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

PARISH OFFICES at the MERCY CENTER 207 W. Euclid Blvd., West Point, VA 23181 Phone: 843-3125 Fax: 843-9158

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van den BOOGAARD HALL RENTALS Janice McGowan 843-2870 Email: 5mcgs@cox.net SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION Saturday 5:00 p.m. Also by appointment

EUCHARISTIC 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.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN **ORDINARY TIME**

June 29TH & June 30TH. 2019

6/29 - Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP) Fr. Oscar Sat **Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler** 6/30 – Hope J. Raycels (RIP) Fr. Oscar Sun **Anniversary of Birthday Requested by Catherine Huckabee**

7/1 - No Mass Mon

Tue	7/2 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Wed	7/3 - Michael O'Hare (RIP) Requested by Mike & Nancey Pausic	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	7/4 – Billy McGowan (RIP) Third Anniversary of Death	Fr. Oscar

Requested by Janice McGowan & Family

- Fri 7/5 – Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP) Fr. Oscar **Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler**
- 7/6 Rose Oleinyk (RIP) Fr. Oscar Sat **Requested by the Watkins Family**
- Sun 7/7 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Fr. Oscar **Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler**

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

Collections for June 22nd & 23rd, 2019

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage,				
Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$3,393.00			
Supplemental Collection	5.00			
Votive Candles	11.25			
Poor Box	22.00			
Total	\$3,431.25			
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940			
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish				
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance	\$100.00			
Haiti Ministry	\$50.00			
Peter's Pence	\$271.00			

Thank 7 You!

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

This week we will be celebrating the 4th of July – America's Independence Day! Please take a moment to say a prayer for those who gave their lives for us to be able to celebrate this holiday and for those still fighting to keep us free!

Calendar for Week of July 1st, 2019 Monday – 7/1 – No Mass Knights of Columbus – 7pm Tuesday - 7/2 - Mass 8:30 am Liturgy Meeting - 6pm - MC Wednesday - 7/3 - Mass 8:30 am Thursday – 7/4 – Mass 8:30 am – Parish Office Closed Happy Independence Day! Friday - 7/5 - Mass 8:30 am **FIRST FRIDAY** Saturday – 7/6– Adoration 4:30pm - Benediction 5:10pm Mass 5:30 pm Sunday - 7/7 - Rosary 8:30am - Mass 9:00 am

Spanish Mass 11:30 am Youth 6:30pm - Hall



DRAVERS FOR HEALING AND COOD HEALTH

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH					
Gloria Kojcsich					
Bonnie Kopacki					
Gordon Langston					
Patricia Lanuza					
Bill Madigan					
Baby Vivian Mallis					
Cecil Manny					
Ron Martz					
Gladys Mierle					
Clara Morrow					
Randy Morrow					
Specialist Mullins					
Larry Newtzie					
Desiree Page					
Pam Rigsby					
Mark A. Roane					
Virginia Ryczak					
Bill Scaife					
Barbara Schafer					
Allen Smith					
Levi Sturtz					
Jeanie Sturtz					
Jim Tokarz					
Mae Touray					
Dorothy Ware					
Linda Webster					
Gloria Wajciechowski					
Lois Wilson					
Robert 'Bobby' Wilson					
Jody Zogran					

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Saturday – June 22nd - 60 Sunday – June 23rd - 172 Spanish Mass – 33



6/29 – Peter Nguyen & Oliver Owens 6/30 – Daniel Duke & Tazewell Rae



6/29 – Tom Fauber, Joe Drexler, & Gary Silvia 6/30 – Kay Shaw, Wini Barron, Edwina Madigan, Sarah Rae, & Kathy Wills



6/29 – Alfred Jones & Scott Watkins 6/30 – Jim Milby & Tuan Nguyen

Church Cleaning Schedule

6/24 thru 6/30 – Teresa Nguyen/ Nguyen Sisters 7/1 thru 7/7 – Tom & Rowena Fauber 7/8 thru 7/14 – Gary & Jackie Silvia



Sadly, long time parishioner and sister of Edna Trudeau, Melvina Gooch passed away this past Saturday, June 22nd. She will always be remembered for her smile and sunny disposition. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this time. May the perpetual light shine upon her.

***My family and I would like to thank you for your prayers and kind words in the passing of my brother. I am truly Blessed to be a part of such a caring and loving community of people. Your cards, hugs and prayers have been a Blessing to us and we are truly grateful. Thank you, Jackie Silvia

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.

Donate flowers for a weekend to commemorate a special day (wedding anniversary, birthday, etc.) or just to honor someone who has passed or is still living. Please call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 for more information.



"Serve one another through love." Does a life of prayer and service as a priest attract you? Call the Vocations Office, 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano or write to <u>vocations@richmonddiocese.org</u>.



