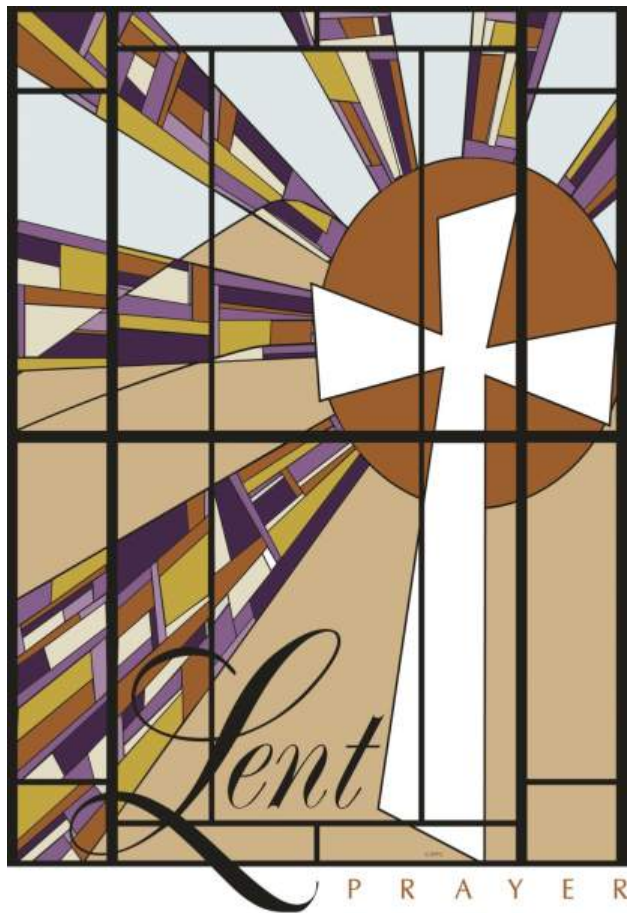


OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION CHURCH

MARCH 3, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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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
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Schneider Parish Center
2995 Cemetery Road
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**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.

CLERGY

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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
Early Learning Center-610-857-1163

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

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

| | |
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| February 25 | \$6,753 |
| January Offertory | |
| In Person/Mail: | \$22,590.00 |
| E-Giving: | \$18,504.86 |
| Total: | \$41,094.86 |

2023 Year-End Tax Statements

You can request a copy of your donation history one of two ways:
 Please call the rectory at 610-857-3510 or Email us at olc@olcchurch.org.
 Please indicate whether you prefer your statement to be sent via US Mail or emailed to you.
 If you prefer email, please include an accurate email address

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.*



SATURDAY, MARCH 2

5:00 pm In memory of Greg Halter req. by Conner family

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

8:00 am In memory of William Mortimer, Sr. req. by John & Lisa Cellini
9:30 am In memory of Albert & Dolores Newman req. by Jean Moulder
11:15 am In memory of Eileen Mariano req. by Jack & Ann Marie

Monday, March 4

8:30 am In memory of Monk Angelo req. by Walker family

Tuesday, March 5

8:30 am In memory of Marlene Leonard req. by Denny & Noreen Tracy

Wednesday, March 6

8:30 am In memory of Rita Tiedemann req. by Jim & Catherine Fuga

Thursday, March 7

8:30 am In memory of Susan B. Lockhart req. by Gustafson family

Friday, March 8

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

5:00 pm In memory of Rev. John Ferrence req. by Jack & Lorraine Assetto

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

8:00 am In memory of Mary DiNenna req. by Donna & Ken Martin.
9:30 am In memory of Abigail Elizabeth Howard req. by Rick & Susie Reger
11:15 am In memory of Tyler Lynn req. by Joe & Janice Dagney

If you would like a Mass card or to schedule a Mass, please contact the rectory at 610-857-3510.

Please pray for the sick and those in need of hope and healing.

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.

