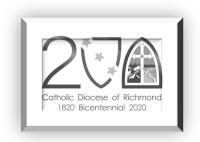
## OUR LADY OF THE **BLESSED SACRAMENT** CATHOLIC CHURCH



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-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## September 19th & 20th, 2020



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

Mon 9/21 – No Mass

Tue 9/22 – Mark Drexler, Jr. (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Theresa D. Moody

Wed 9/23 – Jose Brieffies Adrichem (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Joan Applegate

Thurs 9/24 – John Seckora (RIP) Fr Oscar

Fri 9/25–Francisco Xavier Dinh Hong NHI (RIP) Fr. Oscar

**Requested by David Seckora** 

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Sat 9/26 – Jose Brieffies Adrichem (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Joan Applegate

Sun 9/27 – Parishioners of OLBS Fr. Oscar

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

## Collections for September 12th & 13th, 2020

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Parish Operations	\$5,072.00
Online Giving as of 9/4/2020	200.00
Supplemental Collection	110.00
Total	\$5,382.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Facilities Repairs and Maintenance Fund	\$532.00
Haiti Fund	\$1,000.00
Maintenance Savings Account	\$125.00
Retired Religious	\$125.00

\*\*\*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.



There will be a Special Collection Basket at the back of the church starting this weekend to benefit people affected by the recent tragic natural disasters like the wildfires and hurricanes.

## 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.
- 9. 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 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020
Saturday Night Mass 5:30pm = 54
Sunday Morning Mass 9:00am = 69
Spanish Mass 4:00pm = 27



"Seek the Lord while He may be found..." While seeking Him in prayer and the sacraments, listen to Him. Are you discerning a vocation to serve the Lord as a priest, deacon, 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** Joan Buehler Linda Burch **Kevin Carson Lucy Carson Tim Collier** Vincent D'elia Meredith Crowe **Eric Crump** Denise DePompeo Dale Dippre **Dexter Dix** Larry Dzula, Jr. Michelle Eshelman Amanda Leigh Fincher Natalee Franzyshen Kelli Gaeta **Margaret Geron Pat Hinkle Dawn Greggs** Jim Gregory Tom Hollowak Mary Ann Hooper **Kelly Hipple Gail Justin** John Kellam **Bob Kay Bill Kessler** Gloria Kojcisch **Bonnie Kopacki** Joyce Kostrzewa **Gordon Langston Patricia Lanuza Henry Lasch** Tracy Lasch Melissa Leger **Kenny McGinley Bill Madigan** Baby Vivian Mallis **Diane Agnes Martin Ron Martz Clara Morrow Randy Morrow Specialist Mullins** Marilyn Naggy Ka'varus Penticolas **Larry Newtzie Desiree Page** Mark A. Roane **Brett Pickens Pam Rigsby 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**

9/21 thru 9/27 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters 9/28 thru 10/4 – Tom & Rowena Fauber 10/5 thru 10/11 – Gary & Jackie Silvia



9/26 – David Haviland, Dawson Haviland & Bob Ryalls 9/27 – Jim Milby, Tuan Nguyen & Jim Pyne



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

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

We can, unfortunately, be rather like the workers in today's Gospel - except that the stakes are rather higher than a day's wage. God has offered us eternal life and asks us to serve Him in this world until the day when we are with Him forever. The problem is that we can be tempted to think that that - if we work harder at this than anyone else - or serve God for longer - then somehow, this gives us greater credit in God's eyes. It is very easy to feel resentful at the idea that someone having a death-bed conversion after a life of self-indulgence might receive the same reward as us. At one level, it is not fair! At another - what reward could be greater than eternal happiness as a child of God in Heaven? Not one of us can ever earn eternal life - however hard we work - it is purely a gift of God. Thankfully, God is never outdone in generosity - and, as recipients of that generosity ourselves, we should rejoice that others receive it, too and learn, too, to make that generosity a model for our own lives. Adults: How can you make God's example of generosity a model in your own life? Children: How can you be more generous to others?

