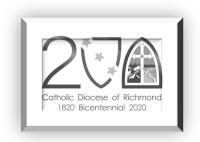
OUR LADY OF THE **BLESSED SACRAMENT** CATHOLIC CHURCH



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

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.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 22nd & 23rd, 2020



Sat	8/22 – Tommy Sturtz (RIP) Requested by Marguerite Sturtz &	Fr. Oscar Family
Sun	8/23 – Shirley Mara (RIP) Requested by Arlene Lasch	Fr. Oscar
Mon	8/24 – No Mass	
Tue	8/25 – Von & Melvin Moody (RIP) Requested by Theresa D. Moody	Fr. Oscar
Wed	8/26 – Melvina A. Gooch (RIP) Anniversary of Birthday Requested by Edna Trudeau	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	8/27 – Joe Sr., Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP) Requested by Theresa D. Moody	Fr. Oscar
Fri	8/28 – Richard & Joan Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Mildred Hite	Fr. Oscar
Sat	8/29 – Mark Drexler, Jr. (RIP) Requested by Donna Geron	Fr. Oscar
Sun	8/30 – Parishioners of OLBS	Fr. Oscar

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

Collections for August 15th & 16th, 2020

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Parish Operations	\$2,575.00
Supplemental Collection	277.00
Online Giving as of 8/5/2020	200.00
Religious Education Collection	75.00
Poor Box	5.00
Votive Candles	26.00
Holy Thursday & Good Friday	10.00
The Assumption of Mary	150.00
Total	\$3,318.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Facilities Repairs and Maintenance Fund	\$70.00
Haiti Fund	\$10.00
Maintenance Fund	\$30.00
The Cemetery Account	\$35.00

*Money collected from the Poor Box will continue to be given to the Good Neighbor Center as our community outreach for those in need in the West Point and surrounding areas.

***Thank you to all the parishioners who have brought into the office, mailed, or given their weekly contributions at one of the Masses 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 give at one of the Masses or 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.



The flowers this weekend were donated by Jody & Bobbi Drexler in honor of the celebration of J's First Holy Communion, this Sunday August 23,2020. May he encounter the Real Presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist!

Masses Resume!!!

***Due to COVID-19, Mass is being live streamed for use on various Diocesan digital media accounts of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, including, but not limited to, the websites of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond and the Catholic Virginian, and social media platforms of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. Photography and/or screenshot images from the livestream may be used for the Catholic Virginian print edition. If you do not wish to be captured by live streaming, please refrain from attending that particular Mass time.

There will be some mandated changes to how we practice our Mass. 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.
- 2. If you have a fever or symptoms of Covid-19, you will not be permitted to enter the building.
- 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.
- 5. Everyone 10 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 any Mass (including daily Mass) without a face covering, 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.
- 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.



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	Larry Dzula, Jr.	Michelle Eshelman			
Amanda Leigh Fincher Natalee Franzyshen Kelli Gaeta					
Margaret Geron	Dawn Greggs	Jim Gregory			
Pat Hinkle	Kelly Hipple	Tom Hollowak			
Mary Ann Hooper	Gail Justin	John Kellam			
Bill Kessler	Gloria Kojcisch	Bonnie Kopacki			
Gordon Langston	Patricia Lanuza	Melissa Leger			
Kenny McGinley	Bill Madigan	Baby Vivian Mallis			
Diane Agnes Martin	n Ron Martz	Clara Morrow			
Randy Morrow	Specialist Mullins	Marilyn Naggy			
Larry Newtzie	Desiree Page	Ka'varus Penticolas			
Brett Pickens	Pam Rigsby	Mark A. Roane			
Debbie Royals	Joanna Ryalls	Bill Scaife			
Jack Scaife	Barbara Schafer	James Simmons			
Allen Smith	The Solak Family	Levi Sturtz			
Jim Tokarz	Mae Touray	Chris Vincent, Sr.			
Gloria Wajciechow	Art West				
Emmett White	James Wills	Lois Wilson			
Robert 'Bobby' Wil	Jody Zogran				

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

Church Cleaning Schedule

8/24 thru 8/30 – Tom & Rowena Fauber 8/31 thru 9/6 – Gary & Jackie Silvia 9/7 thru 9/13 – Our Hispanic Community

***Please prayerfully consider helping in any way you can so that others may be able to take a much needed break. We are in desperate need of more ushers and people to clean the church after each of the Masses. Our happiness is greatest when we contribute most to the happiness of others.



To our couples with anniversaries 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; Jim & Anne Duke – 8/12/1967; Philip & Karen Liberato – 8/16/1986; Greg & Erin Hayden – 8/21/1993; Gene & Bonnie Kopacki – 8/23/1975; Henry & Natalee Franzyshen – 8/26/1972.

And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church. Let the Church feed your marriage by going on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Sep 11-13, 2020 in VIRTUAL WEEKEND, 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/

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Peter does not have a great track record. He stumbles, sinks, doesn't get it, and, at his worst, even denies Jesus multiple times. And yet, this is the person Jesus chooses to be the rock of the Church. Why? When Jesus asks pointedly to His disciples who they personally believe Him to be, Peter responds with what seems to be a gut reaction - You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus responds to this declaration positively, almost like He's saying, "There it is! There's the Spirit I've always known to be in you, Peter!" This God-filled gut that Peter has is why Jesus calls him to be the rock. And notice, Peter is not disqualified from this position when he falls or fails, when he is unfaithful or a bad leader. Jesus didn't pick someone perfect to be the foundation of the Church. Jesus didn't ask Peter to be a star, but a rock; not brilliant, but solid; not popular, but the unwavering voice of Christ to His people: the voice calling each person to take up his cross and follow Him.

