# 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

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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.

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME November 9th & November 10th, 2019



11/9 - Joe Sr, Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Fr. Oscar Sat Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Sun 11/10 - Reverend John Brieffies (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by The Bui Family

Mon 11/11 - No Mass

11/12 - Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Tue Fr. Oscar Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

Wed 11/13 - Gian Duong & An Bui (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by The Bui Family

**Thurs** 11/14 - Joe Sr, Elsie & Johnny Drexler (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Fri 11/15 - Hung (Savio) Duong (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by The Bui Family

Sat 11/16 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

Sun 11/17 – Xuan Mai Huynh (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by The Bui Family

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

# Collections for November 1st, 2nd & 3rd, 2019

Parish Operations	\$3,357.00
All Saints – Holy Day	778.00
All Souls Day	477.00
Parish Heating	46.68
Poor Box	66.68
Votive Stand	16.00
Total	\$4,741.36
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance Fund	\$1,007.00
Cemetery Fund	\$163.00
Diocesan Collections - World Missions & Military	\$91.68



Thank you for your support of your Parish!

\*\*\*The Flowers on the altar this weekend were donated by Joe & Linda Drexler in Honor of all our Veterans.

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

#### **CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> @ 8:30am - 63; 7pm - 40 Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> - 69 Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> - 104 Spanish Mass, Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> - 46

## Calendar for Week of November11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Monday - 11/11 - No Mass - Adoration in MC Chapel PLEASE HUG A VETERAN TODAY & SAY THANK YOU!

Tuesday - 11/12 - Mass 8:30am - Adoration in MC Chapel

Wednesday - 11/13 - Mass 8:30am

Thursday - 11/14 - Mass 8:30am

Friday - 11/15 - Mass 8:30am

Saturday - 11/16 - Rosary - 5:00 pm - Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday - 11/17 - Mass 9:00 am

Faith Formation - 10:15am - Hall

Parish Council Meeting – 10:15am – MC Conference Room

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



## PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

**Emily Adams** Helen Kaczmarski **Elizabeth Alley** John Kellam **Candace Barefoot** Gloria Kojcisch Virginia Becker **Bonnie Kopacki Paulette Berberich Gordon Langston Ron Blevins** Patricia Lanuza Jon Boyette **Bill Madigan Robin Bristow Baby Vivian Mallis** Joan Buehler **Ron Martz** Linda Burch **Gladys Mierle Lurene Burke Clara Morrow Kevin Carson Randy Morrow Specialist Mullins Lucy Carson Meredith Crowe** Marilyn Naggy **Eric Crump Larry Newtzie** Vincent D'elia **Desiree Page Denise DePompeo Pam Rigsby Dale Dippre** Mark A. Roane **Dexter Dix** Virginia Ryczak **Donna Donahue Bill Scaife Barbara Schafer** Michelle Eshelman Amanda Leigh Fincher Allen Smith Henry Franzyshen Levi Sturtz Sydney Gay Jim Tokarz **Margaret Geron Mae Touray Linda Webster** Jim Gregory Pat Hinkle Gloria Wajciechowski

**Kelly Hipple Lois Wilson** 

Mary Ann Hooper Robert 'Bobby' Wilson

**Gail Justin** Jody Zogran

## **PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY**

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)

\*Some cash was found on the floor in the Mercy Center Conference Room. Please contact the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 if you think it might be yours.

\*Some Keys were found in the Church Parking Lot Saturday Night, October 26th. Please call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 if you have lost a set of keys.



