



Our Lady of Consolation Church

1799 Hamburg Turnpike, Wayne, NJ 07470

A Roman Catholic Community Devoted to Stewardship

Founded 1963

Weekly Bulletin



4th Sunday of Advent ~ December 23, 2018

Our Mission - WE, the people of Our Lady of Consolation Parish guided by the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Eucharist, pledge to continue the mission of Jesus Christ who announced the reign of God. We accept His challenge to proclaim the Good News of salvation that Jesus, the Christ, died for us, and in Him we have life to the fullest measure. We seek to live as He lived, in service to others, building a community of faith and hope, with God's grace as our strength and the peace of Christ our heart's desire. **A Parishioner is** - one who is registered and participates in the liturgical life of the parish and demonstrates their support, as reflected in the Parish Mission Statement, by completing and fulfilling an annual Stewardship Commitment of Time, Talent and Treasure.

A Message of Hope

Dear Parishioners,

The most important phrase in the Gospel concerns the name given to the Son of Mary and Joseph, "*Emmanuel, God is with us*".

The incarnation is complete and the love of Almighty God is revealed in and through Jesus the Christ. One has to wonder at how many Christians around the world, who will celebrate Christmas this year, actually understand this fundamental part of God's plan and how many are willing to live it out each day. All the historical celebrations of events that have gone by always point to the present and to the future and those who occupy that space and time.

As I mentioned in my homily remarks some weeks ago, for us every day is Christmas and Easter, as well as every feast we celebrate, because our faith is a lived experience of the past revelation of God's love for us. We are called upon not only to remember, but to vigorously re-imagine ourselves as true children of God. Faith must be alive, tangible and an everyday experience of living out God's love for us in the way we love and honor each other.

Christmas gifts are *purchased—given—received—and eventually, disappear*. Our relationship with Almighty God, exemplified in the glory of the incarnation, is from everlasting to everlasting... **a gift to be lived and celebrated each day.**

Pastor

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: CHRISTMAS EVE – MONDAY 12/24/18 – 4:00 P.M., 6:00 P.M, 11:00 P.M.
CHRISTMAS DAY – TUESDAY 12/25/18 – 9:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M.
NEW YEAR'S DAY – SOLEMNITY OF MARY – TUESDAY 1/1/19 – 9:00 A.M.**

THE PARISH CENTER OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED BEGINNING ON 12/21/18 AND WILL REOPEN ON 1/2/19

PARISH CENTER OFFICE: MAIN #: 973-839-3444 FAX # 973-839-9695
OPEN MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. CLOSED ON FRIDAY.

MINISTRY CENTER OFFICE: MAIN #: 973-839-2323 FAX #: 973-616-5379
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Mass Intentions for December 24 thru December 30, 2018

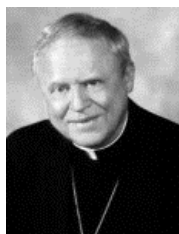
		Intention for:	Requested by:
Christmas Eve 12/24	4:00 p.m.	Victoria Shemanski Thomas Zalusky Donald & Mary Pavlak Gerard Piccolo Jerry Piro	Diane & John Snowden Pamela Zalusky Family Diane Piccolo Family
	6:00 p.m.	Eugene & Bernice Kelley Concetta & John Catalano Jane Strych	Family Ann & Alfred Fiorentino Diane & John Snowden
	11:00 p.m.	Victor & Rosemarie	Margaret Kerstner
Christmas Day 12/25	9 :00 a.m.	Thomas Zalusky Dr. Victor Irmiere Anna Galus Frances & Carlo Meo Michael Petricko Tadeusa Grzebrelucha John Lepari Jr.	Pamela Zalusky Eleanor Irmiere Jurkowski Family Petricko Family Petricko Family Daughter Doris Lepari
	11:00 a.m.	Marie Celeste	Celeste Family
Wednesday (12/26)	8:00 a.m.	People of the Parish	
Thursday (12/27)	8:00 a.m.	Frank Migliaccio	His Daughter, Charlene
Friday (12/28)	8:00 a.m.	Memorial Mass*	
Saturday (12/29)	5:00 p.m.	Louis Winum John & Julia Walsh David Dragone Jason delaOsa	Daughter & Family Family Frank & Gail Dragone His Parents, Brother & Sister
Sunday (12/30)	8:00 a.m.	Anna Galus	Mr. & Mrs. Rafel Galus
	10:00 a.m.	Angelo Benedetti	Angie & Vincent Lombardo
	12:00 p.m.	Bud Palmer	"Bud's Boys"

