

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.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 20th and 21st, 2022

Saturday, August 20th

**5:30 pm Mass Offered for Tommy Sturtz, Jr. (RIP)
Requested by Marguerite Sturtz**

Sunday, August 21st

**9:00 am Mass Offered for Martha & Stanley Hollowak
Requested by Mary Hollowak**
11:30 am Spanish Mass

Monday, August 22nd

No Mass

Tuesday, August 23rd

**8:30 am Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)
Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler**
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel
4:30 pm Adult Faith Formation (Mercy Center)

Wednesday, August 24th

**8:30 am Mass Offered for James Geron (RIP)
Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler**

Thursday, August 25th

**8:30 am Mass Offered for Maria Fredericks (RIP)
Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler**

Friday, August 26th

**8:30 am Mass Offered for Melvina Gooch (RIP)
Anniversary of Birthday
Requested by Edna Trudeau**
6:30pm Most Holy Rosary

Saturday, August 27th

5:00 pm Reconciliation
**5:30 pm Mass Offered for Anthony Gintout (RIP)
Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler**

Sunday, August 28th

**9:00 am Mass Offered for Maria Fredericks (RIP)
Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler**
**10:30 am Potluck brunch celebrating Fr. Oscar
41st Anniversary of Ordination**

Attendance

August 13th	Saturday 5:30 pm Mass	90
August 14th	Sunday 9:00 am Mass	101
	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.

*****POTLUCK BRUNCH *****

Father Oscar will be celebrating the 41st Anniversary of his Ordination and we will be celebrating with him on Sunday, August 28th after the 9 am Mass.

This will be a potluck event, so bring your family's favorite dish to share and come and have a good time gathering and spending time with Father Oscar and each other!

PARISH PICNIC

Save the date of Sunday afternoon on September 11th for the Parish picnic! More details will be forthcoming.

Collections for August 13th & 14th, 2022

Week's Amount

Parish Operations	\$ 2,926
Religious Education	495
Assumption of Mary	165
Votive Candles	36
Poor Box	20
Total	\$ 3,642

Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:

Capital Campaign	\$ 671
Facilities, Repairs, & Maintenance	\$ 25
Cemetery Fund	95

*****Thank You for Supporting our Parish*****

FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation

The Adult Faith Formation group is continuing through the summer. Join us at the Mercy Center, 4:30 pm. on Tuesdays.

The current series is called "Explaining the Faith."

Great for anyone wanting to know more about the Catholic Faith.

The Year of Grace, with Divine Mercy

From the Diary of St. Faustina

After Holy Mass, I went out to the garden to make my meditation....Suddenly Jesus stood before me and said, "What are you doing here so early?" I answered, "I am thinking of You, of Your mercy and Your goodness toward us. And You, Jesus, what are You doing here?" **I have come out to meet you, to lavish new graces on you I am looking for souls who would like to receive My grace** (Diary, 1705).

My Prayer Response: Lord Jesus, help me to recognize and receive Your graces with joy. I need all the graces that You want to lavish on me!

Religious Education

Registration

Registration forms can be found on the back table of the church.

Our start date is September 25th.

If your child is receiving a sacrament, please fill out a registration form along with the sacrament form.

We need Substitute teachers for religious education classes, we hope and pray you will consider joining us!

If you would like to co-teach a specific grade, that would be great!

Contact: Erin 804-843-3125 ext. 103



Priests for Life

Testimony of a Dad after abortion:

"Quite often I even wake up in the morning thinking painfully of the undeniably selfish act I did over 11 years ago - STILL! I know I overrode in my core being my conscience (dulled at the time) and my Fatherhood instinct. No two ways about it: I acted - no, I was a coward. My action, despite my confession and repentance before my Creator - continues to rob much of the joy from my life. I would do anything (if God would accept the bargain) to reverse that fateful mistake." -- See more testimonies at www.AbortionTestimonies.com.

Poor Clares Monastery

The Poor Clares invite everyone to attend daily Mass at the Monastery which is usually at 8:00 am.

The monastery address is 5500 Holly Fork Road, Barhamsville 23011 in New Kent.

If you wish to leave a message or a prayer intention for the sisters, the phone number is (757)566-1684.

Saint of the Week

Feast Day- August 25th

St. Joseph Calasanz

The Spanish priest, St. Joseph Calasanz (1556-1648), devoted his life to the education of deprived children. Joseph was ordained in 1583 after being trained in canon law and theology. He went to Rome, where it seemed he had a promising Church career, but he was shocked by the ignorance and poor morals of the common people.

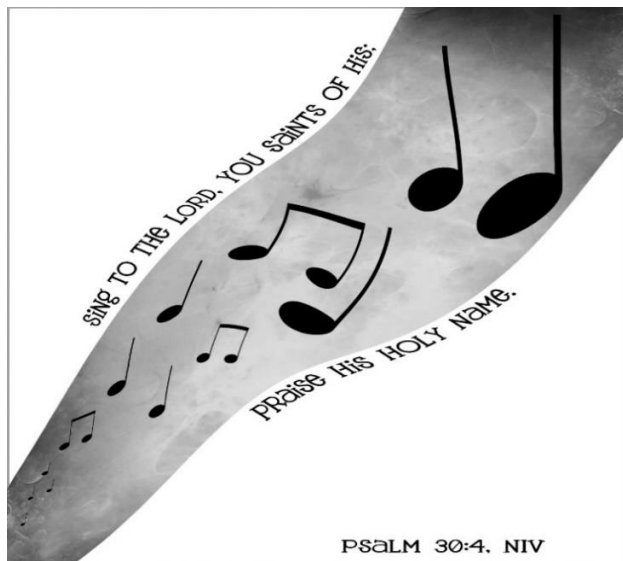
Being unable to interest any of the city's religious orders and institutes in the education of poor children, Joseph undertook this task himself. In 1617 he and his assistants formed the Clerks Regular of the Religious Schools (the first priests to teach in elementary schools). Emphasizing love, not fear, Joseph wrote, "If from the first a child is instructed in religion and letters, it can be reasonably hoped that his life will be happy."

