

# 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.*

## THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020



Sat	1/25 – In Honor of Father Oscar Paraiso	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by the OLBS Parishioners	
Sun	1/26 – No Mass Intention	
Mon	1/27 – No Mass	
Tue	1/28 – Phyllis Wyatt (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	
Wed	1/29 – No Mass Intention	
Thurs	1/30 – No Mass Intention	
Fri	1/31 – Billy Webster (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Bill Webster	
Sat	2/1 – Buddy Walton (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	On Anniversary of Birthday Requested by Valeria & Paul Seckora	
Sun	2/2 – No Mass Intention	

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

### Collections for January 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Parish Operations	\$2,523.00
Supplementary Collection	281.00
Votive Stand	28.00
Initial Offering	10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,842.00</b>
<b>Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is</b>	<b>\$3,940</b>
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance Fund	\$230.00
Haiti Ministry	\$490.00
Diocesan Collection – Respect Life	\$378.00



**Thank you for your support of your Parish!**

\$\$\$ Please mark your envelopes with the amount you have put in them. This will help make the job of our wonderful volunteer counters much easier! We appreciate all they do for our parish!

**Our Sincerest condolences to Richard and Margaret Mountcastle on the death of her brother Roger “Butch” Staskiel who passed on to eternal life Tuesday morning. Butch was a long term member of our parish but had not been able to attend activities in several years due to his health. Until recently, he and his family took on the responsibility of the upkeep of Saint John of Kanti Cemetery in New Kent. May he rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon him.**

## Calendar for Week of January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Monday – 1/27 – No Mass Adoration in MC Chapel  
 Tuesday – 1/28 – Mass 8:30am Adoration in MC Chapel  
**Finance Council Meeting – 6:30pm – MC Conference Room**  
 Wednesday – 1/29 – Mass 8:30am  
 Thursday – 1/30 – Mass 8:30am  
 Friday – 1/31 – Mass 8:30am  
 Saturday – 2/1 – Rosary 5:00pm Mass 5:30pm  
 Sunday – 2/2 – Rosary 8:30am Mass 9:00 am  
 Faith Formation 10:15am  
 Spanish Mass 11:30am  
 Youth Group – 6:30pm Boogaard Hall



### PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Emily Adams	John Kellam
Elizabeth Alley	Gloria Kojcisch
Candace Barefoot	Bonnie Kopacki
Virginia Becker	Gordon Langston
Paulette Berberich	Patricia Lanuza
Ron Blevins	Kenny McGinley
Jon Boyette	Bill Madigan
Robin Bristow	Baby Vivian Mallis
Joan Buehler	Ron Martz
Linda Burch	Clara Morrow
Lurene Burke	Randy Morrow
Kevin Carson	Specialist Mullins
Lucy Carson	Marilyn Naggy
Tim Collier	Larry Newtzie
Meredith Crowe	Desiree Page
Eric Crump	Brett Pickens
Vincent D’elia	Pam Rigsby
Denise DePompeo	Mark A. Roane
Dale Dippre	Virginia Ryczak
Dexter Dix	Bill Scaife
Donna Donahue	Barbara Schafer
Larry Dzula, Jr.	James Simmons
Michelle Eshelman	Allen Smith
Amanda Leigh Fincher	Levi Sturtz
Henry Franzyszen	Jim Tokarz
Sydney Gay	Mae Touray
Margaret Geron	Chris Vincent, Sr.
Jim Gregory	Gloria Wajciechowski
Pat Hinkle	Linda Webster
Kelly Hipple	James Wills
Mary Ann Hooper	Lois Wilson
Gail Justin	Robert ‘Bobby’ Wilson
Helen Kaczmariski	Jody Zogran

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)

### CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 66  
 Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 149  
 Spanish Mass, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 50

**\*\*\*Blessing of the throats and candles will take place the weekend of February 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. Please bring your candles from your home next weekend if you would like them blessed.**

Forty days after Christmas is February 2<sup>nd</sup> when the Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple is celebrated. This feast is also called Candlemas and a time of blessing candles for Church and home use as candles are a sign of Jesus' light in the world. Bring candles to Mass next week to be blessed.



1/25 – Peter Nguyen & Philip Owens  
1/26 – Daniel Duke & Tazewell Rae



1/25 – Gary Silvia, Cathy Fudella, & Erin Lazar  
1/26 – Sarah Rae, Bill & Edwina Madigan, Mary Leigh McDonald, & Vickie Roane



1/25 – Shawn Lazar & Abby Lazar  
1/26 – Tuan Nguyen & Craig Smith

#### Church Cleaning Schedule

1/27/2020 thru 2/2/2020 – Tom & Rowena Fauber  
2/3/2020 thru 2/9/2020 – Gary & Jackie Silvia  
2/10 thru 2/16 – The Hispanic Community



Congratulations to our couples with Wedding Anniversaries in January – Newlyweds Quan & Sandy Dinh who were married 1/18/2020 and Bill & Edwina Madigan who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary – 1/28/67.



“Reform your lives! The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.” Are you being called to proclaim the coming of the Kingdom as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661 or email: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

Gather with the Cursillo Community for an evening of Faith and Fun! Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church 2150 Cunningham Drive, Hampton, VA 23666. Holy Mass begins at 4:30pm. Potluck Dinner to follow (Bring your favorite dish) Questions? Contact Lisa Ranellone at Lhran75@aol.com.

\*\*\*Next Weekend we will observe the Feast of Saint Blaise by blessing the throats. This custom is from the story of St. Blaise being arrested and led to prison, met a woman rushing up to him and pleading for him to save her only son who was choking to death on a fishbone. Bishop Blaise interceded with his prayers and the boy was miraculously healed. That miraculous intercession led to the blessing of throats for his intercession against diseases of the throat.

