

# 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.*

## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022



Sat	2/26 – Marilyn Hull (RIP) Requested by Virginia Kopacki	Fr. Oscar
Sun	2/27 – Mildred Hite (RIP) Requested by Donna Geron Sony Boy Luy (RIP) Anniversary of Birthday Requested by Tom & Rowena Fauber	Fr. Oscar Fr. Oscar
Mon	2/28 – No Mass	
Tue	3/1 – Joe Sr, Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Wed	3/2 – Louisa Ellingson (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	3/3 – Genevieve Racioppi (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Fri	3/4 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sat	3/5 – Joe Seckora (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Sun	3/6 – Mary Ann Hooper (RIP) Requested by Frank & Mary Ann Fetterolf	Fr. Oscar



Flowers on the altar this weekend were donated by Joe & Linda Drexler for a Special Intention.

Parish Directories are available at the Parish Office. Please come by Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays between 10:00am and 4:30pm or call Pam at 804-843-3125 to get your directory.

\*\*\*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.

\*\*\*Diocesan Bicentennial Books are still available and can be purchased for a donation amount of your choice. Please call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 to reserve one, today or pick one up at the back of the Church and leave your donation! These are beautiful books with the stories of our parishes in the Richmond Diocese.

## Week of Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> – March 6<sup>th</sup>

Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup> – No Daily Mass

Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm

Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm

*Adult Faith Formation – 4:30pm – Boogaard Hall  
Liturgy Committee – 6pm – Mercy Center*

Ash Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8:30am Mass &

7:00pm Mass (Livestreamed) (Day of Fast & Abstinence)

Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)

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

7:00pm - Stations of the Cross Led by Liturgy

Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> – 5:30pm Mass

Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>

9:00am Mass (Livestreamed)

10:15am Children's Faith Formation - Hall

10:15am Adult Faith Formation – Mercy Center

11:30am Spanish Mass

6:30pm Youth Group



To our couples with anniversaries in February: (James) & Donna Geron – 2/7/1970; (Robert) & Cheryl Servonsky – 2/10/1973; Sol & Annabelle Vidal – 2/10/2001; (Henry J.) & Marian Kopacki – 2/13/1949; (Charles) & Margaret Varboncoeur – 2/23/1957; (Ed) & Virginia Kopacki – 2/24/1952

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The date is set, and it will be here before we know it. We will hold VBS July 25<sup>th</sup> – July 29<sup>th</sup>. Many volunteers are Needed! Please consider giving of your time and talents to help promote the faith to our parish children and community.

Contact: Erin Hayden at 804-843-3125 or 804-366-4435

### 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.



**PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH**

Emily Adams	Sharon 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	Cris Gay	Kelli Gaeta
Margaret Geron	Jim Gregory	Pat Hinkle
Kelly Hipple	Laurie Hite	Ellen Horseman
John Jones	Gail Justin	Bob Kay
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 Pilog
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

**Church Cleaning Schedule**

- 2/21/ thru 2/27 – Our Hispanic Community
- 2/28 thru 3/6 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters
- 3/7 thru 3/13 – Gary & Jackie Silvia



- 2/26 – Joe Drexler & David Seckora
- 2/27 – Jim Milby & Philip Henley
- 3/2 – Jim Milby & Joe Drexler
- 3/5 – Dan Gibbs & Sean Lazar
- 3/6 – Tuan Nguyen & Craig Smith



- 2/26 – Lorraine Ryalls & Jackie Silvia
- 2/27 – Tiffany Smith & Scott Rae
- 3/2 – Joe Pincus & Danielle Smith
- 3/5 – Pattie Vadas & Jim Vadas
- 3/6 – Cydney Henley & Bill Madigan



- 2/26 – Jim Vadas
- 2/27 – Sarah Rae
- 3/2 – Paula Polcyn
- 3/5 – Erin Lazar
- 3/6 – Jim Pyne

**Month of the Holy Family**

The Holy Family observed the Jewish law in its perfection. A very interesting Jewish custom of prayer that must have been observed in the house at Nazareth was that of the *Mezuzah*, "the doorpost," and the "phylacteries," small square calfskin boxes with Scripture texts written on parchment inside them. On the doorpost of the house at Nazareth was fastened a wooden tube containing a rolled parchment inscribed with the passage quoted above from the Book of Deuteronomy and another passage (11:13-21) citing the blessings of serving God. On entering and leaving the house the members of the Holy Family would piously touch this *Mezuzah*, saying, "May God keep my going out and coming in from now on and forevermore." All this was intended to show reverence for the Word of God.

**Saint of the Week**

*March 3<sup>rd</sup> - St. Katharine Drexel*

St. Katharine Drexel was born in Philadelphia on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 1858. She was the second child of a wealthy banker. The girls received a wonderful education from private tutors and traveled throughout the United States and Europe. The Drexels were financially and spiritually well endowed. They were devout in the practice of their faith, setting an excellent example of true Christian living for their three daughters. They not only prayed but practiced what the Church calls the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. On February 12, 1891 Katharine made her first vows as a religious and dedicated herself to working for the Native Americans and blacks in the Western United States. She is the founder of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and of Xavier University in New Orleans. Katharine died on March 3, 1955 at the age of 96.

