

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

Office Hours: M - Th 10-12 and 1-3

Parish e-mail : olbs@olbs.hrcoxmail.com

Parish Web address: www.olbs-catholic.org

PASTOR

Rev. Oscar Paraiso

757-778-5118

Rectory

843-4231

E-mail: pastormcneill@gmail.com

COORDINATOR of CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Lorraine Ryalls

843-3125

E-mail: lrkryalls@cox.net

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Leda Zaginaylo

757 870-2516

LITURGICAL DIRECTOR

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Pam Watkins

843-3125

Hours: T-W-Th 10 - 4:30

Email: pam.watkins@olbs.hrcoxmail.com

OFFICE/BUSINESS MANAGER

OFFICE VOLUNTEER

Gerrie Thomas (bulletin)

PRESCHOOL TEACHER/DIRECTOR

Vangy Lawson

843-4177

GOOD NEIGHBOR CENTER

Frances Thornton

843-4339

Hours: M 10 am - 2 pm
W 12:30 pm - 2:30 p.m.

van den BOOGAARD HALL RENTALS

Janice McGowan

843-2870

Email: 5mcgs@cox.net

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.*

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 3RD & AUGUST 4TH, 2019



Sat	8/3 – Jeff Leister (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sun	8/4 – Marian Kopacki In Honor of 90th Birthday on August 6 th Requested by Children & Grandchildren & Families	Fr. Oscar
Mon	8/5 – No Mass	
Tue	8/6 – No Daily Mass – Father at Priests' Retreat	
Wed	8/7 – No Daily Mass – Father at Priests' Retreat	
Thurs	8/8 – No Daily Mass – Father at Priests' Retreat	
Fri	8/9 – No Daily Mass – Father at Priests' Retreat	
Sat	8/10 – Francis Seckora (RIP) Anniversary of his Birthday Requested by Paul & Valeria Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Sun	8/11 – Matthew A. Rogers (RIP) Anniversary of his Birthday Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Oscar

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

Collections for July 27th & 28th, 2019

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	\$3,742.00
Supplemental Collection	25.00
Votive Candles	42.38
Poor Box	11.00
Total	\$3,820.38
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Good Neighbor Center	\$25.00
St. Theresa's Cemetery	\$75.00
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance	\$125.00
Haiti Ministry	\$125.00



Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Time to Celebrate!!!

The family of Marian Kopacki invites all parishioners to join us in celebrating her 90th Birthday on Saturday, August 10th at 6:30pm at the van den Boogaard Hall. Gift her only with the honor of your presence.

The Basket of Flowers in front of the altar this weekend is in honor of Marian Kopacki's 90th Birthday. They were donated by her children, grandchildren and families.

Calendar for Week of August 5th, 2019

Monday – 8/5 – No Mass
Knights of Columbus Meeting – 7pm
Tuesday – 8/6 – No Daily Mass
Transfiguration of the Lord
Wednesday – 8/7 – No Daily Mass
Thursday – 8/8 – No Daily Mass
Friday – 8/9 – No Daily Mass
Saturday – 8/10 – Rosary 5:00pm Mass 5:30 pm
***Marian Kopacki's 90th Birthday
Celebration 6:30pm Hall
Sunday – 8/11 – Mass 9:00 am
Spanish Mass 11:30 am



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Elizabeth Alley	John Kellam
Candace Barefoot	Gloria Kojcsich
Virginia Becker	Bonnie Kopacki
Paulette Berberich	Gordon Langston
Ron Blevins	Patricia Lanuza
Jon Boyette	Bill Madigan
Robin Bristow	Baby Vivian Mallis
Joan Buehler	Cecil Manny
Linda Burch	Ron Martz
Lurene Burke	Gladys Mierle
Kevin Carson	Clara Morrow
Lucy Carson	Randy Morrow
Kate Cheney	Specialist Mullins
Meredith Crowe	Larry Newtzie
Eric Crump	Desiree Page
Vincent D'Elia	Pam Rigsby
Denise DePompeo	Mark A. Roane
Dexter Dix	Virginia Ryczak
Donna Donahue	Bill Scaife
Larry Dzula, Jr.	Barbara Schafer
Michelle Eshelman	Allen Smith
Amanda Leigh Fincher	Jeanie Sturtz
Henry Franzyszen	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
Gail Justin	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
Helen Kaczmariski	Jody Zogran

