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

PARISH OFFICES at the MERCY CENTER 207 W. Euclid Blvd., West Point, VA 23181 Phone: 843-3125 Fax: 843-9158

Office Hours: T W Th 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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 Frances Thornton
 843-4339

 Hours:
 M
 10 am - 2 pm

 W
 12:30 pm - 2:30 p.m.

van den BOOGAARD HALL RENTALS Janice McGowan 843-2870 Email: <u>hallrentals@olbs-catholic.org</u>

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION Saturday 5:00 p.m. Also by appointment

EUCHARISTIC 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.

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 20th & 21st, 2021



11/20 – Chieko Tanimoto (RIP) Sat Fr. Oscar **Requested by David Seckora** Sun 11/21 – Audrey Milby (RIP) Fr. Oscar **Requested by John & Vickie Roane** 11/22 - No Mass Mon 11/23 – Joe Sr, Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP) Tue Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler Fr. Oscar Wed 11/24 – Rosa A Gooch (RIP) Fr. Oscar **Anniversary of Death Requested by Edna Trudeau** 11/25 – Jim Leister (RIP) Thurs Fr. Oscar **Requested by Bob & Lorraine Ryalls** Fr. Oscar Fri 11/26 – Joseph Naggy (RIP) Anniversary of Birthday **Requested by Mildred Hite** 11/27 – Thomas Sturtz, Sr. (RIP) Fr. Oscar Sat **Requested by Marguerite Sturtz** Sun 11/28 – Rev. John Brieffies (RIP) Fr. Oscar **Requested by The Bui Family** Collections for November 13th & 14th, 2021 **Parish Operations** \$3,371.00 **Supplemental Collection** 100.00 **Christmas Flowers** 100.00 **Votive Candles** 10.50 **Poor Box** 42.00 **Religious Education** 50.00 **All Saints Day** 10.00 All Souls Day 10.00 \$3,693.50 Total Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is \$3,940 **Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish Capital Campaign** \$569.00 **Cemetery Fund** \$350.00 **Facilities Repairs & Maintenance Fund** \$60.00 **World Missions** \$5.00

Thank you for supporting our parish!

\$378.00

Archdiocese of the Military

***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.

***The Parish Offices will Close at Noon on Wednesday, November 24th and will not reopen until Tuesday, November 30th.



The flowers beside the Tabernacle this weekend have been donated in celebration of J's 10th Birthday!

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.
- 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 Nov. 22nd- 28th

Monday, November 22nd – No Daily Mass Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm Tuesday, Nov. 23rd - 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed) Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm *Adult Faith Formation – Mercy Center – 4:30pm Wednesday, Nov. 24th - 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed) ***Parish Offices will Close at Noon Thursday, Nov. 25th – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed) ***Thanksgiving Day – Parish Office Closed Friday, Nov. 26th – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed) Most Holy Rosary 6:30pm Church (Livestreamed) Saturday, November 27th – Mass – 5:30pm Sunday, November 28th – Mass at 9:00am (Livestreamed) *No Faith Formation for Children or Adults ***First Sunday of Advent – The Year of Grace We Begin Year C Free Advent Books - "The Word Among Us" at the Back of the Church Attendance November 13th & 14th, 2021 Saturday, November 13th 5:30pm = 91 Sunday, November 14th 9:00am = 112 Spanish Mass, Nov. 14th 11:30am = 42 Thanksgiving Day Mass

There will be the usual 8:30am Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25th.