Adults: Which Church leader has most influenced your personal faith?
Children: What has your pastor taught you about Jesus?

DO YOU KNOW?

As in early Christian times, we light a candle before a statue or sacred image of our Lord or a saint. The light signifies our prayer offered in faith coming into the light of God. With the light of faith, we petition our Lord in prayer, or petition the saint to pray with us and for us to the Lord. The light also shows special reverence and our desire to remain present to the Lord in prayer even though we may depart and go about our daily business.

Mass Attendance – August 15th & 16th, 2020
Saturday Night Mass 5:30pm = 40
Sunday Morning Mass 9:00am = 54
No Spanish Mass 4:00pm

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Because her beauty was so often admired, Saint Rose of Lima used to rub her face with pepper to produce disfiguring blotches. Later, she wore a thick circlet of silver on her head, studded on the inside, like a crown of thorns. Rose defied her parents' commands to marry. During the last few years of her life, Rose set up a room in the house where she cared for homeless children, the elderly, and the sick. This was a beginning of social services in Peru. Though secluded in life and activity, she was brought to the attention of Inquisition interrogators, who could only say that she was influenced by grace. When Rose died at 31, the city turned out for her funeral. Prominent men took turns carrying her coffin. She is the patron saint of Peru, the Americas, florists, and the Philippines. Her feast day is August 23rd.



Pope Francis on Defense of the Unborn: "Nowadays efforts are made to deny them [unborn children] their human dignity and to do with them whatever one pleases, taking their lives and passing laws preventing anyone from standing in the way of this. Frequently, as a way of ridiculing the Church's effort to defend their lives, attempts are made to present her position as ideological, obscurantist and conservative. Yet this defense of unborn life is closely linked to the defense of each and every other human right. It involves the conviction that a human being is always sacred and inviolable, in any situation and at every stage of development" -- Pope Francis, Apostolic Exhortation "The Joy of the Gospel," November 24, 2013. (Priests for Life)

Resource for Women in Crisis

HOPE Pregnancy Care Center: located at 1315 Jamestown Rd., Suite 202, Williamsburg, VA 23185 Phone: 757-229-6472 Open: Monday – Thursday 10:30 am to 3:00 pm. (Wednesdays - 10:30am - 3pm, and 6:30pm - 8:30pm)

IT HAS NEVER BEEN MORE IMPORTANT THAN NOW TO VOTE AS A CHRISTIAN!!!

This year, on Election Day, November 3rd, Virginians will have the opportunity to elect candidates for President, U.S. Senator, and U.S. Representative – and in some localities – for "down-ballot" offices. In Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic Bishops have reminded us to exercise our voice and our vote in public life. To VOTE on Tuesday, November 3, 6:00am until 7:00pm (General Election)

- Register/Update Address by: Tuesday, October 13, 2020
- Request Absentee Ballot by mail by: 5:00pm Tuesday, October 27, 2020
- Request Absentee Ballot in Person by: 5:00pm Saturday, October 31, 2020
- Vote Early In Person from September 18th to October 31, 2020

In prayer and in public, your voices are urgently needed to bring Gospel values to bear on vital decisions being made by those who represent you. The Virginia Catholic Conference is the public agency representing Virginia's Catholic bishops and their two dioceses.



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)



News from the Knights of Columbus

The Knights are a fraternal Catholic men's organization dedicated to works of charity. The founder of the Knights, Father Michael J. McGivney, will soon be declared "Blessed" by Pope Francis. A miracle has been attributed to Fr. McGivney and is a step towards recognition as a saint.

New officers of our Father Jakubowski Council 8116 are the leadership team of Phil Liberato, James Milby, and Jim Vadas.

2020 Annual Appeal Update: As of 8/12/2020, we have raised 74.18% or \$7,477.34 of our \$10,080.00 goal and collected 69.49% or \$7,004.59 of our goal. If you have not yet had an opportunity to give, please prayerfully consider doing so.

Mass Readings: The Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the LORD to Shebna, master of the palace: "I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station. On that day I will summon my servant Eliakim, son of Hilkiah; I will clothe him with your robe, and gird him with your sash, and give over to him your authority. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah. I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut when he shuts, no one shall open. I will fix him like a peg in a sure spot, to be a place of honor for his family."

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart, for you have heard the words of my mouth; in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise; I will worship at your holy temple.

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I will give thanks to your name, because of your kindness and your truth: When I called, you answered me; you built up strength within me.

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

The LORD is exalted, yet the lowly he sees, and the proud he knows from afar. Your kindness, O LORD, endures forever; forsake not the work of your hands. R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor? Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid? For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

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A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the

gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

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.



"Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God." Is God calling you to serve His Son in the priesthood? Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661 or email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Many thanks go out to all those who have worked so hard to usher the Masses, clean between Masses, and keep our parishioners safe! If you are able to help in any way, please let one of the ushers know. Without these parishioners stepping up to get this done, we would not be able to gather to participate in the Mass and receive the Blessed Eucharist! Please thank them for their service to us and the Lord!



Our sincerest condolences to Gaye Tamulynas and family at the loss of Paul Tamulynas. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

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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