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Lurene Burke

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Saturday – July 27th - 86

Sunday – July 28th - 123

Spanish Mass – 58



8/3 – Peter Nguyen & Oliver Owens
 8/4 – Elizabeth DiLandro & Adrian Vidal
 8/10 – Daniel Gibbs, Jr. & Jackson Gibbs
 8/11 – Elizabeth DiLandro & Adrian Vidal



8/3 – Jackie Silvia, Tom Fauber & Gary Silvia
 8/4 – Chris Polcyn, B.J. Bui, Edwina Madigan, Paula Polcyn & Vickie Roane
 8/10 – Gary Silvia, Erin Lazar & Lorraine Ryalls
 8/11 – Bill Madigan, Kim DiLandro, Edwina Madigan, Mary Leigh McDonald & Kathy Wills



8/3 – Alfred Jones & Bob Ryalls
 8/4 – Jim Milby & Tuan Nguyen
 8/10 – Dan Gibbs & Shawn Lazar
 8/11 – Tripp Racioppi & Craig Smith

Church Cleaning Schedule

7/29 thru 8/4 – Theresa Nguyen/Nguyen Sisters
 8/5 thru 8/11 – Tom & Rowena Fauber
 8/12 thru 8/18 – Gary & Jackie Silvia

THANK YOU to all who serve our parish in many different ways! Many serve this parish so that everything runs so smoothly we do not even know there was something that needed doing! Thanks so much to these unsung heroes!!!



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 or just to honor someone who has passed or is still living. Please call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 for more information.

***We will have a Parish Potluck immediately following the Mass on Saturday, August 17th at the van den Boogaard Hall. Please bring your favorite dish or dishes, enough for your family plus two and come ready to share some fellowship!

***August 15th is a Holy Day of Obligation celebrating The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

***Please don't forget Adoration takes place in the Chapel in the Mercy Center all day every Tuesday and Wednesday. Jesus wants to create peace in your soul. Take some time to shut out the world and center instead on the Word made Flesh and experience the calm in your life for which you have been searching. Reading and Meditating Materials are available to use in the Chapel.

DO YOU KNOW?

Over the period 2005 to 2014, the Catholic Population increased from 1.115 Million to 1.272 Million (from 17.3% to 17.8% of the world population). Africa saw the largest growth of the Catholic population in percentage terms (41%). Catholic priests in Africa and Asia increased by 32.6 percent and 27.1 percent respectively, whereas in Europe the number declined by 8 percent, and in Oceania by 1.7 percent.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Perhaps today's Gospel is asking us to think about what we possess and what possesses us. Are we busy trying to maintain a life style rather than create a quality of life for ourselves? This may mean that we buy and accumulate less and settle for fewer possessions. Rather than just ask what we do own and what belongs to us, we could ask to whom we belong. We come from God and belong to God. Our true happiness, sense of meaning and true worth comes from our relationship with God. If we could really appreciate this fundamental truth and make more room in our lives for God, then we would gain everything – the fullness of life.

Adults: When have you felt that possessions were becoming too important in your life?

Children: Have you ever received a gift you wanted a lot and then found it didn't make you as happy as you thought it would?



If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest. Call the Vocations Office, 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



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).



