



Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church Of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte

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March 5, 2017 First Sunday of Lent

Mass Schedule/ Intentions

Saturday, March 4

5:00 PM

Sunday, March 5

8:00AM *Rest of the soul of Marcelin Coq, Julia Jean-Baptiste and Charmante Jean-Baptiste as requested by the Davidson Coq family*

11:00AM *Intentions of members of the Rosary Society as requested by Gladis Hood*

Tues. March 7, 8:30AM

Wed. March 8, 8:30AM

Thur. March 9, 8:30AM

Fri. March 10, 8:30AM -

Reconciliation

Saturday's 4PM or by appointment

Baptism

Class required for parents and Godparents. Contact the Parish Office.

Marriage

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

Parish Office

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Monday - Friday 8AM - 4PM

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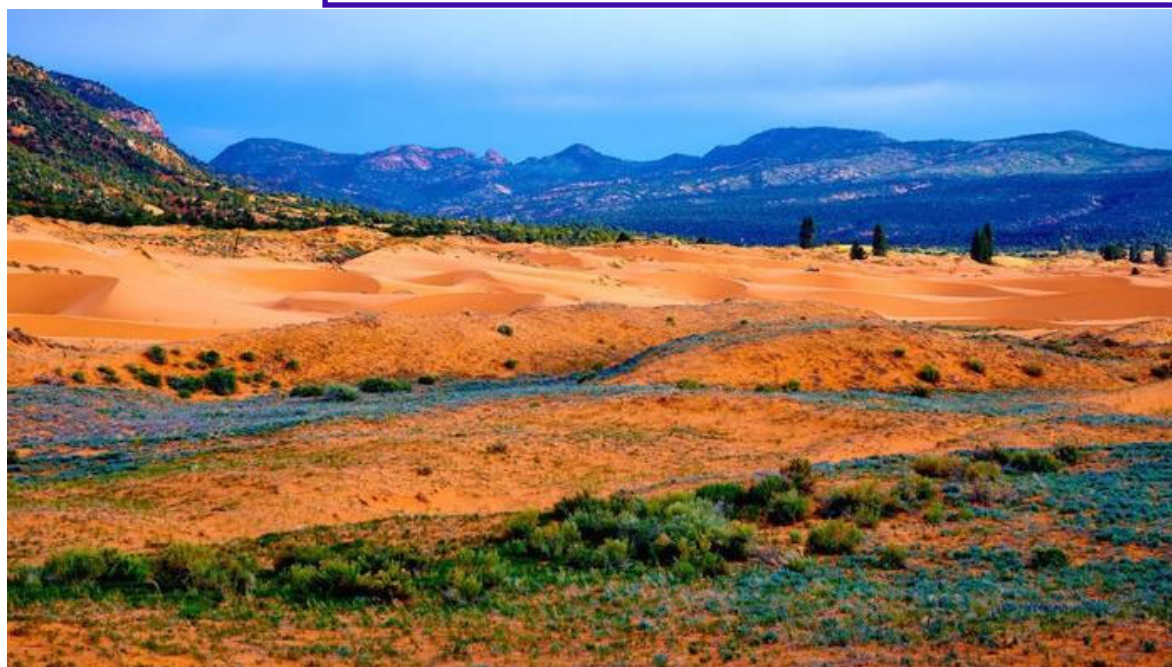
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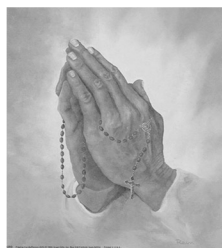
One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

~Matthew 4:46



Daily Readings & Calendar March 5 - 11, 2017

Sun. March 5 Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11	8:00AM Mass, Church 9:20AM Faith Formation, PLC 11:00AM Mass, Church 1:00PM Rosary Society 4:00PM Mentoring through Basketball
Mon. March 6 Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46	6PM Basketball, PLC 7PM Bible Study, Chapel 7PM Parish Council
Tue. March 7 Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15	8:30AM Mass 11:00PM Food Pantry, PLC 6PM Scouts, PLC
Wed. March 8 Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32	8:30AM Mass 6PM Basketball, PLC 7PM RCIA
Thur. March 9 Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12	8:30AM Mass 6PM Basketball, PLC 6:30PM Choir, Church
Fri. March 10 Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26	<i>abstinence</i> 8:30AM Mass 11:30AM Food Pantry, PLC 11AM - 7PM Fish Fry, PLC
Sat. March 11 Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48	9AM - 12PM Men's Group breakfast 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 and Christopher Truesdale, Ricky Carr, Celeste Carr, 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, Adele Moore, Barbara Young, Terry Vaughan, Jr., Thomas & Iona Franklin, James Worth and all the special intentions of our parishioners.

The repose of the soul of Francis Dewalt and all the faithfully departed.

Parish Weekly Income Report

Week of Feb 19, 2017

Budgeted Amount

Offertory	\$9,602.50	\$ 9,615.00
Deficit Reduction	\$667.00	\$ 2,308.00
Building Repair	\$55.00	
Total	\$10,324.50	\$11,923.00

St. Martin de Porres

St. Martin de Porres is the outreach ministry that staffs and organizes the food pantry for Our Lady of Consolation. They meet the second Tuesday of the month. Food distribution days are Tuesday and Friday by appointment. If you are interested in learning more about this group please speak to Deborah Wadsworth at 704-231-7956. Thank you for your continued support!



