OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

3570 KING WILLIAM AVENUE, WEST POINT VA 23181



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.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 30th & 31st, 2021



Sat 10/30 – Special Intention Fr. Oscar Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Sun 10/31 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP)

Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler Fr. Oscar

Mon 11/1 – No Mass

Tue 11/2 - Joe Sr, Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP)

Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler Fr. Oscar

Wed 11/3 – Irene & Ralph Kasmarik (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Mike & Nancy Pausic

Thurs 11/4 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP)

Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler Fr. Oscar

Fri 11/5 – Gian Duong & An Bui (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by The Bui Family

Sat 11/6 – Joe Sr, Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP)
Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler Fr. Oscar

Sun 11/7 – Art West (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Knights of Columbus – Father Jakubowski – Council #8116

Collections for October 23rd & 24th, 2021

Parish Operations	\$2,645.00
Supplemental Collection	75.00
Online Giving as of 10/15/2021	75.00
Votive Candles	19.00
Poor Box	20.00
All Souls Day	120.00
Total	\$2,954.00

Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is \$3,940

Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish

Capital Campaign \$721.00 World Missions \$275.00

Thank you for supporting our parish!

***Did you know that if you are 72 or older, you can make your Required Minimum Distribution from your IRA straight to our parish and most times it is excluded from your gross taxable income. To find out more, contact your financial advisor or Maggie Keenan at the Catholic Community Foundation - 804-622-5221 or mkeenan@richmonddiocese.org.

***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.

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.
- 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 November 1st – 7th
Monday, November 1st All Saints 8:30am Mass
Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm

*Knights of Columbus – Knights Hall 7:00pm

Tuesday, Nov. 2nd – All Souls 8:30am Mass

Blossing of Compteries after Mass

Blessing of Cemeteries after Mass
Weather Permitting

Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm *Liturgy Committee - 6:00pm - Mercy Center *Adult Faith Formation - Mercy Center - 7:00pm

Wednesday, Nov. 3rd - 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

Thursday, Nov. 4th - 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

<u>Friday, November 5th</u> – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed) Most Holy Rosary 6:30pm Church (Livestreamed)

Saturday, November 6th - Mass - 5:30pm

Sunday, November 7th - Mass at 9:00am (Livestreamed)

*Faith Formation for Children & Adults 10:15am – Hall

Spanish Mass at 11:30am *Youth Group – 6:30pm

Daylight Savings Ends - Fall Back

Attendance October 23rd & 24th, 2021
Saturday, October 23rd 5:30pm = 66
Sunday, October 24th 9:00am = 123
No Spanish Mass, October 24th
11:30am



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Emily Adams Judy Anderson Elizabeth Alley **Camb Ashley Candace Barefoot** Virginia Becker Jane Bellanca Mike Bellanca **Paulette Berberich Linda Blevins Ron Blevins** Linda Burch William Bush **Kathryn Carson Kevin Carson Tim Collier Meredith Crowe Lucy Carson Eric Crump** Vincent D'elia **Denise DePompeo Dale Dippre Dexter Dix** Larry Dzula, Jr. Michelle Eshelman **Amanda Fincher** Natalee Franzyshen **Maria Fredericks** Kelli Gaeta **Margaret Geron** Jim Gregory Pat Hinkle **Kelly Hipple** Tom Hollowak **Laurie Hite** 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 Denise Mason Matt Matula** 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 Andrea Payton** Ka'varus Penticolas **Brett Pickens** Patricia Pilong Ray Rackley Pam Rigsby Mark A. Roane Vickie Roane **Leonard Romano Debbie Royals Jack Scaife Barbara Schafer Kay Shaw James Simmons** The Solak Family **Levi Sturtz** Jim Tokarz **Mae Touray Taylor Trimbath** Gloria Wajciechowski **Francis Watkins 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

10/25 thru 10/31 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters 11/1 thru 11/7 – Gary & Jackie Silvia 11/8 thru 11/14 – Our Hispanic Community



10/30 – Bob Ryalls & Joe Drexler 10/31 – Tuan Nguyen & Craig Smith 11/6 – Bob Ryalls & David Seckora 11/7 – Jim Milby & Daniel Duke



