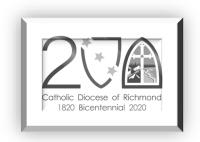
OUR LADY OF THE **BLESSED SACRAMENT** CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 12th & 13th, 2020



Sat	9/12 – Mark Drexler, Jr. (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by David Seckora	
Sun	9/13 – Special Intention	Fr. Oscar

Requested by Janice McGowan

Mon 9/14 - No Mass

Tue 9/15 – Jack Crane (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Bill & Edwina Madigan

Wed 9/16 – Virginia Ryczak (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by David Seckora

Thurs 9/17 – In Loving Memory of Virginia Ryczak Fr Oscar Requested by Wini & Pat Barron

Fri 9/18 – Mark Drexler, Jr. (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Theresa D. Moody

Sat 9/19 – Billy McGowan (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Virginia Kopacki

Sun 9/20 – Virginia Ryczak (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by John & Victoria K Roane

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

Collections for September 5th & 6th, 2020

Parish Operations	\$2629.00	
Online Giving as of 8/25/2020	150.00	
Poor Box	45.00	
Votive Candles	4.00	
The Assumption of Mary	5.00	
Total	\$2,833.00	
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940	
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish		
Facilities Repairs and Maintenance Fund	\$546.00	
Haiti Fund	\$160.00	
The Cemetery Account	\$125.00	
Maintenance Savings Account	\$60.00	
Diocesan Annual Appeal	\$100.00	

*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.

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.
- 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.

Mass Attendance – September 5th & 6th, 2020
Saturday Night Mass 5:30pm = 38
Sunday Morning Mass 9:00am = 54
Spanish Mass 4:00pm = 44



"None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself." Is God calling you to live for others as a priest, sister or brother? Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661 or email:

vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Emily Adams Elizabeth Alley **Candace Barefoot** Virginia Becker **Ron Blevins** Jon Boyette **Robin Bristow** Linda Burch Joan Buehler **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 Tom Hollowak **Kelly Hipple** Mary Ann Hooper John Kellam **Bill Kessler Gail Justin** Gloria Kojcisch **Bonnie Kopacki Gordon Langston** Patricia Lanuza Melissa Leger **Kenny McGinley Bill Madigan** Baby Vivian Mallis Diane Agnes Martin 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 Wajciechowski **Linda Webster Art West Emmett White** James Wills Andrea Berberich Wilson **Lois Wilson** Robert 'Bobby' Wilson **Jody Zogran**

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

Church Cleaning Schedule

9/14 thru 9/20 – Dan Gibbs & Family 9/21 thru 9/27 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters 9/28 thru 10/4 – Tom & Rowena Fauber



9/19 - Joe Drexler, Abby Lazar & Shawn Lazar

9/20 - Jim Pyne, David Seckora & Craig Smith

9/26 – David Haviland, Dawson Haviland & Bob Ryalls

9/27 - Jim Milby, Tuan Nguyen & Jim Pyne



9/19 - Jim Vadas & Pattie Vadas

9/20 - Danielle Smith & Kay Shaw

9/26 - David Seckora & Jackie Silvia

9/27 - Pat Barron & Joe Pincus



To our couples with anniversaries in September: (Billy) & Janice McGowan – 9/14/1974 and Gary & Jackie Silvia – 9/17/1988

***Please remember to return the formation surveys that were sent to parents last week so that we can finalize our plan for the new catechetical year. If you have any questions, please contact Lorraine at 804-843-3125 Tuesday-Thursday at the parish office.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

God has offered us mercy, but we still need to accept this incredible gift. As we learn in the Parable of the Unforgiving Servant, because God is merciful and has forgiven our debt of sin, which we could never pay, we must, in turn, be merciful toward others. Most people have faced situations where they struggle to let go of bitterness. anger, or resentment. Feeling if they forgive this person, then there are no consequences; they let this person "off the hook." It is only through God's grace can we forgive one another and do so from the heart. Adults: How often do you come to God for forgiveness, while your heart holds resentment for another? Children: Is there someone in your life you need to forgive?

DO YOU KNOW?

