



Our Lady of the Snow

***175 Blue Point Avenue
Blue Point, New York 11715
Telephone: 631-363-6385
Rev. Kevin Smith, Pastor***

***October 24, 2021 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy.***



DAILY MASSES:
Monday - Friday 8:30 AM
in Mother Church

WEEKEND MASSES:
Saturday 5:00 PM in Large Church
Sunday 7:30 AM in Large Church
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM in Large Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM
in Large Church

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
in Mother Church

ROSARY:

Oct 27, 4:45 pm
Mother Church

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Meet our Staff

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Hours: Mon. - Thur. 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

***Catholic Marriage for couples
married outside the Church:***

If you have a civil marriage but now desire a Catholic sacramental marriage, call the Parish Office for more information about a Convalidation.

Marriage:

Arrangements must be made at least **six to twelve months in advance**. It is advisable to call the church prior to arranging the reception.

Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.):

Persons interested in becoming Catholic and adults who have not received Confirmation or First Eucharist, please contact the Parish office.

Communion for the Homebound:

To make arrangements to have Communion brought to the home, please call the parish office at 363-6385, ext. 110. For emergency sick calls, please call the parish at any time.

Baptisms:

Call the rectory office to schedule a Baptism or check our website.



**Remember
in
Prayer**

Lt. Col. Meghan Ederle

Major Kyle Brown

Major Robert Gervasio

Capt. Evan Bernstein

Lt. Sean Brown

LT Shannon Wojciechowski

LTJG Douglas Wojciechowski

LTJG Thomas Adair

DO, CPT, MC Kate Desmond-Baker

TSgt. Mark C. Erickson

SMSgt Harold L. Erickson

E3/ACAN Connor Rooney USN

Sgt. Samuel Campanella

Lt. Robert Fleming

Lt. Ross Oley

Pray for Our Sick

*We pray for all who are sick, for their healing in
both body and spirit....*

**Debra Svendsen Greiner, Helen
Reinenking & Edward Martin**

In Sympathy

*For all who have died this past week, that they rejoice in the
heavenly banquet...*

Geraldine McCabe & Sean Burke



*Altar Bread and Wine
In Memory of
Richard Boyce*

*Sanctuary Candle in Mother Church
In Memory of
Shirley Dietz*

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT:
\$ 6446**

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Thank you for your generous donations to our food pantry. Together we are helping many in need in our community. If you are struggling and are in need in our food pantry please do not hesitate to call Parish Outreach at 631 363-6385 Ext 3.

Our current food pantry needs are;

- Chili**
- Pasta sauce**
- Peas**
- Carrots**
- Mayonnaise**
- Jelly**
- Toothpaste**
- Tooth brushes**
- Bar soap**
- Kitchen garbage bags**
- Laundry detergent**



All donation may be left outside the pantry doors in the large church before mass at the weekends, or during the week outside the doors of the large church during our hours Monday - Thursday 10am - 1pm.

There is also a collection box at the Blue Point King Kullen to the left of the exit doors.



Mass Intentions

Saturday	Oct 23,
5:00 PM	Thomas Mitchell † Paul Hamilton † Gregory Childs †
Sunday	Oct 24,
7:30 AM	Parishioners of OLS
9:00 AM	Thomas Mitchell †
11:00 AM	Shirley Dietz †
Monday	Oct 25,
8:30 AM	Pat Sblendorio †
Tuesday	Oct 26,
8:30 AM	James Orban †
Wednesday	Oct 27,
8:30 AM	Michael Frawley †
Thursday	Oct 28, Ss Simon & Jude , Apostles
8:30 AM	Richard Boyce †
Friday	Oct 29,
8:30 AM	Harold Nowlon †
Saturday	Oct 30,
5:00 PM	Sophia Mounier † Isabel Buccola † Travis McKeveny †
Sunday	Oct 31,
7:30 AM	Luke Grosso †
9:00 AM	Leo Krumholz †
11:00 AM	Parishioners of OLS†

Thank you all for your support and involvement in our Blood drive. We were able to collect 89 pints of blood!!!



WE ARE HAVING A PAINT NIGHT
OCTOBER 29, 2021 @ 6:30 PM
IN OUR MOTHER CHURCH BASEMENT
COST : \$50 PER PERSON ALL ARE INVITED!!!
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING US PLEASE GIVE US CALL.
MAKE SURE YOU LET US KNOW WHICH SIGN YOU WOULD LIKE TO
HAVE.

