



Our Lady of Consolation Catholic Church

Of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte

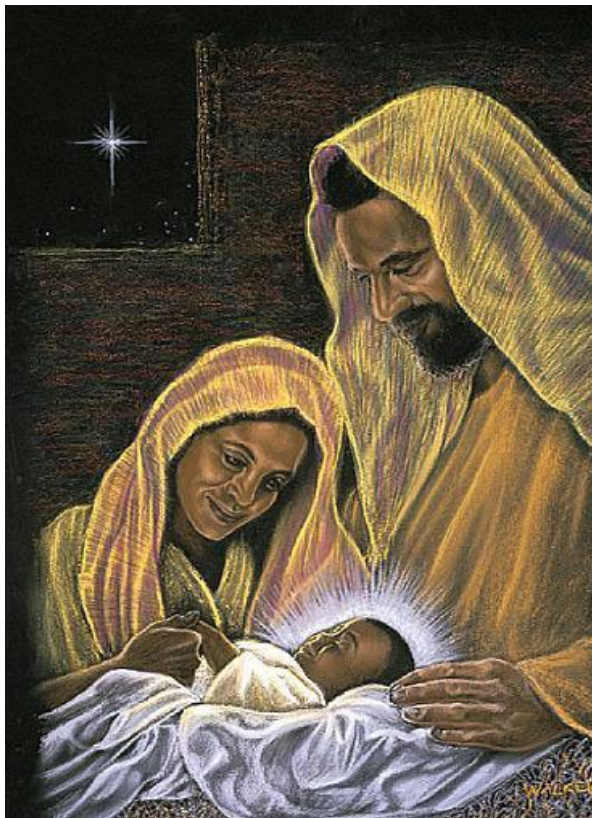
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December 24, 2017
Fourth Sunday of Advent



*Behold, the Virgin shall conceive
and bear a son, and they shall
name him Emmanuel, which
means "God is with us".*

~Matthew 1:23



Mass Schedule/Intentions

Saturday, Dec. 23 5:00 PM -

Sunday, Dec 24- 4th Sunday of Advent
11:00AM

Christmas Eve

Sunday Dec. 24

5:00PM - Children's Mass

8:00PM - Solemn Mass of Christmas

Christmas Day

Monday, Dec. 25 - 10AM

Parish Office

1235 Badger Ct Charlotte, NC 28206

Office Hours Mon. - Fri. 8:30AM - 4:30PM

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Daily Readings & Calendar Dec 24- Dec 30, 2017	
Sun. Dec 24 - 2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38	11:00AM Mass, Church 5:00PM Children's Mass 8:00PM Christmas Mass
Mon. Dec 25 - <u>Vigil</u> : Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]	10AM Mass Office Closed
Tue. Dec 26 - Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22	Office Closed
Wed. Dec 27 - 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8	Office Closed Kwanzaa, 7PM Gym
Thur. Dec 28 - 1 Jn 1:5 - 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18	Office Closed Kwanzaa, 7PM Gym
Fri. Dec. 29 - 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35	Office Closed
Sat. Dec. 30 - 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40	4:00PM Confessions 5:00PM Vigil Mass



The Envelope Please

It's just a plain envelope on our Christmas tree every year. My husband used to hate the way the birth of our Savior is swamped with consumerism. One year, our son's karate team was competing with kids from a poorer section of town. My husband commented on the visitors' hand-me-down, poorly-fitting uniforms. I wondered about the morale of these kids if they had proper outfits, so I bought some and sent them anonymously to their coach. I placed an envelope on the tree telling my husband that the uniforms were my gift to him. He was thrilled, and that began a new family tradition - one year I sent teens with disabilities to visit the aquarium; food and household items went another year to a family whose home had burned down. Our children loved learning what was in Dad's envelope. Sadly, my husband died last year. Yet I cried with happiness on Christmas morning to find four white envelopes from my children. My grandchildren crowded round excitedly, saying, "Open the envelopes, Gran!"

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Parish Weekly Tithe Report

Week of Dec. 10, 2017

Budgeted Amount

Offertory	\$7,032.00	\$ 9,615.00
Deficit Reduction	\$360.00	\$ 2,308.00
Building Repair	\$555.00	
Total	\$7,947.00	\$11,923.00

St Martin de Porres food pantry



Thank you to all those who supported the Christmas food box project. With your assistance we were able to provide 100 households with a box of food for the Christmas holiday. Thank you!