11/9 – Daniel Gibbs & Addy Gibbs

11/10 - Daniel Duke & Adrian Vidal

11/16 – Mason Kopacki & Kody Kopacki

11/17 - McKenna Kopacki & Tazewell Rae



11/9 – Lorraine Ryalls, Jackie Silvia, & Jim Vadas

11/10 – Jim Pyne, Bill & Edwina Madigan, Chris & Paula Polcyn

11/16 – Gary Silvia, Joe Drexler, & Tom Fauber

11/17 – Sarah Rae, Mary Leigh McDonald, Kay Shaw, Jim Vadas, & Pattie Vadas



11/9 - Joe Drexler & Scott Watkins

11/10 - Jim Milby & Tripp Racioppi

11/16 - Andrew Seckora & Paul Seckora

11/17 - Tuan Nguyen & Craig Smith

#### **Church Cleaning Schedule**

11/4 thru 11/10 – Dan Gibbs & Family 11/11 thru 11/17 – Theresa Nguyen / Nguyen Sisters 11/18 thru 11/24 – Tom & Rowena Fauber



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).

Annual Appeal Update: Raised 87.92% or \$8,467.00 of our \$9,630 Goal and Collected 83.99% or \$8,087.98 or our Goal.

\*\*\*The next Youth Group Meeting will be Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Boogaard Hall.

\*\*\*The next Confirmation Class is scheduled for this Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> in the Mercy Center Conference Room.

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Pope Leo the Great was deeply dedicated to his service as pope. He saw himself as privileged to sit in the Chair of St. Peter, as the servant of the servants of God. He worked diligently as "Peter's successor". Over time, Leo became known as one of the best administrative popes of the ancient Church. Pope Leo I focused his pontificate on four main areas. He continuously worked to oppose and root out numerous heresies which were threatening the Western Church. Among them were Pelagianism, which involved denying Original Sin and failing to understand the necessity of God's grace for salvation. At the foundation of the Pelagian error was the mistaken notion that we can perfect ourselves without God's grace and assistance. He is the first pope to be given the title 'Great'. His feast day is November 10.

#### DO YOU KNOW?

According to the Catechism (#1911), Common Good is human interdependence or the unity of the human family. The Church, as explained in Gadium et Spes, calls on all nations to work together to provide for various needs of people around the world by providing food, shelter, and education or by alleviating the suffering of refugees and migrants. The Church teaches that every person should voluntarily participate in promoting the common good, depending on position and vocation. We do this first and foremost by taking "personal responsibility" which includes caring for our family and dedicating ourselves to our work. Then we move our involvement outward so that we participate in "public life" as fully as possible.

#### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

As we enter into the final weeks of the church year, our attention is being drawn to the second coming of Christ and the themes of the "Last Things": death, judgment, Heaven, and hell. And this Sunday's Gospel is an invitation for us to reflect on the promise of a resurrected life offered us by Jesus: our perfect union with God and the fullness of life forever. We can be confident that what we experience here in grace will reach its fulfillment in the life to come.

Adults: How do you answer when someone asks about your view of after life?

Children: What do you think Heaven will be like?



WE NEED 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 <a href="mailto:Dre@olbs.hrcoxmail.com">Dre@olbs.hrcoxmail.com</a>.

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Parish Christmas Caroling will be held on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. More details will be forthcoming. If you know of someone who might appreciate a carling visit, please contact Lorraine At 804-843-3125 or

DRE@olbs.hrcoxmail.com to add them to the list.



Terrible Miscalculation! - "The terrible miscalculation of young women is that abortion can make them "un-pregnant," that it will restore them to who they were before their crisis. But a woman is never the same once she is pregnant, whether the child is kept, adopted, or killed. Abortion may be a kind of resolution, but it is not the one the woman most deeply longs for, nor will it even preserve her sense of self." Paul Swope, "Abortion: A Failure to Communicate" (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.

"May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ." Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Mar 20-22, 2020 in FAIRFAX, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/

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 th4 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.



Congratulations to those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary in November: Shane & Donna Donahue – 11/5/2001; Richard & Margaret Mountcastle – 11/6/1971; Jody & Bobbi Drexler – 11/15/2003; Stanley & Geraldine Thomas – 11/22/1959; Joe & Linda Drexler – 11/23/1968.



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.)

