

# 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.*

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 14<sup>th</sup> & May 15<sup>th</sup> 2022

### Saturday, May 14

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
5:30 pm Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)  
by the Watkins Family  
& Offered for Mike Bryant  
for Healing  
by Gary & Jackie Silvia

### Sunday, May 15

9:00 am Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)  
by Frank & Mary Ann Fetterolf  
10:15 am Children's Faith Formation  
10:15 am Adult Faith Formation (MC)  
11:30 am Mass Spanish Mass  
6:30 pm Youth Group

### Monday, May 16

No Mass  
12 pm – 10 pm Adoration in Chapel  
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus

### Tuesday, May 17

8:30 am Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)  
by Theresa Moody  
12 pm – 10 pm Adoration in Chapel  
4:30 pm Adult Faith Formation (Hall)

### Wednesday, May 18

8:30 am Mass Offered for Mary Ann Hooper  
(RIP)  
by Theresa Moody

### Thursday, May 19

11:00 am Mass Offered for Dick Kolar (RIP)  
by Mike & Nancy Pausic  
followed by Senior Luncheon at  
Anna's Italian Restaurant  
In West Point

### Friday, May 20

8:30 am Mass Offered for Von & Melvin Moody  
(RIP)  
by Theresa Moody  
6:30 pm Most Holy Rosary

### Saturday, May 21

11 am – 2 pm Tea with Our Blessed Mother  
5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
5:30 pm Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)  
By Cathy Fudella

### Sunday, May 22

9:00 am Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)  
by Mike & Nancy Pausic  
10:15 am Children's Faith Form – Last Day!  
10:15 am Adult Faith Formation (MC)  
11:30 am Mass Spanish Mass  
6:30 pm Youth Group

### 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.

### Annual Parish Scholarship

Every year the Parish offers a scholarship to a qualified high school senior who is a member of OLBS Parish. If you are interested, please call Tiffany Smith for an application at 804-840-7984.

### A Peek at Upcoming Events

#### Tea with the Blessed Mother-

Calling ladies of All ages!! You are Invited to join us for "Tea with the Blessed Mother" on May 21<sup>st</sup> from 11 am to 2 pm.

Bring your favorite Tea Sandwich, Tea Cake, Tea Cookie or Tea Favorite!!

Register in the back of church or call the office @ 804-843-3125. Please register by May 19<sup>th</sup> so we can reserve your seat at the table.

This is a great mother / daughter opportunity! A social event to honor our Blessed Mother.

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

Questions call: Erin (804)-366-4435

May 21<sup>st</sup> – *Tea & Coffee with the Blessed Mother.*

May 28<sup>th</sup> – *Rise Against Hunger*

### Rise Against Hunger

We will have a meal packaging event at the hall on May 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. until?? We will need many volunteers as we package 10,000 meals to be shipped to the poorest countries or those in most need. Sign up is by the meter bank in the back or you can register online. Invite a friend to help! It's a fun way to work together for good.

Please register:

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

### The Year of Grace, with Divine Mercy

The Image of the Merciful Jesus. His image was revealed in a vision that Sr. Faustina had on February 22, 1931, in her convent cell at Plock. She recorded in the Diary: "In the evening, when I was in my cell. I saw the Lord Jesus clothed in a white garment. One hand was raised in the gesture of blessing, the other was touching the garment at the breast. From beneath the garment, slightly drawn aside at the breast, there were emanating two large rays, one red, the other pale...After a while Jesus said to me, Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with signature: "Jesus, I trust In You" ((Diary, 47). I want this image to be...solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter: that Sunday is to be the Feast of Mercy. The two rays are a distinctive feature of this image of Christ. The Lord Jesus, when asked about their meaning, explained: The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. ...Happy is the one who will dwell in the shelter (Diary, 299). The Sacraments of Baptism and Penance purify the soul, and the Eucharist most abundantly nourishes it. Thus, the two rays signify the Holy Sacraments and all the graces of the Holy Spirit, whose biblical symbol is water, as well as the New Covenant of God with men in the Blood of Christ. The Image of the Merciful Jesus is often called the "Image of Divine Mercy," which is appropriate, since it is precisely in Christ's Paschal Mystery that God's love for humankind was most explicitly revealed. When we venerate this image with personal trust in Jesus and perform works of mercy out of love for Him and our neighbor, the Lord fulfills His promise by offering us extraordinary graces. These are: eternal salvation, great progress in the way of Christian perfection, the grace of a happy death, and all other possible graces which people will as of Him with trust: By means of this Image I shall be granting many graces to souls; so let every soul have access to it (Diary, 570).

