

# 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**

## PARISH OFFICES at the MERCY CENTER

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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.

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*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.*

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# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

## January 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Sat	1/5	No Intention	Fr. Oscar
Sun	1/6	Frank Waxmunski (RIP) – Birthday Requested by Susan Todd	Fr. Oscar
Mon	1/7	No Mass	
Tue	1/8	James H. Geron (RIP) Requested by Donna Geron	Fr. Oscar
Wed	1/9	No Intention	Fr. Oscar
Thur	1/10	For Our Parishioners	Fr. Oscar
Fri	1/11	No Intention	Fr. Oscar
Sat	1/12	Anna P. Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Donna Geron	Fr. Oscar
Sun	1/13	No Intention	Fr. Oscar

### Collections for December 22, 23, 24, 25, 2018

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	December 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup>	\$4,277.00
December 24 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup>		2,676.00
Total		\$6,953.00
December 29 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup>		\$2,293.55
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940	
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish		
Capital Improvements	\$	650.00
Christmas Offering		200.00
Haitian Ministry		50.00
Diocesan Collection (Catholic Charities)		25.00
Votive Stand		25.50
Poor Box		3.50

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

#### Church Attendance

Saturday – December 29 – 75

Sunday - December 30 - 107

Spanish Mass – 49

Tuesday – January 1 - 91

#### OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

12/31 thru 1/6 – Jorge Duran Family/Hugo Rojas/Dan Gibbs Family

1/7 thru 1/13 – Theresa Nguyen/Nguyen Sisters

### Calendar for Week of January 7, 2019

Monday – 1/7 – No Mass

KofC Meeting – 7:30 pm

Tuesday – 1/8 - Mass 8:30 am

Bible Study 7 pm

Wednesday – 1/9 – Mass 8:30 am

Thursday – 1/10 – Mass 8:30 am

Friday – 1/11 – Mass 8:30 am

Saturday, 1/12 – Rosary 4:45 pm – Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday – 1/13 – Mass 9:00 am - CFC 10:15 am - Bible Study 10:15 am

Spanish Mass 11:30 am

Confirmation Prep 6:30 pm

### PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Carolyn Alford	John Kellam
Elizabeth Alley	Gloria Kojcsich
Candace Barefoot	Bonnie Kopacki
Virginia Becker	Gordon Langston
Paulette Berberich	Patricia Lanuza
Ron Blevins	Baby Vivian Mallis
Jon Boyette	Ron Martz
Robin Bristow	Doris Modr
Joan Buehler	Clara Morrow
Linda Burch	Randy Morrow
Lurene Burke	Specialist Mullins
Kevin Carson	Larry Newtzie
Kate Cheney	Desiree Page
Julie Wilson Chungath	Pam Rigsby
Meredith Crowe	Phyllis Russell
Eric Crump	Virginia Ryczak
Vincent D'Elia	Bill Scaife
Denise DePompeo	Barbara Schafer
Donna Donahue	Allen Smith
Amanda Leigh Fincher	Levi Sturtz
Brenda Frederick	Jim Tokarz
Helen Fudala	Mae Touray
Margaret Geron	Dorothy Ware
Jim Gregory	Linda Webster
Pat Hinkle	
Kelly Hipple	Lois Wilson
Mary Ann Hooper	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
Helen Kaczmariski	Jody Zogran
Mary Leigh McDonald	Lucy Carson

### 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

**BECAUSE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, THE PARISH POTLUCK DINNER, SPANISH DANCE AND CHRISTMAS PAGEANT HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 6, FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY. We'd love to have you join us for an evening of fellowship.**

"Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts." Are you beginning to see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as a priest? Call the Vocations Office, 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Bohling or Fr. Brian Capuano, or write to [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

**SUNDAY FORMATION CLASSES RESUME ON JANUARY 6 AT 10:15 AM.**

## ALTAR SERVERS

1/5 – Oliver Owens, Daniel Gibbs, Jackson Gibbs  
1/6 – Dawson Haviland, Adrian Vidal, Tazewell Rae  
1/12 – Daniel Duke, Peter Nguyen, Ryan Sprouse  
1/13 – Clara DiLandro, Elizabeth DiLandro, Adrian Vidal

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

1/5 – Joe Drexler, Lorraine Ryalls, Jackie Silvia  
1/6 – Bill Madigan, Paula Polcyn, Chris Polcyn, Pattie Vadas, Kathy Wills  
1/12 – Jackie Silvia, Cathy Fudella, Gary Silvia  
1/13 – Wini Barron, B.J. Bui, Edwina Madigan, Bill Madigan, Jim Pyne

## DO YOU KNOW

What is the significance of the gifts of the Magi? Gold, frankincense and myrrh are not typically gifts for a newborn, but Jesus wasn't the typical newborn. Scholars generally agree that the gift of gold represented Jesus as a king with an everlasting throne. It was a treasure befitting royalty, albeit royalty in the home of a young, poor family. Frankincense was used in the temple routines, burned ceremonially by the priests. The gift of frankincense is said to have been an acknowledgement of Jesus' priesthood, setting him apart from a typical king. Myrrh was used as an embalming spice so this gift foretold of Jesus' death.

