

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.*

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 22nd & 23rd, 2018

Sat	9/22	Virginia Schmitz (RIP) Requested by Jeanie Sturtz	Fr. Oscar
Sun	9/23	Jeff Applegate (RIP) Anniversary of Birthday Requested by Joan Applegate	Fr. Oscar
Mon	9/24	No Mass	
Tue	9/25	Henry Kopacki, Jr. (RIP) Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Oscar
Wed	9/26	Joyce Richardson (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Thur	9/27	Joe Crowe (RIP) Requested by Marian & Jonathan Kopacki	Fr. Oscar
Fri	9/28	James Geron (RIP) Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Oscar
Sat	9/29	Barbara Sturtz (RIP) Requested by Marguerite Sturtz	Fr. Oscar
Sun	9/30	Victor Kaczmarek (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar

Collections for September 15th & 16th, 2018

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$2,841.00
Special Collection	449.00
Total	\$3,290.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Haitian Ministry	\$ 50.00
Capital Improvements	100.00
Maintenance Fund	535.00
Votive Stand	16.00
Poor Box	20.00
Good Neighbor Center	10.00

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Church Attendance

Saturday, September 15 - 91
 Sunday September 16 - 146
 Spanish Mass - 40

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

9/17 thru 9/23 - Gary & Jackie Silvia
 9/24 thru 9/30 - Tom & Rowena Fauber

OLBS Youth Groups need you! If you are interested in our young people growing closer to Christ through spiritual, service and social activities, please prayerfully consider volunteering to help lead our youth groups. Contact Lorraine Ryalls at 843-3125 or lrkryalls@cox.net to volunteer or for more information. Volunteers will need to be background checked and VIRTUS trained.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4 is the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. You are invited to bring your animals to the Church parking lot at 6:30 pm to be blessed by Father Oscar.

Calendar for Week of September 24th, 2018

Mnday - 9/24 - No Mass
 Tuesday - 9/25 - Mass 8:30 am
Finance Council Meeting 6:30 pm
 Wednesday - 9/26 - Mass 8:30 am
 Thursday - 9/27 - Mass 8:30 am
Womens Group - 7 pm - VDB Hall Kitchen
 Friday - 9/28 - Mass 8:30 am
 Saturday - 9/29 - **Rosary 4:45 pm - Mass 5:30 pm**
 Sunday - 9/30 - **Mass 9 am**
CFC - 10:15 am - VDB Hall Spanish Mass 11:30 am
Confirmation Orientation - 6:30 pm

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Carolyn Alford	Gordon Langston
Elizabeth Alley	Patricia Lanuza
Candace Barefoot	Baby Vivian Mallis
Virginia Becker	Ron Martz
Paulette Berberich	Doris Modr
Ron Blevins	Clara Morrow
Jon Boyette	Randy Morrow
Robin Bristow	Specialist Mullins
Joan Buehler	Larry Newtzie
Linda Burch	M.C. 'Sam' O'Connor
Kevin Carson	Pam Rigsby
Kate Cheney	
Meredith Crowe	Harriet Ropelewski
Eric Crump	
Vincent D'Elia	Virginia Ryczak
Denise DePompeo	Bill Scaife
Donna Donahue	Barbara Schafer
Amanda Leigh Fincher	Allen Smith
Brenda Frederick	
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)
 Lt. Col. John Pilong - Afghanistan

The flowers on the altar this weekend were donated by Joan Applegate in Loving Memory of her husband Geoffrey Applegate on the anniversary of his birthday.

A letter from Bishop Barry Knestout, "From Tragedy to Hope" is on the bulletin board. To upload the contents, go to:
<https://richmonddiocese.org/wpcontent/uploads/2018/09/Pastoral-Letter-Sept-14-2018-FINAL.pdf>

ALTAR SERVERS

9/22 – Ryan Sprouse, Oliver Owens, Peter Nguyen
9/23 – Clara DiLandro, Elizabeth DiLandro, Daniel Duke
11:30 am – Misael Hernandez, Jovany Velazquez
9/29 – Daniel Gibbs, Jr., Jackson Gibbs, Ryan Sprouse
9/30 – Adrian Vidal, Tazewell Rae
11:30 am – Misael Hernandez, Jovany Velazquez

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

9/22 – Jackie Silvia, Gary Silvia, Joe Drexler
9/23 – Paula Polcyn, Chris Polcyn, Edwina Madigan, Jim Pyne, Kathy Wills
9/29 – Gary Silvia, Tom Fauber, Cathy Fudella
9/30 – Sarah Rae, Vickie Roane, Kay Shaw, Kimberly DiLandro, Wini Barron

