

OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION CHURCH
DECEMBER 24, 2023
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:30 am—Monday through Friday (OLC)
Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet
following Mass on Friday

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (OLC)
3:30 pm-4:30 pm Confessions (OLC)
8:30 am-First Saturday Mass (OLC)

SUNDAY

8:00 am-Our Lady of Consolation Church
9:30 am-St. Malachi Chapel
11:15 am-Schneider Parish Center

Holy Days-8:30 am (OLC)
Vigil Mass-7:00 pm (OLC)

St. Malachi Chapel
76 St. Malachi Road
Cochranville, Pa. 19330

Schneider Parish Center
2995 Cemetery Road
Parkesburg, Pa. 19365

**Mission Statement for Our Lady of
Consolation Church**

We, the Joyful Family of God, united in our Catholic Faith, seek to model our patroness, Our Lady of Consolation, by bringing love and comfort to all, teaching God's Children in His ways by word and sacrament, and keeping the vibrant love of Jesus present in our world.

New Parishioners

We welcome and encourage you to register as soon as possible after moving into the parish. Please contact the rectory to register.
610-857-3510

Religious Education

Please contact Janice Dagney-610-857-0511
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Order of Christian initiation (OCIA)

The process through which adults and children - join or complete their initiation into the Catholic Church. For additional information please contact the rectory.

Marriages

Couples planning to be married are required to notify the rectory no less than six months prior to the marriage.

Baptism Meetings

Required for first time parents on the 1st Sunday of the month. Register by calling Janice Dagney -610-857-0511

Baptisms

To schedule a baptism and for available dates and times, please call the rectory.

Letter of Eligibility

Active members in good standing with the church who wish to act as a Godparent of the Sacrament of Baptism or as a Sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation can obtain a letter of eligibility by contacting the rectory.

Anointing of the sick

If you foresee a surgery or procedure, contact the rectory to make arrangements to receive the Sacraments of the Anointing of the sick and Holy Communion before your hospital visit.

Communion to the homebound

For those unable to attend Mass due to illness or disability, arrangements can be made to receive Holy Communion weekly by an Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Please contact the rectory.

Emergencies

In the event of an emergency, which requires the attention of a priest, please contact the rectory at any time. Follow the instructions on how to contact a priest.

Please notify the rectory, so that the priests are aware of the situation and can assist as appropriate.

Confessions

By appointment or Saturdays 3:30-4:30pm

YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Please feel free to contact any member to offer suggestions or feedback and to propose issues for consideration by the Council.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Due to an early bulletin submission, the December 17 weekly offertory will be in a future bulletin.

| | November |
|-----------------|-------------|
| In Person/Mail: | \$22,378.00 |
| E-Giving: | \$16,143.56 |
| Total: | \$38,521.56 |



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

5:00 pm In memory of Joe McClay req. by Joanne, Dean & family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

8:00 am In memory of Peggy Brown req. by Fr. O'Neill

9:30 am In memory of Paula Hunn-Phipps-Denny req. by Linda Kaat

11:15 am In memory of Joseph Cooney req. by Fr. O'Neill



Please see our Christmas Mass Schedule on page 5 of this bulletin

All Mass intentions will be Memorialized in the Christmas Spiritual Bouquet

Tuesday, December 26

8:30 am In memory of Walter Begley req. by Dottie & family

Wednesday, December 27

8:30 am In memory of deceased members of Grzenda & Karpovich families

Thursday, December 28

8:30 am In memory of Chuck Fischer req. by Nancy Fischer

Friday, December 29

8:30 am Special intention for Sharon Ray req. by Scott Ray

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

5:00 pm In memory of Ken Sokso req. by Bart & Barb Tuttle

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

8:00 am In memory of Lillian DellaPenna req. by ELC-Staff & Ken & Donna Martin

9:30 am In memory of Howard Sheehan req. by Princessita Sheehan

11:15 am In memory of Charles Wagner req. by Nick Gregor & family



Please call the rectory to add/remove and re-add names to our sick list .