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saints Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang and companions, Martyrs: Andrew Kim Taegon was the first Korean presbyter and Paul Chong Hasang a catechist and lay apostle. After more than two centuries of lay leadership, the Church in Korea was subject to fierce persecutions between 1839 and 1867. This feast commemorates 103 of the numerous Korean martyrs. representatives from all walks of life: men and women, married and unmarried, the elderly, teenagers and children, missionary bishops and presbyters. They are all noted for their fearless witness in the face of torture and death. We celebrate this feast day on September 20th.

## DO YOU KNOW?

AS the Church, we need to lead with mercy, not just moral truth. Behind the debate you're having about some moral issue is a real person who has his own struggles with various weakness, sins, hurts and fears - a person who needs God's loving help. These souls need more than an argument about why what they're doing is wrong (moral truth). Yes, they need that, but they also need the encouraging news that they can be forgiven and healed and have a fresh start in life(mercy). Let's offer them not just a condemnation of certain actions, but a way out of their sins by sharing the Good News of how much God still loves them and wants to forgive and heal them. Let's pray for them, make sacrifices for them and share with them the Good News of God's truth and His mercy. (Dr. Edward Sri)



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 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

\*\*\*Though the response of our Christian Formation Survey was very low, we do thank those who did respond. We will prayerfully take many factors into consideration and once a final plan is devised, we will notify parents of how their child's formation can continue during this time of continued pandemic restrictions. Your patience and flexibility is appreciated and we hope that together we can help our children continue to grow in their faith.



Life and Choice: "Choice is a positive concept, and an attractive concept. That's why abortion apologists use it. But the way they use it is a lie and, increasingly, Americans are catching on. There is hope in this development.... Increasingly, Americans are recognizing what a moral evil is embodied in Roe. Increasingly, they are aware of the vast network of lies that have been spun and fortified to sustain the illusion that abortion is somehow a good, or at least a morally neutral procedure; that it is a standard part of health care and family planning; that it is a proper exercise of a woman's freedom; that it is a solution to intractable social problems. It is, of course, none of these things. What it is, is an unfettered right to take an innocent, human life from the mother's womb. All this, more and more Americans are coming to know." --- Cardinal William H. Keeler, Former Archbishop of Baltimore January 23, 2005, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (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 32<sup>nd</sup> National Life Chain on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

Parish Blood Drive – October 7<sup>th</sup>!!!

Where: Boogaard Center, 3510 King William Ave,
West Point, VA 23181

When: Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020

When: Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 1:00pm – 6:00pm

<u>Details:</u> Appointments are Required to Donate,
WALK-INS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
Please wear a mask, or we can provide you with one.
To make an appointment visit

www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code 'knightswestpoint' or call 1-800-REDCROSS. 1-800-733-2767

# Mass Readings: The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

#### The Word of the Lord

## **Responsorial Psalm**

R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works. The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

R. The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

## A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit. Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

## The Word of the Lord

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came,

each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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.



- Parish Blood Drive October 7th: The Knights are sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive and encourage anyone able to give to do so and ask friends and family members to join in. Appointments are required and COVID-19 practices will be in place at the Parish Hall.
- 2. A Shortened Installation of Officers will take place at the Knights Hall on Monday, September 21st at 7:00pm
  - 3. Eagle Scout Project The Knights have been asked to help Kody Kopacki with his very worthy Eagle Scout Project at the St. John of Kanti Church site on Saturday morning, September 19th at 9:00am.

<u>Invalid Marriage:</u> do you have a case? A ZOOM Webinar with the Tribunal of our Diocese will be offered on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00pm (Register in advance

https://richmonddiocese.zoom.us/webinar/register/ WN s3 8sXIvRGC5ZjKHueH9Rw) and on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at 1:00pm. (Register in advance https://richmonddiocese.zoom.us/webinar/register/ WN kpessrl3QuiHtSAB5LnGrw) For more information, please visit

https://richmonddiocese.org/.

## 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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