

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.

FIFTHTEEN SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Capital Campaign

July 9th and 10th, 2022

From the Pastor's Desk:

Donations and payments on pledges to our Capital Campaign should be put in the offertory clearly marked "Capital Campaign"; dropped off at the parish office during office hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:30pm; or put in the white box on the back porch at the Mercy Center clearly marked "Capital Campaign" so they can be recorded in a timely manner and deposited into our Capital Campaign account.

- Saturday, July 9th** David Seckora (RIP) Requested by Knights of Columbus
- Sunday, July 10th** Billy McGowan (RIP) Anniversary Anniversary of Death (7/4) requested by Marian Kopacki 11:30 a.m.
- Spanish Mass**
- Monday, July 11th** No Mass
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel
- Tuesday, July 12th** No Mass
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel
- Wednesday, July 13th** No Mass
- Thursday, July 14th** No Mass
- Friday, July 15th** No Mass
6:30pm Most Holy Rosary
- Saturday, July 16th** John Jones (RIP) Requested by Knights of Columbus
Ed Kopacki (RIP) Anniversary of 90th Birthday (7/14) Requested by Virginia Kopacki
- Sunday, July 17th** John Jones (RIP) Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Scholarship Award to Kody Kopacki

We would like to take a moment to recognize and award this year's OLBS Scholarship recipient of \$1000 to an accredited college of their choice.

This individual has greatly exemplified what it means to be strong in their Faith and leading by example. This person has not just been a member of our parish their whole life, but has been very active, both in the Parish and the community.

They have been involved with everything from Altar server for 9 years, Youth group for 6 years, Christmas and Easter basket for 6 years, Knights of Columbus for 5 years, and Boy Scouts for over 10 years, holding many leadership positions and that's just to name a few.

With that said, we would like to congratulate Kody Kopacki on receiving this year's OLBS scholarship.

Congratulations!

Attendance

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| June 25th | Saturday 5:30 pm Mass | 65 |
| June 26th | Sunday 9:00 am Mass | 89 |
| | Spanish Mass. 11:30am | 19 |

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.

Ride Sharing Assistance Needed

We have a member of our parish family who lives in New Kent who is in need of transportation once a month to attend Mass. Please call the parish office if you are able to help transport this person to Mass.

Collections for July 2nd and 3rd , 2022

Week's Amount

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| Parish Operations | \$ 3,146 |
| Diocesan Collection | \$ 50 |
| Poor Box | \$ 31 |
| Votive Stand | \$ 27 |
| Total | \$ 3,254 |

Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:

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| Capital Campaign | \$ 4,083 |
| Haitian Ministry | \$ 200 |
| Maintenance Fund | \$ 100 |

Thank you for supporting our Parish!

FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education

We need teachers for religious education classes in the Fall. We are hoping and praying that you will consider in joining us! If you have someone you work well with, consider co-teaching.

As of now, after we had a couple spots filled, we are still looking to fill: 5th, 6th, and 7th Grades.

Contact: Erin 804-843-3125 ext. 103

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held July 25-29th, every evening from 6-8 pm. @ the Hall. Our theme this year is:

Armor of God

Registration forms can be found in the back of the church. We need lots of help for VBS. Please consider giving of your time and talents, to helping make this an exciting event for our parish and community kids.

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

Altar Flower Donations

If you wish to donate flowers for the altar, there is now a sign-up sheet in the bac of the church. It runs through the last Sunday before Advent.

July Senior Luncheon

The Senior Luncheon will be on July 21st, 2022. There will be no Mass since Fr. Oscar will be away on vacation.

The Luncheon will be at Olivia's in the Village located at 6597 Main Street, Gloucester, VA.

Please RSVP to Jeanie Sturtz by Tuesday, July 19th to reserve your spot. After Tuesday, July 19th, please contact the Restaurant directly to reserve your spot. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Vocation Opportunity for High School Men

From the Diocese Office of Vocations: High school men, rising 10th through 12th grade, to consider joining the diocesan seminarians at *Quo Vadis*, a discernment opportunity, taking place from Thursday, July 21 through Sunday, July 24, 2022 at the Edge Christian Camp, 702 Eastover Drive, Spring Grove, VA 23881. Men are asked to arrive on Thursday evening at 7:00 PM. We will finish by 12:00 PM on Sunday. Family members will be welcome to join the men for Mass at the camp at 10:30 AM Sunday morning. For more information, the men may contact the Office of Vocations.

The Year of Grace, with Divine Mercy

I heard a voice coming from the Host: **Here is My repose.** During Benediction, Jesus gave me to know that soon a solemn moment would take place on this very spot. **I am pleased to rest in your heart and nothing will stop Me from granting you graces.** This greatness of God floods my soul, and I drown in Him, I lose myself in Him, I am melting away in Him...(Sister Faustina's Diary, 1136).