John Ahern, Jim Angelucci, Frank Balthazor, Mary Ann Barber, Frank & Ann Besash, Becca Budzik, Jim Cain, Mary & Freddie Caridi, Joseph Carpenter, Leo Chung, Florence Clarkson, Ray Crowley, Eileen D., Bill D’Agostino, Jill Daly, Linda Davidson, Vincent DiAntonio, John DiBerardinis, Dyan & Savannah Ezrah, Larry Fazio, Carol Anne Ferreira, Donna Gill, Jeremy Habecker, Ann Hally, Mary Ann Hershey, Geri Holl, Shelly Hopkins, Leanna Lawson, Judi MacIntyre, Ken Martin, Joanne & John McCartney & family, Katie Morrison, Matthew Murray, John Murphy, Mariah Nash, Joann Nolan, Dennis Norton, Arc-tura May Nowak, Bob Nunemaker, Dewey O’Don-nell, Lisa Opdenaker, Gloria Peters, Lonnie Purcell, Kathy Reece, Greg Rivera, Donna Ross, Norm Rhu-land, Andy Sciarretta, Inez Sokso, Sigrid Snow, Arlo Stone, Macie Hanna Stone, Ann Marie Straley, Gabe Tatela, Robert Tiedemann, Gerry Treadway, Berna-dette Vincent, Jenna Wong, George Young, all resi-dents in nursing homes and hospitals. Pray for the protection of all healthcare workers, first responders and for peace to prevail wherever there is war & violence throughout our world.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of all our faithful departed parishioners and families



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

Let us keep in our prayers all the brave young men and women who serve our country both here and abroad.

Army: Anthony O’Neill, Shannon Amole, Suzanne Patzek

Air National Guard: Luke Weyhmuller

Marines: John Peabody, Kolton Wunder

Navy: Nick Tygielski

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Sunday, March 3

8:00 am Mass (OLC)
9:15-10:45 am PREP (SPC)
9:30 am Mass (S. Malachi)
11:15 am Mass (SPC)

Monday, March 4

8:30 am Mass (OLC)
6:00 pm AA Meeting (SPC)
7:00 pm Rosary & Divine Mercy (OLC)

Tuesday, March 5

8:30 am Mass (OLC)
6:30-8:00 pm LTJV (SPC)
6:30-8:00 pm One8 (SPC)
7:30 pm Charismatic Prayer Group (OLC)

Wednesday, March 6

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

Thursday, March 7

8:30 am Mass (OLC)
6:30-8:00 pm CAFÉ (SPC)
7:00 pm AA Meeting (SPC)

Friday, March 8

8:30 am Mass (OLC)
Rosary immediately after Mass
5:00-7:00 pm Adoration
5:45-6:45 pm Confessions (OLC)
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction (OLC)

Saturday, March 9

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!

2024 Lenten Schedule

Confessions

Fridays 5:45-6:45 pm & Saturdays 3:30-4:30 pm
Confessions with visiting priests:
Monday, March 25, 6:30 pm

Adoration

Fridays 5:00-7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross and Benediction

Fridays 7:00 pm

Lenten Fast and Abstinence Requirements and Recommended Acts of Penance (according to norms set by the USCCB)

Fasting: All the faithful between ages 18-59 1/2 years are bound to limit themselves to one full meal on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Other meals are to be lighter meals.

Abstinence: All the faithful of ages 14 years and older are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, on all Fridays of Lent and on Good Friday.

Other Recommended Spiritual Activities:

The Faithful are encouraged, if it is possible, to participate in Mass and receive Communion daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake Acts of charity, particularly for the poor, (for example, giving to the Operation Rice Bowl, the Poor Box, PCCO, Cafe Study on meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John, etc.)

To participate in the various Parish Lenten Programs (Adoration, Stations of the Cross, etc.) and to make time for personal prayer and spiritual reading of the Bible, and other writings of the saints, etc.

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!

PARISH AND COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

CAFÉ

The Catholic Adult Faith Enrichment (CAFÉ) team is offering an eight-week video series titled "Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John" that started Thursday, February, 15.

The speaker, Dr. Edward Sri, guides us through John's Gospel and shows us how we can become true disciples of Jesus.

For more information please email:

olccafeteam@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus News

KNIGHT AT THE RACES

Mark your calendars for the annual "Knight at the Races" at the SPC on Saturday, April 20.

Please support this major fundraiser which benefits our parish and local charities.

