



Our Lady of the Snow Church

Traditional Roman Catholic

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Standard Sunday Schedule:

Confessions: 8:00; Choir: 8:15; Rosary 8:40

Holy Mass 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM

February 2, 2020: Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE CONTACT THE RECTORY OR THE NUMBERS LISTED ON THIS BULLETIN.

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Please follow the dress code for our church: women and girls please wear dresses/skirts and head coverings (veils available at the back of the church) and men should wear dress slacks and ties to Mass. Please be sure all clothing meets Catholic standards of modesty.

Please Silence Your Cell Phone

Sun, Feb 2: Purification Bl Virgin Mary <i>4th Sunday after Epiphany</i> <i>9am Pro Populo; 6pm Gunlikson Family</i>	Mass: 900AM 600PM
Mon, Feb 3: Feria <i>St Blaise BM</i>	Mass: 1130AM <i>OLS Parish</i>
Tues, Feb 4: St Andrew Corsini BC	Mass: 1130AM <i>Aurelia Trujillo</i>
Wed, Feb 5: St Agatha VM <i>Martyrs of Japan</i>	Mass: 1130AM <i>RIP Eva Cooger</i>
Thurs, Feb 6: St Titus BC <i>St Dorothy VM</i>	Mass: 1130AM <i>Gloria Trujillo</i>
Fri, Feb 7: 1st Friday, Reparation <i>St Romuald Ab</i>	1130AM: Holy Communion 630PM: Mass, Benediction <i>Reparation for Abortions</i>
Sat, Feb 8: St John of Matha C <i>950: Adult Doctrine Class</i>	Mass: 900AM <i>Reparation for Abortions</i>
Sun, Feb 9: Septuagesima Sunday <i>St Cyril of Alexandria BCD, St Apollonia VM</i> <i>9am Pro Populo; 6pm R.I.P. Louise Ross</i>	Mass: 900AM 600PM
If you have news for the bulletin, please email Agnes Anderson: jimandy41@outlook.com	

Welcome, visitors, to Our Lady of the Snow Catholic Church. Please feel free to ask the ushers any questions and to join us after Mass for our usual socializing. You are welcome to browse through any of our literature. Extra Missals are at the back of the church.

*****Remember, Holy Communion may only be received by Catholics who observe the traditional teachings of the Catholic Church, are in the state of sanctifying grace, and have completed a three hour fast.**

RIP Commended to your private prayers: Jan: Shirley Fisher; Dec: Cas Visminas; Nov: Dorothy Evans, Helen Ahern

Remember in your good prayers: Jan: Paula Devlin, Maria Saenz-Macias; Dec: Vern Slader; Nov: Fr Ephrem CMRI, Jill Patterson; Oct: Coralee Fox, George Sullivan, Ron Nats

Announcements



Today's Feast of the Purification:

* Blessing & Procession & Distribution of Candles (which are kissed when received at Communion rail, in two straight lines) will take place before 9:00 Mass today. This is annually done on this day in remembrance of holy Simeon who took the Lord in his arms on this day and proclaimed Him to be the light of revelation to the gentile nations. The servers will simply process around the interior of the church while the laity assist in their pews, standing with their candles lit. These candles will also be lit for the reading of the Gospel of the Mass today.

* After morning Mass, Father will enroll any mothers who wish to join the Confraternity of Christian Mothers.



Contribution statements for 2019 are available in the vestibule of the church.



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P.S. is for Playground Safety! P: Parents' Permission; S: Supervision, Safety! And R: Responsibility, Respect ☺

Today's feast is truly a *mystery*: *The PURIFICATION* of the Mother *most pure, most chaste, inviolate, undefiled* !!



Today's feast is a feast both of Jesus and Mary. The liturgy celebrates, primarily, the entrance for the first time of the Infant Jesus into the Temple: "Behold the Lord, the Ruler, cometh into His holy temple: rejoice and be glad, O Sion, and hasten to meet your God." Let us, too, go to meet Him, emulating the holy sentiments of the old Simeon.

