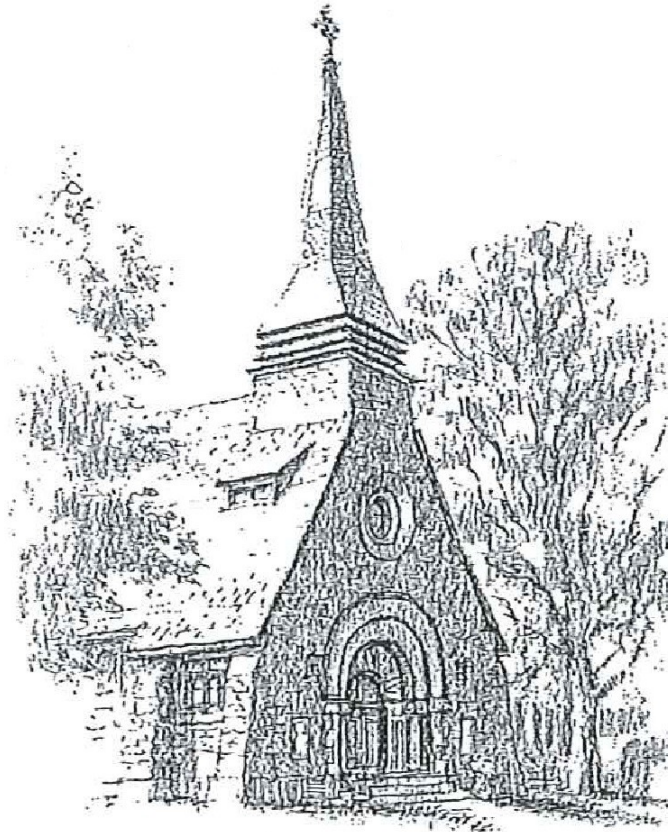


Our Lady of the Snows Parish in Woodstock  
Our Lady of the Mountains Church in Killington  
December 15, 2019, Gaudete Sunday



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**Mass Schedule**

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. at OLM and 6:00 p.m. at OLS

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. at OLS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:00 a.m., at OLS (Check weekly bulletin.)

**Confessions:** OLS: Friday, 9:30 a.m. & Saturday 7:00 p.m. OLM: Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, Dec. 14**

Our Lady of the Mountains 4:30 p.m. Harry Fiorillo  
Our Lady of the Snows 6:00 p.m. For the people of the parish

**Sunday, Dec. 15**

Our Lady of the Snows 10:30 a.m. Frank & Bea Gyra

**Monday, Dec. 16**

Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Intentions of Richard & Patricia LaHood

**Tuesday, Dec. 17**

Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Br. Gregory

**Wednesday, Dec. 18**

Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Maxwell E. Cox

**Thursday, Dec. 19**

Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Anthony Decicco, by Helen Esmond

**Friday, Dec. 20**

Our Lady of the Snows 9:00 a.m. Gene T. Jordan, by Kathleen Casey

**Saturday, Dec. 21**

Our Lady of the Mountains 4:30 p.m. Rachel M. Klink, by Principe family  
Our Lady of the Snows 6:00 p.m. For the people of the parish

**Sunday, Dec. 22**

Our Lady of the Snows 10:30 a.m. Sarah Dembinski

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

It is Father Mike's ardent desire to bring the Sacraments to the Sick and the Dying. If you are aware of anyone in need of the Sacraments, be they homebound, hospitalized, in nursing homes or in prison, please notify the parish office and Father will respond as soon as possible.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE SICK

Please remember the following in your prayers this week: Philippe and Therese Rottner, Ted Wills, Anne Marie Bohn, Toby Dube, Alex Booth, Mike Fenn, Melissa Kiely, Greg Flitner, Bob Burke, Brigid Cooke, Frank Gado, Isabella Brosio Lauzon, Sergio Brosio, Fr. John Ahearn, Michael Smith, Peter Daily, Eileen Hayden, Richard Avicolti, Matthew Drugonis, Wyman Rolph, Elinor Anderson, Denise Fullerton Schulz, Carole Arnold and Brooke Herter James.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Friday,  
9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Woodstock

Email: [ourladyofthesnows@comcast.net](mailto:ourladyofthesnows@comcast.net)

#### PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

December 7 and December 8  
Amount needed weekly: \$2,500

Our Lady of the Snows: \$1,440

Our Lady of the Mountains: \$596

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Frank Joseph Romano who died recently. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus Christ, shepherd of souls, who called the Apostles to be fishers of men, raise up new Apostles in your Holy Church.

Teach them that to serve You is to reign, to possess you is to possess all things.

Kindle in the hearts of our young people the fire of zeal for souls.

Make them eager to spread Your kingdom upon earth.

Grant them the courage to follow You, who are the Way, the Truth, and the Life; who live and reign forever and ever.

Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of Priests, PRAY FOR US.

## ADVENT: A SEASON OF JOYFUL PENITENCE

It may sound like a *non-sequitur* to describe the season of Advent as one of “joyful penitence”. However, few things bring more joy to the human soul than living in the Grace of forgiveness, be it human or divine. So, in Advent we give a little more emphasis to the Penitential Rite at the beginning of Mass, moving from “Form B” (Have mercy on us, O Lord...) to “Form A” (the *Confiteor*, “I confess...”) In addition, we will chant the *Kyrie*, while omitting the *Gloria*. In this season we return to the use of Latin for the Sanctus and the Agnus Dei, reflecting the words of “*Sacrosanctum Concilium*”: “The use of the Latin Language is to be preserved in the Latin rites.” and “Gregorian Chant should be given pride of place” (Both from The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of the Documents of the Second Vatican Council: “*Musicam Sacram*”) In these days of constant, rapid change it becomes more and more important for us to conserve the traditions of our Catholic Faith, especially when secular traditions threaten to overrun and re-define the Christmas season. This will be a beautiful season of Grace and Renewal. *Maranatha!* Come, Lord Jesus.

## ANNUAL “MESSIAH SING”

This Sunday, December 15, at 4PM, Our Lady of the Snows will host the annual Messiah Sing, our parish’s contribution to Wassail Weekend. There will be a professional orchestra and soloists; but anyone who wishes to sing may join the Chorus. Just bring a libretto. The event is open to the public, and is a truly enjoyable Advent tradition.

## CHRISTMAS FLORAL TRIBUTES

If you would like to memorialize a loved one with flowers at the altar at Christmas time, simply fill out an envelope for this, and drop it in the Collection over the next few weekends, or mail it to the parish office. Envelopes will be in the pews.

## CHRISTMAS WREATH FUNDRAISER

The parish is once again sponsoring our Christmas Wreath fundraiser. We are selling wreaths after Masses and using the funds to offset the cost of Christmas decorations in the church. The wreaths come from a local provider; they cost \$25... \$5 of which is retained by the parish.

## CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS

On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, there will be two collections, the first is the regular Christmas Collection. The second collection will be to help pay for the cost of fuel during the cold winter months. Please be as generous as you can.

## CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR’S MASS SCHEDULE

### Christmas Eve

Our Lady of the Snows: 4:00 p.m.  
Our Lady of the Mountains: 7:00 p.m.  
Our Lady of the Snows: 9:00 p.m.

### New Year’s Eve

Our Lady of the Mountains: 4:30 p.m.  
Our Lady of the Snows: 6:00 p.m.

### Christmas Day

Our Lady of the Snows: 10:00 a.m.

### New Year’s Day

Our Lady of the Snows: 10:30 a.m.