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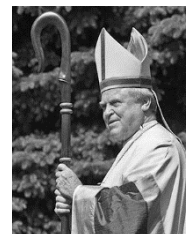
***Friday Memorial Mass at 8:00 AM for December:** Father Cassian Miles O.F.M., Father Vincent Grogan O.F.M., Msgr. John Ryan, Edward & Margaret Earles, Mary "Auntie Mame" Blazejewski, Terry Baur, Sandy Mattera

a time to be healed.... Louise Kelley, Joe Piazza, Don Neuschaefer, Gary Marchese Jr., Baby Feeney, Sister Joanne Kokosinski, Donnie Stokem, Mark Meringer, Joan Fitzpatrick, A.T. Frerichs, Anne Looney, Barbara DeSantis, Barbara Lopez, David Meyer, Anthony Gillio, Catherine Gillio, Margaret M. Carroll, Elizabeth Mattaliano, Joe Lane, Barbara Chamberjian, Gregory Smith, Joseph Gioia, Mary Ann Dombrowski, Remy Koks, Harry Lane, Dave D'Arco, John Healey, Trish Bello, Norma & Michael Massood, Susan Rush, Joan Springwaldt, Mary Anne Crowley, Lucille Kotran, Tina Baquerra, Manila Azar, John McGorty, Allyson Hughes, Lorraine Rolandelli, Megan Boyer, George Tripicchio, Marguerite Sabatino

a time to die Andrew E. Bertone, father of Andy Bertone of our parish



Most Rev. Frank J. Rodimer, JCD
October 25, 1927 ~ December 6, 2018
Let us remember him in our prayers and
may his soul rest in peace.



For additional information, please visit our website at www.olcparish.org.

Weekly Calendar

Monday Dec. 24	CHRISTMAS EVE – Masses are at 4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.
Tuesday Dec 25	CHRISTMAS DAY Masses are at 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Wednesday Dec. 26	Rosary in MC Chapel – 7:40 a.m. Mass in MC Chapel - 8:00 a.m.
Thursday Dec. 27	Rosary in MC Chapel – 7:40 a.m. Mass in MC Chapel - 8:00 a.m. Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. Seminar Room
Friday Dec. 28	Rosary in MC Chapel – 7:40 a.m. Mass in MC Chapel - 8:00 a.m.

RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST AT HOME: If a family member or someone you know is recuperating from a hospital stay or is temporarily or permanently homebound and would like a visit and/or receive Holy Communion, we are willing to respond. Please let us know your situation by calling Harriette Peters at 973-839-8472.

For those of you who contribute to the Sunday offertory by check and do not use envelopes; we ask that you please write your parishioner number in the memo portion of your check. This would be a tremendous help to those who record contributions and we thank you for your cooperation.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: If you do not receive your printed offertory envelopes, please contact Joe Donnelly, Director of Stewardship, at 973-839-3444 X 117.

YOUNG ADULTS OF WORKING AGE, LIVING AT HOME: Please register independently of your parents. This will enable us to assist at times of requests for sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony.

DIRECT DEPOSIT: This is an electronic program that automatically deducts your offertory commitment from your checking account or credit card. Direct deposit can also be used to automatically deduct payments to our debt reduction fund as well as holy day offerings. Contact our Business Manager, Elena Walsh at 973-839-6020 or e.walsh@olcchurch.com.

Financials

Collection December 16, 2018

Envelopes.....	\$ 10,433.00
Loose Cash.....	1,183.00
Direct Deposit*.....	<u>6,616.00</u>
Total.....	<u>\$ 18,232.00</u>

*1st and 15th of Month Only

Fiscal Year 7/1/18 - 6/30/19

Collections – Fiscal Year to Date...	\$ 352,451.00
Budget – Fiscal Year to Date.....	<u>383,730.00</u>
Surplus (Deficit).....	<u>\$ (31,279.19)</u>

Debt Reduction Collection

November 2018.....	\$ 2,793.00
Fiscal Year.....	\$ 8,054.00

IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION: If you are 70½ or over and have an IRA, the IRS requires you to take a required minimum distribution from your IRA each year. This distribution is added to your taxable income and increases the amount of taxes owed to the government. If you choose instead, to donate this distribution to a charity it will be excluded from your adjusted gross income. This exclusion directly benefits both the taxpayer and Our Lady of Consolation. Please be sure to discuss this with your financial or tax advisor to see if it's right for you.

Memorials

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATION: The Sanctuary Lamp, located near the tabernacle, is a symbol of the “light of Christ”. Your contribution for this “light” can be dedicated in honor of a loved one. **The donation is \$10.00 a week or \$40.00 a month.**

EUCCHARISTIC BREAD & WINE: Each week we come together as a parish family to share the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. This donation is a special way to remember a birthday, anniversary or other special event. **The donation is \$25.00 a week or \$100.00 a month.**

MEMORIAL CANDLE & PLAQUE FOR ST. JUDE OR THE BLESSED MOTHER: In memory of a loved one or as a special devotion, you may dedicate a candle and plaque. **The donation is \$100.00 for one year.**

MEMORIAL GARDEN PLAQUE & PERPETUAL REMEMBRANCE: In memory of a loved one, place a plaque on our garden memorial. **A one-time donation is \$250.00.**

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Youth Group

AN INVITATION: If there is anyone who will be alone on Christmas Eve, the Haftek's invite you to their home after the 4:00 p.m. mass for dinner! We will transport you, if needed!

