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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.

*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.*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 30th & 31st, 2019



Sat	3/30 – Carolyn Bartos Alford (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar
Sun	3/31 – Hellen Lash O'Connor (RIP) On her 82 nd Birthday Requested by Natalee & Henry Franzysen	Fr. Oscar
Mon	4/1 - No Mass	
Tue	4/2 – Von & Melvin Moody (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar
Wed	4/3 – Special Intention Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	4/4 – Richard Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Donna Geron	Fr. Oscar
Fri	4/5 – Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar
Sat	4/6 – Carolyn Bartos Alford (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar
Sun	4/7 – For Our Parishioners	Fr. Oscar

Collections for March 23rd & 24th, 2019

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$ 3,686.00
Debt Supplement	5.00
Total	\$ 3,691.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	\$3,940
Capital Improvements	\$ 50.00
Votive Stand	36.85
Easter Flowers	295.00
Haitian Ministry	50.00
Cemetery	30.00



Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Church Attendance

Saturday – March 23 - 75
Sunday - March 24 - 144
Spanish Mass – March 24 - 36

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

3/25 thru 3/31 – Gary & Jackie Silvia
4/1 thru 4/7 – Jorge Duran Family/Hugo Rojas/Jose Velasquez

Calendar for Week of April 1st, 2019

Monday – 4/1 – No Mass
KofC Meeting – 7:30 pm
Tuesday – 4/2 - Mass 8:30 am
Bible Study 7 pm
Wednesday – 4/3 – Mass 8:30 am
Soup & Sermon – 12 Noon – St. John's Church – OLBS to provide desserts and beverages
Virginia March for Life – 11 am – 1 pm - Richmond
Thursday – 4/4 – Mass 8:30 am
Communal Penance Svc – Church of the Visitation
Friday – 4/5 – Mass 8:30 am – Day of Abstinence
Rosary 6:30 pm – Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm (Hispanic Community)
Saturday – 4/6 - Adoration 4:30 – Benediction 5:10 - Mass 5:30 pm
Sunday – 4/7 – Mass 9:00 am - CFC 10:15 am – First Penance Review - Bible Study 10:15 am – Spanish Mass 11:30 am
Youth Group 6:30 pm



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

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 Rigsby
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
Amanda Leigh Fincher	Jim Tokarz
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 Culbertson (Afghanistan)



3/30 – Daniel Gibbs, Jackson Gibbs
3/31 – Adrian Vidal

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: Altar server training will take place for current and new altar servers on Sunday, April 7 after the 9 am Mass. In order to be eligible to be an altar server, your child must have received First Communion. Attendance at the training will count as attendance at Religious Education class.



3/30 – Tom Fauber, Pattie Vadas, Jim Vadas
3/31 – Wini Barron, Kathy Wills, B.J. Bui, Bill Madigan, Kay Shaw



3/30 – Alfred Jones, Scott Watkins
3/31 – Tuan Nguyen, Jim Pyne

The next YOUTH GROUP MEETING will be April 7 at 6:30 pm. All those 6th grade and up are invited to join us.

DO YOU KNOW?

The word “forgiveness” comes from the Greek word meaning “to let go.” That is the heart of forgiveness: letting go – letting go of our desperate grasp of the past so that we can turn toward the future with hope.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Forgiveness demands that we play all three parts in the drama of the prodigal son: to be the prodigal son, facing up to our own culpability and selfishness that causes division and hurt; to be the forgiving father, being openhearted enough to make the first step to welcome back into our lives those who have hurt us; to be the older brother, putting aside our own hurt and outrage (no matter how justified) for the sake of reconciliation and peace within our families and communities.

Adults: When have you been generous enough to forgive someone who hurt you deeply?

Children: Is there someone you need to forgive or ask forgiveness of?

“I am the light of the world, says the Lord.” Are you called to bring the Light of Christ to the world through a vocation to the priesthood? 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.

Congratulations to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary this month: March 6, 2004, Shawn & Erin Lazar; March 7, 1998, Donna & David Haviland; and March 14, 1966, Wini & Pat Barron.



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 Sunday Morning Bible Study invites you to check out their new study. This study shows how to put our Catholic faith into practice through prayer and action. The result is real, often profound change occurring in people's lives as they begin living as God intended them to. They meet after Mass in the Mercy Center parlor.