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Price includes sign and appetizers, bring your own wine



Gospel Reflection by Michael Dawidziak

I just love Bartimaeus. He is one of the unsung heroes of the Bible. The first remarkable thing about him is that we actually know his name. Think of all the people we read about who were cured by Jesus. We know about the miracle itself but we hardly ever are told the name of the person who was healed. Usually, the person is just referred to simply as a leper or a paralytic or demon possessed. Sometimes, the person is referred to in terms of a relationship such as “Peter’s mother-in-law” or “the daughter of Jairus”. But rarely are we told their name. We are told tangentially that Jesus drove seven demons out of Mary Magdalene but the healing event itself is not described (Luke 8:2). Why was it so important to Mark for us to know this particular person’s name? What’s in a name anyway?

We can’t know for sure but Biblical scholars have come up with some tantalizing theories over the years. One is the meaning of the name itself. Bar means “son”, so Bartimaeus means “Son of Timaeus”. Was he the son of somebody named Timaeus? Possibly. But breaking down the Greek components of his name, “bar” (son) and “timaios” (honorable), perhaps Mark wants us to know he was a “son of honor” or an honorable person. To first century Jewish ears that certainly would have sounded strange. Afflictions such as leprosy and blindness were looked upon as punishment from God for sinful behavior. Bartimaeus would have been considered as far from admirable as you could get. So, what’s so honorable about him?

In an earlier healing story, when the people had come to tell Jairus that his daughter had died, Jesus tells him, “Do not be afraid. Only have faith” (Mark 5:36). Bartimaeus is not afraid and boy, does he have faith. He also knows how to deal with people who only want him to be quiet. He is blind but he can perceive who and what Jesus is. He understands it. He grasps it. He might be physically blind but he’s got great spiritual sight. He’s not going to let this chance pass him by and he’s not going to let anybody else ruin his chances. He calls Jesus by the name, “Son of David”. He is identifying Jesus as the Messiah and King of Israel. It probably sounded like so much drivel to the other people who scold him to be quiet. “Shut up, you old fool”. But he doesn’t care about looking foolish. He perseveres in the face of opposition. And don’t you love how, when Jesus calls him, the people then say, “Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you”? Kind of like, “Yeah, we knew it all the time”. I think there’s going to be a lot of people like that at the Last Judgement.

Then Bartimaeus does something which is often overlooked but is a great sign of faith. He throws aside his cloak before jumping up and going to Jesus. Remember he is a poor blind beggar. His cloak is probably one of his few and most valued possessions. It might very well be the only thing that has kept him from freezing to death. He can’t see. If he leaves it behind now, how will he ever find it again? It’s a sign of great and ultimate faith. He does not have the slightest doubt that Jesus can restore his sight. He doesn’t know *if* He will do it for him but he has absolute faith and complete confidence in the fact that Jesus *can* do it. He’s already identified Him as the “Son of David” or the Jewish Messiah. Wait a minute. Mark gave him a Greek name, right? It’s possible that Mark, writing in Greek, simply translated his Aramaic name into a Greek equivalent. Or maybe Mark wants us to know that Bartimaeus wasn’t even Jewish. There’s an old saying that there is no one as fervent as a new convert and that is certainly true of Bartimaeus.

A theme that runs through all our readings today is the fulfillment of God’s salvation plan being accomplished with the establishment of a new kingdom and a new priesthood established by His Son, Jesus. In our first reading from Jeremiah we read, “The Lord has delivered His people” and that He “will gather them from the ends of the world, with the blind and the lame in their midst”. In the Letter to the Hebrews we read, “it was not Christ who glorified himself in becoming high priest but rather the one who said to him: You are my son: this day I have begotten you”. When all the learned, sighted religious leaders failed to comprehend this fulfillment in Jesus, it was poor, blind Bartimaeus who could truly see it.

**Parish Outreach
Thanksgiving and Christmas program
for those in need in our community.**

We are requesting donations of gift cards this year for the Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets and the Christmas gift program.

How do I donate to this program?

May we suggest purchasing a \$25 supermarket gift card, a \$25 gift card to Target, CVS or Marshalls, or write a check to Our Lady of The Snow in any amount, and we will purchase the gift card as requested. Drop in the collection basket at mass, or at the Outreach office Monday-Thursday 10am-1pm.

Go online to Our Lady Of The Snow website and virtually donate using PAY PAL for the desired amount to be used to purchase the gift cards. Go to Outreach heading Go to Giving-Outreach You will see the categories for your donation. We will then purchase the gift card as requested.

We would appreciate all gift cards be returned as soon as possible for Thanksgiving and by Sunday Dec 5th for the Christmas food and gift program.

Any questions?

E mail olsoutreach@yahoo.com or call the Outreach Office at 363-2417, Monday through Thursday 10AM - 1PM with any questions or further inquiries or leave a message and we will get back to you ASAP. Thank you for your support of our ministry



Our Lady of the Snow Saint Parade

Sunday, October 31st

11 a.m. Mass

Large Church

Students in grades 1-5 are invited to come to the 11 a.m. Mass dressed as a Saint. They will be able to take part in a procession at the beginning of Mass.

