

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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 27th and 28th , 2022

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

Monday, August 29th

No Mass

Tuesday, August 30th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Anthony Gintout (RIP)
 Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler
 & Offered for Dinh Hong Nhi (RIP)
 Anniversary of Death (2 Years)
 Requested by Quan & Sandy Dinh
 12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel
 4:30 pm Adult Faith Formation (Mercy Center)

Wednesday, August 31st

8:30 am Mass Offered for Bob Walsh (RIP)
 Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Thursday, September 1st

8:30 am Mass Offered for John Jones (RIP)
 Requested by Janice McGowan

Friday, September 2nd

8:30 am Mass Offered for David Seckora
 Requested by Janice McGowan
 6:30pm Most Holy Rosary

Saturday, September 3rd

5:30 pm Mass Offered for Roland Klisiewicz III (RIP)
 Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Sunday, September 4th

9:00 am Mass Offered for Roland Klisiewicz III (RIP)
 Requested by Janice McGowan
 11:30 am Spanish Mass

Attendance

August 20 th	Saturday 5:30 pm Mass	75
August 21 st	Sunday 9:00 am Mass	97
	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! The picnic will start at 1:00 pm. Bring a side or a dessert and your lawn chairs. Hot dogs and burgers as well as the chefs are from the Knights of Columbus.

Collections for August 20th & 21st, 2022

Week's Amount

Parish Operations	\$ 2,979
Supplemental Collection	247
Religious Education	55
Assumption of Mary	10
Votive Candles	9
Poor Box	<u>50</u>
Total	\$ 3,350

Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:

Capital Campaign	\$ 645
Facilities, Repairs, & Maintenance	\$ 10
Cemetery Fund	120

*****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.

Religious Education

Registration

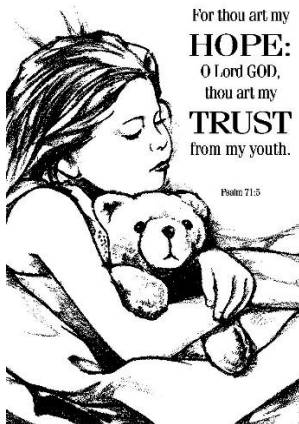
Registration forms can be found on the back table of the church.

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!

Contact: Erin 804-843-3125 ext. 103



The Year of Grace, with Divine Mercy

From the Diary of St. Faustina

Today I heard these words: Pray for souls that they be not afraid to approach the tribunal of My mercy. Do not grow weary of praying for sinners. You know what a burden their souls are to My Heart. Relieve My deathly sorrow; dispense My mercy (Diary, 975).

My Prayer Response:

Merciful Lord, bless souls that fear to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation that you call the "Tribunal of My Mercy." Bless fearful souls with Your love, peace, and joy when going to receive Your mercy in Confession.

Priests for Life

"In a pluralistic society, people disagree. It is arrogant to insist that the Church does not have the right to her own teaching. Certainly, a politician has the freedom to reject Church's teaching. But let's be honest. To choose to be pro-choice is to reject the Gospel of life. It is to be not faithful to Church teaching. The Church teaches that the right to life is fundamental. Without life, there are no other rights. ...Today not only is the taking of so many innocent lives alarming, but no less unsettling is the darkening of conscience among so many who find 'it increasingly difficult to distinguish between good and evil in what concerns the basic value of human life' (Evangelium Vitae, 4). Why should the Church not have a right to voice her teaching on this important issue in the public square? She must speak and speak often. Abortion may be for some just a political issue. But, for the innocent child, it is a matter of life or death." -- Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D, Bishop of Paterson, June 19, 2007.

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 to pray for:

Call the monastery phone number (757)566-1684.

