OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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11:30 A.M. (SPANISH MASS)

WEEKDAYS: 8:30 A.M. Tuesday - Friday

HOLYDAYS: 8:30 A.M. & 7:00 P.M.

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SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Also by appointment

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Monday and Tuesday

Monday and Tuesday Mercy Center Chapel

First Friday Adoration in the church

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

RECITATION of the MOST HOLY ROSARY

6:30 p.m. Every Friday in the church

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 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

August 14th & 15th, 2021



Sat 8/14 – Joe Buffa (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Knights of Columbus

Father Jakubowski Council #8116

Sun 8/15 – Gaetano Buffa (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Knights of Columbus

Father Jakubowski Council #8116

Mon 8/16 – No Mass

Tue 8/17 – Annie & Adam Geron (RIP) Fr. Oscar

Requested by Donna Geron

Wed 8/18 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Fr. Oscar

Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

Thurs 8/19 – No Mass Intention

Fri 8/20 – Allen (A.J.) Smith (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Frank & Mary Ann Fetterolf

Sat 8/21 – Tommy Sturtz, Jr. (RIP) Fr. Oscar Anniversary of Birthday

Requested by Marguerite Sturtz

Sun 8/22 – James Geron (RIP) Fr. Oscar

Requested by Donna Geron

Collections for August 7th & 8th, 2021

Parish Operations	\$2,443.00
The Assumption	20.00
Religious Education	375.00
Total	\$2,838.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance Fund	\$25.00
Cemetery Fund	\$105.00
Capital Campaign	\$3,085.00

Thank you for supporting our parish!

***If you are having difficulty hearing the Mass in Church, please arrive a few minutes early and speak with one of the ushers, as the parish has purchased hearing assistance devices for our parishioners.

Attendance – August 7th & 8th, 2021
Saturday, August 7th – 5:30pm = 49
Sunday, August 8th – 9:00am = 95
Spanish Mass, August 8th – 11:30am = 40



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 9:00am through 4:30pm. Any other times, please contact Pam Watkins at 919-820-1986 (cell phone).

Mass Updates

*** 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 the 9am Sunday Mass.

There will be some mandated changes to how we practice our Mass. Effective immediately:

- Everyone who is fully vaccinated may attend Mass without wearing a mask.
- Everyone 5 years and older who has not been fully vaccinated should wear a mask.
- Continue to refrain from physical contact, such as holding hands during the Our Father and shaking hands during the Sign of Peace.
- 4. Bulletins will be available at Masses. We have discontinued mailing our bulletins. If you need us to continue to mail a bulletin, we will be happy to do so. Please call the parish office at 804-843-3125 to be added to our list to be mailed a bulletin.

Schedule - Week of August 16th - 22nd

Monday, August 16th - No Daily Mass

Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm

Tuesday, August 17th - Mass 8:30am - Church

Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm

Wednesday, August 18th - Mass 8:30am

Thursday, August 19th - Mass 8:30am

Friday, August 20th - Mass 8:30am

Most Holy Rosary - 6:30pm in Church

(Livestreamed)
<u>Saturday, August 21st</u> – Mass – 5:30pm
<u>Sunday, August 22nd</u> – We Celebrate Father
Oscar's 40th Anniversary of his Ordination

Beginning with Mass at 9:00am

(Livestreamed)

Immediately Following Mass is a Parish Pot Luck Dinner to Celebrate & Honor Father Oscar for his Anniversary! Come and enjoy spending time with Father Oscar and our Parish Family!

Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady OLBS Capital Campaign
Our Capital Campaign has been approved by Bishop
Knestout for 5 years and <u>any</u> funds received designated
for our "Capital Campaign" is not subject to the
Diocesan Cathedraticum "tax"! That means all of
those funds stay with our parish. Thank you for your
generosity!!!

***If you have any questions about the Capital Campaign or the repairs needed on the parish grounds, please contact Bob Ryalls at businessmgr@olbs-catholic.org or call him at 757-207-0125. You can also contact Jim Pyne at facilitieschair@olbs-catholic.org.



