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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 EASTER

## MOTHER'S DAY

### May 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019



Sat	5/11 – Ed Kopacki (RIP) 7 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Death Requested by Virginia Kopacki	Fr. Oscar
Sun	5/12 – For the Mothers of the Parish	Fr. Oscar
Mon	5/13 – No Mass	
Tue	5/14 – No Intention	Fr. Oscar
Wed	5/15 – For Our Parishioners	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	5/16 – 11 am - Patricia Webster Gurganus (RIP) In Remembrance Requested by Bill Webster	Fr. Oscar
Fri	5/17 – For Peace Requested by Theresa Nguyen	Fr. Oscar
Sat	5/18 – No Intention	Fr. Oscar
Sun	5/19 – No Intention	Fr. Oscar

**\*\*\*You are invited to the weekday Masses at 8:30am Tuesday-Friday every week.\*\*\***

#### Collections for May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$ 3,564.00
Total	\$ 3,564.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Improvements	\$ 828.00
Votive Stand	23.18
Haitian Ministry	210.00
Maintenance Fund	50.00



Thank you for your support of your Parish!



During the month of May, our Blessed Mother's month, we would like to begin saying the Rosary before the 9 am Sunday Mass. If you would like to participate, please be in church at 8:30 am.

#### Calendar for Week of May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Monday – 5/13 – No Mass  
 Tuesday – 5/14 – Mass 8:30 am  
 Wednesday – 5/15 – Mass 8:30 am  
 Fr. Jim Arsenault 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priesthood  
 Thursday – 5/16 – Mass 11 am – Followed by Senior Luncheon – Nick's Restaurant – King & Queen Co.  
 Knit, Purl & Pray – 7 pm – MC Parlor  
 Friday – 5/17 – Mass 8:30 am  
 Saturday – 5/18 – Rosary 5:00 pm - Mass 5:30 pm  
 Sunday – 5/19 – Rosary 8:30 am – Mass 9:00 am – May Crowning – Parish Council Mtg. 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	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
Henry Franzysen	Jeanie 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

Saturday – May 4<sup>th</sup> - 65  
 Sunday – May 5<sup>th</sup> - 132  
 Spanish Mass – 54



5/11 – Kody Kopacki, Mason Kopacki  
 5/12 – Daniel Duke, Tazewell Rae  
 5/18 – Daniel Gibbs, Jackson Gibbs  
 5/19 – Elizabeth DiLandro, Adrian Vidal



5/11 – Gary Silvia, Tom Fauber, Lorraine Ryalls  
 5/12 – Jim Pyne, B.J. Bui, Kim DiLandro, Sarah Rae, Vickie Roane  
 5/18 – Tom Fauber, Cathy Fudella, Erin Lazar  
 5/19 – Paula Polcyn, Wini Baron, Chris Polcyn, Kay Shaw, Kathy Wills



5/11 – Joe Drexler, Bob Ryalls  
 5/12 – Tuan Nguyen, Craig Smith  
 5/18 – Dan Gibbs, Shawn Lazar  
 5/19 – Jim Milby, Tripp Racioppi

### DO YOU KNOW?

The ways Mary is honored in May is as varied as the people who honor her. It's common for parishes to have a daily recitation of the Rosary during May, and many erect a special May altar with a statue or picture of Mary as a reminder of Mary's month. Additionally, it's a long-standing tradition to crown the statue of Mary during May – a custom known as May Crowning. Often, the crown is made of beautiful blossoms representing Mary's beauty and virtue. It's also a reminder to the faithful to strive to imitate our Blessed Mother's virtue in our own lives. May Crowning, in some areas, is a huge celebration and is usually done outside of Mass, although Mass may be celebrated before or after the actual crowning. But May altars and crownings aren't just "church" things. We can and should be doing the same in our homes. When we echo the customs and traditions of the Church in our homes – our domestic churches – we participate more fully in the life of the Church.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our newly confirmed: Dawson (St. Anthony) Haviland, Jackie (St. Margaret of Antioch) Hernandez, Noelle (St. Francis of Assisi), Fatima (St. Catherine of Siena), My Nguyen, and Paula (St. Maria Goretti) Perez. May the Gifts of the Spirit strengthen them in their Christian walk.