Weekly Volunteers to help with the food pantry are needed. Please see Deborah Wadsworth for more information 704-231-7956

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, Jensen McDonald, Eric Polite, 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, Leroy Fair, Nancy Helms, Cheryl Gellineau Smalls, Ame Cherie Cannon, Ycein Henderson, Joan Graham, Henry White, Vive Brown, George Lewis, Mildred Ledbetter, John McDowell, Douglas Duncan, Rita Gittens, Judith Bazile, Cheryl Hunt, Norma Castro and all the special intentions of our parishioners.

For the repose of the soul of Reverend Mr. Charles Knight, James Worth, Keith Nmoma, Crystal Bailey Lewis, Marie Scott

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 Gominiak at 704-614-5908.



PARISH NEWS
**Merry
Christmas!**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from
Fr. Carl and the staff of
Our Lady of Consolation!

Christmas Mass Schedule

- Sunday Dec. 24,
11AM (only Mass) – 4th Sunday of Advent
- Sunday, Dec. 24,
5PM, Christmas Vigil (Children’s Mass)
8PM, Solemn Mass of Christmas
- Monday, Dec 25 (Christmas Day) ,
10AM, Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
- Sunday, Dec. 31,
11AM - Feast of the Holy Family
- Sunday, Dec. 31,
5PM Vigil for the Solemnity of Mary
- Monday, January 1,
10AM - Solemnity of Mary

Parish Office Closed

The parish office will be closed for Christmas Friday,
December 22 - Tuesday, January 2 opening at 8:30AM
on Wednesday January 3, 2018

Kwanzaa Celebration at OLC

Kwanzaa is a 7 day African American and pan-African holiday which celebrates family, community and culture. It joins communitarian values and practices of Continental African and African American culture. The Kwanza Celebration at OLC (sponsored by the Black Cultural Commission) will be Wednesday Dec. 27th and Thursday Dec 28 at 7PM in the Parish Life Center. Please plan to come join us!

Bake Sale

Thank you to all who donated to the bake sale and purchased items. Your support of the OLC Youth In Action group is greatly appreciated!

**Ministry Schedule Feast of the Holy Family
Dec 30 & 31**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- Sat Dec 30 5PM - M Jones, C Edouard, J Edouard
- Sun Dec 31 11AM -

Readers

- Sat Dec 30 5PM -
- Sun Dec 31 11AM - Chanele Jackson, Nina Mitchell
- Sun Dec 31 5PM

Our Lady of Consolation Engages

BLACK LIVES MATTER

November 2017- November 2018

Lunch and Learn

Bring your lunch and join us Saturday, January 6, 2018 10AM-2PM in the gym for the church family discussion of “Black Catholic History: Invisible to most yet invaluable to all”. Drinks and desserts will be provided

Support Our Wildcats!

OLC Athletic Association is having a Chinese Auction on Saturday January 20, 2018 in the Parish Life Center from 3PM-5PM. Come out and SUPPORT the Wildcats! Have some FUN & WIN, WIN, WIN!!!
Shopping is from 12:00 pm to 1:00pm - Auction Starts at 1:30pm. Ticket price \$5 (for pack of tickets)
For more information please see Belinda Grier 704 363-8941, Shawn Lawrence 704 451-1667, Bettye Wilson 704 351 8297 or Beverly Rumley 706-573-3380

Online Giving

For your convenience, we offer electronic giving options that help you contribute when you don’t have cash or your checkbook, or when you’re traveling during the holidays and can’t attend Mass at OLC. Our online giving is fast and secure, stop by the church office, or visit our website at www.ourladyofconsolation.org to learn more. Thank you for all you do to support our parish during the holidays and throughout the year.

Living Stewardship Now

Choose a special gift from your whole family during the Christmas season and give it anonymously to a parish organization or a local charity.

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AROUND THE DIOCESE

“Bridging Musical Worlds” Concert Jan. 14, 2018 at 5PM Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 3400 Beatties Ford Rd. Dinner on the yard begins at 3PM, cost is \$5. Come join A Sign of the Times and the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra in a celebration of the Life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Charlotte Catholic Women's Group (CCWG)

Next meeting is January 8, 2018 at 9AM in the St Vincent de Paul Assembly Room. Guest speaker is Fr. Joshua Voitus. Non Members \$5 donation requested.

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