

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.*

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 28th & SEPTEMBER 29th, 2019



Sat	9/28 – Rosalie Pyne (RIP)	Fr. Kaggwa
	Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	
Sun	9/29 – Romulo Paraiso (RIP)	Fr. Brownell
	Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	
Mon	9/30 - No Mass	
Tue	10/1– No Mass	
Wed	10/2 – No Mass	
Thurs	10/3 – No Mass	
Fri	10/4 – No Mass	
Sat	10/5 – Henry Kopacki (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Memorial of his Birthday	
	Requested by Children & Grandchildren & Families	
Sun	10/6 – Tommy Sturtz, Jr. (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	

Collections for September 21st & 22nd, 2019

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, etc.)	\$4,453.00
Supplementary Collection	45.00
Total	\$4,498.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance Fund	\$25.00
Maintenance Savings Account	\$3.00
Haiti Ministry	\$50.00
Cemetery	\$20.00



Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Sunday Bible Study begins this Sunday, September 29th after the 9:00am Mass. We will meet in the parlor of the Mercy Center. The topic will be the Acts of Apostles, a video-based study featuring Jeff Cavins of Ascension Press. Please consider participating to learn more about this wonderful Book of the New Testament.

To donate flowers for a weekend, please call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 for more information.

***While we are celebrating Mass in the Boogaard Hall, there will not be Children's Liturgy on Saturdays and Sundays. It will resume when we return to the Church.

There are free prayer books for the month of October available. Please look for the copies of "Give Us This Day" prayer books located where Mass is being celebrated in the Hall.

Calendar for Week of September 30th, 2019

Monday – 9/30 – No Mass - Adoration in MC Chapel
 Tuesday – 10/1 – No Mass – Adoration in MC Chapel
 Wednesday – 10/2 – No Mass
 Thursday – 10/3 – No Mass
 Friday – 10/4 – No Mass – First Friday Adoration 6-9pm in Mercy Center Chapel
 Saturday – 10/5 – Rosary – 5:00 pm – Mass 5:30 pm - Hall
 Spanish Liturgy of the Word – 7:00 pm - Hall
 Sunday – 10/6 – Rosary – 8:30am - Mass – 9:00 am - Hall
 Faith Formation – 10:15 am – Hall
 Youth Group – 6:30pm - Hall



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Elizabeth Alley	Gloria Kojcisch
Candace Barefoot	Bonnie Kopacki
Virginia Becker	Gordon Langston
Paulette Berberich	Patricia Lanuza
Ron Blevins	Bill Madigan
Jon Boyette	Baby Vivian Mallis
Robin Bristow	Ron Martz
Joan Buehler	Gladys Mierle
Linda Burch	Clara Morrow
Lurene Burke	Randy Morrow
Kevin Carson	Specialist Mullins
Lucy Carson	Marilyn Naggy
Meredith Crowe	Larry Newtzie
Eric Crump	Nancy Nuttall
Vincent D'elia	Desiree Page
Denise DePompeo	Pam Rigsby
Dexter Dix	Mark A. Roane
Donna Donahue	Virginia Ryczak
Larry Dzula, Jr.	Bill Scaife
Michelle Eshelman	Barbara Schafer
Amanda Leigh Fincher	Allen Smith
Henry Franzysen	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 Kaczmarek	Jody Zogran
John Kellam	

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Lurene Burke

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culbertson (Afghanistan)

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Saturday, September 21st – No Count Recorded
 Saturday, Spanish Liturgy of the Word – 33
 Sunday, September 22nd - 255



9/28 – Kody Kopacki & Mason Kopacki
9/29 – Tazewell Rae & Adrian Vidal



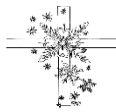
9/28 – Tom Fauber, Cathy Fudella, & Erin Lazar
9/29 – Kay Shaw, B.J. Bui, Sarah Rae, Chris & Paula Polcyn



9/28 – Bob Ryalls
9/29 – Jim Pyne & Tuan Nguyen

Church Cleaning Schedule

9/23 thru 9/29 – Jorge Duran Family/Hugo Rojas/Jose Velasquez
9/30 thru 10/6 – Dan Gibbs Family
10/7 thru 10/13 – Theresa Nguyen/Nguyen Sisters



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.



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).

SAINT OF THE WEEK

September 29th celebrates the feast of the three archangels who are venerated in the tradition of the Church. Michael (whose name means Who is like God) was the archangel who fought against satan and all his evil angels, defending all the friends of God. He is the protector of all humanity from the snares of the devil. Gabriel (whose name means Strength of God) announced to Zachariah the forthcoming birth of John the Baptist, and to

Mary, the birth of Jesus. Raphael (whose name means Medicine of God) is the archangel who took care of Tobias on his journey.

DO YOU KNOW?

The Catholic Church reflects on the obligation of attending Mass in its Code of Canon Law:

"On Sundays and other Holy Days of Obligation, the faithful are bound to participate in the Mass" (can.1247). The Sunday liturgy is mandatory, like showing up for work; and, just as skipping work can have serious consequences, so can skipping church.