The Movie Tavern Theater in Williamsburg is having a special showing of the movie, St. Faustina Love and Mercy (A movie about the Divine Mercy and for our time). This will be Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm. Group rate tickets are available at \$10.50 versus the regular price of \$12.50. Seats a re limited and once full, no longer available. We have a limited number of tickets in hand now. Please consider joining us for this special movie event! If you do not want to drive at night, please don't let that stop you. People will be available to carpool with. Call: Erin Hayden at 804-366-4435.

THE NOVEMBER SENIOR LUNCHEON will be on Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at the Blue Crab Restaurant in downtown West Point immediately following the 11:00am Mass that morning. Please call or come by the Parish Office to sign up.



"May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God." Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest? Call the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano or write to <a href="mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org">vocations@richmonddiocese.org</a>.

For many years people have been asking for a follow up retreat from Cursillo. This retreat is for both men and women (couples are also welcome!) and starts on a Friday night and ends with Mass on early Sunday afternoon. The dates for the retreat are January 24-26, 2020. The location will be the cabins at the Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center. The cost for the weekend is \$150/person. This includes all food, lodging, and supplies for the weekend. This intent of this weekend is to dive deep into the Mass and the prayers of the Church. For more information or to sign up for the retreat, please reach out to Lisa Ranellone (<a href="mailto:lhran75@aol.com">lhran75@aol.com</a>) or David Reaves (<a href="mailto:dreaves@prismce.com">dreaves@prismce.com</a>).

**Catholic Charities hosting Special Adoption** 

Information Night CCEVA is hosting a special adoption information night focused on alternatives to traditional domestic and international adoption. During this event you will learn about home studies, alternatives to traditional domestic infant adoptions, as well as international adoption. Two adoptive families will be present to share some of these paths to grow their family. The event will take place on Thursday, November 14, 2019 from 6-7:30 p.m. at the CCEVA office (5361 Virginia Beach Blvd.) Please RSVP to Rebekah Hall at 757-533-5217 or rhall@cceva.org.

Caring.com is a leading senior care resource for family caregivers seeking information and support as they care for aging parents, spouses and other loved ones. They have created a free resource that provides comprehensive information on different pertinent topics. Please visit their Website to find valuable links to many different but pertinent resources at https://www.caring.com.

FROM THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE: First, thank you to all who have done such a great job on the condition and appearance of the cemeteries.

This is just a quick reminder that the end of October, prior to the holiday season, is when the Cemetery Committee does their bi-annual inspection of the cemeteries. Please remember to remove anything that falls outside of our Catholic guidelines for Fall and the Holiday Season. Thank you.

Please put a Cemetery Committee Meeting on your schedule for Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Mercy Center. This will be a review of the summer months as we move into fall, winter, and holiday months. Hope to see you there!

NEW ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY — Beginning Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> we will offer "Faith Exploration" sessions that focus on contemporary issues in the Church (abortion, euthanasia, death penalty, etc.). These sessions will be video based. Our first Faith Exploration Session will be "Making the Case for Life" presented by Trent Horn. Mr. Horn shares practical tips for persuading others to recognize the unborn's fundamental right to life. His presentation will teach you not simply to win fruitless arguments but to leave other people receptive to the truth about abortion. Sessions will be held at 7:00pm in the Mercy Center Conference Room.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! - The "Giving Tree" will be put up for the weekend of November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> this year. We have a very short turn-around time is very short this year. We will need the children's gifts returned to us by The weekend of December 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. If you know of a child who is in need this Christmas, please call the Parish Office so we can add to our list.

FOOD BASKETS - Also we will, once again, collect money for Christmas Food Baskets for Families in Need in our Community. Please place in an envelope clearly marked – Food Baskets – and drop in collection or see Erin Hayden, Deidra Kopacki or Pam Watkins at one of the Masses. If you know someone in need of a Food Basket this year, please let Erin Hayden, Deidra Kopacki or Pam Watkins know as soon as possible.

# 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	
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