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Emily Adams	Elizabeth Alley	Judy Anderson
Camb Ashley	Candace Barefoot	Virginia Becker
Paulette Berberich	Linda Blevins	Ron Blevins
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
Maria Fredericks	Cris Gay	Kelli Gaeta
Margaret Geron	Jim Gregory	Pat Hinkle
Kelly Hipple	Laurie Hite	Mary Ann Hooper
Ellen Horseman	John Jones	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
Andrea Payton	Ka'varus Penticolas	Brett Pickens
Patricia Pilong	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 Staff Sargent Steven Bullis Wood

Church Cleaning Schedule

11/15 thru 11/21 – Dan Gibbs Family 11/22 thru 11/28 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters 11/29 thru 12/5 – Gary & Jackie Silvia



11/20 – Kevin Kopacki & Kody Kopacki 11/21 – Tuan Nguyen & Jim Pyne 11/27 – Bob Ryalls & Dan Gibbs 11/28 – Jim Milby & Craig Smith



11/20 – Pattie Vadas & Jim Vadas 11/21 – Scott Rae & Colleen Rae 11/27 – Jackie Silvia & Tom Fauber 11/28 – Kay Shaw & Joe Pincus



11/20 – Tom Fauber 11/27 – Joe Drexler 11/21 – Sarah Rae 11/28 – Susan Thompson

MEDITATION ON THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

FIRST 7 WAYS TO PRAY FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

- 1- Pray the Novena to the Holy Souls.
- 2- Offer up your Holy Communions for the souls in purgatory.
- 3- Have Masses said for your departed loved ones, especially on the anniversary of his or her death.
- 4- Pray the Way of the Cross for Souls in Purgatory.
- 5- Pray the special Holy Souls Rosary. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Holy Rosary is the most powerful prayer.
 - 6- Obtain indulgences: Indulgences reduce or cancel the temporal punishment that we incur through sin.
 - 7- Give alms: The giving of material assistance to the poor has always been considered a penance that can be offered for the Holy Souls. "For
 - almsgiving saves from death and purges away every sin" (Tobit 12:9).

Eternal Rest grant unto them, oh Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Presentation of Mary - November 21st This memorial originally marked the dedication of a sixth century church of the Virgin Mary near the Temple of Jerusalem. The East took it up as a celebration of Mary's presentation to God in the Temple at the age of three, a non-biblical story from the apocryphal gospel of James. Established in the West late in the Middle Ages, the feast was universally observed by the sixteenth century. It celebrates Mary in her gracefilled life, wholly given over to the Holy Spirit from the time of her conception.

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

St. Joseph Most Courageous

St. Joseph is a man of courage. The root word of courage is "cour," meaning "heart." To be courageous is to love the good more than you fear evil and suffering. The courageous man is stouthearted, bold, and brave in the midst of trials. That St. Joseph was courageous no one can deny. It took courage for St. Joseph to take his family into enemy territory (Egypt). He knew that he might need to defend his wife and Child against physical assaults, and he was willing to do it. No man who is easily intimidated would embark on such a journey. St. Joseph is intimidated by no one. To be a saint, you must be courageous. If you imitate St. Joseph, you will not hesitate to enter enemy territory or undergo spiritual combat.

(Pray the Litany of St. Joseph)

Congratulations!

To our couples with anniversaries in November: Paul & Erin Borszich – 11/3/2007; Richard & Margaret Mountcastle – 11/6/1971; Shane & Donna Donahue – 11/10/2001; Jody & Bobbi Drexler – 11/15/2003; Stanley & Geraldine Thomas – 11/22/1959; Joe & Linda Drexler – 11/23/1968



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).

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" - 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 <u>businessmgr@olbs-</u> <u>catholic.org</u> or call him at 757-207-0125. You can also contact Jim Pyne at <u>facilitieschair@olbs-catholic.org</u>.

To date, we have raised a total of \$413,766.00, which includes \$388,250.00 in pledges and \$25,516.00 in one-time gifts. We have collected \$96,467.57 in pledge payments leaving us \$291,782.43 left to collect. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!!



<u>Consistent Ethic of Life:</u> "The meaning of a consistent ethic is to say in the Catholic community that our moral tradition calls us beyond the split so evident in the wider society between moral witness to life before and after birth. Does this mean that everyone must do everything? No! There are limits of time energy and competency. There is a shape to every individual vocation. People must specialize, groups must focus their energies. The consistent ethic does not deny this" (Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, Address at Seattle University, March 2, 1986). (Priests for Life)

Prayer of the Unborn

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.