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Emily Adams Camb Ashley Elizabeth Alley **Candace Barefoot** Virginia Becker **Paulette Berberich Linda Blevins Ron Blevins** Joan Buehler William Bush Linda Burch **Kathryn Carson 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 Fincher** Kelli Gaeta **Natalee Franzyshen Maria Fredericks Margaret Geron** Jim Gregory Pat Hinkle **Kelly Hipple Laurie Hite Tom Hollowak** Mary Ann Hooper **Ellen Horseman Gail Justin Bob Kay** John Kellam **Bill Kessler** Gloria Kojcsich **Bonnie Kopacki** Joyce Kostrzewa **Gordon Langston** Patricia Lanuza **Ashley Larson** Melissa Leger **Philip Liberato** Lanci McCloud **Kenny McGinley** Patrick McGowan **Beverly McGowan** William Madigan III **Ron Martz Diane Agnes Martin** Jackie Mierle **Randy Morrow** Clara Morrow **Specialist Mullins Larry Newtzie Desiree Page** Ka'varus Penticolas **Brett Pickens** Ray Rackley Vickie Roane Pam Rigsby Mark A. Roane **Leonard Romano Debbie Royals Jack Scaife** Barbara Schafer **James Simmons** The Solak Family **Levi Sturtz** Jim Tokarz **Mae Touray Taylor Trimbath** Gloria Wajciechowski **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

8/9 thru 8/15 – Gary & Jackie Silvia 8/16 thru 8/22 – Our Hispanic Community 8/23 thru 8/29 – Dan Gibbs Family



8/14 - David Seckora & Joe Drexler

8/15 - Jim Milby & Tuan Nguyen

8/21 – Bob Ryalls & Dan Gibbs

8/22 - Craig Smith & Tuan Nguyen



8/14 - Pattie Vadas & Jim Vadas

8/15 - Joe Pincus & Pat Barron

8/21 - Lorraine Ryalls & Jackie Silvia

8/22 - Kay Shaw & Danielle Smith



8/14 – Tom Fauber 8/21 – Jim Vadas 8/15 – Bill Madigan 8/22 – Jim Pyne

MEDITATION OF THE WEEK

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for He has looked with favor on His lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed." Mary, in her humility and lowliness is always redirecting to God and His goodness. She is a perfect reflection of God's love; a perfect love that always looks beyond herself to recognize the Creator. With great TRUST she gives glory to God and His plan for all generations. Mary, chosen and without the original stain of sin, brings heaven to us, by participation in the Incarnation of Christ. This act of humility, selfless love and sacrifice, connects us to our redeemer Christ, the God man. Like Jesus, Mary is lifted after death, body and soul into heaven, where she is exalted by the Lord as Queen over all, heaven and earth. Chosen before time, Mary is given as Mother to all nations and people.

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Wherever St. Joseph is present, the Holy Spirit is present. St. Joseph would tell you that if you want to be filled with the Holy Spirit there is one absolutely necessary thing: prayer. Without prayer, you will never be able to have intimacy with God. Without prayer, you will not be able to follow the direction of the Holy Spirit. To be holy, you need to imitate St. Joseph. You need to maintain a heart aflame with love of God and neighbor through committing to a devout interior life. Don't panic after reading this. You don't have to become a monk or a nun. Holiness is for everyone. Yet, no matter what your vocation in life, holiness is only attained by those who pray and have an active interior life, ignited and sustained by Sacraments, fueled by prayer and a life of charity.

(Pray the Litany of St. Joseph)

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church - August 20th

Bernard was born in a castle to a highborn family and was sent away by his parents during his youth to receive a classical education. After the death of his mother left him in a depression, he pondered more seriously what God wanted of him. At the age of twenty-two, Bernard decided to dedicate his life to God and to enter a new, experimental monastery. But Bernard being Bernard, with all the force of his mind and personality, when he knocked on the door of the abbey, he was not alone. Behind him at the door stood a long train of thirty of his brothers, cousins, and friends, all noblemen. Bernard was the leader. They were the followers. They wanted to become monks because he wanted to become a monk. When he asked, they answered, and they answered "Yes". This natural gift to command and lead was a sign of things to come. Bernard has an authentic and tender devotion to the Virgin Mary that was expressed sublimely in all his writings.



