



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

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let the weeds and the wheat grow together until harvest."

Matthew 13:29-30

July
19
2020

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Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturdays—4PM or by appointment

Baptism

Class required for parents and godparents held the last Friday of month. Call the parish office two weeks prior to schedule. Baptismal sacrament given the last Saturday of the month at 11AM or by arrangement.

Marriage

Please contact Fr. Basile Sede at least 6 months before the desired wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

The primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which a person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties of serious or prolonged illness. Please call and email the parish office to request anointing.

Mass Schedule

OUTDOOR MASS

9:00 AM

FAMILY LIFE PARKING LOT

***Tune into our website on Sundays
for Mass with Father Basile Sede***

Please sign up on our website for Mass

Parish Office Hours—Wednesday 9:00-12:00

During the Covid-19 Outbreak, please send an email to olccharlotte@charlottediocese.org with any questions.

Pastor: Rev. Basile Sede

Secretary: Colleen Kudela

Maintenance: Joseph McGuire

Music: Erick Massey & Michelle Wylie

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Apollinaris
Tuesday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi
Wednesday: St. Mary Magdalene
Thursday: St. Bridget
Friday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf
Saturday: St. James

**Mecklenburg Area Catholic Schools is hiring
After School Assistants for several locations.
(Charlotte and Huntersville)**

Job Description

Oversee elementary school age children

Hours

2:30-6:00

Days

Monday-Friday

Must be 16 years old to apply. No weekends!

If interested contact:

Ellen Buening
704-370-3268

ehbuening@charlottediocese.org

PARISH NEWS

***Bible Study will meet virtually Sundays at 9:45 am
and Mondays at 7:00 pm.***

Parish Council Meetings 1st Tuesday of the month.

***Liturgical Commission will meet 1st Thursday of
the month.***

RCIA will meet virtually Wednesdays at 7:15 pm.

Please continue to tithe during this difficult time.

**Ministry leaders should utilize Zoom platform for
video conference for meetings. Please email the
office with any questions.**

**Please contact your Ministry Leaders with any
questions or to see if you will meet with an online
streaming platform or conference call.**

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2020

*For Healing & God's Mercy for Carolyn Milbourne
and Rovena Bessellieu-White requested by
Chanele Jackson*

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2020

*For the Repose of the Soul of Justin Carr requested
by Bonita Graham
Birthday Blessings for Emmanuel Okechukwu
requested by his parents*

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020

*For the Repose of the Soul of Richard Jacobs
requested by Stan Fri*

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020

*Birthday Blessings for Dominic Duliepre Jr.
requested by the Duliepre Family*

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2020

*Birthday Blessings for Michelle Gittens requested
by the Duliepre Family*

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2020

*God's healing hands upon Kieva Skinner requested
by the Duliepre Family*

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2020

*For God's healing hands upon Karen Harris
requested by the Duliepre Family*

Mass Intentions - Please contact the office or email
olccharlotte@charlottediocese.org to offer Masses for
your loved ones: praying for the deceased, birthdays,
anniversaries and other events. Every Mass should have
an intention.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50

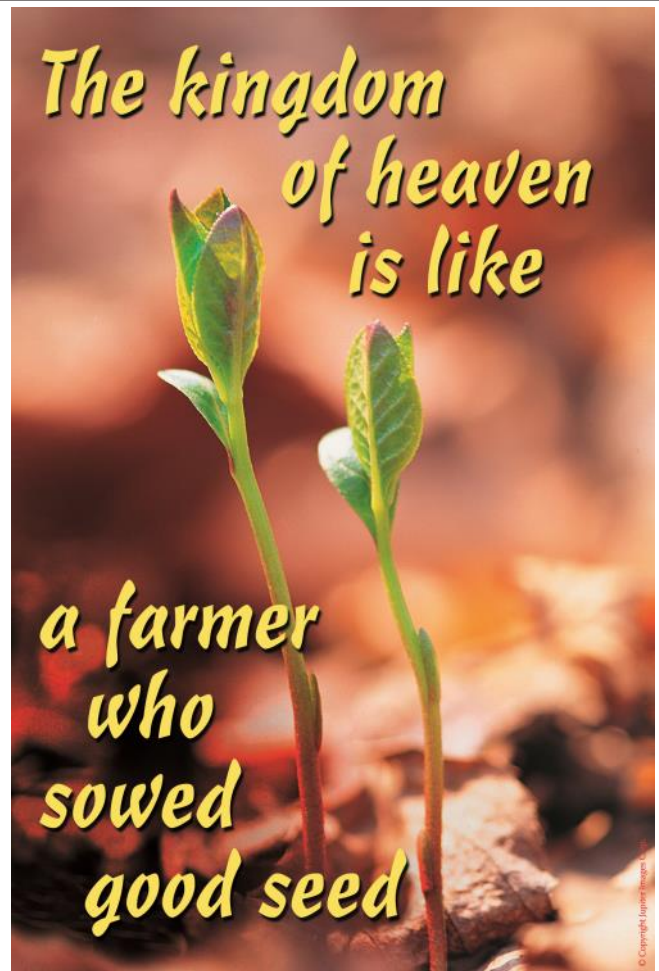
Wednesday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10-12abcd, 13; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]