Adoration to Defeat Abortion

In two weeks, the Supreme Court will debate abortion. Many of you are asking: What can I do? The CatholicVote Website has just launched a new resource page. The page has information about the pro-life Mississippi law at the heart of the upcoming Supreme Court case, and answers to some of the questions CatholicVote members have been asking. Right now, we need prayer. Join us in Adoration to End Abortion at https://catholicvote.org/dobbs. We have fought very hard to rally support around sound constitutional judges for the Supreme Court. But while the current makeup of justices looks very promising, we know from history that we can't take anything for granted. We are calling on Catholics across the country to join together in Eucharistic Adoration on the eve of December 1st – the day when the Supreme Court hears the landmark pro-life case Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health. Visit our Adoration to Defeat Abortion page now, https://catholicvote.org/dobbs to find out more about what you can do as a parish.

<u>Mass Readings: Solemnity of our</u> <u>Lord Jesus Christ, King of the</u> <u>Universe</u>

1st Reading: Dn 7:13-14 Responsorial Psalm: Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 2nd Reading: Rv 1:5-8 Alleluia Acclamation: Mk 11:9, 10 Gospel Reading: Jn 18:33b-37

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.

<u>Opportunities to Give This Season</u> of Love!

Our <u>Giving Tree</u> is up in the back of the Church. Please take a tag or two but don't forget to sign your name next to your tag numbers and please provide your phone number, as well. Again, we are asking that all gifts be returned to the tree in a black trash bag (Wrapped or unwrapped) with a list

of the items inside attached. We are beginning early because we realize there may be issues with supplies this year. However, we do have to have all gifts back by Sunday, December 4th. If you have any questions or need help in any way, please don't hesitate to

call the Church office at 804-843-3125 or look for Deidra Kopacki, Sandy Lam-Dinh, Tiffany Smith, or Pam Watkins after one of the Masses to help.

***If you have taken a tag but have forgotten to sign it out, please call the parish

office at 804-843-3125 to let us know your tag number/numbers. Or, you can sign them out on the sheet in the back of the Church.**

We will also be taking donations for the <u>Christmas Food Baskets</u>. Please place in an envelope and drop into the offertory – clearly marked – Food Baskets – or see Deidra Kopacki, Sandy Lam-Dinh, Tiffany Smith or Pam Watkins after one of the Masses. Thank you so much for all you do for others less fortunate!

Adult Bible Study

Looking for Faith Formation? Join us every Sunday after the 9:00am Mass at the Mercy Center Office, in the front room. We are learning about the book of ACTS (The Spread of the Kingdom) with Jeff Cavins.

Does a week day formation work better for you? You can join us on Tuesdays in the Mercy Center front room at 4:30pm.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, there will be no Bible Study on Sunday, November 28th. We will resume Bible Study on December 5th. Hope to see you there!

The Oplatki

Father Oscar will be Blessing the Oplatki the weekend on December 11th & 12th. Be sure to take one to share with your family, carrying on an old tradition or starting a new one!

***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.

Invitation from Catholic Charities

In Honor of the Barry Robinson Center's 88th Anniversary You are cordially invited to the Mass of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Celebrated by Father Eric Vogt Wednesday, the 8th of December Twelve noon Barry Robinson Catholic Chapel 443 Kempsville Road Norfolk, VA Lunch will be served after Mass

RSVP - 455-6159 by November 30th

14th Annual No Room at the Inn Gala

Preview Gala Friday, December 3, 2021 7:00pm – 10:00pm An evening of light refreshments, silent and live auctions. Gala tickets, \$25.00, available during Church of the Redeemer, Mechanicsville office hours or the Church Website. The exhibit and children's take-home activities Saturday, December 4th, 10:00am – 8:00pm and Sunday, December 5th, 9:00am -4:00pm Tickets: Adults: \$5.00; 18 and younger: \$1.00 Proceeds from the exhibit will benefit: Building a new home in Haiti, My Path Forward (teens aging out of foster care), and MCEF (Mechanicsville Churches Emergency Functions)

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

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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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