10/30 – Jackie Silvia & Pattie Vadas 10/31 – Danielle Smith & Kay Shaw 11/6 – Tom Fauber & Lorraine Ryalls 11/7 – Bill Madigan & Cydney Henley



10/30 – Jim Vadas 11/6 – Jim Vadas 10/31 – Sarah Rae 11/7 – Jim Pyne

MEDITATION ON THE BLESSED MOTHER

Mary is the Virgin presenting offerings. Mary, as stated in Marialis Cultus, is the example of that worship which consists in making our own life an offering pleasing to God. For her the "rejoice" of the Annunciation soon became "a sword will pierce your soul because that Child would be a sign of contradiction." (Lk 2:35). It is an allusion to the passion of the Son which will become her passion. Mary shared from moment to moment the experience of the Son, and transformed her fiat into a daily Stabat, faithfully adhering to the mission that the Father entrusted to her. St. Maximillian called this stage of life "suffering out of love." Jesus did not come down from the Cross, Mary did not move away from the Cross. So Jesus has loved us!

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph Head of the Holy Family Saint Joseph was an ordinary sort of man on whom God relied to do great things. He did exactly what the Lord wanted him to do, in each and every event that went to make up his life. That is why Scripture praises Joseph as "a just man." In Hebrew a just man means a good and faithful servant of God, someone who fulfills the divine will (cf. Gen 7:1, 18:23-32). So a just man is someone who loves God and proves his love by keeping God's commandments and directing his whole life towards the service of his brothers, his fellow men. Holy Mass is not about the priest, the people, or the choir. It's about returning love for love and giving God His due. It's about you acting justly and lovingly toward God. There is no greater way to tell God "I love You," Give thanks to God, and worship Him through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. "Eucharist" means "thanksgiving."

(Pray the Litany of St. Joseph)

SAINT OF THE WEEK

November 2nd - All Souls Day

This day of commemoration began early in the Middle Ages with annual prayers for the dead in monastic communities. Fixed on this day, it spread more widely after the tenth century and now ranks with the principal feast days in the liturgical calendar. Commonly known as All Souls, it expresses Christian faith in the communion of saints and our need to pray for one another in the Church, especially the souls in purgatory.



To our couples with anniversaries in October:
Brandon & Gigi Jordan – 10/3/2009; Albert & Gloria
Wajciechowski – 10/10/1970; (David "Charlie") &
Jeanie Sturtz – 10/11/1968; Frank & Mary Ann
Fetterolf – 10/19/1963; Kevin & Deidra Kopacki –
10/20/2001; Mike & Nancy Pausic – 10/29/1960; Scott
& Pam Watkins – 10/29/1983.



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, 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).

From the Cemetery Committee

The Cemetery Committee is in the process of having some much-needed maintenance done to St. Theresa's Cemetery. Over a number of years, erosion has caused many uneven spots throughout the cemetery. We will be having those spots leveled with top soil, then grass seed and hay will be applied. Hopefully this will help with run off and standing water.

A Concert with Tenor Anthony Kearns
Of the Irish Tenors to celebrate 100
Years of Faith & Service will be Sunday,
November 21, 2021 at 5pm at Blessed
Sacrament Catholic Church - Tickets \$40.00. Questions - Call 757-423-8305.



Vote! In some parts of the country there are elections this Tuesday. It is an appropriate occasion for all of us as believers to reflect on what our Church teaches about the duty and privilege of voting. Our bishops have written, "We encourage all citizens, particularly Catholics, to embrace their citizenship not merely as a duty and privilege, but as an opportunity meaningfully to participate in building the culture of life. Every voice matters in the public forum. Every vote counts. Every act of responsible citizenship is an exercise of significant individual power. We must exercise that power in ways that defend human life, especially those of God's children who are unborn, disabled or otherwise vulnerable. We get the public officials we deserve. Their virtue -- or lack thereof -- is a judgment not only on them, but on us. Because of this, we urge our fellow citizens to see beyond party politics, to analyze campaign rhetoric critically, and to choose their political leaders according to principle, not party affiliation or mere selfinterest" (US Bishops, Living the Gospel of Life, n. 34). (Priests for Life)

Prayer of the Unborn

Since October was Respect Life Month, let us pray for the unborn child in the womb who cannot speak or write or vote or protest and especially even pray. Let us say the Prayer of the Unborn every day. Prayer is a powerful force for good when we pray in unison for a good cause. Who knows how many lives we can save by saying the Prayer of the Unborn. Only God knows.