DO YOU KNOW

The pope does not have to be a Cardinal...he doesn't even have to be a priest. Any baptized male can be elected pope, actually, but the last time the cardinals chose a 'non-cardinal' was 1378, when they elected Urban VI. The last pope who was not a priest was Leo X (1513). (source: Lifeteen)

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Using a child as an example for us today, Jesus is simply teaching us that we have to become like children in order to be great. Of course, this does not mean being childish or foolish. Instead, it means that we have to live our lives in humble service to God and to one another rather than being preoccupied with selfish ambitions. It means our ability to accommodate, welcome, and work in harmony with others just as children are always ready to do. It means readiness to accept the truth and, to reflect positively on them. It also means to be ready to serve and, offer oneself for the sake of others as Christ did, rather than seeking to be served by others.

Adult: Is the role of being a servant for others easy or difficult for you to embrace?

Child: What are some specific ways in which you can serve your friends or family members?

All are invited to a 9 Day Preparation to the total Consecration Of the Blessed Mother. Our first day of preparation will be in the church, Thursday, October 4th at 7 pm. We will have Prayer and Reflections based on the writings of St. Maximilian Kolbe, followed by the Rosary. Each day after will be done at home. Our last day of Prayer and Reflections will be held October 12th at 7 pm in the Church. Father Oscar will Consecrate all Parishioners October 13th and 14th at our Weekend Masses.

SETTING OUR HEARTS ON FIRE, FALLING IN LOVE WITH JESUS – is a one day workshop to be held at Church of the Redeemer, 8275 Meadowbridge Road, Mechanicsville, VA. This is a wonderful opportunity to rekindle your faith and your evangelizing spirit. Well known speaker, Lavinia Spirito, from Catholic Way Bible Study, will give 4 inspiring presentations on this awesome topic. The workshop will take place October 6 from 8:30 am – 3:00 pm at Redeemer. Cost is \$35 for Adults, \$25 for Youth ages 10-17 (must be accompanied by an adult), and \$25 for Clergy and Religious and includes lunch. Please register at www.churchredeemer.org or call 804-746-4911 with questions or to register. Deadline to register is September 28.

The Tuesday evening Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, October 2 at 7 pm in the Mercy Center Conference Room. We will continue with the Ascension Press DVD series: The Bible Timeline. New members are welcome to join us!

Many, many thanks to all those who contributed to the Middle School's summer Make a Difference service project or making care bags for homeless vets. Through your generosity we were able to donate about 40 bags of hygiene products and snacks that we delivered to the Vetshouse in Virginia Beach. Vetshouse is a nonprofit organization serving homeless veterans in Hampton Roads. It is not a shelter, but a 12 month program providing contemporary living quarters in a group environment, assistance in job hunting, transportation, personal skills and development guidance.

ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS are still available for anyone who has not yet gotten theirs. If you would like to purchase some, either call the church office at 843-3125 or contact Linda Drexler (843-2541 or vintagenotes@verizon.net). If you had asked for a size that was out of stock, you will be contacted when the new shipment arrives.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASS registrations are now due. Forms are located in the back of the Church as well as forms for sacrament registration. Children for sacrament preparation are required to attend Sunday classes as well as preparation classes and must be registered and attending ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 7.

KNIT, PURL AND PRAY will meet on Thursday, September 20, in the Mercy Center parlor at 7 pm. Anyone interested in this ministry is invited to attend.

The Women's Group will be meeting on Thursday, September 27th at 7 pm in the VDB Hall kitchen, and on every fourth Thursday thereafter.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD – We are also looking for Children's Liturgy of the Word catechists for both Masses. You would be scheduled once a month or less, depending on the number of volunteers. Lesson plans are provided and orientation is offered. For more info or to volunteer, contact Lorraine at 843-3125 or lrkryalls@cox.net. Volunteers will need to be background checked and VIRTUS trained.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 13 – after the 5:30 pm Mass – for an International Pot Luck Dinner. So check your recipes for one of your favorite ethnic dishes, prepare enough for your family plus two, and join us for some good food and fellowship.

THE 6TH ANNUAL "LIFE CHAIN" IN WILLIAMSBURG – On Sunday, October 7th from 2:00 to 3:15 pm, St. Olaf will be the lead Church for the sixth 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 to end abortion. In 2017 there were over 1,500 cities and towns doing the Life Chain. The chain will be on the sidewalk facing Richmond Road starting at Centerville Road. Here with other Christians and Jewish Faiths, we invite you to pray silently while holding signs attesting to the "Truth" that abortion is wrong and offends God. Please consider the words of Dietrich Bonhoeffer who was a German pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi dissident: "Silence in the face of evil is itself evil; God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act." WE PRAY THAT YOU WILL PARTICIPATE!!!

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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