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 207 W. Euclid Blvd., West Point, VA 23181 Phone: 843-3125 Fax: 843-9158

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van den BOOGAARD HALL RENTALS Janice McGowan 843-2870 Email: 5mcgs@cox.net SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION Saturday 5:00 p.m. Also by appointment

EUCHARISTIC 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.

7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 23rd & 24th, 2019

Sat	2/23 - Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar			
Sun	2/24 - Joseph & Mary Pausic (RIP) Requested by Mike & Nancy Pausic	Fr. Oscar			
Mon	2/25 - No Mass				
Tue	2/26 – Von & Melvin Moody (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar			
Wed	2/27 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar			
Thurs	2/28 – For Peace Requested by Theresa Nguyen	Fr. Oscar			
Fri	3/1 – Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler				
Sat	3/2 – Deceased Members of Sturtz Family Fr. Oscar Requested by Jeanie Sturtz				
Sun	3/3 – Helen Fudala (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar			
Collec	tions for February 16 th & 17 th , 2019				
Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage,					
Repair 8	\$ 2,713.00				
Supplementary		403.00			
Total		\$ 3,116.00			
Amount	t needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940			
Restrict	ed, Special Use or Sent out of Parish				
Capital	Improvements	\$ 150.00			
Votive Stand		30.40			
Poor Bo	23.00				
Prescho	5.00				
Mainte	381.00				
Haitian Ministry 50.00					
Thank you for your support of your Parish!					

Church Attendance Saturday – February 16 - 76 Sunday - February 17 - 116 Spanish Mass – 44

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule 2/18 thru 2/24 – Gary & Jackie Silvia 2/25 thru 3/3 – Jorge Duran Family/Hugo Rojas/Jose Velasquez

"Love one another as I have loved you." Are you discerning a call to follow the Lord?

Call the Vocations Office, 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Bohling or Fr. Brian Capuano, or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Calendar for Week of February 25, 2019 Monday – 2/25 – No Mass Tuesday – 2/26 - Mass 8:30 am Finance Committee Meeting 6:30 pm Bible Study 7 pm Wednesday – 2/27 – Mass 8:30 am Thursday – 2/28 – Mass 8:30 am Friday – 3/1 – First Friday – Mass 8:30 am Saturday, 3/2 – Adoration 4:30 pm – Benediction 5:10 pm Mass 5:30 pm Sunday – 3/3 – Mass 9:00 am - CFC 10:15 am - Bible Study 10:15 – Spanish Mass 11:30 am - Youth Groups 6:30 pm

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

John Kellam

Gloria Kojcsich

Bonnie Kopacki

Gordon Langston

Elizabeth Alley Candace Barefoot Virginia Becker **Paulette Berberich Ron Blevins** Jon Boyette **Robin Bristow** Joan Buehler Linda Burch Lurene Burke Kevin Carson Kate Cheney **Julie Wilson Chungath** Meredith Crowe Eric Crump Vincent D'Elia Denise DePompeo Donna Donahue Amanda Leigh Fincher Brenda Frederick Margaret Geron Jim Gregory Pat Hinkle **Kelly Hipple** Mary Ann Hooper

Helen Kaczmarski

Mary Leigh McDonald

Patricia Lanuza **Baby Vivian Mallis Ron Martz Clara Morrow Randy Morrow Specialist Mullins** Larry Newtzie **Desiree Page** Pam Rigsby **Brenda Roane** Mark A. Roane **Phyllis Russell** Virginia Ryczak **Bill Scaife Barbara Schafer** Allen Smith Levi Sturtz Jim Tokarz Mae Touray **Dorothy Ware**

Linda Webster Gloria Wajciechowski Lois Wilson Robert 'Bobby' Wilson Jody Zogran Lucy Carson

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME Melvina Gooch PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan Lt. Col. John Pilong – Afghanistan

The Anointing and Blessing of the Sick will be offered after each of the Masses this weekend. There are different types of "sickness", i.e. Spiritually, Physically, Emotionally or just feel in need of God's anointing to help us reach our full Christian potential in His Grace.

ALTAR SERVERS

2/23 – Kody Kopacki, Mason Kopacki, Peter Nguyen 2/24 – Clara DiLandro, Elizabeth DiLandro, Dawson Haviland

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

2/23 – Jackie Silvia, Tom Fauber, Erin Lazar 2/24 – Kim DiLandro, B.J. Bui, Jim Pyne, Vickie Roane, Kathy Wills

DO YOU KNOW

During the offertory part of the Mass the priest pours just a few drops of water into the chalice and then says: "By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled Himself to share in our humanity." This is done to symbolize the water and blood that flowed from the side of Christ on the Cross (John 19:33) after he was pierced with the soldier's lance. It calls our attention to the fact that what is human (our gifts of bread and wine) will become divine soon in the consecration.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus spells out what it means to honor the Commandment of love. It means loving your enemies, doing good to those who hate you, blessing those who curse you, and praying for those who mistreat you. It means giving to everyone who asks of you and doing to others as you would have them do to you. The ending of this passage includes four additional directions concerning the way of love – stop judging, stop condemning, forgive, and give.

Adults: What has allowed you to overcome obstacles and forgive someone who has hurt you?

Child: When has it been hard to forgive someone who has hurt you? What did you do?

