

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

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



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SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Also by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 25th & 26th, 2021



Sat	9/25 – Betty Ward (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Marguerite Sturtz	
Sun	9/26 – Charles Adams (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by David Seckora	
Mon	9/27 – No Mass	
Tue	9/28 – James Geron (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	
Wed	9/29 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Fr. Oscar	
	Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	
Thurs	9/30 – Audrey Milby (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Virginia Kopacki	
Fri	10/1 – Betty Ward (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	
Sat	10/2 – Elizabeth Sturtz Ward (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Jeanie Sturtz	
Sun	10/3 – Henry J. Kopacki, Jr. (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Anniversary of Birthday October 5 th Requested by Marian Kopacki & Family	

Collections for September 18th & 19th, 2021

Parish Operations	\$2,442.00
Supplemental Collection	280.00
Online Giving as of 9/15/2021	75.00
Total	\$2,797.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is \$3,940	
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Maintenance Savings Account	\$225.00
Capital Campaign	\$571.00
Cemetery Fund	\$5.00

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 Sept. 18th & 19th, 2021

Saturday, Sept. 18th 5:30pm = 65

Sunday, Sept. 19th 9:00am = 105

Spanish, Sept. 19th 11:30am = 53

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.

Per the Virginia Department of Health:

1. Unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated individuals should wear masks in public indoor settings.
2. Fully vaccinated individuals do not need to wear a mask; however, masks should be worn in indoor settings in areas of substantial and high transmission.
3. Any person not wearing a mask shall not be required to produce documentation that they are vaccinated or that they have an underlying medical condition.

Schedule Week of Sept 27th – Oct 3rd

Monday, September 27th – No Daily Mass
Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm

Tuesday, Sept. 28th – Mass 8:30am (Livestreamed)
Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm
Finance Council Meeting – Mercy Center – 6:30pm

Wednesday, Sept. 29th Mass 8:30am (Livestreamed)

Thursday, Sept. 30th – Mass 8:30am (Livestreamed)

Friday, October 1st – Mass 8:30am (Livestreamed)
Most Holy Rosary – 6:30pm in Church
(Livestreamed)

Saturday, October 2nd – Mass – 5:30pm

Sunday, October 3rd – Mass at 9:00am
(Livestreamed)
Faith Formation for Children & Adults
10:15am in Hall
Spanish Mass at 11:30am



Thank you to our Religious Education Catechists this Year and the many years served!! May God Bless you all for your hard work and dedication in the spiritual growth of our children.

Miss Peggy Keane – Pre-K to 1st Grade
Miss Shannon Hayden – 2nd & 3rd Grades
Mrs. Karena Funkhouser – 4th to 6th Grades
Mr. Chris Polcyn – 7th Grade to Highschool



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Emily Adams	Elizabeth Alley	Judy Anderson
Camb Ashley	Candace Barefoot	Virginia Becker
Paulette Berberich	Linda Blevins	Ron Blevins
Joan Buehler	Linda Burch	William Bush
Kathryn Carson	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 Fincher	Natalee Franzysen	Maria Fredericks
Kelli Gaeta	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	Beverly McGowan
Patrick McGowan	William Madigan III	Ron Martz
Jackie Mierle	Clara Morrow	Randy Morrow
Specialist Mullins	Larry Newtzie	Desiree Page
Ka'varus Penticolas	Brett Pickens	Ray Rackley
Pam Rigsby	Mark A. Roane	Vickie 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

Church Cleaning Schedule

- 9/20 thru 9/26 – Dan Gibbs Family
- 9/27 thru 10/3 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters
- 10/4 thru 10/10 – Gary & Jackie Silvia



- 9/25 – Abby Lazar & Shawn Lazar
- 9/26 – Jim Pyne & Tuan Nguyen
- 10/2 – Dan Gibbs & Bob Ryalls
- 10/3 – Jim Milby & Craig Smith



- 9/25 – Lorraine Ryalls & Jackie Silvia
- 9/26 – Joe Pincus & Kay Shaw
- 10/2 – David Seckora & Tom Fauber
- 10/3 – Colleen Rae & Scott Rae



- 9/25 – Erin Lazar
- 10/2 – Joe Drexler
- 9/26 – Susan Thompson
- 10/3 – Sarah Rae

MEDITATION OF THE WEEK

“There is no one who performs a mighty deed in My name who can at the same time speak ill of Me. For whoever is not against us is for us.” God set the foundation for which we are to stand. When our faith leads us to be bold and proclaim Jesus in our words, actions and deeds, we show that Jesus has no limits on what He can do in our lives and what we can do in His name, for others. We are believers in the one true God, with full heart to recognize Him. In responding to that grace by recognition and relationship, comes authority from God, so that He may carry out in us, His mighty deeds and works. Sin is the only thing that can keep us separated from God, it causes division within ourselves and others. With sin, comes doubt and lack of trust in God. Let the sacrifice of Christ lead us to stand on the foundation of truth.

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph is a model for all men.

The vocation of all men is to be at the service of those entrusted to their love and care. Real men are true gentlemen at the service of others. Real men love.