However, Joseph himself encountered many difficulties, including his friendship with the controversial astronomer Galileo Galilei, investigations by papal commissioners, and the rebellion of one of his subordinates in the order. Also, there were those who felt the poor shouldn't be educated, as this would only make them dissatisfied with their lot in life. Joseph was demoted at one point, and eventually his order was suppressed, but he — like the Old Testament figure Job — remained humble and obedient. St. Joseph Calasanz died in Rome in 1648, after which his order was finally restored as a religious community.



Our sincerest condolences to Hope Kopacki and her family at the loss of her grandmother Geri Keffer. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon her.

Praying
FOR
You



Altar Flowers

Altar flowers this weekend were donated by the Nguyen Families. Thank you!

If you wish to donate flowers for the altar to honor someone or in memory of someone, there is now a sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

Parishioners should sign up for a weekend, order directly from the florist or ask Pam Watkins at the Parish office to order them.

Any delivery of flowers to the Church needs to be done between 4:30pm and 5:00pm on Saturdays. No one is there before 4:00pm on Saturdays.

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

August 2022

Aug 1-Aug 6 Gary & Jackie Silvia
Aug 7-Aug 13 Our Hispanic Community
Aug 14-Aug 20 Teresa Nguyen & Nguyen Sisters
Aug 21-Aug 27 Gary & Jackie Silvia
Aug 28-Sept 3 Our Hispanic Community

Volunteers Needed - Church Cleaning Crew

The Cleaning Committee for the Parish is in need of volunteers for weekly cleaning of the church.

It only takes approximately 1-2 hours to wipe down the bathrooms, empty the trash, and vacuum. The more people in a group, the less time it takes.

Please consider donating some time. Contact Jackie Silvia with any questions, 757-561-8749.

Peace in Christ & thank you!

Adoration in Mercy Center Chapel

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament usually takes place on Mondays and Tuesdays. However, the parish office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00am until 4:30pm and we are happy to let you in the Chapel for Adoration on Wednesdays and Thursdays as well.

August Wedding Anniversaries

Eric & Joanna Ellingson August 1, 1992
Bob & Lorraine Ryalls August 5, 1978
Larry & Janie Dzula August 11, 1973
Jim & Anne Duke August 12, 1967
Philip & Karen Liberato August 16, 1986
Greg & Erin Hayden August 21, 1993
Gene & Bonnie Kopacki August 23, 1975
Henry & (Natalee) Franzysheh August 26, 1972

Diocesan Trip to the Holy Land

Dear Friends,

We are excited to announce our upcoming trip to the Holy Land - A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus, April 23 to May 4, 2023.

We look forward to being with you in this Holy Land and creating a lifetime of memories as we share this experience together.

Yours in Christ,
Monsignor Walter Barrett & Deacon David Reaves

STANDARD PRICE (payable by credit or debit card)
FULL PACKAGE: \$4,768 from Washington Dulles (IAD) plus tips of \$195 for total tour cost \$4,963
LAND ONLY PACKAGE: \$3,768 plus tips of \$195 for total tour cost of \$3,963 (You make your own airline arrangements).

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.

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" or dropped off at the parish office during office hours.

The office is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:30pm.

Another option is to put in the white box on the back porch of the Mercy Center.

Clearly mark the envelope "Capital Campaign" so it can be recorded in a timely manner and deposited into our Capital Campaign account.

Rachel's Vineyard™

Weekend Retreat for Healing after Abortion
September 9-11, 2022

“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 strictly confidential.

For information & registration, contact:
Marty Montgomery-Jennings: 804-334-7956 | Maggie Carlson: 804-432-2589
Email: RV4hope@gmail.com | Website: rv4hope.org

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
8200 Woodman Road, Henrico, Virginia 23228
Confidential voicemail: 804-262-7315, ext. 402

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.

Registering in OLBS Parish

Would you like to register in the Parish? Registration forms can be found in the Welcome Center of the Church located in the Narthex.

Conference for Single Catholics

Single and Catholic? September 16th-18th, 2022 - join hundreds of single Catholics coming from all parts of the US (and beyond!) at the 21st National Conference for Single Catholics at the Westfields Marriott in Chantilly, VA. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, opportunities for confession, fellowship, food and more. Register with this promo code (PARISH22) to get \$50 off! *Discount for the first 50 sign ups nationwide to use this code.* Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)






We are confident that the singles in your parish will be eager to know about it. It is the first time that it's being held on the East Coast since 2013 and it has been warmly welcomed by the diocese of Arlington! We would be so grateful if you could help us share it!



BIRDS IN THE WORD

The Bible mentions many kinds of birds. How many have you seen?

Directions: Unscramble the bird names, using the Bible references and pictures as clues. Then insert the final unscrambled bird name to complete the passage below.

-  VDEO _ _ _ _ (Genesis 8:8)
 LWO _ _ _ (Psalm 102:6)
 GEELA _ _ _ _ _ (Isaiah 40:31)
 TOKRS _ _ _ _ _ (Jeremiah 8:7)
 APROSWRS _ _ _ _ _

“Are not five _ _ _ _ _ sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. ... Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many _ _ _ _ _.”

LUKE 12:6-7, NIV

Answer: dove, owl, eagle, stork, sparrow

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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