2019 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL – BUILDING OUR FAMILY OF FAITH – WELCOME

This coming week, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal. We hope you will prayerfully consider this request. For those of you who do not receive a mailing or will have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our In-Pew pledge process at all Masses during the weekends of March 9-10 and 16-17.

ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITY

Please join us on February 24 and March 3 for a DVD based study "From Mass to Mission: Understanding the Mass and its Significance for our Christian Life". The sessions will be 10:15 – 11:15 am in the Boogaard Hall. This is an exploration of the Mass and its importance for our life of faith and Christian discipleship. We will explore the parts of the Mass, helping you understand the meaning of the prayers, responses, acclamations, gestures, signs, and symbols.

A REMINDER – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6^{TH} IS ASH WEDNESDAY, A DAY OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE. MASSES WILL BE AT 8:30 AM AND 7:00 PM.

FROM THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

As we move closer to the end of our grace period, we would like to remind everyone that placement of any item(s) at either St. Theresa or St. John of Kanti must fall within the guidelines of the Church, Diocese, and Catholic Faith. Please remember that Catholic Cemeteries have different guidelines and rules than non-Catholic Cemeteries. If at any time you are not sure that placement of an item meets these standards, please feel free to contact a member of the Cemetery Committee for guidance, or see the guidelines that are posted in the rear of the Church. Please be compliant by April 1, 2019. Thank You.

OLBS WOMEN'S GROUP

We will hold a meeting on the fourth Thursday of the month, February 28th. Please join us for fellowship at 7:00 pm in the VDB Hall kitchen. Bring any ideas that you have for activities in 2019. See you there!

WE ARE ALL GOD'S CHILDREN. WE ARE HERE TO LOVE AND CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER. THE LEAST WE CAN DO FOR EACH OTHER IS PRAY. PRAYER IS VERY POWERFUL AND TAKES ONLY A MINUTE OR TWO.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER? DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE IN NEED OF PRAYER? Please contact the prayer chain to request any prayers needed. Prayers will go out for your needs or the needs of others. Anonymous Prayer Requests accepted.

Contact: On Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, please contact Pam Watkins at the church office at 804-843-3125 from 10:15 am through 4:30 pm. Any other times, please contact Pam Watkins at 919-820-1986 (cell phone).

Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. Give the gift of your love by attending the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on March 22-24 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at:

https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS MARCH 6TH, AND THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT IS MARCH 10TH. DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ALSO BEGINS ON MARCH 10TH. THE SCHEDULE FOR THE LENTEN SOUP AND SERMON WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 916 MAIN STREET, WEST POINT, AT 12 NOON, IS AS FOLLOWS:

March 13 – St. Paul's and St. John's March 20 – Christian Church & Chaplin Bill with Fire/Police March 27 – First Baptist and United Methodist April 3 – WP Church of God AND OLBS April 10 – Brett-Reed and The Point April 17 – Mt. Nebo and Church of the Nazarene LUNCH WILL FOLLOW.

FROM THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

Just a quick reminder that with the holidays over, please remember to remove items that are seasonal. The Cemetery Committee does not have any storage area and would not be able to store these items, and would not want to throw them away. Thank you.

The Catholic Woman's Club of Richmond invites you to their SPRING FASHION SHOW on Saturday, March 23 at the Hermitage Country Club, 1248 Hermitage Road, Manakin-Sabot. Proceeds will be used to fund scholarships to St. Gertrude High School as well as providing funds to other charitable organizations. A cash bar will be open at 11:15, with a luncheon at noon followed by a fashion show presented by Dillard's. There will be a raffle as well as other prizes. For reservations please make your check payable to CWC and send to Joan Walton, 300 Burnwick Road, Richmond, VA 23227. For information call Betty Williams 804-784-4468 or Bea Sykes 804-357-1750. Reservation deadline is March 15. www.cwcrva.org.

OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT PRESCHOOL

Dear Parents:

It is that time of year to begin thinking about the next school year. Registration began the week of February 1st for all current students in the three year old program for the 2019-2020 school year.

Registration will also be accepted for younger siblings and alumni families in both classes at this time. Registration will be open to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament parish on Tuesday, February 12. On March 1st, registration will be open to the community.

Registration forms are in the back of the Church. Please return the form with your registration fee. Also, if there are any documents that have not been turned in, these will need to be presented to the preschool before registration of your child is complete.

New blue and white Welcome envelopes have been placed in the pews for visitors to our parish, and also for CURRENT PARISHIONERS who don't receive envelopes and would like them, or for parishioners who have forgotten to bring their envelope to Mass.

SOME UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER: LENTEN SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, March 6th – Ash Wednesday, Masses at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm. A day of Fast and Abstinence. Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older. Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Only one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Friday – March 8th – Day of Abstinence. Rosary 6:30 pm and Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm. Saturday – March 9th – Catechumen Signs the Book of the Elect at Mass 5:30 pm. Sunday – March 10th – Rite of Election for Catechumens – 3:00 pm, Church of the Holy Family, 1279 Great Neck Rd., Virginia Beach, VA 23454. Wednesday – March 13th – Soup & Sermon – 12 Noon, St. John's Episcopal Church. Thursday – March 14th – COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE – 7:00 PM, St. Joan of Arc, Yorktown (OLBS Communal Penance Service will take place on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm.) Friday – March 15th – Day of Abstinence – Knights

of Columbus Flounder Dinner – VDB – 5 to 8 pm.

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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