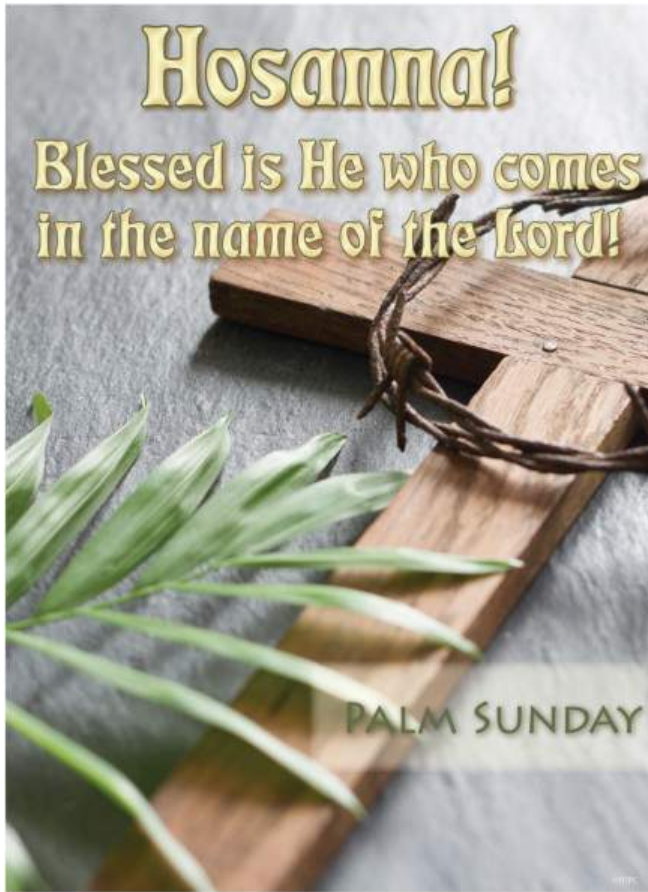


OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION CHURCH
MARCH 24, 2024
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



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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
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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.

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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

March 17	\$3726.00
February Offertory	
In Person/Mail:	\$22,579.00
E-Giving:	\$15,942.00
Total:	\$38,521.00

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.

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



SATURDAY, MARCH 23

5:00 pm In memory of Greg Halter req. by Bernadette Muto

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 am In memory of Rocco DiNenna req. by Donna & Ken Martin
9:30 am In memory of Kristin Louise Tuttle req. by Your loving family
11:15 am Special intention for the Halter family req. Bernadette Muto & the Alinda family

Monday, March 25

8:30 am In memory of Greg Halter req. by Walker family

Tuesday, March 26

8:30 am In memory of David MacIntrye req. by Jean Moulder

Wednesday, March 27

8:30 am In memory of Anne Briggs req. by Char Ann Ireland

**Holy Thursday-No Daily Mass
Good Friday-No Daily Mass**

Easter Weekend, all Mass intentions will be memorialized in the Easter Spiritual Bouquet

Holy Saturday, March 30

7:30 pm Vigil (OLC)



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, March 31

8:00 am OLC 9:30 am St. Malachi 11:15 am SPC

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, Donna Konarski, Leanna Lawson, Judi MacIntyre, Joanne & John McCartney & family, Katie Morrison, Matthew Murray, John Murphy, Mariah Nash, Joann Nolan, Dennis Norton, Arctura May Nowak, Bob Nunemaker, Lisa Opdenaker, Gloria Peters, Lonnie Purcell, Kathy Reece, Greg Rivera, Donna Ross, Norm Rhuland, Cindy & Michaela Scharff, Andy Sciarretta, Inez Sokso, Sigrid Snow, Arlo Stone, Macie Hanna Stone, Ann Marie Straley, Gabe Tatela, Robert Tiedemann, Gerry Treadway, Bernadette Vincent, Jenna Wong, George Young, all residents 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
- Air Force:** Malachy Keane

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Sunday, March 24

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 25

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

Tuesday, March 26

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 27

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

Please see the Holy Week Schedule for:

Holy Thursday, March 28
Good Friday, March 29
Holy Saturday, March 30

Lenten Confession

There is no better preparation for Easter than to go to confession. On Monday, March 25, at Our Lady of Consolation Church, beginning at 6:30 pm we will have visiting priests available to hear confessions. All are welcome.



Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday of the passion of the Lord

Saturday, March 23

3:30-4:30 pm-Confessions (OLC)
5:00 pm- Saturday Vigil (OLC)

Sunday, March 24

8:00 am-Mass (OLC)
9:30 am-Mass St. Malachi
11:15 am-Mass (SPC)
-Blessed Palm will be distributed at all Masses.
-Collection of Rice Bowls after all Masses.

