

OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 23rd & 24th, 2022

Saturday, April 23

**5:30 pm Mass Offered for Rose Seckora (RIP)
on Anniversary of her death
& Offered for Frank Seckora (RIP)
on Anniversary of his death
by David Seckora**

Sunday, April 24

**9:00 am Mass Offered for Natalie Franzysen
(RIP) by Bob & Lorraine Ryalls**
10:15 am Children's Faith Formation
**10:15 am Parents Meet for First
Communion (Hall)**
10:15 am Adult Faith Formation (MC)
10:15 am Parish Council Meeting (MC)

Monday, April 25

No Mass
12 pm – 10 pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, April 26

**8:30 am Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)
by the Watkins Family
& Offered for Phyllis Wyatt (RIP)
by Tom & Rowena Fauber**
12 pm – 10 pm Adoration in Chapel
4:30 pm Adult Faith Formation (Hall)
6:30 pm Finance Committee (MC)

Wednesday, April 27

**8:30 am Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)
by Marguerite Sturtz**

Thursday, April 28

**11:00 am Mass Offered for Louisa Ellingson (RIP)
by Bob & Lorraine Ryalls
followed by Senior Luncheon at
Jimmy's Oven & Grill in
Williamsburg**

Friday, April 29

**8:30 am Mass Offered for Mary JoAn Klisiewicz
(RIP) by the Watkins Family**
6:30 pm Most Holy Rosary

Saturday, April 30

**5:30 pm Mass Offered for Mildred Hite by
Knights of Columbus
& Offered for David Seckora
by Jeanie Sturtz**

Sunday, May 1

**9:00 am Mass Offered for a Special Intention
by Edna Trudeau**
10:15 am Children's Faith Formation
10:15 am Adult Faith Formation (MC)

Hearing Assistance

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.

Special Collection

Diocesan Collection for Ukraine & Eastern Europe

At the Masses on April 23rd & 24th, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish is asking for your donation to the Richmond Diocese special collection to support the Ukrainian people.

The Diocese collection will be for both the Church in Central and Eastern Europe and the Archdiocese of Kosice in Slovakia, whose efforts are to reach those suffering in Ukraine and assist the millions who have fled into adjoining countries.

Further, 80% of the funds will go to the networks the Church in Central and Eastern Europe have established with Ukraine. The Diocese of Kosice shares a border with Ukraine and has experienced an influx of refugees.

Correction

The Holy Saturday Mass intention should have been for Frank Seckora (RIP) and was incorrectly listed. We apologize for the error.

Additional Easter Flower Donation

Thank you to Virginia Kopacki for her Easter Flower donation in memory of Ed Kopacki and her grandson, David.

Thank you to all who contributed to the Easter Flowers whose names were included on last week's bulletin insert.

Congratulations to Aremi Chavez

Aremi has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil Mass.

We pray that God Blesses her, and continues to guide her in her journey of faith and relationship with Christ.

A Peek at Upcoming Events

Tea with the Blessed Mother-

April 25th – We will hold a meeting for our Tea with the Blessed Mother on Monday, April 25th @ 4:30 pm in the Mercy Center Conference Room.

All Hostesses and anyone that would like to help, are encouraged and welcomed to join!

Questions call: Erin (804)-366-4435

May 21st – Tea & Coffee with the Blessed Mother.

May 28th – Rise Against Hunger –

This is a Food Packaging Event that will take place in the Church Hall. Call Erin at 804-843-3125 to volunteer. You can also help raise money for this event by taking the Miles for Meals Family Challenge.

Rise Against Hunger and Rice Bowl-

Please turn in your Rise Against Hunger envelopes and your Rice Bowls as soon as possible. Don't forget to include your miles chart for each. Miles will be totaled for both and posted.

If you would like to continue the challenge for another month, extra envelopes will be provided for Rise Against Hunger.

We will be adding these miles to the totals and it will be contributed towards our meal packaging even on May 28th.

Please register-

<http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/OurLady2022>

St. Theresa & St. John Kanti Cemeteries

Please be aware that no permanent plantings of any flowers, shrubbery, or trees are permitted in the cemeteries. Such items will be removed. If you have planted something and wish to keep it, please remove them as soon as possible.

Any questions should be addressed to members of the Cemetery Committee or see the posted rules on the bulletin board in the Church foyer.

The Year of Grace, with Divine Mercy-

St. Faustina pondered on the mystery of God (cf. Diary, 1745-1746) and on the mystery of God's mercy, not only in the Holy Scriptures, but also in the events of her own life. Such meditation on the mystery of God's mercy led her to the conclusion that there is not a single moment in human life without God's mercy, as Divine Mercy is like a golden thread woven into all the moments of our human existence.

Recognizing this mystery of our faith led St. Faustina to the discovery of God in her soul. She wrote: "The interior of my soul is like a large and magnificent world in which God and I live. Except for God, no one is allowed there" (Diary, 582). She compared her soul to the tabernacle, in which the Blessed Host is reserved. She noted in her Diary: "I look for no happiness beyond my own interior where God dwells. I rejoice that God dwells within me; here I abide with Him unendingly; it is here that my greatest intimacy with Him exists; here I dwell with Him in safety; here is a place not probed by human eye. The Blessed Virgin encourages me to commune with God in this way:" (Diary, 454). St. Faustina strengthened the contemplation of God living in her soul with constant daily practices, which consisted in uniting her heart with Jesus by a short prayer or offering Him what she was currently experiencing in her work, sufferings, and joys. Increased knowledge of the mystery of God's mercy developed in her soul an attitude of trust in the Lord.

FAITH FORMATION

Upcoming dates:

No Sunday school classes on Mother's Day, May 8th.