Heavenly Father, I thank You for the gift of life. Grant that the dear mother who gives me birth may welcome me with love. But if she cannot love me, Lord, grant that she may at least feel compassion, that the life You have given me may not be taken away from me even before I am born. I beg this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Mass Readings: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Dt 6:2-6

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

2nd Reading: Heb 7:23-28 Alleluia Acclamation: Jn 14:23 Gospel Reading: Mk 12:28b-34

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.

ASIST - Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training
- November 3rd-4th from 8:30am-4:30pm - \$20.00
Registration Fee - in Person at the Pastoral Center in
Richmond - Registration is Required:

https://ofe.regfox.com/applied-suicide-intervention-skills-training-asist. This 2-Day interactive workshop is led by VA Dept. of Behavioral Services and will focus on suicide first-aid. ASIST teaches participants to recognize when someone might be at risk of suicide and work with them to create a plan that will support their immediate safety.

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" all of those funds stay with our parish. If you have
any questions about the Capital Campaign or the
repairs needed on the parish grounds, please
contact Bob Ryalls at businessmgr@olbscatholic.org or call him at 757-207-0125. You can
also contact Jim Pyne at facilitieschair@olbscatholic.org.

To Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Virgin Immaculate, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, we invoke you under the title of Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, because you are the Mother of the Savior who lives in the Eucharist. It was from you He took the flesh and blood which He feeds us in the Sacred Host.

We also invoke you under that title because the Grace of the Eucharist comes to us through you, since you are the Mediatrix, the channel through which God's Graces reach us.

Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, pray for us!



Knights of Columbus Crab Cake Dinner! Saturday, November 13th, 2021 Boogaard Hall

Dine-in or Take-out

Take-out 4:00pm - 8:00pm Dine-in 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Portion of Proceeds to Benefit "Coats for Kids"
For West Point Elementary, Cool Spring &
Acquinton (King William) Elementary, and King &
Queen Elementary School

Cost \$12.50

Meal includes 1 "Famous" Knights' homemade crab cake, 4 fried shrimp, hushpuppies, slaw, baked beans, cake, and drink.

*Children's Meal of Hot Dog & Mac & Cheese available for \$5.00

For tickets: Call or leave a message (with name and phone number) at the Church Office at 804-843-3125 or 804-370-5341 or 804-513-9799 or contact any

Knight.



Our sincerest condolences and prayers for Jackie Silvia and her family at the loss of her brother, Jim Leister. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.



Our sincerest condolences and prayers for the Sturtz family at the loss of Ricky Sturtz. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

***Veterans Day - If you or your loved one (living or deceased) would like to be added to our existing list of Veterans to be remembered this Veteran's Day, please call the parish office at 804-843-3125 by this Wednesday, November 3rd at noon so we can expand our list of brave veterans who have served God and our Country with honor!



Please remember to pray for our dearly departed in the month of November:

Charles Adams Carolyn Alford

Angela Anello Rev. John Brieffies

Everett Burrell Katherine Crump

John Benton Doby Joe, Sr., Elsie & Johnnie Drexler

Ulpiana Ebisa Joseph, Jr. & Peggy Fostek

Joseph Fostek III Mary Fudala

Adam & Annie Geron James Geron

Anthony Gintout Dorothy (Dot) Harrison

Alice Higgins John Kovacs

Joseph Kovacs, Jr. Richard & Anna Kozlowski

Anita Martin Mary Ochman

Stephen Ochman Frank Piersa, Jr.

Mary Francis Potter Martha Prothe

Patricia Prothe Karl Rudolph

Virginia Schmitz Roger Staskiel

Tommy Sturtz, Jr. Thomas Sturtz, Sr.

Natalie Szelagiewicz Calvin Tinsley

Ryan Tinsley Ramonia Vega

Virgilio Vidal John & Anna Wroblick

Raymond Zuasola

***All The Least Remembered Souls in Purgatory

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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