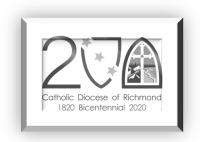
OUR LADY OF THE **BLESSED SACRAMENT** CATHOLIC CHURCH



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.

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 SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

May 30th & May 31st, 2020



Sat	5/30 – Richard & Joan Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sun	5/31 – For the Parishioners of OLBS	Fr. Oscar
Mon	6/1 – No Mass	
Tue	6/2 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Wed	6/3 – Joe Sr, Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	6/4 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Fri	6/5 – Joe Sr, Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sat	6/6 – Virginia Ryczak (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sun	6/7 – For the Parishioners of OLBS	Fr. Oscar

***All Special Mass Intentions on Sunday will be for the Parishioners of OLBS until Further Notice.

Collections for May 23rd & May 30th, 2020

Parish Operations	\$3660.00		
Supplemental Collections	75.00		
Online Giving through 5/20/2020	375.00		
Poor Box	11.86		
Votive Stand	13.00		
Total	\$4,134.86		
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940		
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish			
Facilities Repairs and Maintenance Fund	\$75.00		
Maintenance Savings Account	\$220.00		
OLBS Scholarship Fund	\$125.00		
Diocesan Home Missions	\$225.00		
Peter's Pence	\$75.00		

***Thank you to all the parishioners who have brought into the office or mailed their weekly contributions allowing us to continue critical operations. Our parish office remains open for you to be able to bring or mail your weekly donations. To mail your donations, send to: Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 207 West Euclid Blvd., West Point, VA 23181. Or, you can drop your offertory in the white box marked 'Boogaard Hall' located on the back porch of the Mercy Center. You can also temporarily give online at https://offertory.richmonddiocese.org/. Choose our Parish through the Drop-Down - OLBS #623. This will ensure the proceeds go only to our parish. Thank you.

*For the latest information, visit our Website at www.olbs-catholic.org or our Facebook.com/groups/237765969363/.

2020 Annual Appeal Update: As of 5/21/2020, we have raised 72.74% of our \$10,080.00 goal or \$7,322.19 and have collected 63.71% or \$6,421.97.

Masses to Resume!!!

Masses will resume with no more than 50% capacity. There will be some mandated changes to how we practice our Mass. ***Please call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 or email us at olbs@olbs-catholic.org to let us know which Mass you will be attending each weekend until further notice. Effective immediately:

- You are asked to stay home if you are ill, elderly, anxious, or immunocompromised. Bishop Knestout has dispensed all Catholics in the Diocese from their Sunday Mass obligation.
- If you have a fever or symptoms of Covid-19, you will not be permitted to enter the building.
- 3. You should arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the start time for Mass to allow time for temperature testing, vetting and being seated by the ushers. The ushers will let each pew know the staggered process for exiting the Church once Mass is over.
- Everyone shall maintain six feet of social distance from others who are not from the same household at all times while in Church or on Church property.
- Everyone 3 years and older attending Mass shall wear a Face Mask. Be sure the mask covers your nose and mouth. (Face mask should be removed only for Receiving Holy Communion.) ***Anyone who comes to Mass without a face mask, will not be admitted to Mass.
- Look for direction from the ushers when going up to receive Holy Communion. Holy Communion should be received in the hand until further notice. There will be no distribution of the Blood of Christ until further notice.
- 7. Refrain from physical contact, such as holding hands during the Our Father and shaking hands during the Sign of Peace.
- 8. Singing by the congregation is strongly discouraged.
- Sanitize hands when entering and leaving Church. Bring personal supply of hand sanitizer to use before receiving Holy Communion, if possible.
- No bulletins will be available at Masses. *We will continue to make the bulletins available online, through email, and mail bulletins to those without Internet access.
- 11. The Church will be available Monday-Friday from 9am 'til 4pm for prayer. Call Parish Office at 804-843-3125 first, if no answer, try Father on his cell at 757-778-5118.
- 12. Father Oscar will continue to livestream on our Facebook page, the Sunday morning Mass at 9:00am and Daily Masses at 8:30am until further notice.
- 13. Mass Schedule beginning May 23rd: Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday 8:30am Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30pm Sunday Mass: 9:00am

Spanish Mass: 4:00pm



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

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

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

Mass Attendance – May 23rd & 24th, 2020
Saturday Night Mass 5:30pm = 38
Sunday Morning Mass 9:00am = 43
Spanish Mass 4:00pm = 30

Church Cleaning Schedule

6/1 thru 6/7 – Dan Gibbs Family 6/8 thru 6/14 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters 6/15 thru 6/21 – Tom & Rowena Fauber



"There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit." Is the Lord inviting you to share your gifts as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661 or email: 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).

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

It's fascinating to watch a piece of wood being consumed by fire. Sighing and cracking and glowing, getting blacker and blacker until it falls apart completely and then nothing remains but ash. It doesn't just look different from the original piece of wood. It IS different, at the very core of its being. Its chemical composition has changed. It has been transformed. This is what we are called to do as Christians and what awaits us when we invite the Holy Spirit into our lives. Let yourself be set on fire by the Holy Spirit. Let yourself be transformed. Adults: What might you need to change so that the Spirit can transform your very being?

Children: What can you do to become strengthened by the Holy Spirit?