Buy and name your horses in advance and come to see them win! Only \$10 per horse.

There will be door prizes, chances to win a basket of cheer, great food, beverages and only \$10 per person admission.

Flyers with all the details and horse entry forms are located in the entrance of each worship site. Please pick up yours today.

For more information, please call Tom Henderson at 610-304-6546

BISHOP SHANAHAN HIGH SCHOOL

Congratulations to our young parishioners who achieved academic honors at Bishop Shanahan High School for the second quarter of the 2023-2024 school year.

Freshman: Abigail McCarthy

Sophomore's- Julianna Grant, Olivia Mierzewski, George Schaffer

Senior: Colm Grant

PCCO-Parkesburg Churches Community Outreach

The PCCO is in need of mouth wash, paper towels and cleaning products. Please place your non food donations in the container at the entrance of OLC.

OLC-ELC

"Sometimes you will not know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory" - Dr. Seuss



Read Across America begins this week. This annual reading motivation and awareness program that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading began on March 2, the birthday of beloved children's author Dr. Seuss.

Please read something fun with your children. You are their first teacher.



Lenten Fish Friday

March 15, 2024

5:00-7:00 pm

Schneider Parish Center

Dine in or Carry Out

On the Menu:

Entrées

(Adults-\$17)

Fried Shrimp, Fried or Baked Flounder

Children's meals

(10 & under \$10)

1/2 portion-Fried Flounder or Fried Shrimp

All meals include: French Fries, Slaw,

Corn Bread, Dessert, & Drink

BYOB

Proceeds support our 2024 Life Teen Mission Trip.

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, May 31, OLC is going to see Sight and Sound Theatre's production of Daniel.

A sign-up link to reserve your tickets will be sent out via email in the coming weeks.

Tickets are limited, so be sure to mark your calendars.

For more information, please contact Adrianna McCaw at 484-888-9024 or adrianamccaw616@gmail.com

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In our Gospel from John today, Jesus boldly announces to the money changers and the Jewish authorities “Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.”(Jn2:19). But, which understanding of His Body was He referring to? His physical Body? The Eucharist? The Mystical Body of the Church?

All three!! Jesus takes this very personally!!

John narrates that Jesus was referring to the temple of His Body, meaning His physical Body and a foreshadowing of His Passion, Death and Resurrection after three days. (See Jn 2:21) However, on his way to Damascus, the young Saul, the one time persecutor of the early Church, later to become St. Paul, one of the Church's greatest saints, was literally knocked onto the ground by our Lord, who now risen and at the Father's right hand, asks why he was persecuting Him. When Saul asks, “Who are you?”, the Lord replied, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting.” (See Acts 9:4-5)

Paul would later go on to develop the theology of the Mystical Body of the Church, seeing each member as a member of Christ's Body and that each of us as a living temple of the Holy Spirit. (See 1 Cor. 3:16-17)

Each one of us, then, is a temple, a “sacred space” for the Lord to dwell in within the world. We receive Him in the Eucharist and each member is fortified and enlivened by this great grace and His Presence and healing. Jesus takes our redemption literally. He identifies with us, as His living Temple, His Body, but each of us is a “mini-temple”, a member of His Body the Church.

Each week, we find solace, refreshment and an encounter with our loving God in the sacred space of our church here at Our Lady of Consolation during our Sunday worship, our other celebrations and personal prayer time.

May the Lord, present within us and nourishing us in the Real Presence of the Eucharist, form us into that sacred space for others, as His instruments and “mini-temples”, so that others may find solace, refreshment and an encounter with God through His Presence to them through us in the midst of the rat race of their daily lives.

In what ways can we take personally the temple cleansing or Lenten “spring cleaning” that God is inviting us to do during this holy season to better encounter Him within us and become people in whom others can meet the compassionate and loving Christ dwelling within us?

In Christ's Peace,

Fr. O'Neill



THOUGHTS FOR LENT

Jesus, You are the Living Water that my soul needs. May I meet You in the heat of my day, in the trials of life, and in my shame and guilt.

May I encounter Your love, gentleness and acceptance in these moments, and may that Love become the source of my new life in You.

Jesus, I trust in You.

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