Jane Roe – Pro-life Conversion

Norma McCorvey was the “Jane Roe” of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion in 1973. Years after winning that case, she had a conversion and became completely pro-life. Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director of Priests for Life, confirmed Norma as she entered the Church in 1998. For the rest of her life, she worked to overturn the very decision she won, and to end abortion. She died in 2017. Norma said, “I thought that I wanted to have an abortion with the baby that I was carrying, but I had no idea that it would lead up to such a controversial issue. I didn’t know that there were two sides to the abortion issue. I didn’t attend any of the court proceedings. In fact, that’s why I used the name Jane Roe because I didn’t want my own personal name to be involved in it. Since August 8, 1995, I have been pro-life clear across the board. Abortion is totally wrong. I was the Jane Roe of Roe vs. Wade, but Jane Roe has been laid to rest.” (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.

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.

Thus, will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God. Your marriage matters to God! Participate in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on 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: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/>

Parish Directories 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.



Congratulations to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary in August: Eric & Joanna Ellingson – 8/1/1992; Bob & Lorraine Ryalls – 8/5/1978; Camb & Wilma Ashley – 8/6/1977; Larry & Janie Dzula – 8/11/1973; Philip & Karen Liberato – 8/16/1986; Greg & Erin Hayden – 8/21/1993; Gene & Bonnie Kopacki – 8/23/1975; and Henry & Natalee Franzysen – 8/26/1972

FROM THE OFFICE OF BISHOP KNESTOUT: “Christian Stewardship calls us to utilize the resources of the diocese with integrity.” Bishop Barry C. Knestout announces the implementation of a hotline that will be used to report concerns of suspected financial, administrative or human resource misconduct within the Diocese of Richmond. The hotline will be handled by an independent, third-party reporting system, EthicsPoint, to ensure accountability and transparency with reporting procedures. The use of such a hotline is another safeguard to protect the resources entrusted to us by the people of our diocese. Reports can be made online or by phone. Employees, volunteers, clergy, parishioners and any other individual wishing to report can do so anonymously, if they wish. The toll-free number is 844-739-3210 and is offered in multiple languages. To submit a report online, please visit the diocesan website, www.richmonddiocese.org and select “EthicsPoint.” The hotline number is not a 911 or emergency service number. Individuals should not use this number to report information that is of an immediate threat to life or property. Additionally, EthicsPoint is NOT intended to receive information about sexual abuse allegations. Abuse allegations should be reported immediately to local law enforcement and the Attorney General’s Clergy Abuse Hotline at 1-833-454-9064. Additional information including a video message and letter from Bishop Knestout, a list of frequently asked questions and other resources regarding EthicsPoint can be found by visiting the diocesan website.



A Book will be offered commemorating the Bicentennial Celebration of the Diocese of Richmond. The Book, worth more than \$100, is being offered by the Diocese for a mere \$35 and will include information on all the parishes, bishops, priests and the Diocese from its inception until present. This book will be ready by November. Please call the parish office to place your order now!

***OLBS is planning a trip to the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on October 19th, 2019. Transportation will be by bus. The cost of the trip will be based on attendance. It will be an all-day trip, leaving at 7:00am and returning around 10:00pm. There is so much to see! It is a great opportunity to grow spiritually and bond with fellow parishioners. A sign-up sheet can be found in the back of the church for all who would like to attend this trip. Call Erin Hayden at 804-366-4435. All are Welcome to join!

***The Senior Luncheon this month will be held on Wednesday, August 22nd immediately following the 11:00am Mass. The youth group of the parish will be cooking and serving our seniors in the Hall following Mass on August 22nd. Call Parish Office to Sign up.



*Volunteers are needed to cut the grass on the Church and surrounding grounds. 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. Please see Leda after any of the Masses or call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 for more details.