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 & Natalie Franzyshen – 8/26/1972

Help Needed!!!

The Church of Saint Therese in Gloucester, Virginia, is seeking an Administrative Assistant. This is a 25 hour per week position and salary is according to diocesan scale. An application from the Richmond Diocese (available on the diocesan website at https://richmonddiocese.org/office/office-of-human-resources/.) must be submitted. For a position description, please contact Fr. Gregory Kandt, Pastor, at 804-693-9043 or fr.gregoray@stthersglo.org . Applications should likewise be submitted to Fr. Gregory. The successful candidate will begin employment by

November 2, 2021.



Pope Benedict on Conscience: "The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us, 'Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing or has already completed. In all he says and does, man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right' (n. 1778). From this definition it emerges that the moral conscience, to be able to judge human conduct rightly, above all must be based on the solid foundation of truth, that is, it must be enlightened to know the true value of actions and the solid criteria for evaluation. Therefore, it must be able to distinguish good from evil, even where the social environment, pluralistic culture and superimposed interests do not help it do so" (Address to the Pontifical Academy for Life, February 24, 2007). (Priests for Life)

Young Adult Fall Retreat 2021

We all need to take time to rest, retreat from the world, and recharge. This retreat for young adults will include a keynote speaker who will give a series of relevant, practical, inspiring, and challenging talks, and a priest will be available throughout the weekend for Mass, Reconciliation, and Eucharistic Adoration. There will also be ample opportunities for prayer, fellowship, and downtime. Recharge and breathe again with God.

October 22-24, 2021, Kill Devil Hills, NC Ramada Plaza Nags Head Oceanfront
This retreat is intended for young adults ages 18-39. All attendees should be out of high school. Cost is \$125 per person. Registration closes on Sunday, September 19, 2021 at midnight. The fee includes two nights lodging at the hotel, all meals on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday in addition to retreat programming. For more information, call Erin Hayden (804-843-3125) ext. 103.

Help Needed!!!

We are seeking Religious Education
Techers for the Fall year. Please Pray, and consider giving your time and talents for a most important ministry. Teacher guides and help will be provided. For more information or questions, please contact Erin Hayden at 804-843-3125, Ext. 103.

***Beginning in September, we will list the Sunday Readings, but will not print them.

<u>Mass Readings: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary</u> Time

A reading from the Book of Revelation

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant could be seen in the temple. A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was with child and wailed aloud in pain as she labored to give birth. Then another sign appeared in the sky; it was a huge red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on its heads were seven diadems. Its tail swept away a third of the stars in the sky and hurled them down to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman about to give birth, to devour her child when she gave birth. She gave birth to a son, a male child, destined to rule all the nations with an iron rod. Her child was caught up to God and his throne. The woman herself fled into the desert where she had a place prepared by God. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now have salvation and power come, and the Kingdom of our God and the authority of his Anointed One."

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

The queen takes her place at your right hand in gold of Ophir.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear, forget your people and your father's house.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

So shall the king desire your beauty; for he is your lord.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

They are borne in with gladness and joy; they enter the palace of the king.

R. The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the Kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for "he subjected everything under his feet."

The Word of the Lord

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Mary is taken up to heaven; a chorus of angels exults

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel According to Luke

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever." Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

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.

Come Help Father Oscar Celebrate 40 Years of Service to the Lord and His people!!!
On August 16th, Father Oscar will have served the Lord as one of His priests for 40 years! We will help Father Oscar celebrate over at the Hall on Sunday, August 22nd immediately following the 9:00am Mass with a Pot Luck Dinner. Please bring your favorite dish (or Father's) and come gather with our parish family to celebrate his 40 years of service!!! If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 804-843-3125.

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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