

Our Lady of Consolation Solicitation Policy

At Our Lady of Consolation (OLC) we are “striving to give expression to the Kingdom of God in our midst by serving, worshipping and sharing” as stated in our Mission Statement. We want to encourage fellowship and a sense of community among all our members and visitors. In order to prevent the “sharing” of money from hindering one’s feeling of fellowship at OLC by an over abundance of solicitations, we the Pastoral Council have set some guidelines.

Our goal is in the “Lord to strengthen and direct each and every one to a greater personal growth in Him and His community”. So by reevaluating the purposes and goals of solicitations and by being sensitive to the effects on our parishioners of the timing and the multitude of events we are hoping that together as parishioners the support for our spiritual needs will be primary.

Below is a list of guidelines we are asking our parishioners to abide by concerning solicitations within OLC Parish.

Solicitation is defined as the buying, selling or the exchange of donations of money or goods for an organization. Any solicitation should take place away from the Church building. Requests for solicitations should be submitted two months prior to the event to the proper parish ministry for approval so that the ministry can receive pastoral council endorsement. For unforeseen circumstances that time limit may be waived by the pastoral council or the pastor.

In reference to charitable, non-profit or religious organizations not affiliated with OLC, their organization should contact the parish office for approval of their solicitation.

Solicitations which have gone through the proper channels will be listed in the bulletin. Organizations may solicit through fliers in the bulletin, with approval, if they provide the material and person power to place the flier in the bulletin. Pulpit announcements should be submitted to the Parish Office by the Friday prior to the announcement. Sign-ups in the church are welcome but should follow the guidelines of the solicitation policy.

Charitable works of solicitation are encouraged to continue. Through our love for God we are called to care for the needs of others. By working together we can continue to encourage meeting the spiritual and physical needs of all our Brothers and Sisters.