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK

Thomas Aquinas surpassed all of his fellow students in learning and virtue. Thomas was quiet and seldom spoke at the university, leading other students to believe he was mentally delayed, but Mangus prophetically said, “You call him dumb ox, but in his teaching, he will one day produce such a bellowing that it will be heard throughout the world.” He entered the Order of Saint Dominic against his parents' wishes and persevered in his vocation. He studied under Albert the Great and at the age of 22 he began teaching and publishing his first works. At age 31 he received his doctorate. He wrote and preached often and was one of the greatest theologians of all time. Thomas is one of the few Doctors of the Church. He is the patron saint of universities and students. His feast day is January 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### DO YOU KNOW?

There are over 220,000 active Catholics in the diocese involved in our 149 parishes. We also have 202 priests in our diocese, including about 40 retired priests. There are 200 religious order women and men serving in the diocese.

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Just like He called the apostles, Jesus calls us wherever we are. He breaks into our world through our ordinary daily lives and activities. Jesus has not stopped calling people to follow Him. Today we are the ones He looks at, calls by name and says, 'Come follow Me'. Those in the Gospel dropped everything they were doing and followed Jesus when He called them.

This was all very sudden and dramatic.

Our response may not be as quick and decisive. But it doesn't need to be. The important thing to remember and realize is that Jesus never stops calling us by our name. He is still inviting us to follow Him

*with these words, if you want to be disciple, come, take up your cross and follow Me. After Jesus called His*

*apostles to follow Him, He sent them out in His name to proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom of God. He sent them out in His name, not their own. Today we are the ones who are not only called, we are also sent out to proclaim the Gospel through how we live; through what we say and what we do.*

**Adults: How does Jesus call you to assist in His ministry: the building up of the Reign of God?**

**Children: How do you hear Jesus calling you to do what He wants you to do?**

"He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him." Let us answer God's call to make our marriages the best they can be by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on Feb 21-23, 2020 in VIRGINIA BEACH, VA and Mar 20-22, 2020 in FAIRFAX,, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/>.



Catholic Charities is in Need of Volunteers for Seniors: Catholic Charities is in desperate need of volunteers to provide transportation, yard work, and/or help with small errands for seniors on the Southside Peninsula. Many seniors who reach out to us have no means of transportation and cannot afford to hire a lawn service and many face city fines. Volunteers must have their own equipment and transportation. Please call our CARES Volunteer Coordinator Tressa Edwards at 757-456-2366.

**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 [Dre@olbs.hrcoxmail.com](mailto:Dre@olbs.hrcoxmail.com).

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.



The Books commemorating the Bicentennial Celebration of the Diocese of Richmond are here! The Book, worth more than \$100, can be purchased for a mere \$35 and includes information on all the parishes, bishops, priests and the Diocese from its inception until present. Please call the parish office to place your order now! They are beautiful and will be a keepsake for many years to come! You can look over a copy at the back of the church and even place an order for one there.

**SOMETHING NEW FOR OUR CHILDREN:** We now have Children's Mass Bulletins available for elementary age students. These are located in the wire basket where the Mass bags are located. Crayons and pencils are also located in the basket. These bulletins usually contain the Gospel reading, word puzzles about the reading and the story of patron saints.



**FINDING FORGIVENESS:** Linda is a woman who had an abortion. She writes, “My breaking point with ...[my former] Church was when I was feeling truly guilty because of what I had done, I knew it was wrong, but people were trying to justify it to me. I didn’t need justification, I needed to know how to reconcile an already fragmented relationship with the Lord I desired... but I was too weighed down and no one seemed to see the need of forgiveness and reconciliation, at least until I came into contact with the Catholic Church. The funny thing is, so many people seem to see the Church as uncompassionate and uncaring, it was where I found love, acceptance, and forgiveness...” (Priests for Life)

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** – The Virginia March for Life will be held in Richmond on Thursday, February 13, 2020. It will start with a 9:15am Mass at the Richmond Convention Center, concelebrated by Bishop Knestout and Bishop Burbidge. Then gather at 11:45am for a Rally at the State Capital and it all ends with a 12:45pm March for Life. Please call the parish office at 804-843-3125 for more details or visit the diocesan Website at <https://richmonddiocese.org>.

Mental Illness affects many persons within the faith community and the community at large. An important part of the journey to recovery is understanding and support. We want to make your congregants aware of an opportunity for family and friends. The Mid-Tide-water Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness will be presenting a Family-to-Family class this spring. NAMI Family-to-Family is a free, 10 session educational program for persons who care for or are related to persons affected with serious mental illness. It is a designated evidenced-based program. Research shows that the program significantly improves the coping and problem-solving abilities of the people closest to an individual living with a mental health condition. NAMI Family-to-Family is taught by NAMI-trained family members and includes presentations, discussion and interactive exercises. For more information on Family-to-Family: <http://www.nami.org/Find-Support/NAMI-Programs/NAMI-Family-to-Family>. The class will be meeting on Monday and Wednesday for 5 weeks beginning February 24 from 6-8 p.m. at the Gloucester Peer Resource Center, 7603 Hospital Dr., Gloucester VA 23061.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
PATRON of the  
DIOCESE of RICHMOND**

St. Vincent de Paul was born in 1581 and died in 1660. He was canonized in 1737, and his feast day is September 27.

St. Vincent is known for his charity and compassion for the poor. He was the co-founder of the Daughters of Charity and founder of the Congregation of the Missions.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul, which is a charitable organization dedicated to service to the poor, was established in 1833 by French university students. Today, the Society is present in 132 countries.



**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).

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# 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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