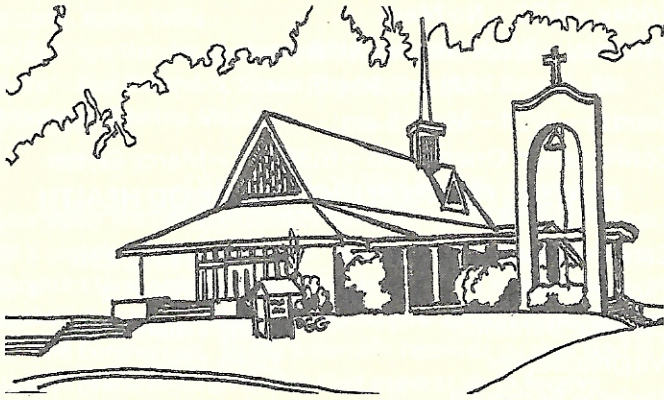


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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS: SATURDAY 5:30 P.M.

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

11:30 A.M. (SPANISH MASS)

WEEKDAYS: 8:30 A.M. Tuesday - Friday

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SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Also by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday and Tuesday

Mercy Center Chapel

First Friday at the Mercy Center Chapel

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

OUTREACH

A food basket and donation box are in the church entry. Your donations provide the means to give direct help to the needy. We collect food on the first weekend of the month.

INFANT BAPTISM

Parent preparation classes are required for each couple planning to have their baby baptized. To schedule a preparation session, please call the church office.

MARRIAGE

OLBS sponsors a preparation program for couples who intend to marry. The Pastor must be contacted at least six months prior to the date of the wedding.

RECEPTION into the CHURCH

Those inquiring into the Catholic Faith or seeking Communion with the Church are invited to contact the Parish Office. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is offered.

*The mission of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church,
centered in the Eucharist, is to Love God and His people
and to extend His Love to others through service and prayer.*

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 3rd & 4th, 2018

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	3/3	Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sun	3/4	Edward Bernoski (RIP) Requested by Meredith & Joe Crowe	Fr. Oscar
Mon	3/5	No Mass	
Tue	3/6	Joe Drexler, Sr. (RIP) Requested by Mark & Carolyn Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Wed	3/7	Barbara Musante (RIP) Requested by Donna Geron	Fr. Oscar
Thur	3/8	Anna & Richard Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Fri	3/9	Angie Mann (RIP) - Birthday Requested by Mildred Hite & Uyen Nguyen	Fr. Oscar
Sat	3/10	All the Deceased Nguyen Families Requested by Hong & Uyen Nguyen	Fr. Oscar
Sun	3/11	Kathy Webster (RIP) Requested by Bill Webster	Fr. Oscar

Collections for February 24th & 25th, 2018

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$2,922.00
Special Collection	8.00
Total	\$2,930.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,400
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Campaign	\$ 100.00
Votive Stand	17.30
Maintenance Fund	23.00
Parish Heating	485.00
Individuals	30.00
Cemetery	129.00

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Church Attendance

Saturday, February 24 - 72
 Sunday February 25 - 155
 Spanish Mass - 34

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

3/5 thru 3/11 - Gary & Jackie Silvia
 3/12 thru 3/18 - Tom & Rowena Fauber

BECOME A PRAYER PARTNER: Beginning the weekend of February 24-25, you are asked to pull a slip from the basket and pray for that person during the coming year.

The next Confirmation Class is scheduled for Sunday, March 11 at 6:30 pm in the Mercy Center Conference Room.

ANNUAL SCOUT MASS - Sunday, March 11 at 3 pm at St. Olaf Catholic Church in Norge. Further info check Diocesan website evangelizerichmond.org or Lorraine 843-3125 or Irkryalls@cox.net.

