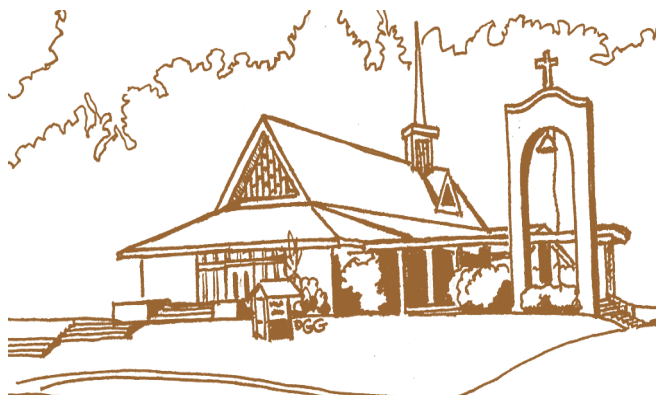


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MASS SCHEDULE

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.

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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.

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 8th & 9th, 2022



Sat	1/8 – Mary Klisiewicz (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Donna Geron	
Sun	1/9 – Natalee Franzysen (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Wini & Pat Barron	
Mon	1/10 – No Mass	
Tue	1/11 – Joe Fostek III (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Meredith Crowe	
Wed	1/12 – Mary Klisiewicz (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by David Seckora	
Thurs	1/13 – Jim Leister (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	
Fri	1/14 – William Madigan Sr. and Mary Madigan (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Bill & Edwina Madigan	
Sat	1/15 – Mary Klisiewicz (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by David Seckora	
Sun	1/16 – Natalee Franzysen (RIP)	Fr. Oscar
	Requested by Philip & Karen Liberato	

Collections for December 24th & 26th, 2021

Parish Operations	\$4,405.00
Supplemental Collection	40.00
Christmas Flowers	20.00
Votive Stand	38.00
Thanksgiving	20.00
Christmas Day	1,883.00
Total	\$6,406.00

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

Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Campaign	\$1,890.57
Haiti Ministry	\$700.00
Catholic Charities	\$960.00

Collections for January 1st & 2nd, 2022

Parish Operations	\$3,238.00
Poor Box	50.00
Votive Stand	13.00
Total	\$3,301.00

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

Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Campaign	\$605.00
Haiti Ministry	\$160.00
Parish Maintenance Savings Account	\$60.00

*****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

mkeen@richmonddiocese.org.

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.

Week of January 10th – 16th

Monday, January 10th – No Daily Mass

Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm

Tuesday, January 11th – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm

Adult Faith Formation – 4:30pm – Mercy Center

Wednesday, Jan. 12th – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

Thursday, January 13th – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

Friday, January 14th – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

Most Holy Rosary – 6:30pm in Church (Livestreamed)

***Knights Dinner 4-8pm – Take Out & Eat In from**

5-8pm – Tickets Needed – Boogaard Hall

Saturday, January 15th – 5:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 16th

9:00am Mass (Livestreamed)

10:15am – Children's Faith Formation in Hall

10:15am – Adult Faith Formation in Mercy Center

11:30am Spanish Mass

6:30pm – Youth Group in Hall

Attendance December 24th & 26th, 2021

Friday, December 24th 5:30pm = 165

Friday, December 24th 9:00pm = 108

Saturday, December 25th 9:00am = 45

Saturday, December 25th 5:30pm = 42

Sunday, December 26th = 108

Attendance January 1st & 2nd, 2022

Saturday, January 1st 8:30am = 24

Saturday, January 1st 5:30pm = 48

Sunday, January 2nd 9:00am = 80

No Spanish Mass, January 2nd 11:30am



To our couples with anniversaries in January:

Quan & Sandy Dinh – 1/18/2020 and Bill &

Edwina Madigan – 1/28/1967



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Emily Adams	Elizabeth Alley	Camb Ashley
Candace Barefoot	Virginia Becker	Paulette Berberich
Tom 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	Mildred 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
Mary Leigh McDonald	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 Pilon
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	Mary 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