### Preschool News

#### End of the Year Preschool Graduation Program

Graduation will be held on Thursday May 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 a.m. in the church and will be a short program ending before 10:00 a.m. Refreshments will be on the veranda.

We are so thankful for such a great year! We appreciate the support of all parishioners in their prayers, love, and financial support.

We will continue to be able to bless the families of this community with a faith-filled early education start!

Thank you,  
From the Preschool Staff

The After School program will continue through June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pre-School will begin again in September!

### FAITH FORMATION

#### Upcoming dates for May Calendar:

Youth Group- May 15<sup>th</sup>

Tea with the Blessed Mother - May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Last Sunday School Class for this year is May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Rise Against Hunger Meal Packaging - May 28<sup>th</sup>.

### 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.

## Saint of the Week

Feast Day- May 17<sup>th</sup>

### St. Paschal Baylon

St. Paschal Baylon, was a Franciscan lay brother and mystic. Born to a peasant [family](#) at Torre Hermosa, in Aragon, on Whitsunday, he was christened Pascua in honor of the feast. According to accounts of his early life, Paschal labored as a shepherd for his father, performed miracles, and was distinguished for his austerity. He also taught himself to read. Receiving a vision which told him to enter a nearby Franciscan community, he became a Franciscan lay brother of the Alcan trine reform in 1564, and spent most of his [life](#) as a humble doorkeeper.

He practiced rigorous [asceticism](#) and displayed a deep love for the Blessed Sacrament, so much so that while on a mission to France, he defended the doctrine of the Real Presence against a Calvinist preacher and in the face of threats from other irate Calvinists. Paschal died at a friary in Villareal, and was canonized in 1690. In 1897 Pope Leo XIII declared him patron of all Eucharistic confraternities and congresses. Since 1969, his veneration has been limited to local calendars.

### 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. Our parish's goal this year is \$12,370.00.

Check out our \$5 Book Table and give yourself some worthwhile reading!

There is a variety of books to choose from. Feed your soul with good things!

### Collections for May 7 & May 8, 2022

<u>Week's Amount</u>	
Parish Operations	\$ 3,508
Capital Campaign	4,830
Votive Stand	8
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance	160
OLBS Scholarship Fund	<u>477</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,983</b>
Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:	
Ukraine Diocesan Collection	\$ 1,042 (Total to Date)
***Thank you for supporting our Parish!***	

### Attendance

May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 5:30 pm Mass	51
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday 9:00 am Mass	138
	Spanish Mass	56

### 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.

### May Wedding Anniversaries

Greg & Denise DePompeo	May 2, 1981
Pat & Wini Barron	May 14, 1966
Chris & Barbara Hite	May 15, 1982
Joe & Mary Pincus	May 15, 1993
Brian & Hope Kopacki	May 17, 2008
Dexter & Pam Dix	May 24, 1992
Jim & Pattie Vadas	May 27, 1972

## Priests for Life

Pope to Pro-life Movement:

Protect Life with Courage!

Pope Francis said the following to the Italian Pro-life Movement: "I remember once, a long time ago, I participated in a conference with doctors. After the conference I greeted them and while I spoke to them, one of them called me to one side. He had a package and he said to me, 'Father, I want to leave this with you. These are the instruments I have used to carry out abortions. I have encountered the Lord and repented, and now I fight for life'. He gave me all those instruments.

Let us pray for this good man...Every Christian has the responsibility of this witness to the Gospel: to protect life with courage and love in all its phases.

I encourage you to do this, always with an attitude of closeness and proximity, so that every woman feels considered as a person, listened to, welcomed and accompanied".

(April 11, 2014)



## Lay Ministers Needed

We are in need of more lay ministers for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers/Greeters. It seems our numbers have dwindled over the past two years when changes were made due to the pandemic.

Our most urgent need is for the Saturday evening masses. When I took over the scheduling several years ago, my goal was to have each person only scheduled one time per month. That goal has not been possible on Saturdays (and some Sundays). If you regularly attend the Saturday mass, please give serious consideration to joining one of these ministries. Of course, I can use Sunday ministers as well.

Thank you for praying on this request and let me know if you have an interest. I will put you in touch with the proper person for training before scheduling.

Pattie Vadas  
[pbv0806@yahoo.com](mailto:pbv0806@yahoo.com)  
804-241-5009

# 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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