# OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.

#### FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022



Sat	2/5 – Tommy Sturtz, Jr. (RIP)		Fr. Oscar	
		Anniversary of Death		
		Requested by Marguerite Sturtz		
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Sun 2/6 – Genevieve Beatrix Racioppi (RIP)Fr. Oscar Requested by Mary & Jim Horton

Mon 2/7 – No Mass

Tue 2/8 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

Wed 2/9 – Joe, Sr, Elsie & Johnnie Drexler (RIP)
Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler Fr. Oscar

Thurs 2/10 – Mildred Hite (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by David Seckora

Fri 2/11 – Mary Ann Hooper (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by David Seckora

Sat 2/12 – Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP)Fr. Oscar Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

Sun 2/13 – Mildred Hite (RIP) Fr. Oscar Requested by Rose Marie Condon

#### Collections for January 29th & 30th, 2022

Parish Operations	\$2,403.00
Supplemental Collection	15.00
Online Giving as of 1/18/2022	75.00
Votive Stand	21.50
Total	\$2,514.50

Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is \$3,940 Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish

Capital Campaign \$1,161.00 Respect Life \$70.00

\*\*\*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.

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.

#### **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:

- 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.

#### Week of February 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup> – No Daily Mass
Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm
Knights of Columbus – 7pm – Knights Hall
Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)
Adoration Mercy Center Chapel 12pm - 10pm
Adult Faith Formation – 4:30pm – Mercy Center
Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> – 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)
Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup> - 8:30am Mass (Livestreamed)
Staff at Deanery Mtg – PARISH OFFICES CLOSED
Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> – Special Mass for
the Sick – 11:00am \*Anointing of the Sick
Most Holy Rosary – 6:30pm in Church (Livestreamed)
Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> – 5:30pm Mass
Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>

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 - Confirmation

Attendance January 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022
Saturday, January 29<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm = 74
Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup> 9:00am = 92
No Spanish Mass, January 30<sup>th</sup> 11:30am



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 June 27<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</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



#### PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

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<b>Emily Adams</b>	Elizabeth Alley	Camb Ashley				
<b>Candace Barefoot</b>	Virginia Becker	Paulette Berberich				
Tom Berberich	Linda Blevins	Ron Blevins				
Linda Burch	William Bush	Kathryn Carson				
<b>Kevin Carson</b>	Lucy Carson	Tim Collier				
Meredith Crowe	Eric Crump	Vincent D'elia				
Denise DePompeo	Dale Dippre	<b>Dexter Dix</b>				
Larry Dzula, Jr.	Michelle Eshelman	Amanda Fincher				
Cris Gay	Kelli Gaeta	<b>Margaret Geron</b>				
Jim Gregory	Pat Hinkle	Kelly Hipple				
Laurie Hite	Ellen Horseman	John Jones				
Gail Justin	Bob Kay	Bill Kessler				
Gloria Kojcsich	Bonnie Kopacki	Joyce Kostrzewa				
<b>Gordon Langston</b>	Patricia Lanuza	Ashley Larson				
Melissa Leger	Philip Liberato	<b>Denise Mason</b>				
Matt Matula	Lanci McCloud	Mary Leigh McDonald				
Kenny McGinley	<b>Beverly McGowan</b>	Patrick McGowan				
William Madigan III	Ron Martz	Jackie Mierle				
Clara Morrow	Randy Morrow	Specialist Mullins				
Larry Newtzie	Andrea Payton	Ka'varus Penticolas				
<b>Brett Pickens</b>	Patricia Pilong	Pam Rigsby				
Mark A. Roane	Vickie Roane	Leonard Romano				
Debbie Royals	Jack Scaife	Barbara Schafer				
Kay Shaw	<b>James Simmons</b>	The Solak Family				
Levi Sturtz	Jim Tokarz	Mae Touray				
Taylor Trimbath	Gloria Wajciechowsk	ti Francis Watkins				
<b>Emmett White</b>	James Wills A	ndrea Berberich Wilson				
Mary Wilson	Lois Wilson	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson				
	Jody Zogran					