Congratulations to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary in June; John & Victoria Kurdziel Roane – 6/26/2019.



ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER? DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE IN NEED OF PRAYER? Please contact the prayer chain to request any prayers needed. 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).

DO YOU KNOW?

People often say "man-made rules have nothing to do with what Christ taught" but they actually flow from the heart of Christ's teaching. Christ gave us the Church to teach and guide us; she does so, in part, by telling us what we must do to keep growing spiritually. And as we grow spiritually, those "man-made rules" begin to make a lot more sense, and we want to follow them even without being told to do so. When we were young, our parents reminded us constantly to say "please" and "thank you," "yes, sir" and "no, ma'am"; to open doors for others; to let someone else take the last piece of pie. Over time, such "man-made rules" became second nature, and now we would think ourselves rude to fail to act as our parents taught us. The Precepts of the Church and other "man-made rules" of Catholicism act in the same way: They help us grow into the kind of men and women that Christ wants us to be.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

In today's Gospel, the response of Jesus to those who would follow Him seems harsh. How could Jesus, known for compassion, not allow a potential follower to bury his father or say good-bye to loved ones? But for followers of Jesus, the commitment to the journey of life is urgent. It is a radical commitment and to do so with fidelity to our call we have to give up our past for an uncertain future, trusting that Jesus will guide us and lead us to everlasting life. Adults: When have you faltered or looked back during your journey of faith? Children: What can you do to be a stronger follower of Jesus this week?

*Please don't forget your donation of food for the Good Neighbor Center. During the summer months, children are out of school and at home where many have bare cupboards. We like to collect the food the first weekend of the month. But, please do not hesitate to take your donations directly to the Good Neighbor Center on Mondays between 10am & 2pm & Wednesdays between 12:30pm and 2:30pm.



Arguing that the state has the power to protect unborn children from abortion on the basis of sex, race or disability, a brief by 19 states attorneys general states, "Surely a State that has the constitutional authority to protect members of the Down syndrome community from being discriminated against in employment or public accommodations can protect that same community from wholesale elimination by eugenic abortions." LifeNews.com. December 19, 2018.

A couple of weeks ago the Trump administration and the Department of Health and Human Services issued new safeguards against the use of the remains of aborted babies in medical and scientific research. This was another major prolife victory! President Trump is completely committed to advancing the dignity of life and the protection of the most vulnerable human beings – the children yet unborn and with this new development he is promoting solid ethical positions in government. As Priests for Life have known for decades, the abortion industry is engaged in a lucrative side business of harvesting and selling parts from aborted babies to medical and scientific researchers. Government researchers will no longer use this tissue from aborted babies and NO NEW Contracts will be awarded government funding for research that uses this tissue. In addition, any research projects by groups and scientists outside the government will be carefully reviewed by an ethics advisory board. The new rule includes two more provisions: 1) New regulations will be developed to strengthen the ethical boundaries for all ongoing research using human tissue and 2) The government will spend money to encourage new research into ethical alternatives that would replace research that uses the tissue of aborted babies. You can go to www.StopAbortionNow.org to sign on to a letter thanking the President. Now is also the time to prepare for the 2020 elections. See ProLifeVote.com. Blessings, Father Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life.

JOIN US IN OUR FIGHT FOR LIFE!

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.

SAVE THE DATE! The National Right to Life 2019 Convention will be July 5-6 in Charleston, South Carolina. Please visit NRLCONVENTION.COM for more information. Nearly 50 workshops where scores of the best pro-life speakers in the world will teach, inspire, motivate and impart the kind of wisdom and strategies that will equip those in attendance with the tools needed to return home and fight the good fight for life. It is not too late to register. Contact them now.

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 1-833-454-9064. Individuals are encouraged to contact the 24-hour confidential Victim's Assistance Reporting number at 1-877-887-9603 or email vac@richmonddiocese.org to report sexual abuse.

<u>12 DAYS IN FRANCE:</u> September 30-October 11, 2019. Nice, Monte Carlo, Lyon, Loire Valley, Tours, Mont St. Michel, Bayeux, Normandy, Rouen, Paris - \$3899 from Washington, D.C. (air/land tour price is \$3449 plus \$450 government taxes/airline surcharges) For more information contact Mrs. Gerry Mancuso at the Richmond Diocese at 804-622-5264 gmancuso@richmonddiocese.org



*Volunteers are needed to cut the grass on the Church and surrounding grounds. If you would like to volunteer but do not have a way to get your mower to the church, we have a solution! The Church has a lawn mower available for use in this ministry. If interested, please either call the parish office or David Seckora at 804-843-2969 and leave a message.

Volunteers are needed for the Saturday Night and Sunday Morning (Both English & Spanish) Choirs. Practices are usually on Wednesday evenings. Please see Leda after any of the Masses or call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 for more details.