Bishop Robert Barron, recently recalled Pope Francis' words from World Youth Day 2013: "What is the best tool to catechize a young person? Another young person." Bishop Barron goes on to say that it's true that parents are called to be the first and best teachers to their children in the ways of faith, but they can affirm all that has been learned in the home and expand upon it only so much. They know they need the help of the church community to raise their children well. Children eventually come to a point in their lives where they ask, "Is it necessary to practice the faith and to go to church?" To confirm all the good work that began at home, teens need to see people other than their parents living a rich life of faith to assure them that what they've been told is actually true. (Author: Bishop Barron). *Please reflect on Bishop Barron's message and prayerfully consider volunteering in our children's programs. We are in need of a high school catechist and assistant Confirmation catechist as well as a youth leader. These positions need not be filled by one person but can be shared. In fact, the more Catholic witnesses in our young people's lives, the better! Please call 804-843-3125 or email Lorraine Ryalls if you feel called to this ministry at DRE@hrcoxmail.com.*

To Mars and Beyond VBS was a great success! WE had 23 children attend age 3 thru 5th grade sessions and 9 attend MAD for Middle School for a total of 32 in attendance. Included were 5 guests from other churches. This would not have been possible without the wonderful team of volunteers: Elizabeth Alley, Shane and Donna Donahue, Natalee Franzysen, Amber and Dan Gibbs, Diedra and Kevin Kopacki, Hope Kopacki, Duyen Phan, Nathan Ryalls and Cathy Short. We also had 3 teen volunteers: Kaitlin Lyon, Kody Kopacki, and Andrew Seckora. We appreciate these volunteers for giving their time and talent to help our young people grow closer to Christ!

***The Registration Deadline for voting in the General Election is Monday, October 15th.

From Bill Palmer, Chaplain of the Town of West Point Police Department:

If you are a senior citizen or a disabled citizen or know someone who may benefit from wellness checks, please consider enrolling yourself or them in our S.A.F.E. (Secure and Friendly Environment) Program. The concept is simple: by filling out a confidential questionnaire, you/they will receive a daily telephone call from a representative of the Police Department to check on your/their welfare. If the department is unable to contact you/them by phone, an officer will reach out to family members, neighbors, or others listed on the questionnaire to check on that person. Emergency personnel also may be dispatched as needed. S.A.F.E. offers an extra level of care for citizens who may experience accidental falls, medical emergencies, or need assistance during severe weather events. This is a FREE service to anyone who lives in the Town of West Point. To request the application, please call the West Point Police Department at their non-emergency number, 804-843-2800. An officer will deliver the application to your address and assist you in filling it out, if help is needed. The information you share with S.A.F.E. will be held in strict confidentiality. S.A.F.E. is designed to assist citizens who wish to live both independently and confidently. You/they are free to withdraw from the program whenever you choose. (The Town of West Point offers no expressed liability for the failure of the program through emergency demands, personnel availability, or human error.)

NEW Annual Appeal Update as of 7/26/2019: We have raised \$8,167.00 or 84.81% of our \$9,630.00 goal. We have collected \$7,361.49 or 76.44% of our \$9,630.00 goal. We are almost there!!!

Would you like a weekend away from the demands of life to examine and celebrate yourself, your relationship with Christ, and your relationship with the Christian community? Greater Hampton Roads Cursillo is offering a 3-day retreat for men September 12-15 and for women October 17-20, 2019 at the Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center. What happens on a weekend? We begin with a silent retreat Thursday night through Friday morning. During the weekend, you'll hear short talks on a variety of topics from faith perspectives of team members just like you. During the days, you'll discuss each of the talks and your impressions with other people seated with you. There is music, singing, mass as well as community meals. Spiritual directors will be present as team members throughout the weekend. Interested?

