

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

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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.*

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 27TH & 28TH, 2019



Sat	4/27 – Maria Doai (RIP) Requested by Teresa Nguyen Mary Attracta Owens (RIP) Requested by Edward & Helen Owens	Fr. Oscar
Sun	4/28 – In Honor of JoAn Klisiewicz On Her Birthday – April 29 Requested by The Watkins Family	Fr. Oscar
Mon	4/29 - No Mass	
Tue	4/30 – Joseph Naggy (RIP) Anniversary of Death 4/29 Requested by Mildred Hite	Fr. Oscar
Wed	5/1 – Special Intention Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	5/2 – Special Intention Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Oscar
Fri	5/3 – Michelle Eshelman – Good Health Requested by Bill Webster	Fr. Oscar
Sat	5/4 – For Peace Requested by Teresa Nguyen	Fr. Oscar
Sun	5/5 – Thanks for God's Blessing Requested by Anonymous	Fr. Oscar

Collections for April 18, 19, 20 & 21, 2019

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$ 3,876.00
Debt Supplement	739.00
Total	\$ 4,615.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Improvements	\$ 125.00
Poor Box	10.00
Haitian Ministry	225.00
Holy Thursday	641.00
Good Friday	601.00
Maintenance Fund	25.00
OLBS Scholarship Fund	25.00
Diocesan Home Missions	25.00



Thank you for your support of your Parish!

If you wish to donate a May crown for the weekend May crownings at Mass, please call the office.

Calendar for Week of April 29th, 2019

Monday – 4/29 – No Mass
 Tuesday – 4/30 - Mass 8:30 am
Bible Study 7 pm
 Wednesday – 5/1 – Mass 8:30 am
 Thursday – 5/2 – Mass 8:30 am
 Friday – 5/3 – Mass 8:30 am
Confirmation – St. Bede's – 7 pm
 Saturday – 5/4 – Adoration 4:30 pm, Benediction 5 pm,
Mass 5:30 pm
 Sunday – 5/5 – Mass 9 am – Spanish Mass 11:30 am
CFC Ends Today – 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	Bill Madigan
Jon Boyette	Baby Vivian Mallis
Robin Bristow	Cecil Manny
Joan Buehler	Ron Martz
Linda Burch	Gladys Mierle
Lurene Burke	Clara Morrow
Kevin Carson	Randy Morrow
Lucy Carson	Specialist Mullins
Kate Cheney	Larry Newtzie
Meredith Crowe	Desiree Page
Eric Crump	Pam Rigsby
Vincent D'Elia	Mark A. Roane
Denise DePompeo	Virginia Ryczak
Donna Donahue	Bill Scaife
Larry Dzula, Jr.	Barbara Schafer
Michelle Eshelman	Allen Smith
Amanda Leigh Fincher	Levi Sturtz
Sydney Gay	Jim Tokarz
Margaret Geron	Mae Touray
Jim Gregory	Dorothy Ware
Pat Hinkle	Linda Webster
Kelly Hipple	Gloria Wajciechowski
Mary Ann Hooper	Lois Wilson
Helen Kaczmariski	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
John Kellam	Jody Zogran

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME

Melvina Gooch

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)

Church Attendance

Tenebrae – 4/17 – 335 Holy Thursday – 4/18 – 94
 Good Friday – 4/19 – Stations 30, Lord's Passion – 95
 Easter Vigil 4/20 – 132 Easter Sunday 4/21 – 168



4/27 – Daniel Gibbs, Jackson Gibbs

4/28 – Daniel Duke, Elizabeth DiLandro, Tazewell Rae



4/27 – Tom Fauber, Cathy Fudella, Erin Lazar

4/28 – Chris Polcyn, Paula Polcyn, Sarah Rae, Kim DiLandro, Kay Shaw



4/27 – Shawn Lazar, Abby Lazar

4/28 – Tuan Nguyen, Jim Pyne

DO YOU KNOW?

Divine Mercy Sunday is a relatively new addition to the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar. Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Octave of Easter (the eighth day of Easter; that is, the Sunday after Easter Sunday). Celebrating the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ, as revealed by Christ Himself to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, this feast was extended to the entire Catholic Church by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, the day that he canonized Saint Faustina. Christ's Divine Mercy is the love that He has for mankind, despite our sins that separate us from Him. Spend some time praying in front of our Divine Mercy icon located in the Marian alcove.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

We are to be the apostles of the Risen Lord to the people with whom we come in contact each and every day. People must experience the presence of the Lord Jesus as we touch their lives. We must live out our baptismal calling to preach the Good News to others. We can do this by being instruments of God's peace. That may involve speaking challenging words of truth, but always in the love of the Lord Jesus. We must seek to further the peace which Jesus created through His death and resurrection. If we can do this, we may become other stones rejected by some builders, but we will be joined to the cornerstone of Jesus. We will experience the enthusiasm which comes from knowing that we are making every day a celebration of Easter peace.

Adults: Who might benefit from my sharing the gift of Easter peace and reconciliation?

Children: How can I be a symbol of Christ's peace?