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PRAYER LIST

Larry Bass
Deborah Bond
Mr. Joseph Castro
Mrs. A. Connors
Florine Dennis
Robert Douglas
Fr. Jim Goode
Theresa Greenley
The House Family
Alan W. Jones
Cassandra Lambert
Sammuel Lambert
George Lewis
Vilma Males



Edward Marsh Jr.
John McDowell
Sr. Bessie McCarth
Patricia North
Robin Plummer
Julius Rose, Sr.
Janice Rucker
Lee Anne Rucker
Angela Smith
Jake Suggs
Diane Taylor
Jacqueline W
OLC Parishioners

Please notify the Parish Office to have yourself or a family member placed on the Prayer List for the New Year. Names will appear through the calendar year. You can email your request to olccharlotte@charlottediocese.org or call the parish office.



**St Martin de Porres
Outreach Ministry**

The food pantry operates two days per week giving food to those in need. If you need assistance with food, or know someone who does, please call 704-817-8813. We are open on Tuesday from 10:00AM - 12:00PM for appointments only.

Interested in joining the food pantry team? Please contact Deborah Wadsworth at 704-231-7956.



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FRESH LESSONS

Today we are faced with the powerful and almighty God, who deals with us, not out of anger and punishment, but out of kindness and forgiveness. God is forgiving and loving to those who ask and persevere in prayer. Even if we don't know how to pray, the Spirit of the Lord helps us, for God knows what the Spirit means, “because [the Spirit] intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will” (Romans 8:27). With God's help, we can be the good seed and not the weeds. If we contemplate the parables, and pray for the guidance of the Spirit, we are able to see ever fresher lessons in these stories.

PARABLES

These are the weeks of parables, and although we have heard them all many times, they never lose their freshness, for always, if we look, we can perceive a new angle.

The parable of the weeds and the wheat, so simple on its surface, is puzzling enough for the disciples to ask Jesus for an explanation. In our own gardens, we tend to yank up the weeds all through the growing season. But in the parable, the weeds and the wheat are allowed to grow together until the harvest. If the good people and the evil people remain mixed throughout life, it puzzles us sometimes: why are people who do bad things not punished? How is it that God allows bad things to happen to good people?

THOSE TINY THINGS

Our God is indeed a God of might; yet that might leads not to vengeance, but to forgiveness. Everyone is offered an opportunity—many opportunities—for forgiveness. Even a little good can blossom into something wonderful. The mustard seed of the Middle East is so tiny that one can barely pick one up with one's fingertips. (Those familiar with the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd know about this wonderful parable, and the tiny dish of mustard seeds that is kept in the atrium for the children to contemplate.) Yeast makes the dough rise to be baked into delicious bread. All of these wonders come from tiny beginnings, if we are ready to hear and understand these mysteries.

Our prayer too is heard by God, even if we do not really understand what we are praying for: “for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit . . . intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit” (Romans 8:26–27).

So if our small prayers are offered with a sincere heart, they are heard by God, even if we don't always know what it is we do when we pray. Are we praising, blessing God, asking for something? The Spirit knows and intercedes for us.

TODAY'S READINGS

Wisdom 12:13, 16–19
Psalm 86: 5–6, 9–10, 15–16
Romans 8:26–27
Matthew 13:24–43 [24–30]