SAINT OF THE WEEK

On June 6th the Catholic Church honors Saint Norbert of Xanten - who started out as a frivolous and worldly cleric, but was changed by God's grace into a powerful preacher and an important reformer of the Church during the early 12th century. Radically converted to the ideals of the Gospel, Norbert was now set against the worldly attitude he had once embodied. This made him unpopular with local clerics, who responded with insults and condemnation. But Norbert was not turning back. He gave all of his wealth to the poor, reducing himself to a barefoot and begging pilgrim who possessed nothing except the means to celebrate Mass. He is the founder of the Norbertine order. He is known as the Patron Saint of Peace.

***If you would like to be added to the weekly phone chain or email to stay informed and connected to our parish, please call the parish office Tuesdays-Thursday 10am until 4:30pm at 804-843-3125.

DO YOU KNOW?

One of the core values of Catholic Social Teaching is solidarity. Our culture is tempted to turn inward, becoming indifferent and sometimes isolationist in the face of international responsibilities. Catholic social teaching proclaims that we are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they live. Learning to practice the virtue of solidarity means learning that "loving our neighbor" has global dimensions in an interdependent world.



To our couples with anniversaries in May: Pat & Wini Barron – 5/14/1966; Chris & Barbara Hite – 5/15/1982; Brian & Hope Kopacki – 5/17/2008; Jim & Pattie Vadas – 5/27/1972.

"And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." Let the Holy Spirit infuse your marriage with increased trust and intimacy by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Sep 11-13, 2020 in Hickory, NC and Sep 18-20, 2020 in FAIRFAX,, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/

Help Needed!!!

With Masses opening back up to more parishioners, it is time to once again begin to schedule the following positions to assist with each Mass:

- 1. Ushers Need a minimum of 3-4 for each Mass to ask questions, take temperatures, and assist with seating.
- 2. Lectors Two per Mass, as usual
- 3. Collection Helpers Two per Mass, as usual
- Cleaning/ Disinfecting Crew 3-4 per Mass – to clean and disinfect after each Mass

If you are able to assist with any of these duties, please contact the parish office ASAP so we can prepare and distribute and updated Lay Ministry Schedule.

Currently and until further notice, we do not have a need for the following volunteers: Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, and Teachers for Children's Liturgy of the Word. We will let you know as soon as we are able to resume these ministries.

***We ask that you prayerfully consider providing some additional support for our local Good **Neighbor Center, sponsored by the West Point** Ministerial Association, housed in our Mercy Center facility at 207 West Euclid Blvd, West Point, VA 2318. If you are financially able, we ask that you consider providing food donations of basic staples and canned goods to help the GNC continue to provide support to our local community during this health crisis. Please contact Mrs. Thornton at the GNC Office: 804-843-4339 during the following hours: Mondays 10am until 2pm or Wednesdays 12:30pm until 2:30pm. Or, you can contact the parish office at 804-843-3125, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 10:00am until 4:30pm.

***MAGNIFICAT is now offering a \$5 3-Month Trial Subscriptions available to enable the faithful to participate at Mass with a personal worship aid. Details are available at www.magnificat.com/free.



Pentecost Voice: The Holy Spirit, who came on Pentecost, gave voice to the apostles to proclaim the truth of the Gospel. The Spirit, the Soul of the Church, continues to enable the Church to speak, and enables us to speak in our individual capacity. As Cardinal Elio Sgreccia, President Emeritus of the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life has said, "The Church must speak out in today's context on fundamental rights, the right to justice, the right to peace, but above all and in the first place, the right to life. If the Church did not speak, did not proclaim the truth, it would be abandoning its duty; it would be unfaithful to society, to the good of society. Therefore, its precise duty is the very liberty to intervene with word, and also with example -- the example of promoting human life, of intervening for the salvation of mankind." (Priests for Life)



Pattie Vadas' beloved mother, Gloria Bonatti, went home to be with her Lord on Tuesday morning, May 26th. Our sincerest condolences go out to Pattie and her family. May Gloria rest in peace and may the perpetual Light shine upon her.

Mass Readings: The Solemnity of Pentecost

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. or: R. Alleluia.

Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! How manifold are your works, O Lord! the earth is full of your creatures;

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. or: R. Alleluia.

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD be glad in his works! Pleasing to him be my theme; I will be glad in the LORD.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. or: R. Alleluia.

If you take away their breath, they perish and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth, or: R. Alleluia.

A Reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters: No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

Sequence

Veni, Sancte Spiritus

Come, Holy Spirit, come! And from your celestial home Shed a ray of light divine! Come, Father of the poor! Come, source of all our store! Come, within our bosoms shine. You, of comforters the best; You, the soul's most welcome guest; Sweet refreshment here below; In our labor, rest most sweet; Grateful coolness in the heat; Solace in the midst of woe. O most blessed Light divine, Shine within these hearts of yours, And our inmost being fill! Where you are not, we have naught, Nothing good in deed or thought, Nothing free from taint of ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour your dew; Wash the stains of guilt away: Bend the stubborn heart and will: Melt the frozen, warm the chill: Guide the steps that go astray. On the faithful, who adore And confess you, evermore In your sevenfold gift descend; Give them virtue's sure reward; Give them your salvation, Lord; Give them joys that never end. Amen. Alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

New Mass Schedule starting May 23rd

Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday 8:30am Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30pm Sunday Mass: 9:00am Spanish Mass: 4:00pm

***Please call the parish office at 804-843-3125 or email the parish office at olbs@olbscatholic.org to let us know which Mass you would like to attend so we can make sure we stay within the capacity allowed.

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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