, the King!



**REJOICE,  
FOR HE IS RISEN!**



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** | **CELTIC ALLELUIA**

Refrain  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

**GOSPEL READING** | **JOHN 20:1-9**

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put Him."

So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

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

**SPRINKLING RITE** | **RIVER OF GLORY**

Refrain  
Riv - er of glo - ry, springs of our birth, flood of God's  
rich - es poured on the earth. We are born from the dark - ness  
and clothed in the light! We are bathed in the glo - ry of  
God! God, bathed in the glo - ry of God!  
Verses  
1. Foun - tain of mer - cy, grace flow - ing free, streams of sal -  
2. Here there is ha - ven, heal - ing and health, joy for the  
3. Bread for our jour - ney God will pro - vide. Hope for all  
1. va - tion, spill - ing with love from a tree!  
2. ask - ing, love in a - bun - dant of wealth!  
3. a - ges, Je - sus, com - pan - ion and guide!

**PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS** | **CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY**

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day, Al - le -  
2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious king, Al - le -  
3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le -  
lu - ia! All on earth with an - gels say:  
lu - ia! Where, O death, is now your sting?  
lu - ia! Fought the fight, the bat - tle won,  
Al - le - lu - ia! Raise your joys and  
Al - le - lu - ia! Once he died our  
Al - le - lu - ia! Death in vain for -  
tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!  
souls to save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Sing, O heav'n; and, earth, re - ply:  
Where your vic - to - ry, O grave?  
Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.  
Al - le - lu - ia!



# COMMUNION PROCESSION

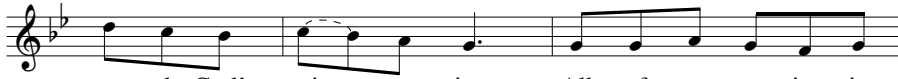
# EASTER ALLELUIA



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!



1. Glo - ry to God who does won - drous things, Let all the  
 2. See how sal - va - tion for all has been won, Up from the  
 3. Now in our pres - ence the Lord will ap - pear, Shine in the  
 4. Call us, Good Shep - herd, we lis - ten for you, Want - ing to  
 5. Lord, we are o - pen to all that you say, Read - y to  
 6. If we have love, then we dwell in the Lord, God will pro -



peo - ple God's prais - es now sing, All of cre - a - tion in  
 grave our new life has be - gun, Life now per - fect - ed in  
 fac - es of all of us here, Fill us with joy and cast  
 see you in all that we do, We would the gate of sal -  
 lis - ten and fol - low your way, You are the pot - ter and  
 tect us from fire and sword, Fill us with love and the



splen - dor shall ring:  
 Je - sus, the Son:  
 out all our fear:  
 va - tion pass through:  
 we are the clay:  
 peace of his word:  
 Al - le - lu - ia!

# SONG OF SENDING FORTH

# ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and  
 2. Now the i - ron bars are bro - ken, Christ from death to  
 3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to



1. voic - es raise; Sing to God a hymn of glad - ness,  
 2. life is born, Glo - rious life, and life im - mor - tal,  
 3. God on high; Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior,



1. Sing to God a hymn of praise. He who on the  
 2. On this res - ur - rec - tion morn; Christ has tri - umphed,  
 3. Who has won the vic - to - ry; Al - le - lu - ia



1. cross as Sav - ior For the world's sal - va - tion bled, Je - sus  
 2. and we con - quer By his might - y en - ter - prise, We with  
 3. to the Spir - it, Font of love and sanc - ti - ty; Al - le -



1. Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.  
 2. him to life e - ter - nal By his res - ur - rec - tion rise.  
 3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! To the Tri - une Maj - es - ty.

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# LENTEN ACTS OF KINDNESS

At the beginning of Lent, parish families were invited to take a drawstring backpack as part of our "40 Days to Live, 40 Ways to Give" Program.

By now, 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* in Scranton.

**Filled backpacks will be collected next weekend, April 23 and 24, at all OLS and CSB Masses.**

# PALMS & PARADE



Our thanks to all who participated in our Lenten programming, held in conjunction with the Church of Saint Gregory!



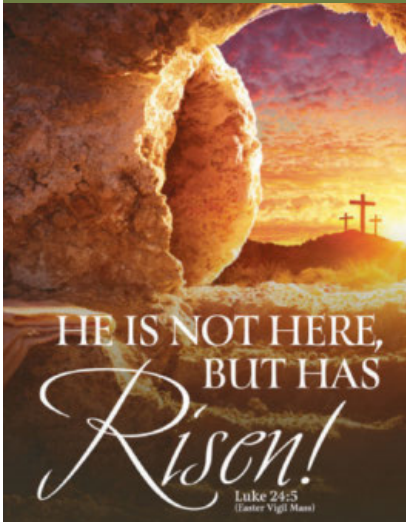
There are many stones in our paths that keep us from truly living and being free. Some of these boulders have been there for a very long time. They have been there so long that they have even settled into the soil of our lives with other weeds, vines, and compacted soil keeping them firmly in place. We find them hard to move and trying to do so can be exhausting. What are these suffocating albatrosses that keep us so tethered and immobile? They are many things.