In order to celebrate this event more fittingly, the Church today blesses candles and gives them to us; with burning tapers, we enter the Temple in procession. The lighted candle is a symbol of the Christian life, of the faith and grace which should shine in our soul. It is also the image of Christ, the Light of the world, "a light to the revelation of the Gentiles."

The lighted candle reminds us that we must always bear Christ in us, the Source of our life, the Author of faith and grace. By His grace, Jesus Himself disposes us to go to meet Him with livelier faith and greater love. May our meeting with Him today be particularly intimate and sanctifying!

Jesus is taken to the Temple to be offered to the Father. His presentation in the Temple is, so to speak, the *Offertory* of His life; the sacrifice will be consummated later, on Calvary. Let us offer ourselves with Jesus.

Jesus was presented by His Mother. Let us therefore contemplate Mary in her office of co-Redemptrix. Mary knew that Jesus was the Savior of the world, and through the veil of prophecy she knew that His mission would be accomplished in a mystery of sorrow in which she would participate, in her role as Mother. Simeon's prophecy: "And thy own sould a sword shall pierce," confirmed this. At that moment Mary must have repeated her *fiat*: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord: be it done to me according to Thy word." At the same time she offered her Son, she offered herself, being always closely united to His destiny.

O Jesus, through the hands of Mary, I wish to offer myself today with You to the eternal Father. But You are a pure, holy, and immaculate Host, while I am defiled with misery and sin. O Mary, my Mother, you were willing to be purified, although you were free from the slightest shadow of imperfection; purify, I beseech you, my poor soul, so that it may be less unworthy to be offered to the Father along with Jesus, Who is your Son as well as His. O Virgin most pure, lead me along the way of purification; accompany me yourself, so that my weakness will not make me faint because of the roughness of the road.



Remember, Virgin Mary of Good Success, whom God hath made so great so that thou canst give succour to miserable sinners; remember that thou hast often promised to show thyself a merciful Mother to those who have recourse to thee. I come to thee then, Mother most merciful, and I beg thee, for thy love of the Most High, that thou should obtain for me from God the Father a lively Faith that never loses sight of the eternal truths; from the Son, a firm Hope that always aspires to reach that glory that He won for me with His Blood; and from the Holy Ghost, a charity so inflamed that I will always live loving the Supreme Goodness and thee, Most Holy Virgin, until through thy intervention I will love and enjoy thee eternally in glory. Amen.

Stretched upon the rack and offered marriage if she would consent to sacrifice, or death if she refused, Saint Dorothy replied that "Christ was her only Spouse and death her desire." She was placed in charge of two women who had fallen away from the faith; the fire of her own heart rekindled the flame in theirs and led them back to Christ. ~ Set once more on the rack, the heavenly look she wore amazed her persecutor, and he asked the cause of her joy. "Because," she said, "I have brought back two souls to Christ and because I shall soon be in heaven rejoicing with the angels." ~ Her joy grew as she was buffeted in the face and her sides burned with plates of red-hot iron. "Blessed be Thou," she cried, when she was sentenced to be beheaded, "blessed be Thou, O Lover of souls! Who dost call me to Paradise and invitest me to Thy nuptial chamber."



O Heart of Mary, pure and fair,
there is no stain in thee;
In Adam's fall thou hast no share,
from sin's taint thou art free!

As some fair lily 'midst the thorns,
thou 'mongst Eve's daughters art;
Celestial purity adorns
thy chaste and holy heart.

Dear heart, within thy depths so pure,
we'll dwell and ne'er depart,
Till thou our souls hast link'd secure
to Jesus' Sacred Heart.

And when from thy lov'd heart we'll go
to that of thy dear Son,
Oh, shall we leave thee then? Ah, no;
His Heart and thine are one!

*O Heart of Mary, pure and fair,
no beauty can with thine compare!
From ev'ry stain of sin thou'rt free;
Oh, make us pure in heart like thee!*