

# 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.*

# 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## September 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Sat	9/8	Esther & Francis Seckora (RIP) Anniversary of Marriage 9/3 Requested by Valeria & Paul Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Sun	9/9	Bibiane Walthew (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Mon	9/10	No Mass	
Tue	9/11	Jeff Applegate (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Wed	9/12	Maria & Henry Kopacki, Sr. (RIP) Requested by Marian Kopacki & Family	Fr. Oscar
Thur	9/13	Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Fri	9/14	Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sat	9/15	Virginia Schmitz (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Sun	9/16	Jennifer & Bill Haynes Wedding Anniversary Requested by Jennifer & Bill Haynes	Fr. Oscar

## Collections for September 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$3,746.00
Special Collection	75.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,821.00</b>
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,400
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Haitian Ministry	\$ 290.00
Capital Improvements	981.00
St. Theresa Cemetery	350.00
Maintenance Fund	75.00
Religious Education	6.80

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

### Church Attendance

Saturday, September 1 - 70  
Sunday September 2 - 113  
Spanish Mass - 30

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule  
9/3 thru 9/9 - Jorge Duran Family/Hugo Rojas/  
Dan Gibbs Family  
9/10 thru 9/16 - Theresa Nguyen/Nguyen Sisters

### BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY

We will start the new Bible Study session on Sunday, September 16 at 11:15, right after Mass. We are continuing The Bible Timeline at the beginning of the New Testament section. All are invited to join in this DVD based study presented by Jeff Cavins of Ascension Press. It is not necessary to have done the Old Testament Timeline to participate. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the scriptures and how it relates to the Catholic Faith.

## Calendar for Week of September 10th, 2018

Monday - 9/10 - No Mass  
Tuesday - 9/11 - Mass 8:30 am  
Wednesday - 9/12 - Mass 8:30 am  
Thursday - 9/13 - Mass 8:30 am  
Friday - 9/14 - Mass 8:30 am  
Saturday - 9/15 - Rosary 4:45 pm - Mass 5:30 pm  
Sunday - 9/16 - Mass 9 am  
**Parish Council Meeting - 10:15 am - Mercy Center**  
**CFC Begins - 10:15 am - VDB Hall**  
**Spanish Mass 11:30 am**  
**Youth Group - 6:30 pm**

## PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Carolyn Alford	Gloria Kojcsich
Elizabeth Alley	Bonnie Kopacki
Candace Barefoot	Gordon Langston
Virginia Becker	Patricia Lanuza
Paulette Berberich	Baby Vivian Mallis
Ron Blevins	Ron Martz
Jon Boyette	Doris Modr
Robin Bristow	Clara Morrow
Joan Buehler	Randy Morrow
Linda Burch	Specialist Mullins
Kevin Carson	Larry Newtzie
Kate Cheney	M.C. 'Sam' O'Connor
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Donna Donahue	Barbara Schafer
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Mary Ann Hooper	Lois Wilson
Helen Kaczmariski	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
John Kellam	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

Logan Gay has been discharged and returned home on August 30<sup>th</sup>. Nathan Gurganis has been discharged and should be home the week of September 3<sup>rd</sup>. We thank them for their service!

Bible Study in the evenings will commence on the first Tuesday in October at 7:00pm in the Mercy Center.

## ALTAR SERVERS

9/8 – Kody Kopacki, Mason Kopacki, Peter Nguyen  
9/9 – Tazewell Rae, Dawson Haviland  
11:30 am – Misael Hernandez, Jovany Velazquez  
9/15 – Daniel Gibbs, Jr., Oliver Owens  
9/16 – Clara DiLandro, Elizabeth DiLandro  
11:30 am – Misael Hernandez, Jovany Velazquez

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

9/8 – Joe Drexler, Gary Silvia, Tom Fauber  
9/9 – Chris Polcyn, Paula Polcyn, Bill Madigan, Edwina Madigan, Sarah Rae  
9/15 – Tom Fauber, Lorraine Ryalls, Cathy Fudella  
9/16 – Bill Madigan, Edwina Madigan, Kathy Wills, B.J. Bui, Mary Horton

## DO YOU KNOW

The Catholic Church observes the birthday of only two saints: Saint John the Baptist (June 24), and Mary, Mother of Jesus (September 8). In the case of all other saints, especially martyrs, they are venerated on the day of their death, which is called their “dies natalis,” meaning “the day of their birth into heaven”.