They are past childhood wounds and hurts that stem from disappointment, rejection, or abuse. People may have told us we were unwanted, that the world is frightening, that there are only some acceptable feelings you can have and others you cannot. We may have tried to love someone or struggled to figure out how and were met with rejection. Maybe we trusted someone completely and were betrayed. We come to life collecting barnacles that begin to attach to other barnacles and before you know it, we have a mass of solid matter blocking our vision and keeping us from moving. We live in fear. We are afraid of losing what we have, afraid that the future will be empty, afraid that we won't succeed and even more afraid that we will not be loved. There is so much fear. Didn't Jesus tell us not to worry and to not be afraid? Either we believe in the message of Easter, or we don't!

Go confidently into the night. Walking with God you will find the light and strength you need. Often without even knowing, God will move those boulders and stumbling blocks that bind us and, with putting one foot in front of the other and looking forward, we will move. The resurrection of Christ is really all about receiving the gifts of trust and faith and doing new things. The rocks that bind us keep us spinning the same wheels and doing the same things. When was the last time you threw caution to the wind and actually did something totally out of character and different? This is where we find God, in the spontaneous, the adventurous, the fun, and the creative choices we make! God is not boring and stuck. God is exciting and engaging. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! Find a way to trust that this is true and live.



## CONFIRMATION SERVICE PROJECT

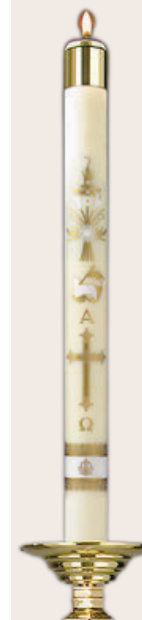


Many of our Confirmation Candidates participated in writing over 900 Easter Greeting Cards to some parishioners of *Our Lady of the Snows Parish*. Our thanks to them for their kindness and service to our community of faith!



CHECK PAGE 11 OF OUR BULLETIN FOR WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH!

## PASCHAL CANDLE DONATION



Our Paschal Candle at *Our Lady of the Snows Church* has been donated in loving memory of Robert Francis Barnack.

Bob was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend to all. He was a longtime member of *Our Lady of the Snows Parish*.

We thank the Barnack family for this memorial gift.

The Paschal Candle at *the Church of St. Benedict* is also available to memorialize. Please contact Donna Arnold at the Parish Center for more information.



# A COMMUNITY OF FAITH



## REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED

THE WEEK AHEAD  
**APRIL 18 - 22**

### MONDAY | APRIL 18

CSG / 8:00am  
 OLS / 12:10pm

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Easter Monday - No 8am Mass**  
**Ann James** (*Patti & Bill Thomas*)

### TUESDAY | APRIL 19

CSG / 8:00am  
 OLS / 12:10pm

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Linda E. Brake** (*Jim & Ricki Kalp*)  
**Lavinia Walsh** (*Family*)

### WEDNESDAY | APRIL 20

CSG / 8:00am  
 OLS / 12:10pm

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Al & Josephine Kalp** (*Jim & Ricki Kalp*)  
**Udomsak Family** (*Family*)

### THURSDAY | APRIL 21

CSG / 8:00am  
 OLS / 12:10pm

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Joyce Jennings** (*Fay Family*)  
**Melvin Elechko** (*Barbara Sampson*)

### FRIDAY | APRIL 22

CSG / 8:00am  
 OLS / 12:10pm

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Harold Jordan** (*Family*)  
**Dietmar & Edmund Maier** (*Tom & Rose Kamla*)

## NEXT WEEKEND: DIVINE MERCY APRIL 23 - 24

### SATURDAY | APRIL 23

CSB / 4:00pm **John Stracham** (*Liana & Pete Smith*)  
 OLS / 5:30pm **Mary Kelleher Foley** (*Joan Fitzpatrick*)

### SUNDAY | APRIL 24

OLS / 7:00am **Deceased Members of OLS Parish**  
 CSB / 8:00am **Robert Durkin** (*Patrick, Brian, Mary Ellen, Nancy Clearfield*)  
 OLS / 9:30am **Charles Clifford Girard** (*Betts Family*)  
 OLS / 11:15am **Jack Lee** (*Gerrie Carey & Family*)



## 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.

## SUPPORT REPORT | WEEK OF APRIL 9 - 10

Weekly Offering:	\$	9,743.00
Online Giving:	\$	2,857.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,600.00</b>

## 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. Thanks for your support!**

## 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*



# 2022 *Country* BAKE SALE & RAFFLE!

*Supporting the Mission of Our Lady of the Snows Parish*

Our **Country Bazaar Leadership Team** is happy to report to our parish that we will, as we did last year, be again moving forward enthusiastically with some key components of this annual summer event!

As we did last summer, we will once again be sponsoring our fun and exciting **Country Raffle** with three separate weekly drawings during with cash prizes totaling some \$5,000! Letters with all of the details will be going out to all registered parishioners this spring! Watch your mailbox!