PARISH COUNCIL: There are several members of the Parish Council who are scheduled to step down after several years of service. To provide a smooth transition to new leadership, we are looking for parishioners who would be interested in serving in this important ministry for our parish. The Parish Council meets once a month. If you are interested in serving, please contact either Fr. Oscar or Bob Ryalls, current Parish Council Chairman at <u>bryalls@cox.net</u> or 757-207-0215.



A Book will be offered commemorating the Bicentennial Celebration of the Diocese of Richmond. The Book, worth more than \$100, will include two pages on each of the parishes in the Diocese and include information on all the bishops and priests since the foundation of the Diocese. The book will include much information about the Diocese from its inception until present. This book will be ready by November. The Diocese is offering this book for a mere \$35 and will be covering the remainder of the cost to make it more affordable for all parishioners. Please call the parish office to place your order now!

For anyone who would like a Parish Directory, they are available at the Parish Office. Please come by Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays between 10:00am and 4:30pm or call Pam at 804-843-3125 to get your directory. Would you like to register in the Parish? Registration forms can be found in the Welcome Center of the Church located in the Narthex, next to the Little Religious Shop. You may fill out the form and hand it to an usher, place it in the collection basket, or mail the registration form to the Parish Office at 207 West Euclid Blvd, West Point, VA 23181. You may also visit our parish office and fill out the registration while you are there. No matter how you choose to register, we welcome you to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church and look forward to getting to know you!

To Mars and Beyond VBS for ages 3 through 5th grade and Make a Difference (MAD) for grades 6, 7 and 8 are scheduled July 22-26 from 6-8pm. Registration forms are in the back of the Church or you can register online at <u>https://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/olbs</u>. Everyone is invited including friends, neighbors, and grandchildren!

Our middle schoolers will be completing a service project during their MAD session and need items to put in bags for children who are living in domestic violence shelters. We would appreciate any donations of the following items: Crayons, Coloring Books, pads of paper/small notebooks, pens, markers, playdough, small puzzles, small stuffed animals, action figures, children's books, and stickers, etc. Please keep in mind these items will need to fit in a gift bag approximately 9x12. A box will be at the back of the Church to collect items or contact Lorraine Ryalls at olbsvbs@gmail.com.

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life. Let Jesus speak to you on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Sep 20-22, 2019 in CHARLOTTE, NC and Sep 20-22, 2019 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <u>https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/</u>

From the Cemetery Committee:

*The minutes from the last Cemetery Committee meeting have been posted in the rear of the Church. *Please remember that planting of any flowers or plants is not permitted in either St. Theresa or St. John of Kanti Cemeteries.

*The Cemetery Committee will try to contact family members to have them remove already planted flowers/bushes. If anyone knows family members/friends who may need to do this, please contact them. If all else fails members of the Cemetery Committee will have to remove them. *The Cemetery Committee has placed an information link for both St. Theresa and St. John of Kanti Cemeteries on the OLBS web page. It is still a work in progress but contains excellent information. ***From Father Banive in Haiti: I greet you in the Name of Jesus. I am pleased to let you know that I received the transfer (\$5000). Thank you very much. Please say hello and thank you to everyone in your parish. You are always in our prayers. God bless you. Fr. Banive.

To those who use the Boogaard Hall, please make sure the facility is available by calling the phone number listed on the bulletin. After each use, follow cleaning check list posted in the kitchen at Boogaard Hall. The hall continues to be rented out and should be presentable at all times. Thank you.

The OLBS Women's Group has enjoyed the honor of bestowing donations and gifts during this past year, our inaugural year. Sacramental gifts have been purchased and presented to parishioners for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, and to our RCIA candidates as they entered our church and share in our faith. Monetary gifts were recently made to Religious Education, Youth Group, VBS, OLBS Preschool, and the OLBS Scholarship Fund. These gifts were made possible through member donations, a bake sale through the Knights of Columbus, our fundraiser at Christmas on the Town...as well as, donations from parishioners who have supported our mission. Additionally, the women's group organized the annual Father's Day Breakfast; it looked like a good time was had by all and we all left with content stomachs, as well as our spirits filled with fellowship beyond the Mass. The women of our parish come together monthly with the goal of supporting our faith community through fellowship. Their time and talents are a treasure to us all. Please, consider joining us on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7pm in the VDB Hall Kitchen. Come; journey with us...

The next Ultreya will be held on Sunday, July 14, 2019

Saint Jude Catholic Church 11014 Clay St., Franklin, VA 23851

All Cursillistas and Friends are Welcome!

Holy Mass begins at 10:30 AM Potluck Lunch to Follow at the Fellowship Hall (Bring your favorite dish) Parking is also available on the street in front of the church if the parking lot is full.

> Questions? Contact: Nita Holt calvinnitaholt@verizon.net

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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