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

**Major Jonathan Culberson** 

#### **Church Cleaning Schedule**

1/31 thru 2/6 – Our Hispanic Community 2/7 thru 2/13 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters 2/14 thru 2/20 – Gary & Jackie Silvia



2/5 – Bob Ryalls & Joe Drexler 2/6 – Jim Milby & Tuan Nguyen 2/12 – Bob Ryalls & Dan Gibbs 2/13 – Craig Smith & Philip Henley



2/5 – Jackie Silvia & Tom Fauber 2/6 – Joe Pincus & Pat Barron 2/12 – David Seckora & Lorraine Ryalls 2/13 – Bill Madigan & Danielle Smith



2/5 – Gary Silvia 2/12 – Joe Drexler 2/6 - Jim Pyne 2/13 - Susan Thompson

#### Month of the Passion of Our Lord

As Lent approaches, it's good to set our thoughts, prayers and hearts more firmly on our Lord's Passion. Take time this month to meditate on Our Lord's Passion. It will prepare you for Lent itself by instilling the proper inner atmosphere of

It will prepare you for Lent itself by instilling the proper inner atmosphere of acknowledgement, sorrow, and gratitude for this great gift. Really consider what our Lord went through for you before you decide what type of prayer, penance, and almsgiving you will practice this Lent. Pray to Jesus, Mary and Joseph for guidance in that. Then, in just a few short weeks when Lent arrives, walk into it not in a scramble for "what to give up" or depression for the sadness of the season, but with the firm intention to grow closer to our lord who created and

The Year of Grace with St. Joseph
St. Joseph Comfort of the Afflicted

redeemed us. "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

St. Joseph, Comfort of the Afflicted
Life is filled with many sorrows. Loved
ones will die, children sometimes rebel,
and gravity will eventually take away your
youthfulness, making you old and immobile.
No matter what life brings, however, St.
Joseph will always be your consolation,
comfort and solace. He knows well the
hardships of life. He is a kind and loving
father. He comforts everyone who comes
to him in times of affliction. His

to him in times of affliction. His fatherhood is unlike any other.

Let us commend ourselves to our good father, St. Joseph, who is the Patriarch of troubled people, since he himself went through so much trouble. - St.

Joseph Marcello

(Pray the Litany of St. Joseph)

#### Saint of the Week

February 10th - St. Scholastica, Virgin St. Scholastica, twin sister of St. Benedict consecrated her life to God in her youth. After her brother went to Monte Cassino, where he established his famous monastery, she took up her abode in the neighborhood at Plombariola, where she founded a monastery of nuns, about five miles from that of St. Benedict. who, it appears, also directed his sister and her nuns. She visited her brother once a year, and as she was not allowed to enter his monastery, he went in company with some of his brethren to meet her at a house some distance away. These visits were spent in conferring together on spiritual matters. On one occasion they had passed the time as usual in prayer and pious conversation and in the evening they sat down to take their reflection. St. Scholastica begged her brother to remain until the next day. St. Benedict refused to spend the night outside his monastery. She bowed her head to pray and when she lifted her head a furious thunderstorm burst so that neither St. Benedict nor any of his companions could return home. They spent the night in spiritual conferences. The next morning they left. Three days later St. Scholastica died, and her holy brother beheld her soul in a vision as it ascended into heaven. He sent his brethren to bring her body to his monastery and laid it in the tomb he had prepared for himself. She died about the year 543, and St. Benedict followed her soon after.