Women please contact Nicole Felice at nmdouglas2013@gmail.com or Kelly Stefanko at kstefanko@hotmail.com and men please contact Mark Zito at gunnerz75@hotmail.com or Harry Twiford at coachhrt@cox.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

ALTAR SERVERS Joe Drexler 843-2541	COMMUNITY LIFE	MINISTRY SCHEDULING Mary Horton 843-3490 mhorton@aol.com
ART & ENVIRONMENT Rowena & Tom Fauber 725-6110 Valeria Seckora 337-5477	FINANCE COMMITTEE Richard Duke 843-3125	OFFICE VOLUNTEERS Margaret Varboncoeur 843-2867
BELL CHOIR Mary Horton 843-3490	HOSPITALITY Glenn & Kay Shaw 843-3476	PARISH COUNCIL Bob Ryalls 757 207-0215 bryalls@cox.net
CANTORS/CHOIR Leda Zaginaylo 757 870-2516	JUSTICE & PEACE Chris & Paula Polcyn 843-3589	SACRISTAN Marguerite Sturtz 843-2175
CEMETERY COMMITTEE Gary Silvia 757-303-8756	KNIT, PURL & PRAY Linda Drexler 843-2541 Donna Geron 843-2781	YOUTH MINISTRY Erin Hayden 366-4435
CHURCH HISTORIAN Linda Drexler 843-2451 vintagenotes@verizon.net	LAWN MOWING COMMITTEE Eric Ellingson 843-2184 ericellingson@verizon.net	
CLEANING COORDINATOR	LIBRARY Linda Drexler 843-2541	

Please support our sponsors. They support our bulletin!

SOMETHING BUGGING YOU?

Call the Company that Offers:

- Real People answering your calls
- Over Thirty Years' experience
- Safe, Dependable Service IN Williamsburg
- Licensed Technicians

CALL THE COMPANY YOU CAN TRUST

JAMES PEST CONTROL
229-3370 or 229-3372

TERMITES • COCKROACHES • FLEAS • TICKS • RODENTS

In Business Since 1953
MODR'S
Servicenter

- ♦ Gas, Diesel, Kerosene, Lubrication
- ♦ 24-Hour Towing & Recovery Services
- ♦ Heavy Duty Wrecker with Air Cushion Recovery Service
- ♦ Custom Exhaust - VA State Inspection
- ♦ 24-Hour Mobile Tire Service
- ♦ New Tires with Computer Balancing
- ♦ U-Haul Rentals

*All major credit cards accepted
AAA Service & Other Auto Clubs
"Your One Stop
for All Automotive Needs"*

Day 804 843-2433 Night 804 843-4118

Milby Oil Company, Inc.
Non-Ethanol Gasoline, Regular Gasoline,
On & Off Road Diesel
Available 24 hours a day!

Propane Filling Station
Open Monday - Friday 8 am - 5 pm

410 Glass Island Rd.,
West Point VA 23181
Phone: (804) 843-4900 ~ Fax: (804) 843-4399

Email: hmilbyjr@milbyoil.net
Website: www.milbyoil.net
"Like" us on FaceBook

BBB ACCREDITED BUSINESS

*Vincent Funeral Home
and Cremation Services*
CHRIS P. VINCENT
vincentfuneralh@aol.com

P.O. Box 191
West Point VA 23181
804-843-2550

9923 Pocahontas Trail
Providence Trail VA
804-966-7075

Father Jakubowski Council #8116



*New Members
Welcomed
*Hall Rental Available

Contact
Jim Vadas
(804)370-5341

**Rent the
Father van den Boogaard
Hall**


Facilities for
Wedding Receptions,
Anniversary Parties,
Birthdays, Family Reunions

Main Hall accommodates up to 300
guests
Foyer & Kitchen available for smaller events
843-3125



8th & MAIN STREET
WEST POINT, VA 23181
(804)843-3500

3531 N. COURTHOUSE RD
PROVIDENCE FORGE, VA 23140
(804)966-1600



**Knights of Columbus
INSURANCE**
YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE

Gregory S. Davis, FIC
Field Agent
804-921-6945
gregory.davis@kofc.org

Life Insurance ■ Disability Income Insurance
Long-Term Care Insurance ■ Retirement Annuities

Protecting Catholic families since 1882.