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Today's Gospel is helpful. We need to do what the deaf man did: seek out Jesus. We need to go off with him, away from the crowd; spend time in his healing presence and give Jesus a chance to touch our hearts. We need to open our ears to his word and use our mouths to proclaim it. As his followers in today's world, it is up to us to spread the Good News.

*Adult: When has the Word of God penetrated my heart and given me the courage to preach the Good News?*

*Child: What does my belief in Jesus mean to me?*

**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 11:30 am for the following weekend. The office will make arrangements with the florist.

As many of you know, we will be celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> 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. We look forward to seeing EVERYONE at this milestone celebration!

**OUR T-SHIRT SALE IS ONGOING!** You may purchase them before or after Masses at the back of the Church.

We express our sympathy and prayers to Sarah Rae and family as they mourn the loss of her father, Thomas Larkin Kirby. May he rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon him.

**MASS OF ATONEMENT:** His Excellency, Bishop Knestout will be celebrating a Mass of Atonement on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Richmond. If you are unable to attend but would like to view a Livestream of the Mass, please call the Diocese (804-359-5661) or Parish Office for the link.

**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.**

**HELP NEEDED!!** As we begin our new catechetical year we are in need of youth group volunteer leaders and assistants for all age groups. We meet on the first and third Sundays of each month. The younger kids meet 6:30 to 7:30 pm and older kids meet 6:30 to 8:00 pm. We have a wonderful group of young people who are very willing to participate in spiritual, social and service activities. To volunteer or for more information, contact Lorraine at 843-3125 or [lrkryalls@cox.net](mailto:lrkryalls@cox.net). Remember, our young people are the future of the Catholic Church and depend on us to guide them in ways of the faith.

**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 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the VDB Hall kitchen, and on every fourth Thursday thereafter.

The next Senior Luncheon will be held on Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 11:00 am Mass at The Blue Crab, 620 Main Street, West Point. If you plan to attend, please call the MC office to have your name placed on the sign up sheet. Join us for good food and fellowship!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** will begin again in October. We need volunteer leaders and assistants (teens are encouraged to be assistants) on a rotating basis at both the 5:30 pm and 9 am Masses. Children are dismissed before the readings and returned to the assembly at offertory. They listen to the Gospel in age-appropriate language, learn the responses, recite the creed as well as participate in activities that reinforce the Gospel message. Lesson plans are provided. As the children learn more about God's word, so will you! To volunteer or for more information, contact Lorraine at 843-3125 or [lrkryalls@cox.net](mailto:lrkryalls@cox.net).

**CONGRATULATIONS** to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary during the month of September: Jennifer & Bill Haynes (9/16); Gary & Jackie Silvia (9/17); and Richard & AJ Duke (9/18).

# 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

<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b> Joe Drexler	843-2541
<b>ART &amp; ENVIRONMENT</b> Rowena & Tom Fauber Valeria Seckora	725-6110 337-5477
<b>BELL CHOIR</b> Mary Horton	843-3490
<b>CANTORS/CHOIR</b> Leda Zaginaylo	757 870-2516
<b>CEMETERY COMMITTEE</b> Gary Silvia	757-303-8756
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<b>CLEANING COORDINATOR</b>	

<b>COMMUNITY LIFE</b>	
<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b> Richard Duke	843-3125
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<b>JUSTICE &amp; PEACE</b> Chris & Paula Polcyn	843-3589
<b>KNIT, PURL &amp; PRAY</b> Linda Drexler Donna Geron	843-2541 843-2781
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<b>PARISH COUNCIL</b> Bob Ryalls bryalls@cox.net	757 207-0215
<b>SACRISTAN</b> Marguerite Sturtz	843-2175
<b>YOUTH MINISTRY</b> Erin Hayden	366-4435

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