From Sinners to Apostles: Saint John Paul II wrote the following words to all women who have had abortions: "The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. To the same Father and to his mercy you can with sure hope entrust your child. With the friendly and expert help and advice of other people, and as a result of your own painful experience, you can be among the most eloquent defenders of everyone's right to life. Through your commitment to life, whether by accepting the birth of other children or by welcoming and caring for those most in need of someone to be close to them, you will become promoters of a new way of looking at human life." (The Gospel of Life, n.99) (Priests for Life)

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

#### 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. If you are interested in helping others through prayer, please call Pam Watkins at 919-820-1986 to learn more about the prayer chain.

#### From Haiti

Dear brother, How are you doing? You are very well grace to God! I received yesterday the confirmation of money at the bank on account of the Parish. The funds is \$4,971.00 the December 20, 2021. Thank you so much in the name of the Parish St. Peter and St. Paul. I'm going to celebrate Christmas with the people today and the kids tomorrow. If you can send to me a telephone number who use Watts App. I will send you the pictures and video of the feast. May God bless you all the time but particular during the Christmas season! Love and Peace in the name of Jesus our Savior and Lord. Union of Prayers! From: Raphael Bernadin Desras

# Mass Readings: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Cor 15:1-11 Alleluia Acclamation: Mt 4:19 Gospel Reading: Lk 5:1-11

#### **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.



Then I heard the voice of the lord saying, "Whom shall I send?" Do you think that the Lord wants to send you as a priest? Call the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano, or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

#### **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.



There will be a Special Mass for the Sick on Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. (There will be no Daily Mass at 8:30am.) Father Oscar will be Anointing the Sick at this Mass. If you are physically ill or spiritually ill, please plan to attend for God's Healing Love.

\*\*\*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.

Registration forms can be found in the Welcome Center of the Church located in the Narthex, next to the Little Religious Shop. You may fill out the form and hand it to an usher, place it in the collection basket, or mail the registration form to the Parish Office at 207 West Euclid Blvd, West Point, VA 23181.

Would you like to register in the Parish?

You may also visit our parish office and fill out the registration while you are there. The parish offices are open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:30pm. No matter how you choose to register, we welcome you to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church and look forward to getting to know you!

\*\*\*If you would like to put something in the bulletin, please email to <a href="mailto:olbs@olbs-catholic.org">olbs@olbs-catholic.org</a> no later than noon each Wednesday or call the parish office at 804-843-3125.

\*\*\*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.

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.

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.

#### 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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"Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help." - Hebrews 4:16.

Come to a retreat for healing...if you have had one or more abortions...if you are responsible for the abortions of others...or if you've suffered from an abortion choice of another person. If you've felt regret, grief, guilt, or anger; unforgivable, afraid, ashamed, defensive, unworthy, numb, or isolated...there is hope for healing, to accept God's mercy, and to find peace.



Inquiries, registration, and participation are <u>strictly confidential</u>.

For information & registration, contact:

Marty Montgomery-Jennings @ 804-704-0429

or Maggie Carlson @ 804-432-2589

Email: RV4hope@gmail.com
Church of the Epiphany
Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
11000 Smoketree Drive, North Chesterfield, Virginia 23236

Website about retreats: www.rachelsvineyard.org



Women and men who participate in Rachel's Vineyard Retreats are gently led through the critical steps of healing after abortion — spiritual exercises of God's compassion and mercy, the process of grief, memorializing their children, accepting God's forgiveness, and forgiving themselves and others who were involved. The retreat setting is a comfortable and safe place to explore their experiences of abortion by talking through unresolved feelings and conflicts. During this healing process, people uncover deep wounds buried in secrecy and shame, and allow Jesus, the Divine Physician, to restore spiritual health that is life giving!

#### Endorsement of Rachel's Vineyard

"I came that you might have life and have it to the full."

- John 10:10

"Jesus Himself said that He came to call sinners and not the self-righteous. I pray that *Rachel's Vineyard* may bring God's tender love and compassion to those who need His Peace so much. I pray that all those who come to *Rachel's Vineyard*, seeking His peace, may open their hearts and allow God to restore them to wholeness and happiness. God Bless You."



- Saint Teresa of Calcutta