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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.

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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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# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

## March 9<sup>TH</sup> & 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

Sat	3/9 - Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar
Sun	3/10 – Ralph & Irene Kasmarik (RIP) Requested by Nancy & Mike Pausic	Fr. Oscar
Mon	3/11 - No Mass	
Tue	3/12 – Kathy Webster (RIP) Requested by Bill Webster in Remembrance	Fr. Oscar
Wed	3/13 – Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	3/14 – Joseph Nguyen (RIP) Requested by Teresa Nguyen	Fr. Oscar
Fri	3/15 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sat	3/16 – For Peace Requested by Teresa Nguyen	Fr. Oscar
Sun	3/17 – Carolyn Alford (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar

### Collections for March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$ 4,292.00
Supplementary	25.00
Total	\$ 4,317.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Improvements	\$ 1,115.00
Votive Stand	9.90
Easter Flowers	45.00
Catholic Relief Services	25.00
Parish Heating	5.00
Ash Wednesday	35.00
Cemetery	640.00
Haitian Ministry	260.00

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

#### Church Attendance

Saturday – March 2 - 97

Sunday - March 3 - 126 - Spanish Mass - 63

#### OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

3/4 thru 3/10 – Dan Gibbs Family

3/11 thru 3/17 – Teresa Nguyen/Nguyen Sisters

We need volunteers for the Choir on Saturdays and Sundays. Please call the office if you are interested in joining your voice to this ministry.

### Calendar for Week of March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Monday – 3/11 – No Mass

Tuesday – 3/12 - Mass 8:30 am

Bible Study 7 pm

Wednesday – 3/13 – Mass 8:30 am

Soup & Sermon – 12 Noon – St. John's Church

Thursday – 3/14 – Mass 8:30 am

Friday – 3/15 – Mass 8:30 am – Day of Abstinence

Rosary 6:30 pm – Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm (Liturgy)

KofC Flounder Dinner – 5 to 8 pm – VDB Hall

Saturday – 3/16- Rosary 4:45 pm - Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday – 3/17 – Mass 9:00 am - CFC 10:15 am - Bible Study

10:15 – In Pew Pledges – Parish Council Mtg. 10:15 am

Spanish Mass 11:30 am – Middle/High School Youth 6:30 pm

### PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

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

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME

Melvina Gooch

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)

"The priest shall receive the basket from you and shall set it in front of the altar of the LORD, your God." Are you considering a call from the Holy Spirit to become a priest in front of the altar of our LORD? Call the Vocations Office, 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano or [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org)

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

3/9 – Daniel Duke, Peter Nguyen  
3/10 – Clara DiLandro, Elizabeth DiLandro  
3/16 – Kody Kopacki, Mason Kopacki  
3/17 – Daniel Duke, Elizabeth DiLandro

### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

3/9 – Joe Drexler, Jackie Silvia, Gary Silvia  
3/10 – Paula Polcyn, Chris Polcyn, Jim Pyne, Vickie Roane, Kay Shaw  
3/16 – Tom Fauber, Erin Lazar, Cathy Fudella  
3/17 – Bill Madigan, Edwina Madigan, B.J. Bui, Wini Barron, Kathy Wills

### **DO YOU KNOW**

Pope Francis gives a perspective on Lenten fasting:

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.  
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.  
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.  
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.  
Fast from worries and trust in God.  
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.  
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.  
Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.  
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.  
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.  
Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

Sometimes we think only of the divinity of Jesus and forget how difficult these temptations must have been for the human Jesus. We face far lesser temptations every day and some we resist while others we give in to. Temptations are necessary for our spiritual growth, in fact it is only after we have been able to overcome temptation that we can claim to be spiritually strong. If the temptations are hard to resist, we know Jesus understands our difficulty because he went through a similar experience. He will be there for us when we ask for his help.

Adults: When you feel tempted to do wrong, how do you remain strong in your faith?

Children: How can you become stronger against temptations?

Our catechumen, Sandy Lam, will celebrate the Rite of Election this weekend. Please pray for her as she continues her spiritual journey toward the Easter Sacraments.

The next Confirmation Class is scheduled for March 24 at 6:30 pm in the Mercy Center Conference Room.

Middle School/High School Youth meet again on March 17 at 6:30 pm in the Boogaard Hall.

A new Bible study adult faith formation opportunity begins this Sunday, March 10 in the Mercy Center parlor right after the 9 am Mass. Feel free to come check out this week or next what they will be studying.

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/>.

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.

A spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land is being led by Fr. Gregory Kandt, pastor of the Church of the Incarnation in Charlottesville, on November 7-17. This will be a memorable, once-in-a-lifetime experience that will enhance the spiritual life of those who take part. We will be visiting the important places in Jesus' life – Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem, and more! If interested, check out the information at

[www.travelillumine.com/trc/zzw](http://www.travelillumine.com/trc/zzw) or call Fr. Gregory at 434-973-4381, X127.

The portrait of Our Lady of Czestochowa, that was donated to the Church, is missing from the back altar. If you have any information, please call the office.

#### **TO THOSE WHO DID NOT RECEIVE A MAILING FROM THE DIOCESE REGARDING THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:**

A reminder that we will conduct our In-Pew pledge process at all Masses during the weekends of March 9-10 and 16-17.

The next Senior Luncheon will take place following the 11 am Mass on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, at Honey Butters Kitchen in Toano. If you plan to attend, please call the office to have your name placed on the attendance sheet. Join us for good food and fellowship!

#### **VIRGINIA MARCH FOR LIFE:**

The March for Life is coming to Virginia on April 3, 2019 in Richmond! Virginia is facing a pivotal moment in our Commonwealth's history. Legislation like that seen in New York is being considered in Virginia. Bills were filed this year which would have removed most restrictions on late term abortions and would have made abortion a "fundamental right." Governor Northam endorsed this extreme pro-abortion legislation. Thankfully, the anti-life legislation failed this year. It is critical that every pro-life Virginian take a stand for life at the March. Join the Virginia Catholic Conference network to receive Virginia March for Life updates and visit the website for more information at [www.vacatholic.org](http://www.vacatholic.org).

#### **Schedule of the Day:**

9:00 am – Mass celebrated by Bishop Knestout at St. Peter Catholic Church, Richmond.

11:00 am – Rally at the State Capitol in Richmond

12:00 pm – March for Life begins

**JOIN US IN OUR FIGHT FOR LIFE IN VIRGINIA!**

Planned Parenthood's new president is Leana Wen who took the position at America's largest abortion provider for two incomprehensible reasons: because "I am a new mother" and she sees her new position as "lifesaving work." But as Commissioner of Health for Baltimore, she attempted to force pregnancy abortion alternatives (pro-life) organizations to promote abortions.

#### **The Little Black Books with Lenten Reflections are available in the back of the Church.**

Catholic Relief Services Collection is March 17<sup>th</sup>. Envelopes are also available at the back of the Church. When so many suffer the scourge of human trafficking, your contribution is saving lives. In India, for example, the lack of education and job opportunities puts children at particular risk for human trafficking for labor or sexual exploitation. Support the Catholic Relief Services Collection and help Jesus in disguise.

# 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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