

OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

3570 KING WILLIAM AVENUE, WEST POINT VA 23181



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.*

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 25th & 26th, 2018

Sat	8/25	Victor Kaczmarek (RIP) Requested by Cathy Fudella	Fr. Oscar
Sun	8/26	Marjorie Kellam (RIP) Anniversary of Death Requested by Jennifer & Bill Haynes Special Intention Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Oscar
Mon	8/27	No Mass	
Tue	8/28	Joe Crowe (RIP) Requested by Marguerite Sturtz	Fr. Oscar
Wed	8/29	Virginia Schmitz (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Thur	8/30	Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar
Fri	8/31	Mary Rosa & Melvin Gooch (RIP) Anniversary of Marriage Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Oscar
Sat	9/1	Anna & Richard Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sun	9/2	William Alsheimen (RIP) Requested by Edwina & Bill Madigan	Fr. Oscar

Collections for August 18th & 19th, 2018

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$3,083.00
Special Collection	390.00
Total	\$3,473.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,400
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Improvements	\$ 100.00
St. Theresa Cemetery	30.00
Haitian Ministry	50.00
Votive Stand	10.00
Poor Box	22.00
Religious Education	34.00

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Church Attendance

Assumption – August 15 - AM 52 – PM 49
Saturday, August 18 - 83
Sunday August 19 - 131
Spanish Mass – 41

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule
8/20 thru 8/26 – Gary & Jackie Silvia
8/27 thru 9/2 – Tom & Rowena Fauber

Remember your parish if going away during the summer. To simplify your weekly offering to OLBS, consider using your bank's online bill-paying system. Be sure to include your parish envelope number as the account number or in the memo line so that your contribution is recorded correctly. Stay safe while travelling!

Calendar for Week of August 27th, 2018

Monday – 8/27 – No Mass

Tuesday – 8/28 – Mass 8:30 am

Finance Committee Meeting 6:30 pm

Wednesday – 8/29 – Mass 8:30 am

Thursday – 8/30 – Mass 8:30 am

Friday – 8/31 – Mass 8:30 am

Saturday – 9/1 – **Adoration 4:30 pm – Benediction 5:10 pm**

Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday – 9/2 – **Mass 9 am**

Spanish Mass 11:30 am

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Carolyn Alford	Gordon Langston
Elizabeth Alley	Patricia Lanuza
Candace Barefoot	Baby Vivian Mallis
Virginia Becker	Ron Martz
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Kevin Carson	Pam Rigsby
Kate Cheney	
Meredith Crowe	Harriet Ropelewski
Vincent D'Elia	Virginia Ryczak
Denise DePompeo	Bill Scaife
Donna Donahue	Barbara Schafer
Amanda Leigh Fincher	Allen Smith
Brenda Frederick	Geno Spiller
Helen Fudala	
Margaret Geron	Levi Sturtz
Jim Gregory	Jim Tokarz
Pat Hinkle	Mae Touray
Kelly Hipple	Dorothy Ware
Mary Ann Hooper	Linda Webster
Helen Kaczmarek	Shelli Whitehurst
John Kellam	Lois Wilson
Gloria Kojcsich	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
Bonnie Kopacki	Jody Zogran

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME

Melvina Gooch - Helen Fudala

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

THE WELCOME CENTER is located on the table at the back of the Church next to the bulletin board. Take a moment to look at the various brochures on display

ALTAR SERVERS

8/25 – Ryan Sprouse, Oliver Owens
8/26 – Adrian Vidal, Tazewell Rae, Daniel Duke
11:30 am – Misael Hernandez, Jovany Velazquez

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

8/25 – Gary Silvia, Tom Fauber, Lorraine Ryalls
8/26 – Wini Barron, B.J. Bui, Edwina Madigan, Mary Leigh McDonald

DO YOU KNOW

Saint Peter's Basilica is the world's second-largest Christian church. Built on the foundation of the first Saint Peter's, the new basilica took 120 years to complete. Masonry, sculpture, painting and mosaic work continued for another 200 years. The dome of the basilica was designed by Michelangelo and is 400 feet tall and 138 feet in diameter. The Church is shaped like a cross and is almost 700 feet long, 450 feet wide at its widest point, and stands on more than 18,000 square yards. In the grottoes or necropolis, beneath the Church, is a papal burial chamber. The tombs of many popes, including St. Peter, are located here.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers the gift of the Eucharist, but He will not force people to accept it. Some depart because the acceptance of the Bread of Life and all that it entails is too challenging. It will cause them to have to change their lives in ways which they are not willing to do.