Every three months we remove names to help ensure that our list is always up to date.

Frank & Ann Besash, Gail Binns, Becca Budzik, Jim Cain, Mary & Freddie Caridi, Joseph Carpenter, Leo Chung, Florence Clarkson, Ray Crowley, Bill D'Agostino, Jill Daly, Linda Davidson, Vincent Di-Antonio, John DiBerardinis, Carol Anne Ferreira, Donna Gill, Jeremy Habecker, Geri Holl, Tom Henderson, Leanna Lawson, Judi MacIntyre, Ken Martin, Joanne & John McCartney & family, Katie Morrison, Matthew Murray, John Murphy, Nancy Murphy, Joann Nolan, Dennis Norton, Arctura May Nowak, Bob Nunemaker, Dewey O'Donnell, Lisa Opdenaker, Gloria Peters, Lonnie Purcell, Sandy Ranaudo, Kathy Reece, Greg Rivera, Donna Ross, Andy Sciarretta, Jerry Simpson, Sigrid Snow, Inez Sokso, Arlo Stone, Macie Hanna Stone, Ann Marie Straley, Robert Tiedemann, Gerry Treadway, Gary Vendetti, Bernadette Vincent, Jenna Wong, George Young, all residents in nursing homes and hospitals. Pray for the protection of all healthcare workers, and first responders.

Let us continue to pray for peace to prevail wherever there is war & violence throughout our world.

Please call the rectory to submit a name and branch of service to our military be added to prayer list.



Army: Anthony O'Neill, Shannon Amole
Air National Guard: Luke Weyhmuller
Marines: John Peabody, Kolton Wunder
Navy: Nick Tygielski



THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Sunday, December 24

8:00 am Mass (OLC)
9:30 am Mass (S. Malachi)
11:15 am Mass (SPC)
4:00 pm Vigil Mass (SPC)
8:00 pm Vigil Mass (St. Malachi)
11:20 pm Christmas Carols (OLC)
Midnight Mass (OLC)

Monday, December 25

8:00 am Mass (OLC)
9:30 am Mass (St. Malachi)
6:00 pm AA Meeting (SPC)

Tuesday, December 26

8:30 am Mass (OLC)
7:30 pm Charismatic Prayer Group (OLC)

Wednesday, December 27

8:30 am Mass (OLC)
6:30 pm O.C.I.A Class (rectory)
6:30 pm Adult Choir (OLC)

Thursday, December 28

8:30 am Mass (OLC)
7:00 pm AA Meeting (SPC)

Friday, December 29

8:30 am Mass (OLC)
Rosary immediately after Mass

Saturday, December 30

7:30 am Josephs Men's "Average Joe" Prayer Group (OLC-hall)
3:30-4:30 pm Confessions (OLC)
5:00 pm Vigil Mass (OLC)

Our parish has benefited from being included in the wills of parishioners. Your generous gifts strengthen our parish so we can better serve people's needs. Please consider us when writing your wills or planning your estate, it would be sincerely appreciated. For more information, please contact the rectory. Thank you!

OLC-ELC



"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."- Isaiah 9:6

May you be happy and blessed not just on Christmas day, but throughout the year! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
The school will be closed until Tuesday, January 2.

Update your information

Are you new to the area and need to register?
Are you recently married or would like to have your child baptized?
Have you moved, changed your address, phone number or email address or made any other changes in your household?
Are you signed up for electronic giving and still receiving envelopes?
Have you stopped receiving envelopes?
Please call the rectory at 610-857-3510 to have your records updated. Thank you!