Faith Formation

Classes are today in the Parish Life Center beginning at

9:30AM.

- ◆ Rite of Election for those in RCIA is March 18 at St Thomas Aquinas. Bishop Jugis will be presiding at Mass.
- ◆ The family rosary this month will be Sunday, March 19, in the Parish Life Center 9:30 - 10AM.

Ministers for the week of March 11 & 12

Readers: 5PM Lynnette Carson

8AM Carol Connor

11AM LaChone Winston, Rita Simmons

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

5PM T. Barnett, D. Givens, F. Dewalt

8AM D. Bond, M. Chrisp, W. Jackson, P. Howey, Z. Kenner

11AM M. Butler, J. McElrath, Deacon Todd, F. Dennis, G. Hood, S. Cooper

Living Stewardship Now

A prayer for Lent:

“O Lord, who has mercy upon all, take away from me my sins, and mercifully kindle in me the fire of thy Holy Spirit. Take away from me the heart of stone, and give me a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore Thee, a heart to delight in Thee, to follow and enjoy Thee, for Christ's sake. Amen.”

~Saint Ambrose of Milan (339-397)

PARISH NEWS

Liturgy Question of the Week

What is Lent?

Lent is a forty-day liturgical season that initiates the most sacred part of the Christian year. Sunday's are not included in the forty-day count because every Sunday is a joyful celebration of our Lord's resurrection. During Lent, we meditate on the great paschal mystery - the salvation God won for us sinners by the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Fish Fry

OLC Men's Group would like to invite you to their weekly Lenten Fish Fry from 12 Noon - 7PM. Come eat in or take home. Serving Croaker, Whiting and Shrimp with sides. Cost is \$9 a plate. Proceeds benefit Men's Group projects. All are welcome.



Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross began as the practice of pious pilgrims to Jerusalem who would retrace the final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary. Later, for the many who wanted to pass along the same route, but could not make the trip to Jerusalem, a practice developed that eventually took the form of the fourteen stations currently found in almost every church.

Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Consolation begin at 7PM on Friday's during Lent.

Rosary Society - Meeting today at 1PM in the PLC

The Rosary Society is always open for new members. We invite you, Men or Women, of all ages to join us, as we pray the Rosary once a month. The Blessed Mother is our Model of Holiness. If interested please contact Ms. Shirley Fowler, President 704 375-4716 Mrs. Gladys Hood, Vice President 704-523-7747

Greeters /Welcoming Committee

We are seeking new parishioners of OLC who joined our Parish within the last two years to join us at a luncheon especially for you March 18th. A sign

up sheet with more information is located in the church Vestibule.

Bible Study

The next adult bible study will be Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7PM in the Chapel. All are welcome to attend.

Chicken and Waffle Breakfast

Thank you to all who came out in support of the OLC Youth In Action group by attending the chicken and waffle dinner. Thanks to your generosity we are closer than ever to our trip!

Pope Francis's March

Prayer Request

In the month of March Pope Francis requests we pray for the persecuted Christians that they may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole church.

Golden Wings Las Vegas Trip

The Golden Wings will be going to Las Vegas Nov 5-10, 2017. More information to follow. If interested in going, there is a sign up sheet in the vestibule of church.

Around the Diocese

Diocesan Stewardship Day

We are seeking interested individuals to attend, as a group, from OLC Saturday, March 25th at St. Aloysius parish, 921 2nd St NE, Hickory 28601 from 9:30AM -3:30PM. Please pick up a brochure and contact Fr. Carl or the Parish office if you plan to attend.

FREE Fit & Strong Exercise Classes

Beginning on March 13, 2017 at St. Gabriel Catholic Church Hall. Please register by Monday, March 5th by contacting Sandra Breakfield at 704 -370-3220 or email sabreakfield@charlottediocese.org.

Charlotte Catholic Women's Group

The women of OLC are invited to the March Evening reflection, Friday, March 3, 7:15PM at St Mark Parish Hall, 14740 Stumptown Rd. Huntersville, NC RSVP at www.charlottecatholicwomensgroup.org

Reflection

Strength Against Temptation

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert. As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight as well as the deserts of our lives. As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God—we want control, power, and answers to all of life's difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation.

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The Devil's Traps

Those who tempt us to do evil often smile sweetly and have excellent social skills. Satan talked very persuasively to Adam and Eve and they fell for his wiles. That same smooth talker tried his tricks on Jesus but finally left, unable to turn Jesus' heart away from God. All of us face versions of each temptation faced by Jesus. The Evil One gets a real foothold not when we break rules but when we develop sinful habits. Words shouted once in anger and regretted are less damaging than a habit of belittling people. Breaking one's marriage vow and repenting is not like a pattern of cheating over years. Lent is as annual season of spiritual "spring cleaning." Has it been a while since you went to confession? Consider it now. If you go to the sacrament and confess the same sins over and over, ask yourself why. God forgives not just once, but for always.

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