Adult: Are there times that the challenges of following Christ are too hard to overcome?

Child: What is the hardest part about following Jesus?

ALTAR FLOWERS – If you wish to donate flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, for a special intention, or to celebrate an anniversary or other occasion, please call the office by Tuesday at 1:30 pm for the following weekend. The office will make arrangements with the florist.

When we begin youth group activities in the fall, grades K through high school, we will be in need of additional volunteer leaders. The purpose of youth group is to provide our young people with spiritual, service and social activities to help them grow in their Catholic faith. If you feel called to this ministry, please contact Lorraine at 843-3125 or email lrkryalls@cox.net.

As many of you know, we will be celebrating our 100th Year Anniversary with his Excellency Bishop Barry Knestout on Sunday, November 18, 2018 with a Mass celebrated by our Bishop and a catered luncheon afterwards. For anyone who would like to contribute to this event, we have envelopes at the back of the church so that your donation can be counted in your offering and it can be added to your tax record for the year. Of course, if you would like to make an anonymous donation, please feel free. Please know that any contributions will be much appreciated. We look forward to seeing EVERYONE at this milestone celebration!

Our sympathy to Margaret Varboncoeur and family as they mourn the loss of her daughter-in-law Barbara Sturtz. May Barbara rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon her.

OUR T-SHIRT SALE IS ONGOING! Please call the parish office at 804-843-3125 if you would like to order shirts for your family. We will be placing an order in the next couple of weeks for more T-Shirts. Don't miss your opportunity to advertise our wonderful parish and identify yourself with the Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament family! We are planning upcoming events to which you will be asked to wear your T-Shirts to show your support for your parish. Adult sizes Small through 3 X-Large and Children's Small through Large are available. Please call today!

FALL 2018 CURSILLO WEEKENDS – Do you know someone who is looking for a closer encounter with Christ? We have two fall Cursillo weekends coming up.

September 20-23, 2018 – (Men)

October 18 – 21, 2018 – (Women)

Both weekends will be held at the Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center in Toano. Please contact the Greater Hampton Roads Coordinator for an application: Nicole Krieschen-Douglas: Nicole-ghrcursillo@gmail.com.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES begin September 16 at 10:15 a.m. Registration will begin next weekend.

A Charismatic Mass is scheduled at St. Michael's in Glen Allen on Thursday, August 30. Praise and worship at 6:30 pm, Mass at 7 pm. Fellowship afterwards. Bring a snack. For further information contact Joe (804-643-2206) or Gwen (804-514-8304).

PAWS FOR PRAYER – Blessing of the animals will take place on August 26th at 1 pm at St. John's Episcopal Church in West Point. Pet Picnic – People Snacks – Paws to Refresh the Spirit!! Cats, dogs and other critters welcome. Keith's Ice Cream Truck will be there. Bring pet food donation for Animal Rescue groups. Fun for all ages!!

Congratulations to those couples celebrating a wedding anniversary during the month of August: Eric & Joanna Ellingson (8/1); Bob & Lorraine Ryalls (8/5); James & Anne Duke (8/12); Philip & Karen Liberato (8/16); Greg & Erin Hayden (8/21); Eugene & Bonnie Kopacki (8/23); and Henry & Natalee Franzysen (8/26).

Thank You to EVERYONE who came together to make Father Oscar's 37th Anniversary of his Ordination a memorable one! There were lots of people, food, and fellowship! And, there was a sea of light blue T-Shirts to be seen. It is always amazing to see what this parish family can do when they work together to make things happen! A great time was had by all!

The new **CEMETERY COMMITTEE** will have its first meeting on Wednesday, September 5th at 6:30 pm at the Mercy Center. Anyone interested in or thinking about being a member of this committee is welcome to join us.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

New members are asked to register at the Parish Office in the Mercy Center.

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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