## The Year of Grace with St. Joseph

### *St. Joseph, Terror of Demons*

The title "Terror of Demons" is the most unique title of St. Joseph. It is a fearsome and commanding title. It is the title of a warrior. The lily St. Joseph holds in his hand is a mighty spiritual weapon, a sword of purity. It has the power to pierce fire-breathing dragons (demons) and conquer every form of filth and darkness. The lily he wields is a threat to all the filthy forces of Satan.

When St. Joseph rises from sleep, demons know he will promptly do the will of God and block their evil intentions. St. Joseph is a quiet man, but he is not a timid man. One glance of his eyes sends all hell into flight. One word from his mouth routs the forces of darkness as an axe levels a field of trees! Who can stand against you if the Terror of Demons protects you? To defeat the devil, you need Jesus, Mary, St. Joseph, and the teachings and Sacraments of the Catholic Church. Every Christian needs the truth and strong spiritual fatherhood of St.

Joseph.

(Pray the Litany of St. Joseph)



*Pray for Vocations*

"Therefore...be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord." Are you considering devoting your work to the Lord as a priest? Call the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano, or write to [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

## Adult Bible Study

Adult Faith Formation is available on Sunday Mornings at 10:15am in the front room in the Mercy Center or on Tuesday afternoons in the Hall at 4:30pm.



Be the Voice of the Voiceless: "Today we stand before new challenges that call us to be the voice of the voiceless. The child growing in its mother's womb and people who are in their declining years are a claim for dignified life that cries out to heaven and that cannot but make us shudder. The liberalization and routinization of abortion practices are abominable crimes, just as are euthanasia, genetic and embryonic manipulation, unethical medical testing, capital punishment, and so many other ways of assaulting the dignity and life of the human being. If we want to maintain a solid and inviolable basis for human rights, we absolutely must recognize that human life must always be defended from the very moment of conception. Otherwise, the circumstances and conveniences of the powerful will always find excuses for abusing persons." -- From n. 467 of the "Aparecida Document" of the Bishops of Latin American and the Caribbean, 2007, presented by Cardinal Bergoglio of Buenos Aires (now Pope Francis). (Priests for Life)

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

### Mass Readings: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Sir 27:4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Cor 15:54-58

Alleluia Acclamation: Phil 2:15d, 16a

Gospel Reading: Lk 6:39-45

### 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.

\*\*\*If you would like to put something in the bulletin, please email to [olbs@olbs-catholic.org](mailto:olbs@olbs-catholic.org) no later than noon each Wednesday or call the parish office at 804-843-3125.



Lent begins Ash Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Masses on that day will be 8:30am and 7:00pm. While it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, many see Ash Wednesday as the beginning of their personal Lenten journey to strengthen their relationship with Jesus. Please remember that this day is a Day of Fast and Abstinence, as is Good Friday. All Fridays during Lent are Days of Abstinence.

We will also have the Holy Rosary and Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent. The Holy Rosary will be led by Father Oscar and begin at 6:30pm. The Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00pm and will be led by members of the following committees:

March 4 Liturgy Committee  
March 11 Finance Committee  
March 18 Parish Council  
March 25 Knights of Columbus  
April 1 Hispanic Community  
April 8 Facilities Committee

Committee heads, please be sure to let Father Oscar know who will be leading the Stations when it is your committee's turn to lead the Stations.

Please also note that our Lenten Penance Service will be on Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, another way during Lent to prepare ourselves to receive the Risen Lord at Easter.

### Parish Synod Questionnaire

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has called for a Synod to take place over the next two years. A Synod is a process of gathering information from individual parishes, then from all the diocese around the world, ending with a meeting of Cardinals in Rome with the Pope to study all responses. It is a process of "journeying together." We plan to use this information to guide the future of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church as well as contribute to the information gathered in the Richmond Diocese. To gather information from our Parish, the Parish Council has put together a set of questions and we are asking everyone to take several weeks to pray about these questions and answer them.

Questionnaires need to be returned by Saturday and Sunday Masses on March 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Collections for February 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Parish Operations	\$2,840.00
Supplemental Collection	185.00
Online Giving as of 2/15/2022	125.00
Parish Heating	10.00
All Souls Day	10.00
Total	\$3,170.00
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is	\$3,940
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Capital Campaign	\$5,970.00
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance Fund	\$10.00
Haiti Ministry	\$25.00
Maintenance Savings Account	\$267.00
Preschool Assistance	\$20.00

\*\*\*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](mailto:mkeen@richmonddiocese.org).

### Diocesan Annual Appeal

Our Annual Diocesan Appeal is in full swing. If you are looking for an opportunity to put Christ's instruction to give without looking for repayment into action, consider contributing to the appeal today. Our parish's goal this year is \$12,370.00.

### From the Cemetery Committee

Just a quick note to remind everyone that with Holy Week fast approaching, the Cemetery Committee has a Cemetery Clean-up the week prior to Holy Week. If there are items that anyone would like to keep that are left over from the Holidays, please try to get them prior to our clean-up.

As always, if there are any questions, please feel free to contact any member of the committee.



Our Sincerest Condolences to the Walsh family at the loss of their loving husband and father, Bobby Walsh. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

Please keep in your prayers the family of Carole & Wayne Beasley as they grieve the recent loss of Wayne's brother, Michael E. Beasley. 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  
804.843.3125

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