12/27 thru 1/2/2022 – Gary & Jackie Silvia
1/3 thru 1/9 – Our Hispanic Community
1/10 thru 1/16 – Dan Gibbs Family



1/8 – Joe Drexler & David Seckora
1/9 – Daniel Duke & Philip Henley
1/15 – Kevin Kopacki & Kody Kopacki
1/16 – Jim Milby & Craig Smith



1/8 – Lorraine Ryalls & Jackie Silvia
1/9 – Pat Barron & Joe Pincus
1/15 – Pattie Vadas & Jim Vadas
1/16 – Cydney Henley & Bill Madigan



1/8 – Gary Silvia
1/15 – Tom Fauber
1/9 – Jim Pyne
1/16 – Susan Thompson

SUNDAY MEDITATION

Today we are presented with the mystery of Christ's baptism and our own. Jesus is baptized in order to reveal himself as God's only Son, and to reveal his mission of sharing that sonship with us sinners. The reality of his mission, and our status as baptized Christians, help us understand our commitment to a culture of Life. To be a Christian is much more than to be a good person. It's about becoming a new person, sharing a new kind of life – the life of God himself. Christmas, the celebration of which we conclude with today's Feast, is not just about the birth of a child; it's about the birth of a whole new humanity. In Adam, all die; in Christ, all come to life again. We are made sharers, by faith and baptism, in the Divine Nature. At every Mass, as he pours a few drops of water into the wine, the priest prays, "By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the Divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity." That's what the Christmas season is all about. St. Augustine put it this way: "God became man that man might become God." Baptism gives us our identity as "the people of life" (Evangelium Vitae n.79). Baptized into Christ's victory over death, we are also sent to proclaim, celebrate, and serve that victory (see EV 78-101). When we renew the vows of our baptism, we say that we "reject Satan and all his works." Chief among those works is death. Yet the Son of God has destroyed death, and that means that we who follow Him likewise are called to stand against it. Abortion is a contradiction to baptism. Consider what the Church does in the celebration of baptism. A child is brought into the congregation, and is welcomed by all who are present as a brother, a sister. Despite the fact that all but a few of the gathered Christians do not know this child, and did not know the child's name, they declare before God that they now accept the child as one of them. Baptism expresses God's unconditional welcome of His people, His call to them to share His life. Baptism expresses the hospitality of God's Church, and the responsibility incurred by the fact that God has entrusted us to the care of one another.

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 conference room at 4:30pm.



Baptism and Life: "Whoever is moved by love begins to perceive what "life" really is. He begins to perceive the meaning of the word of hope that we encountered in the Baptismal Rite: from faith I await "eternal life" - the true life which, whole and unthreatened, in all its fullness, is simply life. Jesus, who said that he had come so that we might have life and have it in its fullness, in abundance (cf. Jn 10:10), has also explained to us what "life" means: "this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent" (Jn 17:3). Life in its true sense is not something we have exclusively in or from ourselves: it is a relationship. And life in its totality is a relationship with him who is the source of life. If we are in relation with him who does not die, who is Life itself and Love itself, then we are in life. Then we 'live'" - Pope Benedict XVI, Encyclical on Hope, November 30, 2007. (Priests for Life)

***Help is available: Call 1-800-712-HELP.**

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.

Capital Campaign News

Facilities Chairman, Jim Pyne, has received 3 bids for the roof replacement projects for the Church and Parish Hall. He is currently in the process of reviewing these bids to insure compliance with our summary of work required. Hopefully, we will be able to award a contract shortly after the Christmas holidays and construction can begin prior to spring.

We have received word from the Diocese on the Bridge Loan for the roof replacement projects that we are approved for a \$200,000 bridge loan.

The bank is in the process of completing the loan documents for the Bishop to sign, as well as Father Oscar.