Calendar for Week of March 5th, 2018

Monday - 3/5 - No Mass

KofC Meeting - 7:30 pm

Tuesday - 3/6 - Mass 8:30 am

Bible Study - 7 pm - Mercy Center

Wednesday - 3/7 - Mass 8:30 am

Soup & Sermon - 12 Noon - St. John's Church

Thursday - 3/8 - Mass 8:30 am

Ministry Meeting - 6:30 pm - VDB Hall

Friday - 3/9 - Mass 8:30 am (Day of Abstinence from Meat)

Rosary 6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross 7 pm

Saturday - 3/10 - Rosary 4:45 pm - Mass 5:30 pm

Daylight Saving Time Begins - Set Clocks AHEAD 1 HOUR before retiring

Sunday - 3/11 - Mass 9:00 am

CFC - 10:15 am - Altar Server Training After 9 am Mass

Spanish Mass 11:30 am - Scout Mass 3 pm - St. Olaf Church

Confirmation Class 6:30 pm

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Carolyn Alford	Patricia Lanuza
Elizabeth Alley	Baby Vivian Mallis
Candace Barefoot	Doris Modr
Virginia Becker	Clara Morrow
Paulette Berberich	Randy Morrow
Ron Blevins	Specialist Mullins
Robin Bristow	Larry Newtzie
Joan Buehler	M.C. 'Sam' O'Connor
Linda Burch	Joyce Richardson
Kevin Carson	Pam Rigsby
Meredith Crowe	Emma Robertson
Vincent D'Elia	Harriet Ropelewski
Denise DePompeo	Virginia Ryczak
Donna Donahue	Bill Scaife
Brenda Frederick	Barbara Schafer
Helen Fudala	Virginia Schmitz
Margaret Geron	Allen Smith
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Pat Hinkle	Barbara Sturtz
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Victor Kaczmarek	Mae Touray
John Kellam	Dorothy Ware
Bonnie Kopacki	Linda Webster
Joe Lautenschlager	Shelli Whitehurst
Gordon Langston	Lois Wilson
Ron Martz	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
Cathy Massok	Jody Zogran
Jon Boyette	Amanda Leigh Fincher

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME

Irene Kruger - Victor Kaczmarek-Melvina Gooch

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)
 Sp. Logan W. Gay - Sgt. Nathan Gurganus
 First Lieutenant Amber Fauber, F.E. Warren in
 Cheyenne, Wyoming
 Lt. Col. John Pilong - Afghanistan

ALTAR SERVERS

3/3 – Daniel Gibbs, Jr., Jackson Gibbs
3/4 - Clara DiLandro, Elizabeth DiLandro
11:30 am – Misael Hernandez, Jovany Velazquez
3/10 – Kody Kopacki, Mason Kopacki
3/11 – Adrian Vidal, Dawson Haviland
11:30 am – Misael Hernandez, Jovany Velazquez

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

3/3 – Tom Fauber
3/4 - Jim Pyne
3/10 – Tom Fauber
3/11 – Kay Shaw

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Jesus makes it clear that the real temple of God lies within us. His cleansing of the Temple in Jerusalem calls us all to cleanse ourselves. We have the days of Lent to make a special effort to become less selfish and more loving – to renew and deepen our covenant with God. As Catholics, we have the beautiful Sacrament of Reconciliation to cleanse ourselves from our sins and prepare our hearts for the joy of Easter. Our parish Lenten Penance Service is scheduled for Wednesday, March 14 at 7 pm. Even if its been a while, consider attending so that you can feel the power of forgiveness, so that you can feel the forgiveness of Jesus on the Cross.

Adult: From what do you need to be cleansed this Lenten season?

Child: What can you do to have a 'clean' heart as we prepare for Jesus' resurrection?

DO YOU KNOW?

The dry and dusty climate of Burkina Faso means farming can be difficult. It means water can be hard to come by and families often face hunger. That's why Catholic Relief Services is providing farmers with more land to grow crops – like onions – that thrive in dry climates. And thanks to a CRS-sponsored irrigation system, they have access to water year-round. That means crops will grow, and farmers will be able to sell some at the market. In return, the farmers are putting a little of the income they earn from selling their crops at the market into a community savings pool. "If you face difficulties, the community will help you," one farmer says. Those who contribute can borrow money from the fund for emergencies, school fees for their children, or to build businesses. You can be part of the solution by contributing to Operation Rice Bowl this Lenten Season. Checks should be made out to OLBS.