Saint of the Week

Feast Day- August 28th

St. Edmund Arrowsmith

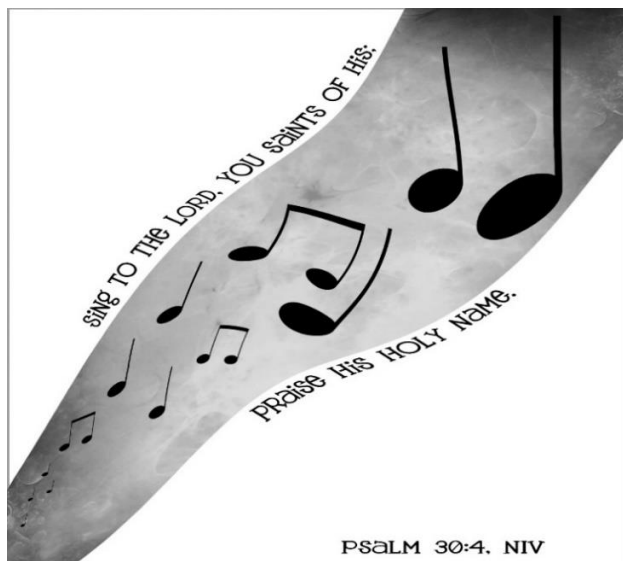
St. Edmund Arrowsmith (born 1585) was the son of Robert Arrowsmith, a farmer, and was born at Haydock, England. He was baptized Brian, but always used his Confirmation name of Edmund.

The family was constantly harassed for its adherence to Catholicism, and in 1605 Edmund left England and went to Douai to study for the priesthood. He was ordained in 1612 and sent on the English mission the following year.

He ministered to the Catholics of Lancashire without incident until about 1622, when he was arrested and questioned by the Protestant bishop of Chester. He was released when King James ordered all arrested priests be freed.

He then joined the Jesuits in 1624. In 1628 was arrested when betrayed by a young man he had censured for an incestuous marriage. He was convicted of being a Catholic priest, sentenced to death, and hanged, drawn, and quartered at Lancaster on August 28th, 1628.

He was canonized as one of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales by Pope Paul VI in 1970. His feast day is August 28th.



Send a Care Card:

One of our parishioners, Vincent D'Elia, has been staying at The Gardens at Warwick Forest in Newport News. There is no estimated time of return to his home or parish. Vincent is unable to walk, so he is stuck in bed most days. If anyone would like to send him a card or note, or have your child make a card to send, I'm sure it will brighten his day!

Send to:

Vincent D'Elia
C/O The Gardens at Warwick Forest
1004 Old Denbigh Blvd. Room #527
Newport News, VA 23602

Praying
FOR You

Altar Flowers

This week's altar flowers were donated by Paul and Mary Leigh McDonald and family. 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 - Weekly Church Cleaning

By volunteering, we hope to avoid the cost of hiring professionals to clean the Church.

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

Knights of Columbus

Crab Carnival Crab Cake Booth

After a two-year pandemic hiatus, the Crab Carnival is now planned for Friday, September 30 and Saturday, October 1! The Knights' crab cake booth will again offer their famous crab cakes along with shrimp, french fries, hot dogs, and water and soft drinks.

Just a shout out to all Knights that if you can lend a hand on Friday evening or anytime on Saturday, please let Phil Liberato, Jim Vadas, Jonathan Kopacki or Dan Gibbs know.

The Knights are regular contributors in time, talent and donations to the Parish as well as other charitable causes.

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) Franzysen	August 26, 1972

Haitian Ministry
in Need of Parish Coordinator

If you have limited time but would like to do something for your Parish, consider being the contact person for this long-time OLBS project. David Seckora was the point person for this ministry for many, many years.

This ministry keeps in contact with Sts. Peter & Paul in Haiti by way of emails and also coordinates with C & F Bank twice a year to send our Parish's contributions to the Haitian church.

If interested, please speak with Father Oscar or Bob Ryalls.

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.

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.

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!

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.

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

ALTAR LINENS Linda Drexler 843-2541 vintagenotes@verizon.net
ALTAR SERVERS Joe Drexler 843-2541 liturgychair@olbs-catholic.org
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LIBRARY Linda Drexler 843-2541 vintagenotes@verizon.net
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