

# 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.*

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**July 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 pm Mass Offered for John Jones (RIP)  
Requested by Knights of Columbus  
Offered for Ed Kopacki (RIP)  
Anniversary of 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday (7/14)  
Requested by Virginia Kopacki**

**Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 am Mass Offered for John Jones (RIP)  
Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler**

**Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>**

**No Mass  
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel  
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus meeting**

**Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>**

**No Mass  
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel**

**Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>**

**No Mass**

**Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup>**

**No Mass  
12 pm Noon Senior Luncheon at Olivia's in the Village  
6597 Main Street, Gloucester**

**Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**No Mass  
6:30pm Most Holy Rosary**

**Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**5:30 pm Mass Offered for Bobby Walsh (RIP)  
Requested by Knights of Columbus**

**Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 am Mass Offered for Thomas Trudeau (RIP)  
Anniversary of Birthday (7/19)  
Requested by Edna Trudeau**

**Attendance**

**July 9<sup>th</sup> Saturday 5:30 pm Mass 115  
July 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday 9:00 am Mass 110  
No Spanish Mass**

**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.

**Capital Campaign**

**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.

**Help Needed for Ride to Mass**

A parishioner who lives in New Kent near the New Kent Winery needs a ride at least once a month to attend Mass. Please call the parish office if you can help this person attend Mass.

**We have had very poor response to this need!**

**Collections for July 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Week's Amount**

**Parish Operations \$ 3,320  
Online Giving \$ 50  
Total \$ 3,370  
Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:  
Capital Campaign \$ 1,080  
Haitian Ministry \$ 429  
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: 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> Grades. Note that this is a change – we now have additional students needing teachers in Grades 8 and 9.

Contact: Erin 804-843-3125 ext. 103

### Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held July 25-29<sup>th</sup>, 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

The Youth Group would like to thank everyone for coming out and supporting our Pancake event!

Your donations help support our activities during the year and our Diocesan Youth Conference. At DYC we gather with many other Youth from the Richmond Diocese, to engage in fun activities and to learn our Faith.

It's a great weekend!

### 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 21<sup>st</sup>, 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 19<sup>th</sup> to reserve your spot. After Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 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 10<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> 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

“Tell sinners that no one shall escape My Hand; if they run away from My Merciful Heart, they will fall into My Just Hands. Tell sinners that I am always waiting for them, that I listen intently to the beating of their heart...when will it beat for Me? Write, that I a speaking to them through their remorse of conscience, through their failures and sufferings, through thunderstorms, through the voice of the Church. And if they bring all My graces to naught, I begin to be angry with them, leaving them alone and giving them what they want” (Diary, 1728).

**My Prayer Response:** Lord Jesus, since no one can escape Your hand, teach us and help us to reach sinners with the good news of Your hand of mercy rather than Your hand of justice. Help us to reach the world desperately in need of Your mercy.

### Saint of the Week

**Feast Day- July 21st**

**St. Lawrence of Brindisi**

Cesare de Rossi was born at Brindisi, kingdom of Naples, Italy, on July 22, 1559.

He was educated by the conventual Franciscans there and by his uncle at St. Mark's in Venice. When sixteen, he joined the Capuchins at Verona, taking the name Lawrence. He pursued his higher studies in theology, philosophy, the bible, Greek, Hebrew, and several other languages at the University of Padua.

He was ordained and began to preach with great effect in Northern Italy. He became definitor general of his Order in Rome in 1596, a position he was to hold five times, was assigned to conversion work with Jews, and was sent to Germany, with Blessed Benedict of Urbino, to combat Lutheranism.

They founded friaries at Prague, Vienna, and Gorizia, which were to develop into the provinces of Bohemia, Austria, and Styria.

At the request of Emperor Rudolf II, Lawrence helped raise an army among the German rulers to fight against the Turks, who were threatening to conquer all of Hungary, became its chaplain, and was among the

leaders in the Battle of Szekesfehevar in 1601; many attributed the ensuing victory to him.

In 1602, he was elected Vicar General of the Capuchins but refused re-election in 1605. He was sent to Spain by the emperor to persuade Philip III to join the Catholic League, and while there, founded a Capuchin house in Madrid. He was then sent as papal nuncio to the court of Maximilian of Bavaria, served as peacemaker in several royal disputes, and in 1618, retired from worldly affairs to the friary at Caserta. He was recalled at the request of the rulers of Naples to go to Spain to intercede with King Philip for them against the Duke of Osuna, Spanish envoy to Naples and convinced the King to recall the Duke to avert an uprising.

The trip in the sweltering heat of summer exhausted him, and he died a few days after his meeting with the King at Lisbon on July 22nd.

Lawrence wrote a commentary on Genesis and several treatises against Luther, but Lawrence's main writings are in the nine volumes of his sermons. He was canonized in 1881 and proclaimed a Doctor of the Church by Pope John XXIII in 1959.

### Priests for Life

#### Compassion

The Church prays for all who have had abortions, and welcomes them back in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

At [www.AbortionTestimonies.com](http://www.AbortionTestimonies.com), you can read, in their own words, the experiences of women and men who have lost children to abortion.

One woman writes, “My abortion was very painful, physically and mentally. It affected me in the worst way. I felt very guilty. I couldn't look at any kids. I know I won't ever do it again. I tell other people how it felt and what I felt like after I did it and hope that they won't do the same thing I did. It gave me a totally different view on life.”

## 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.

### July Wedding Anniversaries

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



### **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.

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.

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 26<sup>th</sup>. 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



# 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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