

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 9th & 10th, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	9/9	Melvin Gooch (RIP) Anniversary of Death Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Brownell
Sun	9/10	Martha S. West (RIP) Anniversary of Birthday Requested by Margaret Varboncoeur	Fr. Brownell
Monday 9/11 thru Friday, 9/15 No Daily Masses Scheduled For Emergencies, contact St. Bede's Catholic Church In Williamsburg, 757-229-3631.			
Sat	9/16	Billy McGowan (RIP) Requested by Janice & Family	Fr. Mullaney
Sun	9/17	Kathy Webster (RIP) Requested by Bill Webster	Fr. Miller

Collections for September 2nd & 3rd, 2017

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	
Offertory	\$4,075.00
Special Collection	110.00
Debt Supplement Collection	110.00
Total	\$4,295.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,400

Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Campaign	\$956.00
Haiti	205.00
Maintenance	50.00
Retired Religious	50.00

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Church Attendance

Saturday, September 2 - 88

Sunday, September 3 - 127

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

9/4 thru 9/9 - Gary & Jackie Silvia

9/11 thru 9/16 - Tom & Rowena Fauber

SPECIAL COLLECTION - HURRICANE HARVEY - TEXAS

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops president, Cardinal Daniel DiNardo of Galveston-Houston, has called for prayers and solidarity with those impacted by Hurricane Harvey and the flooding in Texas. We will take up a special collection the weekend of September 9/10 to support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities USA. Checks should be made out to OLBS with a memo "Catholic Charities USA/Texas."

Calendar for Week of September 11

Monday - 9/11 - No Mass

Tuesday - 9/12 - No Mass

First Day of OLBS Preschool

Wednesday - 9/13 - No Mass

Fatima Rosary - 7 pm - Mercy Center Chapel

Thursday - 9/14 - No Mass

Friday - 9/15 - No Mass

Saturday - 9/16 - Rosary 4:45 pm
Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday - 9/17 - Mass 9 am

Christian Formation Classes Begin - 10:15 am - VDB

Parish Council Meeting - 10:15 am - Mercy Center

Youth Group - 6:30 pm - VDB

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Carolyn Alford	Gordon Langston
Elizabeth Alley	Patricia Lanuza
Candace Barefoot	Baby Vivian Mallis
Virginia Becker	Doris Modr
Paulette Berberich	
Eddie Bernoski	Clara Morrow
Ron Blevins	Randy Morrow
Robin Bristow	Specialist Mullins
Joan Buehler	Larry Newtzie
Linda Burch	M.C. 'Sam' O'Connor
Kevin Carson	Joyce Richardson
Meredith Crowe	Pam Rigsby
Vincent D'Elia	Emma Robertson
Denise DePompeo	Harriet Ropelewski
Donna Donahue	Virginia Ryczak
Brenda Frederick	Barbara Schafer
Helen Fudala	Virginia Schmitz
Jim Gregory	Allen Smith
Pat Hinkle	Barbara Sturtz
	Marguerite Sturtz
Kelly Hipple	Levi Sturtz
Mary Ann Hooper	Jim Tokarz
Helen Kaczmarek	Mae Touray
Victor Kaczmarek	Dorothy Ware
John Kellam	Linda Webster
Andrew Konz	Lois Wilson
Bonnie Kopacki	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
	Jody Zogran

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME

Irene Kruger Melvina Gooch

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)
Sp. Logan W. Gay - Sgt. Nathan Gurganus
Army Rangers Austin T. Sturtz (Ft. Lewis, Washington)
First Lieutenant Amber Fauber, F.E. Warren in Cheyenne,
Wyoming

ALTAR SERVERS

9/9 – Mason Kopacki, Kody Kopacki
9/10 – Clara DiLandro, Elizabeth DiLandro, Dawson Haviland
9/16 – Peter Nguyen, Ryan Sprouse
9/17 – Daniel Duke, Adrian Vidal, Dawson Haviland

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

9/9 – Jackie Silvia, David Seckora, Cathy Fudella
9/10 – Sarah Rae, Mary Leigh McDonald, B.J. Bui, Kathy Wills, Vickie Roane
9/16 – Gary Silvia, David Seckora, Tom Fauber
9/17 – Mary Horton, Chris Polcyn, Paula Polcyn, Vickie Roane, Kathy Wills

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Jesus set for his followers a three-step procedure for reconciling differences among the community. In the first step we are told to go one-on-one to the person and try to work out the problem. If that doesn't work, we are to take some witnesses, or in the final case, bring the offender before representatives of the Church. If reconciliation does not occur in the end, there is nothing more we can do and are told to walk away from the person.

