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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.*

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

April 6th & 7th, 2019



Sat	4/6 – Carolyn Bartos Alford (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar
Sun	4/7 – For Our Parishioners	Fr. Oscar
Mon	4/8 - No Mass	
Tue	4/9 – Florence Naggy (RIP) Birthday Requested by Mildred Hite	Fr. Oscar
Wed	4/10 – James Geron (RIP) Requested by Donna Geron	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	4/11 – Special Intention Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Oscar
Fri	4/12 – Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Requested by Theresa Moody	Fr. Oscar
Sat	4/13 – David ‘Charlie’ Sturtz (RIP) Fourth Anniversary of Death Requested by Jeanie Sturtz	Fr. Oscar
Sun	4/14 – Brenda Roane’s Soul (RIP) Requested by Teresa Nguyen	Fr. Oscar

Collections for March 30th & 31st, 2019

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$ 2,858.00
Debt Supplement	25.00
Total	\$ 2,883.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Improvements	\$ 125.00
Votive Stand	11.00
Easter Flowers	95.00
Haitian Ministry	75.00
Cemetery	35.00
Catholic Relief Services	395.00



Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Church Attendance

Saturday – March 30 - 61
 Sunday - March 31 - 119
 Spanish Mass – March 31 - 65

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

4/1 thru 4/7 – Jorge Duran Family/Hugo Rojas/Jose Velasquez
 4/8 thru 4/14 – Dan Gibbs Family

Calendar for Week of April 8th, 2019

Monday – 4/8 – No Mass
 KofC Meeting – 7:30 pm
 Tuesday – 4/9 - Mass 8:30 am
 Bible Study 7 pm
 Wednesday – 4/10 – Mass 8:30 am
 Soup & Sermon – 12 Noon – St. John’s Church – Communal
 Penance Services St. Therese & St. Bede’s – 7 pm
 Thursday – 4/11 – Mass 8:30 am
 Friday – 4/12 – Mass 8:30 am – Day of Abstinence
 Rosary 6:30 pm – Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm (Women’s
 Group) – KofC Shrimp Dinner 5 pm to 8 pm VDB
 Saturday – 4/13 - Palm Sunday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm –
 Shopping & Filling Easter Food Baskets 10:00 am
 Sunday – 4/14 – Palm Sunday -Mass 9:00 am – Starts at VDB
 Hall & Process to Church - CFC 10:15 am – Spanish Mass
 11:30 am



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
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
	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)



4/6 – Kody Kopacki, Mason Kopacki, Peter Nguyen
 4/7 – Clara DiLandro, Elizabeth DiLandro, Adrian Vidal
 4/13 – Oliver Owens, Peter Nguyen
 4/14 – Tazewell Rae, Daniel Gibbs, Jackson Gibbs, Clara DiLandro, 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.



4/6 – Joe Drexler, Lorraine Ryalls, Gary Silvia
 4/7 – Kim DiLandro, Wini Barron, Jim Pyne, Vickie Roane, Kathy Wills
 4/13 – Tom Fauber, Erin Lazar, Cathy Fudella
 4/14 – Kay Shaw, Bill Madigan, Edwina Madigan, Sarah Rae, B. J. Bui



4/6 – Alfred Jones, Bob Ryalls
 4/7 – Tripp Racioppi, Craig Smith
 4/13 – Shawn Lazar, Scott Watkins
 4/14 – Tuan Nguyen, Jim Milby

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?

To 'scrutinize' means to examine something very closely. When we celebrate the Scrutinies at Mass, we are not scrutinizing the Elect. Rather, they are scrutinizing their own lives before God. The goal is for the elect (those approaching the Easter sacraments) to examine their lives and to name the evils that prevent them from fully living the Gospel. The prayers for and over the elect are intended to strengthen their resolve against evil as they approach the conclusion of the period of enlightenment and purification and ready themselves to become children of God. The scrutinies are meant for us, too. We should scrutinize our own lives to see what keeps us from being the disciple of Christ that He needs us to be. Please continue to pray for our elect, Sandy Lam, as she moves toward Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Our faith allows us to live and wait in hope. Like Martha and Mary in today's Gospel, we learn that God does not act exactly when, where, or how we think God should act. But God will act in God's good time, and death will not have the final word. The day of resurrection will come.

Adults: How does waiting for God's answer in God's time affect your faith?

Children: How can you prepare for the glory of Jesus' resurrection this Easter?

"The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Are you called to bring the joy of Christ to His people? Call the Vocations Office, 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano or vocations@richmonddiocese.org



Congratulations to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary in April; April 5, 1997, Paul & Valeria Seckora; April 11, 1964, Paulette & Thomas Berberich; and April 25, 2015, Katie & Billy Fudella.



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.

There is no Sunday morning classes or youth group on Easter Sunday, April 21. Our last class is scheduled for May 5.



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.



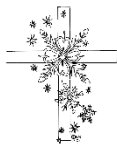
THE SCHEDULE FOR THE LENTEN SOUP AND SERMON WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 916 MAIN STREET, WEST POINT, AT 12 NOON, IS AS FOLLOWS:

April 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.

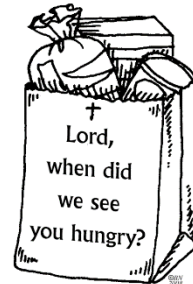
Individuals are also encouraged to contact the 24-hour confidential Victim's Assistance Reporting number at 1-877-887-9603 or email vac@richmonddiocese.org.



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. Deadline is Monday, April 15th, after which the list will be printed.

Please note that on Holy Thursday, after Father Oscar washes the feet of the initial 12 people, anyone from the congregation may come forward and participate.

Weather permitting, our 3 pm Good Friday rosary and Stations of the Cross will be held OUTDOORS in front of the Mercy Center at the wooden crosses. Chairs will be available for those who need/wish to be seated during our time of prayer.



This is the last weekend we will be collecting money for Easter Food Baskets. We will be shopping for and putting together the Food Baskets Saturday, April 13th. 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. Any donations can also be dropped off at the Mercy Center this week, as well. Interested in Helping with the Food Baskets – Please contact Pam at the Church office Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays 10:15 am thru 4:30 pm at 804-843-3125 or contact on cell phone at 919-820-1986 to sign up if you are interested in helping shop for and putting together the Food Baskets on Saturday, April 13th at the Knights Hall downtown. We will meet at the VDB Hall in the parking lot at 10 am Saturday, April 13th. From there, we will leave for Aldi in Williamsburg to shop for the contents of the Food Baskets. We will take the groceries back to the Knights Hall downtown to pack the boxes and have some lunch.

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.



Words of a pro-life counselor to women considering abortion: "Please consider how beautiful your little boy or little girl is and what will happen if you don't protect them. Please also think about how much joy babies bring into the world. Regardless of your situation, there are many people who will help you overcome the problems you face. Love your baby." Father Stephen Imbarrato, Stand 4 Life, 12/27/18.

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.

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!

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.

Greetings All! Prayer is truly powerful and I have been blest by the grace of God and your prayers to reach the five year marker cancer free! Thank you so much for prayers offered in my behalf and for all who are on this list. One of my favorite passages in regard to "The Power of Prayer" is in Matthew 7:7-8. "Ask, and you will receive. Seek, and you will find. Knock, and it will be opened to you. For the one who asks, receives. The one who seeks, finds. The one who knocks, enters." May God bless you always and keep you in His loving care. Brenda Frederick.

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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