Last Sunday School Class for this year is May 22nd.

Vacation Bible School

The date is set,
and it will be here before we know it.

We will hold VBS July 25th – July 29th.

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.



Thanks to All Helping on Easter Food Baskets

Thanks to the remarkable generosity of our parish family, \$1, 220.00 in donations was raised for the Easter Food Baskets for the needy.

Many thanks to Jennifer Brown, Maximus Brown, Justin Burch, Quan & Sandy Lam Dinh, Erin Hayden, Joshua Hayden, Samantha Hayden & Novella Robinson, Suzanne Hayden, Misael Hernandez, Deidra Kopacki, Jonathan Kopacki, Mason Kopacki, Mary Leigh McDonald, Tiffany Smith, Linda Via, and Scott Watkins for shopping for, putting together, and (in some instances) delivering 10 Easter Food Baskets to needy families in our community.

A special thanks to Bob Ryalls for providing the boxes for us and Lorraine Ryalls for donating goody bags for each of the children to brighten their Easter.

Also, a special thank you to Quan & Sandy Dinh for providing a wonderful lunch for everyone who worked on Saturday! Once again, this was a successful project due to the overwhelming generosity of our parish family with their time, talents, and funds. The Lord's presence could truly be felt by all!

Saint of the Week

**Saint Cyril of Turov
Feast Day- April 28**

Saint Cyril of Turov was born in 1130 AD. He was a prominent preacher fluent in Greek and Russian. He first became a monk in the monastery of Turov Borisoglebsk. In 1174 Cyril elected bishop of Turov.

Cyril Preached discipline and obedience to his fellow monks and wrote about the monastic life, and some of his works have survived the centuries. Cyril became a hermit on a pillar.

His simple life, scholarly background, and reputation of sanctity drew many would-be followers. He was most learned biblical scholar in the Russian and Prince Andrei Bogoliubsky appointed him to be his spiritual counselor between the Church and state.

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.

Diocesan Annual Appeal

God's mercy transforms our lives, and calls us to gratitude and generosity. Renewed in our gratefulness for the Lord's many gifts, please support our Annual Diocesan Appeal this Lenten season. Our parish's goal this year is \$12,370.00.

Check out our \$5 Book Table and Give yourself something worth reading!

There is a variety of books to choose from. Make Lent the time to feed your soul with good things!

Collections for Holy Week & Easter

	<u>Week's Amount</u>
Parish Operations	\$ 4077
Supplement Collection	213
Holy Thursday	720
Good Friday	715
Capital Improvements	
Easter Flowers	<u>500</u>
Total	\$ 6,225*

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

Restricted, Special Use, or Send Out of Parish:

Capital Improvements	\$ 840
Haitian Ministry	\$ 55

Thank you for supporting our Parish!



Our prayers and sympathies to Virginia Kopacki with the passing of her younger sister, Maryann Wolcott.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon her.

Priests for Life

The "Good Shepherd Project", endorsed by Bishop Coffey and others, will hold a **free online seminar for clergy on: Tuesday, April 26, 7:30-8:30 p.m. ET on the topic of *How to deal with Mother's Day for those wounded by abortion or pregnancy loss.*** Seminars feature myself along with Dr. Theresa Burke and Kevin Burke of Rachel's Vineyard, Janet Morana, Executive Director, Priests for Life and other special guests. Sign up and get more information at www.TheGoodShepherdProject.com.

Below you will find liturgical resources for **Sunday, April 24, 2022 - Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)** - Year C

Here are links to resources for:

Sunday, May 1, 2022
[Third Sunday of Easter](#)

Sunday, May 8, 2022
[Fourth Sunday of Easter](#)

Sunday, May 15, 2022
[Fifth Sunday of Easter](#)

Go to www.Priestsforlife.org/liturgy for pro-life liturgical resources for all Sundays of the liturgical year.

Finally, tune in to my live daily Mass at 10 a.m. ET on EndAbortion.TV or any of the platforms listed on that page.

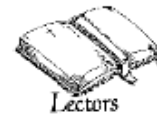
<u>Attendance</u>		
April 13th	Tenebrae	29
April 14th	Mass of Lord's Supper	98
April 15th	Passion of the Lord	25
April 16th	Easter Vigil	
	Saturday Mass:	129
April 17th	Easter	175
	Spanish Mass	No Mass

Church Cleaning Schedule

4/25 thru 5/1 – Our Hispanic Community
5/2 thru 5/8 – Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters
5/9 thru 5/15 – Gary & Jackie Silvia



4/30 – Kevin Kopacki & Kody Kopacki
5/1 – Tuan Nguyen & Craig Smith



4/30 – Tom Fauber & Lorraine Ryalls
5/1 – Joe Pincus & Tiffany Smith



4/30 – Jim Vadas
5/1 – Paula Polcyn

NOTE: The Church of St. Therese in Gloucester is seeking a faithful and passionate Catholic who loves Jesus and His Church for full-time employment as the Coordinator of Youth Ministry. The successful candidate will be one who strives to lead a life of personal holiness and has a shepherd's heart to search out and lead teens closer to Christ. He/she must have the energy to build a youth program from scratch. Applicants should have at least a Bachelor's Degree in a related field and a minimum of three years' experience in youth ministry. The position is responsible for overseeing the middle school and high school programs with vision, including sacramental preparation for Confirmation, with special attention given to empowering lay leadership among both adults and teens. Salary and benefits consistent with diocesan guidelines, qualifications, and experience.

Send cover letter, resume, and Richmond Diocesan application to the pastor, Fr. Gregory Kandt, at fr.gregory@stthersglo.org. For more information, you can call Father Gregory at 804-693-9043.

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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