SERVICE PROJECT - VB & WB: Teens are invited to play in a Volleyball and Wiffleball Benefit on Friday, January 4th from 7:00 -9:00 p.m. "Pay to Play!" Players must bring \$12 in pledges to receive 2 hours of service. Checks must be made payable to: Our Lady of Consolation to benefit "Memorial Trees" for teen's parents who passed. Teens should wear sneakers and bring snacks/drink. 6th - 12th graders, alumni and friends invited! (SNOWDATE: 1/5/19)

2ND YEAR CONFIRMATION SESSION: 2nd Year Confirmation Session is Sunday, January 6th, 7:00 -9:00 p.m. **Important:** Confirmation paperwork will be sent home! If able, please donate Hershey Bars (6 multipack or jumbo) Milk Chocolate, Dark Chocolate or Almond and \$3 to build another home in Ecuador. (SNOWDATE: 1/21/19)

1ST YEAR CONFIRMATION PROGRAM: 1st Year Confirmation Session is Sunday, January 13th, 7:00 -9:00 p.m. If able, please donate Hershey Bars (6 multipack or jumbo) Milk Chocolate, Dark Chocolate or Almond and \$3 to build another home in Ecuador. (SNOWDATE: 1/21/19)

YOUTH GROUP "MOVIE NIGHT": Our Youth Group is planning a trip to Preakness Bow Tie Cinema to see a movie on Sunday, January 20th. Showtime TBD but aiming for 4:00 -5:00 p.m. start time. \$8.50 - \$11.00 admission. Counts as Youth Group activity! 6th - 12th graders and adults welcomed!

SERVICE PROJECT - HELP AT CLOTHING DRIVE: OLC teens are needed to help sort and box donated clothing for our local needy on Monday, January 14th at St. Timothy's Fellowship Hall, 395 Valley Road, Wayne. either from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Bring own snack/lunch). Also, they are accepting donations of clean, gently used fall or winter clothing. Must TEXT Laura 201-264-6408 to volunteer!

WHAT IS A PEER MINISTER? A member of a group of high school teens who are trained to be the role models and leaders of various parts of our Youth Ministry Program; as team members for our Youth Retreats, planners and leaders of our Youth Group and someone who contributes feedback and new ideas to our program. If you're already so involved here at OLC, becoming a Peer Minister will not be a time-consuming commitment. We meet once a month on a Wednesday night for an hour. Your role changes at our youth activities from participant to leader. Please consider joining us! It's a great leadership activity to add to college resumes and scholarship applications! Must be in our Confirmation program or already Confirmed.

PEER MINISTRY LOCK-IN RETREAT: Want to become a Peer Minister? Already a Peer Minister and wish to continue? You must attend our Peer Ministry Training "Lock-In Retreat" on Friday, January 27th from 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. We'll have dinner together, do many fun confidence and team building activities and learn communication skills, group dynamics, and leadership skills that will help you become Peer Leaders. 9th - 12th graders only. Registration/Peer Ministry applications to follow. (SNOWDATE: 2/1/19).

YOUTH MINISTRY WISH LIST: White & color 8 ½ x 11 copier paper!

Religious Education

THANK YOU, THANK YOU! We are so grateful to all who donated to **Dayna's Pink Wishes!!** We collected many toys, clothes, gift cards and cash that will help to put a smile on the face of a child this Christmas.



For additional information, please visit our website at www.olcparish.org.

I would like to thank all my CCD families for all you have done since September in supporting our Outreach programs. With your help, we have managed to make huge donations to the WIN food pantry, Ecuador Quilt Ministry, FOWA (Friends of Wayne Animals) and Dayna's Pink Wishes (going to children who have lost a parent to cancer). I can't thank you enough for your heartfelt generosity and kindness.

Wishing you Christ's Peace, Joy and Love this Christmas season and throughout the New Year.

Ministries/Activities

COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED! Money counters are needed to help count our collection after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. This takes about 30 minutes of your time. If you are interested in helping us, please contact Diane Snowden, 973-839-3444 ext.111.

SENIORS UNLIMITED

To the Members of "Seniors Unlimited": "Thank you for your generous gift and for joining us for a delightful Christmas luncheon". See you on **Wednesday, March 13th**. Check the bulletin for further information.

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As you share the Oplatek with your loved ones this Christmas, may the blessings of peace and happiness of our Savior be with you and yours. ***Oplatek is available at both entrances of the church.***

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For more information and to RSVP
please contact:

Mike at 973-572-4303 or
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APRIL 5 & 6, 2019

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(254 Tickets Sold)*

Congratulations to the Following Winners

		Ticket #	Prize Amount
Grand Prize	Kevin Byrne	161	\$ 7,620.00
Second Prize	Wayne Felsman	077	\$ 2,540.00
Third Prize	Emily Henel	148	\$ 635.00
Fourth Prize (2 winners)	Elena Walsh	228	\$ 317.50
	Jeff Braen	168	\$ 317.50

20 winners - \$63.50 - Winners & Ticket Numbers

Frances Ver Hoven	30	Loren Ascione	83
Diane Chominski	106	Bernadette Harrison	12
Cheryl Maguire	166	Joan Marchese	81
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