Monday, March 25

6:30 PM-Confessions (OLC)
Visiting Priests will be available for Confessions

Monday-Wednesday of Holy Week March 25-27

8:30 am-Daily Mass (OLC)

Holy Thursday, March 28

No Daily Mass
7:00 pm-Mass of the Lord's Supper (OLC)
All Night Adoration Vigil Immediately following Mass-12:00 pm Noon Good Friday (OLC)

Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord, March 29

8:00 am- (OLC) will be open for prayer
No Daily Mass
12:00 PM Noon-Stations of the Cross (OLC)
1:00-2:30 PM-Confessions (OLC)
3:00 PM-Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (OLC)

Holy Saturday, March 30

8:00 am-(OLC) will be open for prayer.
9:00-11:00 am-Confessions (OLC)
11:00 am-Blessing of Easter Food (OLC)
There will be no afternoon confessions or 5:00 pm Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday
7:30 pm.-The Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection in the Holy Night (OLC)

Easter Sunday-March 31

8:00 am Mass (OLC)
9:30 am St. Malachi
11:15 am (SPC)

PARISH AND COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS



EASTER EGG HUNT

Children (10 & under) and families are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt at the SPC immediately following the 11:15 am Easter Mass on April 1.

Please bring your own basket to collect eggs. We are also collecting donations of individually wrapped candy (no loose jelly beans, PLEASE) that will fit in plastic eggs. Donations can be placed in the marked bins located at the entrances of the Schneider Parish Center, St. Malachi, and at Our Lady of Consolation church.

If anyone would like to help, please contact Kathy Rick: 484-798-3273.

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 for only \$10 each and come to see them win on our huge projection screen.

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 and promptly return to assure it makes it into our race program.

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

Spring happenings at Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School:

Designer Bag Bingo - Friday, April 12, 2024

Fun, Fellowship, and *B-I-N-G-O*... What more could you want? For more about the Designer Bag Bingo event, please contact the event committee at pjp2hs@popejohnpaul2sch.org.

Dash 4 Cash - Monday, April 24, 2024

Besides being a fun & entertaining day for the students as they get a chance to run around outside, Dash for Cash is a fundraiser for PJPII.

Read more about the Dash for Cash and sponsorship opportunity information at popejohnpaul2sch.org/dash-4-cash

Annual Golf Outing - Tuesday, May 22, 2024

Join us at Honeybrook Golf Club - Golfer, Sponsorship, and Marketing opportunity information available here: popejohnpaul2sch.org/golf-outing

Lenten Journey

Supplement your own Lenten Journey via "Lent Reflections" posted daily on the front page of the PJPII school [website](http://popejohnpaul2sch.org). popejohnpaul2sch.org

SAVE THE DATE

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

A sign-up link has been created to reserve your tickets.

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

OLC-ELC

"The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" - Matthew 21:9

The preschool classes had their Easter parties this past week. Oh what fun!

We will use Monday and Tuesday as make up days for the preschool classes. On Wednesday, we will begin our Easter/spring break.

Shelly Carr

"Love one another"

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out: “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come! Hosanna in the highest!”

Mk. 11:8-10

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we embark on this Holy Week, we seek to accompany our Lord, Jesus Christ, as He journeyed to complete His mission, the mission of our salvation. In our walk with Him this week, we look to Him for strength in the midst of our fears, in our prayers and sacrifices, and in our efforts to serve our neighbor.

May the Crucified One, by whose stripes we are healed and who emptied Himself for our sake, lift us up with Him in the New Life of the Resurrection promised to us and that even now we share in!

May this ancient sermon from St. Andrew of Crete be a source of inspiration for our reflection on this Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, which inaugurates this Holy Week. And may The Lord of Glory fill your hearts with His grace and blessings this Holy Week and Easter!

In Christ's Peace,

Fr. O'Neill

From a sermon by Saint Andrew of Crete, bishop

(Oratio 9 in ramos palmarum: PG 97, 990-994)

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the king of Israel.

“Let us go together to meet Christ on the Mount of Olives. Today he returns from Bethany and proceeds of his own free will toward his holy and blessed passion, to consummate the mystery of our salvation. He who came down from heaven to raise us from the depths of sin, to raise us with himself, we are told in Scripture, *above every sovereignty, authority, and power, and every other name that can be named*, now comes of his own free will to make his journey to Jerusalem. He comes without pomp or ostentation. As the psalmist says: *He will not dispute or raise his voice to make it heard in the streets*. He will be meek and humble, and he will make his entry in simplicity.

Let us run to accompany him as he hastens toward Jerusalem, and imitate those who met him then, not by covering his path with garments, olive branches or palms, but by doing all we can to prostrate ourselves before him by being humble and by trying to live as he would wish. Then we shall be able to receive the Word at his coming, and God, whom no limits can contain, will be within us.

In his humility Christ entered the dark regions of our fallen world and he is glad that he became so humble for our sake, glad that he came and lived among us and shared in our nature in order to raise us up again to himself. And even though we are told that he has now ascended above the highest heavens—the proof, surely, of his power and godhead—his love for man will never rest until he has raised our earthbound nature from glory to glory, and made it one with his own in heaven.

So let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather, clothed completely in him. We who have been baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that we spread before him. Now that the crimson stains of our sins have been washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we have become white as pure wool, let us present the conqueror of death, not with mere branches of palms but with the real rewards of his victory.

Let our souls take the place of the welcoming branches as we join today in the children's holy song: *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the king of Israel.*

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