We will also be happily hosting a communal **Country Bake Sale and Plant Sale on Memorial Day Weekend!** More info on these events, which will be held in the parking lot at OLS Church, will be available in future bulletins!



## NEXT SUNDAY... DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



The world was in the midst of the Great Depression in 1931 and the memories of WWI were still very much alive in the minds of Europeans when, in Poland, a sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Faustina Kowalska, is said to have been personally visited by Jesus.

According to her diary, an image was revealed to her of the Risen Lord from whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other "pale" (symbolizing water), with the words at the bottom: "Jesus, I trust in you." Sister Faustina wrote in her diary that Jesus told her: "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish."

When she was canonized in 2000 at the direction of fellow countryman, Saint Pope John Paul II, he proclaimed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday, thereby widely promoting the devotional practices associated with Saint Faustina's visions, already popular in parishes.

Please join us next Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, at 3pm for our Divine Mercy Liturgy at *Our Lady of the Snows Church* as we together commemorate Divine Mercy Sunday.

## 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.



# SHARE YOUR GIFTS AS A VOLUNTEER!

Through the selfless efforts of so many, we are able to keep *Our Lady of the Snows* and the *Church of Saint Benedict* a beautiful, flourishing environment for worship, community, and faith-filled connection. Consider joining one of the groups below that constantly work towards this goal!

## HEARTS THAT CARE

**CONNECTIONS OF KINDNESS:** This outreach program ministers to senior parishioners through check-in calls made by parish volunteers.

**FOOD PANTRY:** At both churches and the Parish Center, we accept donations of non-perishable food items to be donated to local families.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT:** Meets the first Wednesday of each month.

**COMMUNION CALLS:** Bringing Communion to the homebound will return in the near future!

**LOCAL OUTREACH:** Just a brief visit or connection with elderly, ailing, and lonely parishioners can make all the difference to brighten their day!

**OUR BULLETIN:** This bulletin is mailed and e-mailed to many senior parishioners weekly to keep all connected to OLS Parish.

## OTHER WAYS TO SERVE

**ROCCO'S GARDEN CLUB:** Dedicated volunteers keep the grounds of *Our Lady of the Snows* pristine and beautiful in every season

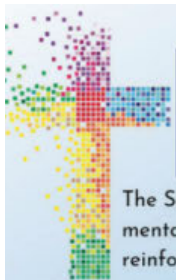
**CSB BEAUTIFICATION TEAM:** These caring souls help maintain the landscaping and grounds surrounding the picturesque *St. Benedict's Church*.

**HOUSE OF GOD CLEANERS:** Hardworking volunteers regularly clean & polish the interiors of both churches.

For more info or to join any of our ministries, call the Parish Center at 570-586-1741.

# ...AND UNITED IN CHRIST!

# CSB



## SCRANTON MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY at the CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PETER

The Scranton Mental Health Ministry at the Cathedral of Saint Peter is presenting this five-part series for families on mental health and mental illness to reduce stigma and discrimination through education and factual information about mental health conditions. The series reinforces the core Christian belief that everyone has dignity and value and should be fully welcomed into the Church and the community.

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN ABOUT MENTAL ILLNESS AND SUPPORT FROM THE CHURCH?

You are Invited to Attend a Five Part Education Series for Families on Mental Health.

TUESDAY APRIL 19

### The Impact of Mental Illness on Individuals and Families

A discussion on what it is like to live with a mental illness and how it can impact a family. The discussion will be led by Jeri McNulty and Amy Morgan who are with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) "In Our Own Voice" program. They will provide a personal perspective on living with mental health conditions. Their presentation will change attitudes, assumptions, and ideas about people with mental health conditions.

TUESDAY APRIL 26

### Spirituality and Mental Illness

Faith and spirituality bring peace and healing to people living with mental health challenges and illnesses. We can find spiritual support through communion with the Saints and with each other while living with mental health challenges and illnesses.

TUESDAY MAY 3

### Spend an Evening with a Mental Health Professional

An introduction to the types of mental illnesses, medication, treatments, and other issues will be presented. The discussion will be led by Leighton Y. Huey, MD, a psychiatrist and Associate Dean for Behavioral Health Integration and Community Care Transformation from the Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine.

TUESDAY MAY 10

### Mental Health Resources in the Community

A discussion about community resources. The focus will be on where to find and how to access mental health services. Presentations will be made by Marie Onukiavage, Executive Director of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) and Jeff Romey, Community Relations, Community Care Behavioral Health Organization (CCBH).

TUESDAY MAY 17

### Companionship and Mental Health Ministry in Our Parishes

This session will look at some of the practical ways that our parishes can offer support and companionship to individuals and their families facing mental health challenges.

ALL SESSIONS WILL BE HELD FROM 6:30 TO 8 PM AT THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON PASTORAL CENTER, 330 WYOMING AVENUE, SCRANTON  
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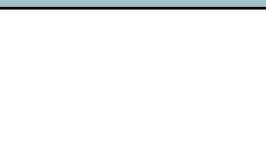
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