Real men protect women and children against any and all threats. Real men are willing to die for their wives and children.

Holy priests and bishops are willing to suffer and die for the souls entrusted to their care. Priests and bishops of this caliber are not afraid of ridicule, slander, poverty, or imprisonment. Men like St. Joseph are willing to fight for what they love, what is good, true and beautiful.

May the Church and families once again be filled with such men!

(Pray the Litany of St. Joseph)

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Cosmas and St. Damian were brothers, born in Arabia, who had become eminent for their skill in the science of medicine. Being Christians, they were filled with the spirit of charity and never took money for their services. At Egaea in Cilicia, where they lived, they enjoyed the highest esteem of the people. When the persecution under Diocletian broke out, their very prominence rendered them marked objects of persecution. Being apprehended by order Lysias, governor of Cilicia, they underwent various torments about the year 283. Their feast day is September 26th. They are patron saints of pharmacists.



To our couples with anniversaries in September: (Paul) & Gaye Tamulynas – 9/13/1986; (Billy) & Janice McGowan – 9/14/1974; Gary & Jackie Silvia – 9/17/1988



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).



On Voting... "In a democratic society citizens choose whom they vest with authority for the common good. A choice for one person over another for public office can significantly affect many lives, especially the lives of the most vulnerable persons in society, such as children in the womb and those who are terminally ill. Therefore, Catholic citizens have a serious moral obligation to exercise their right to vote, whether on the national, state or local level" (Bishops of Kansas, "Moral Principles for Catholic Voters," August 15, 2006). (Priests for Life)

Mark Your Calendars!!!

We are having a Respect Life Shower! All are invited to participate!!! We will be collecting gifts throughout the Respect Life month of October. Then, on Friday, October 29th, we will attend the Holy Rosary in the Church in Honor of Mary, who said "YES" to life! Immediately following the Rosary, we will meet in the Hall to have our Respect Life Shower, complete with light Refreshments, where we will compile our donations collected during the month and get them ready to be delivered to The House of Mercy in Williamsburg where they will be delivered into to the hands of young women in crisis who said "YES" to life but face uncertainties and the Three Rivers Nursing Home in West Point for our elderly.

{“Can a mother forget her infant, be without tenderness for the child of her womb? Even should she forget, I will never forget you.” – Isaiah 49:15}

Greater Williamsburg LIFE CHAIN

St. Olaf in coordination with other Churches invites all to participate in the 33rd National Life Chain on Sunday, October 3rd from 2:00pm to 3:15pm. This will be a Greater Williamsburg area's 9th annual LIFE CHAIN. 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. Pro-Life signs will be available and you may bring a chair if need be. All are welcome!

***Any Middle School and High School Youth interested in attending this event, please contact Erin Hayden at 804-843-3125 Ext. 103.

Youth Group activities will begin on Sunday, October 17th at 6:30pm in Boogaard Hall.

Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady OLBS Capital Campaign Our Capital Campaign has been approved by Bishop Knestout for 5 years and **any** 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.

Mass Readings: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Nm 11:25-29

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14

2nd Reading: Jas 5:1-6

Alleluia Acclamation: Cf. Jn 17:17b, 17a

Gospel Reading: Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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.

The Office of Social Ministries and Respect Life invites you to join them for *Foster the Good:*

Housing to Respect Life and Protect the Family,

Tuesday, September 28th, 12:30-1:30pm by

ZOOM. Registration required:

<https://bit.ly/FostertheGoodSeptember2021Jay>

Brown, CEO of Commonwealth Catholic Charities, will share about CCC’s Innovative Seton Housing Project that promotes life-affirming decisions for women facing crisis or unintended pregnancies. Using evidence-based interventions, CCC supports women making the decision to parent or adopt through permanent housing and supportive service. For more information about JustFaith programs, please contact Renee McCarthy at reneemccarthy44@gmail.com or call 757-486-3375.

Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

We will begin our Adult Faith Formation Series “Explaining the Faith” Bible Study beginning Sunday, October 3rd at 10:15am in Boogaard Hall. For those unable to attend on Sundays, we will also have the same program beginning on Tuesday, October 5th at 7:00pm in the Mercy Center. Come and join parishioners interested in learning more about our Faith and how to live our Faith in this ever-changing world.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive!!!

Knights of Columbus - West Point is partnering with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive on Thursday, October 7th from 1-6pm. If you are healthy and willing, please consider donating lifesaving blood to someone in need. Appointments are highly encouraged to donate. We will be accepting very limited walk-ins in order to properly follow social distancing rules. You can make an appointment by calling 1-800-REDCROSS or by going to their Website at

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=knightswestpoint>.

The Senior Luncheon is Back!!!

Senior Luncheons will resume beginning in the month of October and will stick to the same schedule as the Third Thursday of each month. Mass will be at 11:00am with the Luncheon immediately following the Mass. On Thursday, October 21st, the Luncheon will be at Nick’s Restaurant. Please call the parish office at 804-843-3125 to have your name put on the list so we can make reservations. Parish Office hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:30pm.

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive
Knights of Columbus
West Point

Boogaard Center
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Thursday, October 7, 2021
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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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
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