



Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church

Of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte

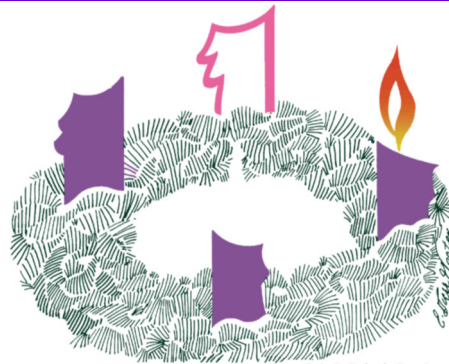
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November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent

*You...must be prepared
for at an hour you do
not expect the son of
man will come.*

~Matthew 24:44



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Saint of the Week



St. Martin de Porres (1579 - 1639) performed many miracles in the name of Christ including miraculous cures and the raising of the dead. This Peruvian friar was a holy and devout man who did much for the sick and poor. For instance, he raised \$2,000 a week for the poor from Lima's wealthy (a princely sum back then) and founded the city's first orphanage. Because of him, the Dominican friars dropped the stipulation that "no black person may receive the holy habit or take the profession of our order." His love of Christ compelled him to live a life of self-imposed austerity. He fasted continuously, never ate meat, and spent most of his time in prayer. He was venerated from the day of his death. People throughout the world still credit his intercession for miracles. His Feast day November 3rd and our food pantry is named in his honor - St. Martin de Porres food pantry!

~<http://www2.richmonddiocese.org/obc/l-saints.htm>

Mass Schedule/Intentions

Saturday Nov. 26 5:00 PM -
Mass offered for Danny Canada for healing requested by Ed Gannon

Sunday Nov. 27

8:00 AM - For the people of the parish

11:00 AM - Mass offered for Anthony Duliepre and Rita Gittens as requested by

Denise and Dominick Duliepre

Tuesday, Nov. 29 8:30AM

Wednesday Nov. 30 8:30AM—Mass offered for Dan O'Connell's birthday requested by Sally Moll

Thursday Dec. 1, 8:30AM

Friday Dec. 2 8:30AM

Reconciliation

Saturday's 4PM or by appointment

Baptism

Class required for parents and godparents. Contact the parish office for information.

Marriage

Please contact Fr. Carl Del Giudice At least 6 months before the desired wedding date.

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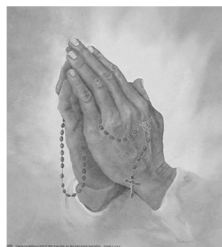
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Daily Readings & Calendar November 27– Dec. 3, 2016

Sun. Nov. 27 Is 2:1-5, Rom 13:11-14, Mt 24:37-44	8:00AM Mass, Church 11:00AM Mass, Church 4PM - 7PM Basketball, PLC
Mon. Nov. 28 Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11	6PM - Basketball, Gym 7PM - Bible Study, Chapel
Tue. Nov. 29 Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24	8:30AM Mass 6PM – 9PM Scouts, PLC
Wed. Nov. 30 Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22	8:30AM Mass 10AM-12PM Balance Class, PLC 6-9PM Basketball, Parish Life Ctr.
Thur. Dec. 1 Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27	8:30AM Mass
Fri. Dec. 2 Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31	8:30AM Mass 11:30 - 1PM Food Pantry
Sat. Dec. 3 Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8	11AM - 2PM, Ladies Guild Chat N Chew 4:00PM Confessions, Church 5:00PM Mass, Church



Prayer Intentions

Please Pray For:

Thomasina Carr, Lamonte Bailey, Errin Rochelle, , Carmen Pantoja-Perez, Fr. Jim Goode, Joseph Castro, Pamela Gellineau, Michele Gellineau-Green, Bennie P. Evans, June Rousseau, Maria Rousseau, Ural

Covington, Harry Baptiste, Carolyn Oates, Sr. Bessie McCarthy, Jake Suggs, Robert Collins, Jr., Lucielle Tate, Kate Truesdale, Ricky Carr, Celeste Carr, Elizabeth Nance, Janice Rucker, Jensen McDonald, Priscilla Duncan, Dilvia Sanchez, Eric Polite, Regina Delgado, Dwight Kersey, Wilhelmina White, Victor Gellineau, Idalia Brown, Alberta Foree (sister of Clair Harvey), La-Rita Alvarado, Wilhelmina Grant, Jennifer Makeeff, Alan Jones, Marianne B. Holman, Barbara Block, Deborah Hurst, Elmira House and all the special intentions of our parishioners.

If you or a member of your family is ill or recuperating, you may request a prayer shawl from our Prayer Shawl Ministry. Call Carol Gomiak at 704-614-5908.

Parish Weekly Income Report

Week of Nov. 13, 2016		Budgeted Amount
Offertory	\$7,597.25	\$ 9,615.00
Deficit Reduction	\$560.00	\$ 2,308.00
Building Repair	\$145.00	
Total	\$8,302.25	\$11,923.00

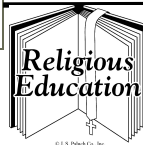
St Martin de Porres Food Pantry

Thank you to all who helped make this years Thanks-giving box project a success! The food pantry was able to help **100 households with a turkey for Thanksgiving**. This time of year, as we all pause to give thanks, we would like to thank you, our volunteers and donors for your continued stewardship through donations of time treasure and talent. With your help, we are showing mercy one household at a time!

Are you an active member of OLC?

