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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.*

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT March 16TH & 17TH, 2019



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| Sat | 3/16 – For Peace Requested by Teresa Nguyen | Fr. Oscar |
| Sun | 3/17 – Carolyn Alford (RIP) Requested by David Seckora | Fr. Oscar |
| Mon | 3/18 - No Mass | |
| Tue | 3/19 – Esther Seckora (RIP) In Honor of Her Birthday Requested by Paul & Valeria Seckora & Family | Fr. Oscar |
| Wed | 3/20 – Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler | Fr. Oscar |
| Thurs | 3/21 – Parishioners of OLBS | Fr. Oscar |
| Fri | 3/22 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler | Fr. Oscar |
| Sat | 3/23 – For Thanks to God Requested by Teresa Nguyen | Fr. Oscar |
| Sun | 3/24 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler | Fr. Oscar |

Collections for March 9th & 10th, 2019

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| Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.) | \$ 3,428.75 |
| Ash Wednesday | 959.25 |
| Total | \$ 4,388.00 |
| Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is | \$3,940 |
| Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish | |
| Capital Improvements | \$ 285.00 |
| Poor Box | 20.00 |
| Easter Flowers | 305.00 |
| Parish Heating | 5.00 |
| Haitian Ministry | 50.00 |



Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Church Attendance

Ash Wednesday Morning – March 6th – 63
Ash Wednesday Evening – March 6th - 150
Saturday – March 9th - 90
Sunday - March 10th - 99
Spanish Mass – March 10th - 56

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

3/11 thru 3/17 – Teresa Nguyen/Nguyen Sisters
3/18 thru 3/24/19 = Tom & Rowena Fauber

Calendar for Week of March 18th, 2019

Monday – 3/18 – No Mass

Knight of Columbus Meeting - 7:30 pm

Tuesday – 3/19 - Mass 8:30 am

OLBS Communal Penance Service – 7:00 pm

Wednesday – 3/20 – Mass 8:30 am

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

Thursday – 3/21 – Mass 11:00 am Followed by Seniors
Luncheon at Honey Butters Kitchen in Toano

Friday – 3/22 – Mass 8:30 am – Day of Abstinence

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

Saturday – 3/23 - Rosary 4:45 pm - Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday – 3/24 – Mass 9:00 am - CFC 10:15 am - Bible Study

10:15 am – Catechists' Hour of Reflection 10:15am-11:15am

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



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

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| 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 | Gladys Mierle |
| Joan Buehler | Clara Morrow |
| Linda Burch | Randy Morrow |
| Lurene Burke | Specialist Mullins |
| Kevin Carson | Larry Newtzie |
| Lucy Carson | Desiree Page |
| Kate Cheney | Pam Rigbsy |
| Julie Wilson Chungath | Brenda Roane |
| Meredith Crowe | Mark A. Roane |
| Eric Crump | Virginia Ryczak |
| Vincent D'Elia | Bill Scaife |
| Denise DePompeo | Barbara Schafer |
| Donna Donahue | Allen Smith |
| Larry Dzula, Jr. | Levi Sturtz |
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| Brenda Frederick | Mae Touray |
| Margaret Geron | Dorothy Ware |
| Jim Gregory | Linda Webster |
| Pat Hinkle | Gloria Wajciechowski |
| Kelly Hipple | Lois Wilson |
| Mary Ann Hooper | Robert 'Bobby' Wilson |
| Helen Kaczmariski | Jody Zogran |
| John Kellam | |

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME

Melvina Gooch

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)



3/16 – Kody Kopacki, Mason Kopacki
 3/17 – Daniel Duke, Elizabeth DiLandro
 3/23 – Oliver Owens, Peter Nguyen
 3/24 – Tazewell Rae, Clara DiLandro



3/16 – Tom Fauber, Erin Lazar, Cathy Fudella
 3/17 – Bill Madigan, Edwina Madigan, B.J. Bui, Wini Barron, Kathy Wills
 3/23 – Gary Silvia, Lorraine Ryalls, Erin Lazar
 3/24 – Jim Vadas, Pattie Vadas, Kim DiLandro, Sarah Rae, Jim Pyne



3/16 – Shawn Lazar, Abby Lazar
 3/17 – Jim Pyne, Tripp Racioppi
 3/23 – Bob Ryalls, Scott Watkins
 3/24 – Craig Smith, Will Addison

DO YOU KNOW?