2018 LENTEN SOUP & SERMON SCHEDULE – 12 Noon – St. John's
March 7 – Church of God and WP Baptist
March 14 – OLBS and Methodist
March 21 – WP Christian and Chaplin (Police/Fire)
March 28 – Mt. Nebo and Nazarene

YOUTH GROUPS – will meet this Sunday, March 4 at 6:30 pm in the Boogaard Center. We are now splitting the lower youth group for ages K through 3rd grade and 4th-6th grade. This will help our leaders to be able to focus on more age appropriate activities for each group. We thank Amber Gibbs and Hope Kopacki for stepping up to be leaders.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING – There will be an altar serving training session on Sunday, March 11 after the 9 am Mass. This training will be for those who want to become altar servers and for the current servers to practice for Holy Week. For more information, contact Joe Drexler at 843-2541 or jdrexler1@verizon.net.

LENTEN SCHEDULE:

Fridays – Rosary at 6:30 pm. Stations of the Cross at 7 pm

Leaders:

3/9 – Hispanic Community
3/16 – Finance Council
3/23 – Youth

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Wednesday – March 28 – Tenebrae – 7 pm
Thursday – March 29 – Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7 pm
Friday – March 30 – Stations 3 pm – Celebration of the Lord's Passion – 7 pm
Saturday – March 31 – Blessing of Easter Food – 11:30 am
Easter Vigil – 8 pm
Sunday – April 1 – Easter Mass – 9 am, Spanish Mass 11:30 am

Our LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE is scheduled for Wednesday, March 14 at 7 pm. There will be three priests available to hear confessions. The second precept of the Catholic Church states "You shall confess your sins at least once a year to ensure preparation for the Eucharist by the reception of the sacrament of reconciliation, which continues Baptism's work of conversion and forgiveness." This Sacrament was instituted by Jesus on the day of his resurrection when he appeared to the apostles in the Upper Room and stated "As the Father has sent me so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, their sins have been forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they have been retained (John 20:22-24)." This authority has been handed down to our priests who "absolve you of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen." (prayer of absolution).

It's the final KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN MEAL 2018! Get your tickets EARLY for this crabcake dinner which includes cornbread, baked beans, cole slaw, dessert, and beverage. Tickets are \$10 (adults) and \$5 (children under 10 years). The dinner is Friday, March 16th in the VDB Hall. Plan to take the night off in your own kitchen while enjoying fellowship, a delicious meal, and a great value. Tickets are available for take-out. Call Phil Liberato at 804-512-9701.

An organizational gathering for a women's group will be held on Monday, March 12th (7 – 8 pm) in the foyer of the VDB Hall. This has the opportunity to be wonderful fellowship among our peers, as well as a ministry to our parish and greater community. Come to our first meeting and share ideas to help us set goals. Should you have any questions prior to our meeting, or if you are interested but unable to attend, please contact Karen Liberato (843-4420) or Mary Leigh McDonald (804-769-2483). See you there!

CELEBRATE RECOVERY – TWELVE STEP PROGRAM – Celebrate Recovery has recently celebrated one year of operation in the West Point area. First Baptist introduced this program on Monday evenings beginning February 6, 2017 at 6:30. Attendance has been sporadic, and it has been a struggle to effectively relate the word of our presence and purpose, so we are reaching out to those of you who are in greater contact with people who may benefit from its benefits. It is not just addiction focused but instead intended to meet any hurt, negative habit or hang-up that may keep us bound in a place of struggle. First Baptist will be discontinuing Monday night meetings with the intention of picking back up as the requests are recognized. For further info, phone 804-815-2850 or email mposmith77@hotmail.com. www.fbcwestpoint.org.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

New Members are asked to register at the Parish Office in the Mercy Center to receive envelopes.

We invite all parishioners to join a ministry.
Contact the Chairperson of the ministry or call the Parish Office at
804.843.3125

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