Active membership at Our Lady of Consolation is determined by 4 things:

1. Registration in the parish using the registration form, and alerting the office to any changes
2. Attending Mass faithfully
3. Participating in Parish Ministry and community
4. Using your giving envelopes (The envelopes help the office identify you as an active member of the Parish)



Faith Formation

There will be **NO Classes this weekend, November 27th.**

Faith Formation classes resume next weekend Dec 4 at 9:20AM in the PLC. Family Adoration for December will be Dec. 18 from 9:30AM-10AM in the Sanctuary. All are welcome to join us.



Ministry Schedule Dec. 3 & 4

Readers

12-3, 5PM Stacie Cheatom
12-4, 8AM Harry Scott

12-4, 11AM Leslie Johnson, Montae Monroe

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

12-3, 5PM T. Barnett F. Dewalt Mary Jones Host
12-4, 8AM O. Carter R. Carter W. Jackson M. Carter S. Lawrence Host
12-4, 11AM S. Cooper, D Sanchez (chapel), K Mukoko, H Okechukwu (chapel), E Hood, S Fowler, J Dennis, G Hood, S Carr

PARISH NEWS

Bible Study - Adult bible study will meet on Monday, November 28th, at 7PM in the Chapel. All are welcome to come study God's word.

National Religious Retirement Collection

Each year, proceeds from the Retirement Fund for Religious gives financial assistance to hundreds of religious communities, while supporting education and resources that strengthen retirement planning, and improve elder care. Some 33,000 sisters, brother, and religious order priests benefit. The last second collection Dec. 11, 2016 will benefit the National Religious Retirement Office.

DSA Update for Our Lady of Consolation

Our goal for 2016 is \$44,661.00 and we have collected \$39,293.27 with 208 of 400 households participating. As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, please consider your blessings, and make a gift of gratitude to the DSA. If you have not yet contributed, you can donate online at www.charlottediocese.org/dsa. Remember, any amount over our goal will be returned to the parish for our own use. If you have an outstanding pledge, please complete your pledge payments by December 31st. Thank you

Men's Group-Hornet's Game

The OLC Men's Group invite you to attend an upcoming Charlotte Hornets vs Toronto basketball game, 7:00 pm, Jan. 20, 2017 at the Spectrum Center, Charlotte. The cost is \$30.00 per person in cash or checks made payable to OLC NLT Seating is on the Upper Level - sideline middle. All are invited for a fun evening!

Fellowship Breakfast

All men are invited Saturday, Dec. 10, 2016 at 9AM to the OLC Men's Group Fellowship Breakfast.

Thank you from Unbound!

I carried home with me fond memories of your beautiful parish community, Our Lady of Consolation. Most importantly I returned home with 24 sponsorship forms meaning that there are that many more children, youth, and elderly who will have a brighter future and those sponsoring them will make new friends. My thanks to Fr. Carl for inviting Unbound to OLC and to all of you for your very gracious hospitality and spirit filled liturgies. If you didn't become a sponsor over the weekend but still wish to, you can do so by using the UNBOUND bulletin insert from my visit or by going online at UNBOUND.org. If you have any questions about UNBOUND that I can answer, please don't hesitate to contact me at aotearoa3@hotmail.com. Thank you on behalf of the newly sponsored and thanks for the great experience at OLC. Sincerely. Fr. Dave Noone

Basket donations for the Ladies Guild Chat N Chew

Anyone interested in donating a basket for this year's Ladies Guild Chat N Chew please contact Elease Askew at 704-393-9835 or Vilma Males at 704-849-0021. All baskets should be brought to the PLC by Friday Dec 2 at 5PM.

Chat N Chew - Tickets Available!

The annual Chat N Chew luncheon and basket raffle will be Saturday December 3 from 11AM - 2PM in the Parish Life Center. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the door until 11AM. To purchase advance tickets please contact Elease Askew at 704-393-9835 or Vilma Males at 704-849-0021. Additional basket raffle tickets will be available for \$1 each.

Supporting Our Youth

This group will focus on raising the funds needed to send our Parish Youth to important events, like the National Black Catholic Congress. We are seeking OLC members to join us. Contact Kathryn Johnson at 704-332-7370 or Naomi Byrd at 704-595-3490

The Black Cultural Commission

SAVE THE DATE...December 10 for an event hosted by OLC called "The Catholic Church in Black and White". The planning committee invites you to participate in this discussion with members of St. Peter's and St. Gabriel's Catholic Churches. The event that will be held from 10 AM to 1:30 PM in the Parish Life Center.

Reflection - Be Prepared

Be prepared. It's that simple. As this Advent season opens before us, the Lord Jesus summons us to stand ready for his coming. At this time of year much of our attention is focused on being prepared for the details that accompany the holiday season. We purchase gifts; we decorate our homes, inside and out; we prepare foods that we eat only during the holidays; we write and send Christmas cards; we attend holiday concerts; we prepare either to welcome family and friends into our homes or arrange for visits to their homes. We really can't escape the details that make up the season. Perhaps this Advent is a time to attend to all those details with a different spin. As we prepare to celebrate the feast of Christmas, why not be deliberate about acknowledging the presence of the Lord as we go about these tasks? The Lord often comes to us in wonderfully surprising ways. Let us be prepared.

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Around the Diocese

An Ignatian Advent Retreat

All adults are invited to St Peter's Uptown to experience a deeper, more contemplative preparation for the Lord's coming. The retreat is Dec. 3 from 9AM-12 noon in Bliss Hall (located below the church on South Tryon St.) Light breakfast, beverages and snacks will be served. Free parking is available in The Green parking garage. Presented by the St. Peter Ignatian Spirituality Team. To sign up email Communications@stpeterscatholic.org

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