"As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." Do you have an interest to share the Lord's saving mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call the Vocations Office, 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano or vocations@richmonddiocese.org

Please pray for our teens who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, May 3 at 7 pm at St. Bede Catholic Church in Williamsburg: Dawson Haviland, Jackie Hernandez, Noelle Kruger, Fatima Nava, My Nguyen and Paula Perez.

Please pray for Brandon Jordan as he completes his formation to be received in full communion with the Catholic Church on May 5.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is scheduled for July 22-26. If you would like to coordinate this year's VBS, please contact Lorraine Ryalls at lrkryalls@cox.net as soon as possible. Materials, support and guidance will be offered. Also, please contact her if you are interested in helping in other capacities.

Our last Sunday formation classes are next Sunday, May 5.

Youth Group meets on May 5th at 6:30 pm.



Congratulations to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary in May; Wini & Pat Barron, 5/14,1966; Chris & Barbara Hite, 5/15/1982; B.J. & Hope Kopacki, 5/17/2008; and Jim & Pattie Vadas, 5/27/1972.



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.

2019 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: Over the past couple of months, many of our parishioners have contributed their support to the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal. To date, we have raised \$5,627 on a target of \$9,630, putting us at 58.43% of our target. If you have already made your 2019 Appeal gift, please accept our gratitude for your commitment.



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).

FROM THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

The Cemetery Committee has purchased small American flags to be placed on the grave sites of the veterans we have buried in either St. Theresa or St. John of Kanti cemeteries. They will be placed a week or two prior to Memorial Day and left until after July 4th, after which they will be picked up then placed back down near Veterans Day. If you know of any family member or friends that do not have their service indicated on their grave stone, please let one of the committee members know, we would not want to forget their service. Thank You.



GOOD SHEPHERD COUNCIL NAME:

I am so honored to have the Knights of Columbus new council at The Church of the Good Shepherd in Smithfield named in my honor. It took me by surprise when the future Grand Knight Dan Lewandowski called and informed me of the name of the new Council, FR. OSCAR PARAISO COUNCIL. Thank you and God bless. Father Oscar

**PRAY FOR AMERICA
LOVE ONE ANOTHER**

Love one another, just as I have loved you.
John 13:34

Join us on the National Day of Prayer, May 2nd, at West Point Church of God at 12 pm. Soup to follow prayer service.

THANK YOU! I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the prayers, food, cards and flowers that were given to me after my surgery. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated!

Marian Kopacki



PARISHIONERS: As our faith community grows, we ask that we all take a moment before Mass and after Mass to say hello and welcome any new faces we see. As an extension of the Lord's grace, we should always seize the opportunity to say "hello" to a new person or family.

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule:

4/22 thru 4/28 – Tom & Rowena Fauber
4/29 thru 5/5 – Gary and Jackie Silvia



"Life's dignity and meaning is lost in the secular eye. No human life, no matter how unanticipated by us is ever a mistake on the part of God." Bishop Mark Seitz of El Paso in his keynote Address to the Florida Respect Life Conference on 9/29/18.

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.

The Little White Books for Easter Reflections can be found at the back of the Church.

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.

Please join St. Elizabeth Catholic Church as we celebrate with

Fr. Jim Arsenault

on the 30th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on Wednesday, May 15th, 2019 at the 6:00 pm Mass, followed by a reception in the parish hall – 2712 2nd Avenue, Richmond, VA 23222. Mailing address: 1301 Victor St., Richmond, VA 23222.

The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend teaches a technique of loving communication that you can use for the rest of your lives. It is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God. Give your marriage the boost it needs by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on June 21-23 in Cary, NC and September 20-22 in Charlotte, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/>.

OLBS PRESCHOOL: Please note that our end of the year ceremony will be held in the church on Thursday, May 23rd at 9:30 am. All are welcome to join us. Thank you always for your prayers and support!

A ladies coat was found at the van den Boogaard Hall after the Baylands Family Credit Union Annual Meeting on March 26th. Please call Janice McGowan at 804-843-2870 for details.

CAMP ST. CHARLES is a traditional, Catholic over-night summer camp located on the shores of the Wicomico River in Southern Maryland. Our unplugged summer program is the perfect place for campers to encounter new adventures and safely grow as individuals under the supervision of our devoted, experienced counselors. To learn more about the program, visit campstcharles.org.

TO THOSE WHO USE THE BOOGAARD HALL for any type of meetings, wedding/birthday receptions, funerals, etc. please call the Hall Manager (see bulletin) to see availability. After each use, follow cleaning check list posted in the kitchen at the Boogaard Hall. The hall continues to be rented out and should be presentable at all times. Thank you!!!

THE OLBS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE will begin their selection process for the recipient of the Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Scholarship this year on Sunday, April 28th. Any graduating High School Seniors who are members of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church are eligible to apply for the \$1,000 Scholarship. Applications can be found at the back of the Church or can be picked up at the Mercy Center. Instructions are located on the applications. Completed applications will be accepted through Thursday, May 23rd. The winner of the scholarship will be announced at the 9:00 am Mass on June 2nd. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Leigh McDonald at 804-769-2483.

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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