June 1, 1937. Today, the Corpus Christi procession took place. At the first altar, a flame issued from the Host and pierced my heart, and I heard a voice, **Here is My resting place** (Diary, 1140).

During Holy Mass, which was celebrated by Father Andrasz, I saw the Infant Jesus who, with hands outstretched toward us, was sitting in the chalice being used at Holy Mass. After gazing at me penetratingly, He spoke these words: **As you see Me in this chalice, so I dwell in your heart** (Diary, 1346).

My Prayer Response: Lord Jesus, dwell in my heart as Your resting place. May nothing in me stop You from granting me grace.

Saint of the Week

St. Myrope Feast Day- July 13th

The Holy Martyr, Myrope was born in the city of Ephesus at the beginning of the third century. She lost her father at an early age, and her mother raised her in the Christian Faith. Saint Myrope frequently visited the grave of the Martyr, Hermione, daughter of the holy Apostle Philip. She took myrrh from her relics, and healed the sick with it.

During the persecution by Decius (249-251), Myrope went with her mother to the island of Chios, where they spent their time in fasting and prayer. Once, by order of the cruel governor of the island, the soldier Isidore, a man of deep faith and great piety, was martyred. Saint Myrope secretly removed the body of the martyr and buried it. The soldiers, who had been ordered not to allow the Christians to take Isidore's body, were sentenced to death. St. Myrope took pity on these condemned men, and told the soldiers and governor what she had done.

She was arrested, and at her trial, she confessed herself a Christian. For this, she was beaten and then thrown in prison. At midnight, while she was praying, a light shone in the prison. St. Isidore appeared before her, surrounded by angels, and St. Myrope thereafter surrendered her soul to God. The prison was immediately filled with a sweet fragrance. The pagan guard, trembling at the vision, told a priest what had happened. Later, this same pagan guard accepted Baptism and a martyr's death for his confession of Christ.

July Wedding Anniversaries

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| Dan & Amber Gibbs | July 1, 2006 |
| Bill & (Kathy) Webster | July 12, 1956 |
| Vincent & (Marina) D'elia | July 21, 1963 |
| Tripp & Roberta Racioppi | July 28, 1973 |

Priests for Life

Pope Francis: Abortion is Homicide

In particular, I have had occasion to return to the subject of abortion recently. You know that I am very clear about this: it is a homicide and it is not licit to become an accomplice. Having said that, our duty is to be close to people, our positive duty: to be close to situations, especially women, so that they do not come to think of the abortion solution, because in reality it is not the solution. – Pope Francis address to Italian Society of Hospital Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Services, October 14, 202

Preschool News

We will be hiring a position for a Lead instructor for the Before/after School program for the Fall. The hours are approximately 12 to 14 hours per week and will fluctuate from between 7 and 8 in the morning and from 2:45 to 5:45 pm. If you are interested in a position in this program, please leave a message on the preschool phone at 804-843-4177 for our Director Vangy Lawson. Qualifications include but not limited to: a love for children, scripture-based morals, flexibility, ability to direct and respectively discipline children ages 5-11 as well as problem solve. This is an hourly pay with part-time hours. Richmond Diocese, as well VDOE, training will be required.



PRAYER REQUESTS:

Betty Johnson, (daughter of Susan Thompson) is in need of prayers for healing from her recently diagnosed health issues.

Please pray for the healing of Vickey Turner Gibson (aunt of Tiffany Smith).

Prayers are requested for Ron Hebrank, (son-in-law of Colleen Bonadonna) that his aggressive treatments will be successful and that God will bless his wife with strength.

Dear fellow members of OLBS Church,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest appreciation and gratitude for the lovely retirement party on Sunday, June 26th. Your kind words and generous gifts will always be treasured. Even more importantly, are the fond memories and friendships that God has blessed me with over the past 12 years. It has been a privilege and honor to be a part of OLBS and to serve as your Music director.

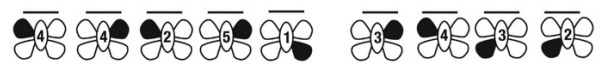
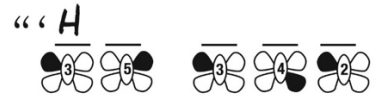
May God bless you and be with you,

Leda Zaginaylo

Our deepest sympathy and prayers to Arlene Lasch and family as they mourn the death of her sister, Joyce Kostrzewa. May Joyce rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon her.

Puzzle!

Use the code to uncover the angel's message in Matthew 28:7 (NIV).



Answer: "He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see 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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