Georgetown University, founded by Bishop John Carroll in 1789 and operated by the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), was the first Catholic institution of higher education in the United States. There is a total of about 260 Catholic institutions of higher education in the United States. About 850,000 students were enrolled in Catholic higher education in 2018-19, according to the National Center for Education Statistics. On average, Catholic colleges and universities had a student body population of 3,700 students and median of 2,600 students. Seventy-eight percent of Catholic institutions had a student body population of more than 1,000 students, but only 22 institutions had more than 10,000 students, making most Catholic colleges and universities small to mid-sized. Source: U.S. Dep

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Cornelius was elected Pope in March of 251, and was martyred in June 253. He played an important role as Pope in our early Church. St. Cornelius strongly believed in the gift of confession. In his time there were many Christians who denounced Christianity to Emperor Decius in order to be spared their lives. The Church leaders of their time thought they could never be brought back into the Church after such behavior. But Cornelius believed that with proper penance and forgiveness of their sins they could be fully united to the Church. His dedication to forgiveness and repentance paved the way for all of us sinners to be reconciled to God and to remain in Holy mother church. We should all take advantage and good use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation that Holy Mother Church offers. St. Cornelius' feast day is September 16th and he is the patron saint of repentant sinners.



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)

Back to School Supplies Needed!!!

There will be a collection box at the back of the Church through September 27th for much needed school supplies for students and teachers in our local West Point Schools. Please give generously. The most needed items are Wide & College Ruled Paper and Spiral notebooks; Composition Books; (2"-3") 3-Ring Binders; Pocket Folders; Dividers; No.

2 Pencils; Blue, Black, & Red Pens; Yellow Highlighters; Washable Markers; Crayons; Colored Pencils; Glue Sticks; Lined or Unlined Index Cards; Scissors (Child & Adult); Four function calculators;

Dry Erase Markers; Permanent Markers; Sticky
Notes; Pink Erasers (Pencil Top & Hand-Held); Ear
Buds; Quart & Gallon Size Ziplock Freezer Bags;
Backpacks (K-12 Appropriate); and Pencil
Pouches/Boxes.



From Saint Teresa of Calcutta: "But I feel a great destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a direct war, a direct killing, direct murder by the mother herself. And we read in the scripture, for God says very clearly. "Even if a mother could forget her child, I will not forget you. I have carved you in the palm of My Hand." We are carved in the palm of His Hand; so close to Him, that unborn child has been carved in the Hand of God. And that is what strikes me most, the beginning of that sentence, that even a mother could forget something impossible—but even if she could forget -- "I will not forget you." And today the greatest destroyer of peace is abortion. And we who are standing here our parents wanted us. We would not be here if our parents would do that to us." - Lecture upon receiving the Nobel Peace Prize, Oslo, Norway, Dec. 11, 1979. (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)

Greater Williamsburg LIFE CHAIN

Once again, St. Olaf Catholic Church in coordination with other Churches WELCOMES ALL to participate in the 32nd National Life Chain on Sunday, October 4th from 2:00 to 3:15pm. This will be the Greater Williamsburg area's 8th annual participation in this event. Location will be on the sidewalk facing Richmond Road starting at Centerville Road. The Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, and public witness of pro-life faithful standing in honor of 60+ million lives lost to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that we support the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Even though we will be outside and 20ft apart, we ask all participants to wear a mask. You are welcome to bring a folding chair if you are unable to stand for long periods. Also for a precautionary measure we will have hand sanitizers available for those who handle our pro-life signs.

From our Twinning Parish in Haiti

Greetings from Saints Peter and Paul parish in Marmont. I hope you and everyone in the Blessed Sacrament Parish are doing well. I have much pleasure in acknowledging receipt of the transfer of \$4,971 from the bank. On behalf of the parishioners, I wish to express our sincere thank you for your very generous donation. Despite the difficult times you are faithful to support us. How grateful we are to you. I would like to remind you that our mission will be impossible without your solidarity and generosity. I would like to inform you, too, that since several weeks all the

activities of the parish have been resumed. All the students are back to school since August 10th. Until now everything is working well. For our parish this school year will end on September 25th and the new school year (2020-2021) will start on October 5th.Again, thank you for all the sacrifices that have done for supporting us. We pray for you all. May God Bless and keep you safe. Fr. Banive

Peralte

Mass Readings: The Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Reading from the Book of Sirach

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail. Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever. Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

The Word of the Lord

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who

decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

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.

Special Collection

The 2020 Pontifical Good Friday Collection that was missed due to coronavirus will be taken up this weekend, September 12th & 13th. Please place in a separate envelope marked Good Friday.



Please keep Gary Silvia and his family in your prayers as his father, Gilbert Silvia, passed away on Monday, September 7th. Arrangements have been made with Parklawn-Wood Funeral Home in Hampton, VA. Visitation will be Sunday, September 13th from 4:00pm until 6:00pm and his Funeral Mass will be on Monday, September 14th at 10:00am at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Hampton, VA. May he rest in God's peace and may 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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