Adults: What have you been able to overcome because others patiently loved you?

Children: How can you help another person do the right thing?

DO YOU KNOW?

There are two kinds of exorcisms: major exorcisms and minor exorcisms. A major exorcism is a solemn ritual performed by a priest when a person is believed to be possessed by a demon. They are rare and are only performed by authorized exorcists. A minor exorcism, on the other hand, is a more general exorcism performed even if the recipient is not believed to be possessed and is included in the baptismal rite. But if a person, such as an infant receiving baptism, is not possessed, why do they need an exorcism? The Catechism gives the answer: "Since Baptism signifies liberation from sin and from its instigator the devil, one or more exorcisms are pronounced over the candidate." (1237)

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES begin on September 17 at 10:15 am. Registration forms are in the back of the Church. Please register your children as soon as possible so that we can make sure we have enough supplies, books and catechists. Classes begin at age 4 through high school.

THE FATIMA ROSARY will be recited on Wednesday, September 13th at 7 pm in the Mercy Center Chapel. Please join us for this powerful devotion.

All families are invited to participate in the Quinn Rivers Project Hope Hispanic Heritage Celebration on September 17 from 11:30-1:30 pm in the VDB Hall. Games, taco truck, and other fun planned. All activities are free!

100TH ANNIVERSARY: There will be a planning meeting for the 100th Anniversary Celebration on Wednesday, September 20, at 7 pm in the Mercy Center parlor. Anyone wanting to help our parish celebrate its history is asked to attend this meeting. There are many areas in which we need help, and many hands mean lighter work. Thank you, Linda Drexler, vintagenotes@verizon.net.

FACEBOOK @RichmondDiocese and TWITTER @RichmondDiocese. Deborah Cox, Communications Director, Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

CONGRATULATIONS to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries during the month of September: Gary & Jackie Silvia (9/17); and Scott & Pam Watkins (9/29).

THE 5TH ANNUAL "LIFE CHAIN" IN WILLIAMSBURG: On Sunday, October 1st from 2:00 to 3:00 pm, St. Olaf will be the lead Church for the fifth Greater Williamsburg "Life Chain." The "Life Chain" held Nationally on Respect Life Sunday is a prayer chain and public (sidewalk) witness against abortion. This is not a protest but an event to be focused on prayer. In 2016 there were over 1,600 cities and towns doing the Life Chain. The chain will be on the sidewalk facing Richmond Road starting at Centerville Road. Here with other Christian Faiths, we invite you to pray silently while holding signs attesting to the "Truth" that abortion is wrong and offends God.

"We need to pray and take those words of 2 Chronicles 7:14 seriously: 'If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.'" The meaning of life is to love and serve our Lord. Let us show our love by spreading His Truth at this event.

FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION, A RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT, sponsored by Church of the Epiphany, will be held October 13-15. This retreat is for women and men who have known regret, sorrow, guilt or shame from abortion. The healing weekend combines living scripture meditations, spiritual exercises, and discussions in a guided process that leads to the heart of God's love and compassion. If you would like to learn more about this retreat, you can contact Maggie Carlson at 804-432-2589 or Marty Montgomery-Jennings at 804-704-0429 or email RV4hope@gmail.com. You can also visit the website www.rachelsvineyard.org. All inquiries, registrations and participation are strictly confidential.

OLBS HISTORY: With the growth of industry in West Point came the influx of many Catholic families, and the need for the establishment of a Parish was finally realized in August, 1918. The original frame building at a site in the Port Richmond area was constructed in 1925. The first priest assigned as Pastor of the newly organized parish was the Rev. Celasus Jakubowski, known as "Father Jack", who devoted himself into the work of developing a flourishing congregation.