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).

Adults

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



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:

April 3 – WP Church of God AND OLBS

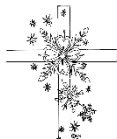
The Church of God will furnish the soups and OLBS will furnish the desserts, unsweetened tea, coffee and water. Please consider furnishing a dessert for our participation on April 3rd. Volunteers are also needed. Please contact Jeanie Sturtz, 804-843-3201 if you are able to help. You will need to be at the West Point Episcopal Church by 9:30 am. Thank You!

April 10 – Brett-Reed and The Point

April 17 – Mt. Nebo and Church of the Nazarene LUNCH WILL FOLLOW.

FROM THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

In the near future the roads at St. Theresa Cemetery will be getting a much needed face lift. The contractor has said that we do not need to close down the cemetery while work is ongoing, but if you visit while work is in progress please beware and park accordingly. Thank you.



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.

In honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Office of Safe Environment is hosting a Rosary for Healing and Protection led by Bishop Knestout. The Rosary will be held on Tuesday, April 2nd at 10:00 am and will be livestreamed for anyone wishing to participate. The live video can be accessed on our diocesan webpage (Richmonddiocese.org) and YouTube Channel. We invite you to join Bishop Knestout as we pray for all those who have been touched by abuse. Together we walk the journey of healing.



Please don't forget to use your flower envelopes 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.

2019 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: Building Our Family of Faith

Over the past month, many of our parishioners have contributed their support to the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal. To date, we have raised \$3,920 in donations and pledges on a target of \$9,630. If you have already made your 2019 Appeal gift, please accept our gratitude for your commitment. If you have not had the opportunity to contribute, please pick up a pledge envelope from our parish office. You can also donate securely online, as well as learn more about the ministries the Appeal supports, by visiting richmondcatholicfoundation.org/giving/annual-appeal/. Please join us in supporting the 2019 Annual Appeal.



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.

The Catholic Woman's Club of Richmond invites everyone on April 30, 2019 to a fun and history-filled day trip to Yorktown. Roundtrip transportation, admission and tour of American Revolution Museum, lunch at Riverwalk Restaurant, two-hour cruise on the tall ship Schooner Alliance and all gratuities are included. Leave the Columbian Center at 8:30 am and return at 6 pm. Contact Anne Alexander 804-317-9418 with questions and lunch and dessert choices. Make check to CWC, cost is \$147 and mail to Joan Walton, 300 Burnwick, Richmond, VA 23227.



Chelsea Clinton, with an eye toward a political future, proclaims the pro-abortion Democratic position at every opportunity. In the campaign against confirming Judge Kavanaugh, Chelsea boldly proclaimed that it would be “unchristian” to overturn Roe v. Wade thereby returning women to the “bad old days” of illegal abortion, ignoring the fact that legal abortion has also proved fatal to hundreds of women. “What is really unchristian is touting abortion as one of the greatest supports society can provide and telling women that they need to kill their own children in order to succeed.”

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.

PARISH COUNCIL: Your Parish Council, during our March meeting, discussed how we can increase our parish membership and attendance, as well as increase ways to improve our financial growth. We are asking that you give some thought to these issues and submit your suggestions to the Parish Council using the SUGGESTION BOX located in the foyer of the church entrance. Your assistance in this endeavor is greatly appreciated.

TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND – WTVZ Channel 33 (MyTVZ) at 7:00 am.

Is someone you love unable to join us at church during this holy time of Lent and Easter? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at www.HeartoftheNation.org. (For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.)

CHESAPEAKE POLISH FESTIVAL! April 26, 27, & 28.

Authentic food, live music, kids activities, raffles, vendors, local plants, silent auction and more for the whole family!

St. Mary's Catholic Church

536 Homestead Road, Chesapeake.

www.chesapeakepolishfest.com

OLBS WOMEN'S GROUP meetings take place the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm in the VDB Hall Kitchen. Join us!

SENIOR LUNCHEON: The next Senior Luncheon will take place on Thursday, April 25th (change) immediately following the 11 am Mass at Vinnie's Restaurant on Route 360 in King William. If you wish to attend, please call the office to have your name placed on the sign-up sheet. Join us for good food and fellowship!

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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