The Rite of Election corresponds with the First Sunday of Lent. At home parishes, those preparing for the Easter Sacraments sign the Book of Elect. Then, with their godparent they attend the Rite of Election with the Bishop. The testimony of the godparent and the catechumen's affirmation to their intention to join the Church, the Church makes its "election" of these catechumens to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. The catechumens are then called a "member of the elect" as they begin the Period of Purification and Enlightenment to ready them to become members of the Catholic Church.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

The message of this week's gospel is clear. To see, we need to look. To hear, we need to listen. To experience, we need to open our minds and hearts to the possibility of God's voice. Look at the Son. Listen to His words. Open your mind and heart to His presence. We don't need to be on top of a mountain to experience God's fullness. Just shake off rote and routine. He will be there.

Adults: What can you do this Lent to feel the presence of God in the routine of your daily life?

Children: Do you keep your eyes, ears, and heart open to all that God can do for you?

"This is My Beloved Son, hear Him." Is our Lord asking you to follow Him in tending His flock as a priest? Call the Vocations Office, 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano or vocations@richmonddiocese.org



To Sandy Lam who is now a member of the Elect. Please pray for her as she begins the Period of Purification and Enlightenment to ready her for the Easter Sacraments.



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.



The older Youth Group (6th grade through high school) meets this Sunday, March 17th at 6:30 pm in Boogaard Hall. Remember to wear your GREEN!

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



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.



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).



The catechists/CLOW leaders' hour of reflection is scheduled at 10:15 am on Sunday, March 24 in the Boogaard Hall.

Adults

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

The next Senior Luncheon will take place following the 11 am Mass on Thursday, March 21st, 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!

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 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 or call Fr. Gregory at 434-973-4381, X127.



Please keep Mr. Robert Whitam and Family in your prayers. He recently lost his grandmother Phyllis Russell. May the perpetual Light shine upon her and may God grant he and his family the Peace that only God can give.

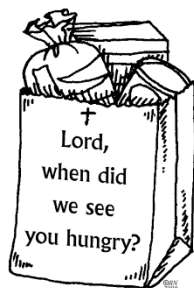


The Diocese of Richmond urges individuals who have been sexually abused by a priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese to report abuse directly to law enforcement, including Child Protective Services (CPS) at 1-800-552-7096, and by calling the Attorney General's Clergy Abuse Hotline at 1-883-454-9064.

Individuals are also encouraged to contact the 24-hour confidential Victim's Assistance Reporting number at 1-877-887-9603 or email vac@richmonddiocese.org.



Please don't forget to use your flower envelopes or the inserts in last week's and this week's bulletin to list your loved ones you would like remembered with your Easter Flower donation. If you have already donated and did not list anyone, but would like to, please call the parish office at 804-843-3125.



The Lord put us on earth to love and care for one another. Once, again, we will be collecting money for Easter Food Baskets. We have been able to supply a week or more of groceries (depending on size of family) for families in need. By participating in this service for others, we are spreading the love of Christ as He calls us to do. Our Lenten sacrifice can make a difference in someone's life. If you know of a family in need this season, please contact Pam Watkins at the parish office, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays at 804-843-3125.

Please make your donations to OLBS, clearly mark them for Food Baskets and put in an envelope in the regular offertory baskets.

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Planned Parenthood's new president Leanna Wen, is Chinese American, her family having fled from China and been granted asylum and U.S. citizenship. Despite this background and her interest in women's rights and health, she has not condemned sex selection abortion in her native China, a policy that has led to 70 million girls aborted. Sex selection abortion and female infanticide have had significant negative effects on Chinese society including increased prostitution and sex trafficking, not to mention the problems resulting from Chinese men not being able to find wives. LifeNews 9/13/2018

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.

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!

Prayer Cards for the End to Abortion and Infanticide are located at the back of the church. Please take one and pray fervently for the end to these abominations. As Christians and Catholics, we must stand up for the innocent babies who are denied their chance at life.

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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