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

By virtue of Baptism, every Christian is called to be "a good shepherd" in the environment where he or she lives: in the family, at work, in the community. For example, those who care for the sick and the suffering. There are many opportunities to be "good shepherds" in society, through works of mercy and compassion. And there is the mission of evangelization: sharing the Gospel with those who do not yet belong to the sheepfold of the Church.

**Adults:** How do you best fulfill your call to be a good shepherd to those around you?

**Children:** How can you be like a good shepherd to your friends?



**A Special Thank You to the Anonymous Donor of the Beautiful New Chalice!**



"Sing joyfully to the LORD...; serve the LORD with gladness." Are you discerning a vocation as a priest? 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)

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** – Anyone interested in helping with vacation bible school the last week of July, please call Lorraine at 804-843-3125 or email her at [lrkryalls@cox.net](mailto:lrkryalls@cox.net). We need all kinds of help such as coordinator, teachers, music leader, snack coordinator, decorators and other behind the scene help. This year's theme will be **ROAR! LIFE IS WILD – GOD IS GOOD**. We need adult and teen volunteers.



**Congratulations** to Brandon Jordan who was fully initiated into the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist on May 5. May his faith continue to shine brightly as he continues his faith journey.

**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; Jim & Pattie Vadas, 5/27/1972; and Tom & Rowena Fauber, 5/31/1991.



**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 4<sup>th</sup>, 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

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

**MAY CROWNS:** If you wish to donate a Crown for the Weekend May Crownings at Mass, please call the office at 804-843-3125.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Once again the requests for Mass Intentions have fallen off. If you wish to have a Mass said to remember a deceased loved one, to celebrate a birthday/anniversary, or for a special intention, please call the office at 804-843-3125. Donations can be mailed or placed in the collection basket.



**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.



Remembering all mothers on Mother's Day is a yearly occasion to give thanks for the gift of life bestowed on us by God and our mothers. It would be fitting to honor women who declined the deceptively easy answer of abortion and instead chose life for their baby.

**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.

**KNIT, PURL AND PRAY GROUP** will meet on Thursday, May 16, at 7 pm in the Mercy Center Parlor.

**2019 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: Building Our Family of Faith:** If you made a pledge to the 2019 Appeal, the Diocese has begun sending reminders, so you can fulfill your pledge.

It is important for all our parishioners to complete their pledges. The assistance that is provided to the ministries and programs the Appeal supports, such as grants to our mission parishes, heating and grocery assistance to families and tuition for our future priests to attend the seminary, is based on what is collected.

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



**OLBS PRESCHOOL:** Please note that our end of the year ceremony will be held in the church on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup>. Please call Janice McGowan at 804-843-2870 for details.

#### Church Cleaning Schedule

5/6 thru 5/12 – Jorge Duran Family/Hugo Rojas/Jose Velasquez

5/13 thru 5/19 – Dan Gibbs Family

**LOST AND FOUND:** Please check the Lost & Found basket and see if any of the items there belong to you. The basket will be emptied after Mass on Sunday, May 19. Any appropriate items will find a new home.

**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 28<sup>th</sup>. 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 23<sup>rd</sup>. The winner of the scholarship will be announced at the 9:00 am Mass on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Leigh McDonald at 804-769-2483.

**SENIOR LUNCHEON:** Will take place immediately following the 11 am Mass on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, at Nick's Restaurant in King & Queen County. If you plan to attend, call the office to have your name placed on the sign-up sheet.



Volunteers are needed for the Saturday Night and Sunday Morning Choirs. Please come and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER TO WRITE THE WEEKLY BULLETIN.** IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL PAM WATKINS IN THE OFFICE AT 804-843-3125.



# 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

<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b> Joe Drexler 843-2541	<b>COMMUNITY LIFE</b>	<b>MINISTRY SCHEDULING</b> Mary Horton 843-3490 mhorton@aol.com
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