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

As we look upon the crib, we cannot stay there. Like the shepherds and the magi, we too are called to move away and take the light of Jesus with us. We are asked not only to admire the light, but to be people of light. As Jesus himself tells us, 'you are the light of the world and your light must shine.' The light of the Epiphany is given to us as a gift, but we cannot keep it to or for ourselves. Through the quality of our daily lives and how we treat each other, we are called to make our families, homes, parish communities and the wider world a better and brighter place for all people, especially the poor and the marginalized.

Adults: What am I doing to bring others into the light of Christ?

Child: Who are the people that have guided you in your relationship with Jesus?

The 2019 Catholic Calendars are at the back of the Church, both English and Spanish version. Please take one per family. As you take your family's calendar, please take a moment to thank some of the Knights of Columbus who, once again, sponsored the calendars for our parish.

Due to the rescheduling of the Christmas potluck/program to January 6<sup>th</sup>, there will be no youth group meetings that evening. The older youth group will meet again on January 20. We are in the process of revising the meetings of the younger group as we currently don't have a leader. More details will follow.

Confirmation classes will resume on January 13 at 6:30 pm in the Mercy Center Conference Room.

As you can see, Mass Intentions have fallen off, and we have many openings. If you wish to have a Mass said in memory of a loved one, to honor someone, in celebration of a birthday or anniversary, or for a special intention, please call the office at 843-3125. Donations can either be sent to the Mercy Center office or dropped into the collection basket, making sure that the intention is listed in the memo line of your check.

Following the listening sessions held throughout the diocese in October, Bishop Barry C. Knestout renewed his commitment to leading the Diocese of Richmond with transparency, faith and direct action. A webpage has been created to help the faithful stay informed of the diocese's response to the present crisis in the Church. A video interview with the Bishop as he answers the faithful's most frequently asked questions, a timeline of actions take within the diocese to address the crisis, and resources to learn how Bishop Knestout is answering the call for accountability is available at [www.richmonddiocese.org/diocese-response](http://www.richmonddiocese.org/diocese-response).

**HUMAN LIFE ACTION:** Dear Pro-Life Friends: To make a donation by check, please mail to Human Life Action, P.O. Box 34116, Washington, D.C. 20043. May God bless you and your family and friends this Advent Season!

Start the New Year out right by enriching your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are March 1-3 in Hickory, N.C. and March 22-24 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at [applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org](mailto:applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org) or 757-690-1369.

## MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP – 2019

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a bus trip to the March for Life rally in Washington, DC on Friday, January 18. Cost per bus seat is \$25 per person. To reserve your seat, contact Rocky Natchus at 757-438-5602 or [natchus@yahoo.com](mailto:natchus@yahoo.com). Payment for bus seats can be mailed to Rocky Natchus, 701 Monumental Ave., Williamsburg, VA 23185 – checks are to be made payable to "Knights of Columbus Council 6828". Reservations are confirmed once payment is received. All riders must arrive in the St. Bede commons area for bus departure not later than 7:30 am. Please celebrate Mass with us at 7 am at St. Bede parish church on Ironbound Road. A silent procession to the memorial of the unborn will immediately follow the mass.

A total of 3 buses will be provided (two early return buses and one late return bus). The early buses depart Washington immediately following the march/rally and arrive back at St. Bede approximately 7 pm. Sandwiches will be provided on the return trip, but only on the early return buses. The late bus travels to the National Basilica immediately following the march/rally for tour, meditation and prayer. After visiting the basilica, the late bus will make a stop in Fredericksburg for dinner and arrives back at St. Bede between 10 and 11 pm.

All bus riders must bring their own bag lunch and/or snacks for the day. Bottled water will be provided. Dress warmly.

## Schedule of events for the Rally and March:

11:30 am – Musical Opening at Rally  
12 pm – Rally  
1 pm – March up Constitution Avenue  
3 pm – Arrive at the steps to the U.S. Supreme Court  
3:30 pm – Depart Rally/March

Please contact the Knights of Columbus with any questions by contacting Rocky Natchus (see above number & email).

**CONGRATULATIONS** to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary in January: Zachary & Angelynn McDonald, 1/17; and Bill and Edwina Madigan, 1/28.

# 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>COMMUNITY LIFE</b>	<b>MINISTRY SCHEDULING</b> Mary Horton 843-3490 mhorton@aol.com
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<b>BELL CHOIR</b> Mary Horton 843-3490	<b>HOSPITALITY</b> Glenn & Kay Shaw 843-3476	<b>PARISH COUNCIL</b> Bob Ryalls 757 207-0215 bryalls@cox.net
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<b>CHURCH HISTORIAN</b> Linda Drexler 843-2451 vintagenotes@verizon.net	<b>LAWN MOWING COMMITTEE</b> Eric Ellingson 843-2184 ericellingson@verizon.net	
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