In fact, it is a mortal sin to miss Sunday Mass without good reason. For a Catholic then, whether or not to attend on Sunday is no small decision. What constitutes "good reason"? Illness, caring for others, no transportation, work obligation. The key to understanding why Catholics must attend Sunday Mass lies above all in the essence of the Mass itself. Our duty to be willing participants is not rooted in how it makes us feel but in what it is. As the sacred meeting place of God and man, the Mass reorients our lives towards God, reunites us with Him in love, and thereby communicates the grace of salvation to our souls. In the long run, there can be nothing more productive than that.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

St. Augustine described sin as "turning inward" and caring only about the self. In today's Gospel, we see the rich man as a prime example of this sin: a man so selfish that he failed to see someone lying at his door. We are challenged to reflect on the ways in which we turn inward, how we fail to see the needs those besides ourselves. Our actions have consequences, but so does our lack of actions. God calls us to open our hearts to those in need and to share freely what we have been given.

Adults: How has "turning inward" kept you from helping someone in need?

Children: What do you find difficult about sharing?

***** Parents' preparation for First Penance is scheduled for October 6th at 10:15am in the Boogaard Hall. At least one parent needs to attend. Children do not attend this meeting but go to their regular classroom. Penance preparation is for children in second grade and above. Children need to be registered for class before the first session on November 3rd and attending Sunday morning formation classes.**

The first Confirmation preparation class is scheduled for Sunday, October 13th at 6:30pm in the Mercy Center Conference Room. If you have not registered your child for sacrament preparation, please do so ASAP. It is important that all candidates begin attending preparation on the 13th of October. Those eligible to celebrate Confirmation are teens 16 years old and/or in tenth grade or above. Candidates need to also be registered and attending Sunday morning classes.

The local Father Jakubowski Council #8116 of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament will have a Corporate Communion Memorial Mass in honor of all their deceased brothers on Sunday October 13th at 9:00am. All Knights are asked to attend and sit together in honor of the deceased brothers of their Council. For more information, please contact Joe Drexler.



"But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness." Is your faith in Christ leading you to grow in holiness as a priest? Call the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Congratulations to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary in September: Gary & Jackie Silvia – 9/17/1988.

There will be no daily Masses October 14th through October 18th. This will be the Clergy Convocation week. Father will be at the Convocation.



"We need to continue to teach clearly and help other Catholic leaders to teach clearly on our unequivocal commitment to the legal protection of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. Our teaching on human life and dignity should be reflected in our parishes and our educational, health care and human service ministries. We need to do more to persuade all people that human life is precious and human dignity must be defended. This requires more effective dialogue and engagement with all public officials, especially Catholic public officials. We welcome conversation initiated by political leaders themselves." -- "Catholics in Political Life," a statement of the United States Catholic Bishops, June 18, 2004 (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.

NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN: Once again St. Olaf Catholic Church in coordination with other Christian and Jewish faiths WELCOMES ALL to participate in the 31st National Life chain on Sunday, October 6th from 2:00-3:15pm. This will be the Greater Williamsburg area's 7th annual participation in this event. Location will be the sidewalk facing Richmond Road starting at Centerville Road and the Harris Teeter parking lot. The Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, public witness of pro-life faithful standing in honor of 60 million lives lost to abortion. WE will be praying for our nation, for people in crisis situations and for an end to abortion and the abortionist organization, Planned Parenthood. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian and Jewish communities that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Last year there were over 1,500 cities and towns that participated. We look forward to seeing you there. Please consider the words of Dietrich Bonhoeffer who was a German pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi dissident: "Silence in the face of evil is itself evil; God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak...Not to act is to act."

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

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.

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!

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. Please call the West Point Police Department at their non-emergency number, 804-843-2800 to find out more information. This is a FREE service to anyone who lives in the Town of West Point. (The Town of West Point offers no expressed liability for the failure of the program through emergency demands, personnel availability, or human error.)

Join us on a bus trip to Washington! We will be going October 19th, 2019 to the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land and the National Basilica Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The cost is \$37 per person and the seats are limited. If you are interested contact ASAP Erin Hayden at 804-366-4435.



WE ARE CURRENTLY IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS AT BOTH MASSES. Lesson plans and materials are provided. This is a way that our little ones can learn more about God's Word on their level. If interested, please contact Lorraine Ryalls at 804-843-3125, Extension 103 or Dre@olbs.hrcoxmail.com.

*We have many people asking about a parish yard sale. If you are interested in heading up a yard sale to benefit the parish, please contact the parish office at 804-843-3125.

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.

Valimar Jansen Performing in Concert! Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 6:00pm at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 2150 Cunningham Drive, Hampton, VA. She tours internationally as an inspirational speaker, author, storyteller and vocalist. Come join in the fun as Immaculate Conception of Hampton celebrates its 50th Anniversary hosting this talented artist whose theme for the night is: "we are called...to be disciples on a journey celebrating yesterday, today and tomorrow". Youth 18 and under are FREE! Tickets are \$10 per adult on sale September 14 at Immaculate Conception Church or visit icchampton.org/50thanniversary for more information.



Thank you! It is most difficult to let you know my heart felt gratitude. Many of you gave up your favorite pews. So many did so much to make it happen. Enough cannot be said about the food at the reception. My thanks to the choir, ushers, Communion helpers, servers, as well as Father Oscar for welcoming me to celebrate in the parish of my birth and years of Catholic School! Many Blessings, Father Bob

A popular scam targeting parishioners is making the rounds yet again. Criminals set up fraudulent email addresses, with similar spellings on yahoo, gmail, etc. and send messages that APPEAR to be coming from the pastor. They are trying trick people into sending gift cards to the pastor via links in the email (most popularly iTunes gift cards). This scam has become common enough that Apple has placed a warning on their site, as well. Please NEVER transfer funds or send gift cards to people requesting it online. ALWAYS check with your parish office first.

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
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