



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

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Kindness

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Psalm 85:11-12

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August 9, 2020 • Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Nagasaki Memorial Day

Monday: St. Lawrence

Tuesday: St. Clare

Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Thursday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus

Friday: St. Maximilian Kolbe

Saturday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Faith Formation registration is OPEN!

No fees at this time. There will be a second posting for fee payments. Yes, this year will be different. You have already experienced our first package sent home. First Communion Liturgy was a challenge. It is posted on Facebook. We look for feedback.

We are currently planning a hybrid approach to faith formation, emphasizing "Family Catechesis".

Stay tuned, or call the parish office for more information. We are prayerfully proceeding. Please, we urge you to register TODAY.

Thank you.

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

AUGUST 8 - 14, 2020

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2020

Birthday Blessings for Deanna Fri requested by Stan Fri

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2020

For an end to racism and the healing of its effects requested by Stan Fri

For the Nwatchou Family requested by the Nwatchou Family

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2020

For the repose of the soul of Madeleine Blandine Njabom Yantio requested by the Nwatchou Family

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2020

For the Repose of the soul of James L. Fri requested by Stan Fri

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020

For Dominise Duliepre in thanksgiving for being accepted into the Master's program at A&T

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2020

Birthday blessings for Empress Voliton requested by the Voliton family

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2020

For Sister Sharon Young requested by G. Holland II

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: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
- Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
- Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113:1-6; Mt 18:15-20
- Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
- Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 [59-63]; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday
 - Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
 - Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
- Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

A PRAYER for OLC Capital Campaign

Here we stand Lord, boldly asking for your favor as we endeavor to affirm to you, our ancestors and to our community – that we are worthy of the task that is before us! We **will** rebuild this, your house as a testament to your faithfulness and love. The time is now!

Help us to be as one in our faith, our resolve and our renewed commitment to live and serve as Your Beloved Community. Lord, unite us now!

And, when we grow weary and our faith is tested, please remind us that our “ ... circumstances are no match for Your great power.” (*Psalm 91: 1*)

And, when setbacks come, as they surely will, and we are disheartened, remind us of the words of your prophet – “For I know the plans I have for you...plans to prosper you...plans to give you hope and a future...” (*Jeremiah 29:11*), and

Finally, help us now to stand, work, and be faithful – together – believing that [We] can do all things through Christ that strengthens [us]. (*Philippians 13:4*).

May Our Lady of Consolation continue to intercede for us now and forever and ever! Amen!


PRAYER LIST

- Larry Bass
- Deborah Bond
- Mr. Joseph Castro
- Mrs. A. Connors
- Florine Dennis
- Robert Douglas
- Fr. Jim Goode
- Theresa Greenley
- The House Family
- Iona & Thomas Franklin
- 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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FREE TO CHOOSE

Our readings today drench us in God's kindness. The Old Testament reading, Paul's letter, and the Gospel demonstrate God's creative and personalized outreach to us. In each case, we see a different reaction to God's gestures. Elijah drinks in his consolation, recognizing God in gentle silence and going out to meet God. The Israelites, according to Saint Paul, though encountering God in a variety of ways through the centuries, ultimately reject the Messiah whom God sends to them. Peter thinks he recognizes the Lord coming to him on the water, but demands proof and grows frightened. At all times and in all places, God longs for us to believe and goes to great lengths to strengthen our faith. Ultimately, God never compels belief, but leaves us free to choose. Today's scriptures challenge us to consider our own response to God's constant work in our lives.

EMBRACING DIVERSITY

Today's readings console and challenge us, reminding us just how hard God works for us so we might have faith. God's labors are infinitely diverse, too, always tailored to fit our particular situations, personalities, and needs. In Elijah's case, he is hiding in a cave on the very same mountain where Moses once encountered God in the burning bush. Hunted by the pagan Queen Jezebel, Elijah is running for his life. While Moses experienced God in fire on this mountain, Elijah requires a gentler touch. God comes to him not in awesome displays of power, but in a "tiny whispering sound." God provides exactly the tranquility Elijah needs before sending him off on a new mission.

God's creative care for us does not always lead to faith, however. In a strikingly tender passage, Saint Paul shares his heartbreak that God's chosen people could reject Jesus, even after all God has done to prepare them for the Messiah. God has accompanied the chosen people through adoption, miracles, covenants, commandments, prophets, and kings. Despite ages of dedicated and inventive caregiving, God's people do not unite in worship of the true Messiah. The proper response to this lack of faith is sorrow, and Saint Paul pours out the "constant anguish" in his heart.

In yet another astonishingly creative gesture, God visits people in need of faith by defying the laws of nature. Matthew's Gospel describes Jesus actually walking on water to comfort his disciples during a storm at sea. After their terror subsides and the winds grow calm, faith floods the disciples' hearts. They worship Jesus, proclaiming, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

TO THE LIMIT

Sometimes God's creative overtures are almost too much to handle. In a daring effort to trust, Peter challenges Jesus to share miraculous power with him. Jesus obliges, and Peter walks on water. Peter enjoys his miracle until his natural limitations spoil his faith. Just imagine what barriers we can shatter if only we believe.

TODAY'S READINGS

1 Kings 19:9a, 11–13a
Psalm 85:9–14
Romans 9:1–5
Matthew 14:22–33