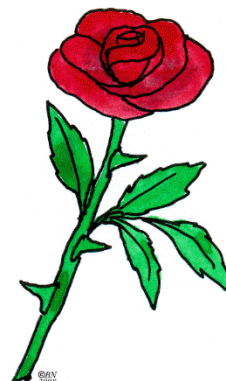
Our Hope, Our Home, Our Lady OLBS Capital Campaign Our Capital Campaign has been approved by Bishop Knestout for 5 years and any funds received designated for our "Capital Campaign" is not subject to the Diocesan Cathedralricum "tax" - all of those funds stay with our parish. If you have any questions about the Capital Campaign or the repairs needed on the parish grounds, please contact Bob Ryalls at businessmgr@olbs-catholic.org or call him at 757-207-0125. You can also contact Jim Pyne at facilitieschair@olbs-catholic.org.

An Invitation from Bishop Joseph Coffey

Brothers and Sisters:

I invite you to join me in Washington, DC on the morning of the March for Life, Friday, January 21, 2022 from 8:30-10:30am for the Annual National Memorial for the Pre-Born and Their Mothers and Fathers at historic Constitution Hall. What a great way to start the day - with prayer, songs of praise and inspiring talks, leaving you with a renewed focus on our mission before heading to march and witness on the streets of Washington. There is plenty of room at Constitution Hall for your entire parish or school group to attend. Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life will give the sermon and pro-life recognition awards will be given to the people of Texas responsible for the Heartbeat Bill and the people of Mississippi responsible for Mississippi's law, the "Gestational Age Act," protecting babies starting at 15 weeks.

This is the law that the Supreme Court is now reviewing. I encourage my brother clergy to attend as well. This event is also an opportunity to join with our brothers and sisters in different Christian denominations as we unite in our one common purpose of ending abortion. Blessings, Bishop Joseph Coffey. The main event website is www.NationalPrayerService.com.



*Either He will keep you
from evil or He will
give you invincible
courage to endure it.
Remain in peace.*

Saint Francis de Sales

Mass Readings: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Is 42:1-4, 6-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10

2nd Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Alleluia Acclamation: Cf. Mk 9:7

Gospel Reading: Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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.



"I, the Lord, have called you for the victory of justice," Do you feel the Lord calling you to consider becoming a priest? Call the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano, or write to vocations@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. Just ask one of our ushers how it works. You can even use your own earphones to plug into the device.



Our Church is kept clean on a weekly basis by volunteers who give of their time and talents to keep God's house clean for us parishioners. Due to some scheduling conflicts we are losing some of our volunteers. A New schedule will come out beginning with the second week in February of this year. Please consider serving your parish in this way. For more information, please call the parish office at 804-843-3125 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:30pm.

***If you have any old palms at home, please bring them to the Church and place in the basket at the back of the Church so they can be properly disposed of by being burned for the ashes we will use on Ash Wednesday.



Our Knights of Columbus Council #8116 is having a Fish Dinner on Friday, January 14th at the Boogaard Hall. The dinner will include flounder, hush puppies, coleslaw and baked beans.

Dining in will be from 5pm to 8pm.

Takeout will be from 4pm to 8pm.

The dinner will be by ticket only.

Orders will not be taken at the door. Tickets are limited to 200, so get your tickets as soon as possible before they are sold out!

Adults: \$12.50 per dinner

Children 10 & Under: \$6.00 per dinner

For Tickets, please contact:

Jim Milby (H) 804-785-2525

(C) 804-513-9799

The Prayer Chain

Please consider joining the prayer chain. It involves no physical activity and has been known to help many people along the way. Prayer is the most powerful tool given to us by Jesus. Please call Pam Watkins at 919-820-1986 if you are interested in finding out more about to join the prayer chain.



Our sincerest condolences to Cathy Fudella and family at the loss of her cousin, Charles Adkins. May he rest in peace. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

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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