MYCHAL'S MESSAGE

Our Franciscan Fraternity, Mary, Queen of the Angels, is collecting new underwear, t shirts and hats (store bought or hand made) for men, women, teens and children. Our collection is sponsored by Mychal's Message, a non-profit organization created in honor of the life of Father Mychal Judge, who died September 11, 2001 in New York City. Donations can be placed in the earmarked box located at the entrance of church.
Thank you,
Katie Farren (parishioner and fraternity member)

PARISH EMAIL BLASTS

If you are not receiving emails from OLC please notify the rectory and we will add you to our parish email blasts.



Christmas Vigil Masses

Sunday, December 24

4:00 pm Mass (SPC)

8:00 pm Mass (St. Malachi)

11:20 pm Christmas Carols (OLC)

Midnight Mass (OLC)

The Nativity of the Lord-Christmas Day

Monday, December 25

8:00 am Mass (OLC)

9:30 am Mass (St. Malachi)

Saturday, December 30

3:30-4:30 pm Confessions (OLC)

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (OLC)

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sunday, December, 31, 2023

8:00 am Mass (OLC) 9:30 am Mass (St. Malachi)

11:15 am Mass (SPC)

Solemnity Of Mary, The Holy Mother Of God

Monday, January 1, 2024

8:30 am Mass (OLC)



REVIEW OF THIS WEEK'S READINGS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVNET

DECEMBER 24-30

Sunday: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38

Vigil Mass The Nativity of the Lord

Isaiah 62:1-5 Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 Matthew 1:1-25

Christmas Day

Monday: Isaiah 52:7-10 Hebrews 1:1-6 John 1:1-18

Tuesday: Saint Stephen, The First Martyr

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 Matthew 10:17-22

Wednesday: Saint John Apostle and Evangelist

1 John 1:1-4 John 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

1 John 1:5-2:2 Matthew 2:13-18

Friday: 5th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord (St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr)

1 John 2:3-11 Luke 2:22-35

Saturday: 1 John 2:12-17 Luke 2:36-40

PCCO-Parkesburg Churches

Community Outreach

The Parkesburg area family of churches, in conjunction with various county and state agencies, seeks to serve the basic human needs of our community which include, but are not limited to, food, clothing, furniture, utilities, and to do so in the name of Christ our Savior. Funding for PCCO is provided by donations from member churches, organizations, businesses and individuals.

Volunteers and financial contributions are always welcomed and appreciated to help meet the ever growing needs of our community.

For more information to volunteer, make a donation, or for assistance, please call 610-568-5835.

Octorara Area Food Cupboard

The food cupboard is in need of canned items: veggies, soup, pasta and fruit. Donations can be placed in the containers at the entrance of each worship site.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Knights of Columbus News

Compliments of our Knights of Columbus Council, the church rugs at OLC were cleaned Thursday, December 14, just in time for Christmas!

Save the date: Saturday, January 6, 2024 for our next community Blood Drive

PASTOR'S Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A Merry and Blessed Christmas to you and to your families! As we celebrate with joy this great Feast of Christmas and share gifts with our loved ones and friends, we reflect together on the greatest Gift that our Lord has given us: Jesus Christ, given to us and for us as the Gift of God the Father.

As this greatest Gift of God, He was born part of the human race for our salvation. But, Jesus is not only this great Gift of God for this reason, but also because He is reborn in our hearts repeatedly in every time and place. And, finally, Jesus is the greatest Gift of God, because we also participate in and share God's generosity every time we show forth the Face of Jesus in our actions.

May our loving and merciful God bless you abundantly in the joy of this Christmas season and may you always savor this greatest Gift of God, Jesus, the Lord, Emmanuel, the Word Made Flesh!

In Christ's Peace,

Fr. O'Neill



May your Christmas be blessed with God's gift of Peace, Love, and Joy as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.



Thank You

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all who participated in our Christmas giving program. Your generous donations of gift cards and presents brought the joy of Christmas to many children in our community.

Thank you and Merry Christmas!

The Rectory will be closed December 25, 26 and January 1st.



~ Prayer to Saint Michael ~

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou,

O Prince of the heavenly hosts,

by the power of God, cast into hell Satan,

and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

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