

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.

TWENTY- SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 24th and 25th, 2022



Saturday, September 24th

5:00 pm Reconciliation
 5:30 pm Mass Offered for Patricia Gurganus (RIP)
 Requested by Bill Webster

Sunday, September 25th

9:00 am Mass Offered for David Seckora (RIP)
 Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler
 10:15 am Religious education classes begin
 10:15 am Parish Council Meeting (MC)

Monday, September 26th

No Mass

Tuesday, September 27th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Roland Klisiewicz III (RIP)
 Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler
 12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel
 4:30 pm Adult Faith Formation (Mercy Center)
 6:30 pm Finance Council Meeting (MC)

Wednesday, September 28th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Mary Ann Hooper (RIP)
 Requested by Pat & Wini Barron

Thursday, September 29th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Mildred Hite (RIP)
 Requested by Edna Trudeau

Friday, September 30th

8:30 am Mass Offered for John Jones (RIP)
 Requested by Edna Trudeau
 6:30pm Most Holy Rosary

Saturday, October 1st

5:30 pm Mass Offered for Mary Ann Hooper (RIP)
 Requested by Pat & Wini Barron

Sunday, October 2nd

9:00 am Mass Offered for Henry Kopacki Jr. (RIP)
 Anniversary of Birthday (10/5)
 Requested by Marian Kopacki &
 Family
 11:30 am Spanish Mass

Altar Server Training
 for Those Interested in Serving

"Save the Date": October 23, after 9 am Mass, Altar Server Training for current and new altar servers.

We are in need of young people willing to serve at Saturday or Sunday masses. Please consider this valuable service to our Faith.

Parish Float in Crab Carnival Parade

If you have an interest in helping work on the Parish float entry, please call Tiffany Smith (804-840-7984) or the Parish office. The first work day will be this Sunday at the Boogaard Hall after Sunday School.

Collections for September 17th & 18th, 2022
Week's Amount

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| Parish Operations | \$ 3,622 |
| Votive Candles | \$ 7 |
| Poor Box | \$ 5 |
| On-line Giving | \$ 50 |
| Supplemental Collection | \$ 230 |
| Church Cleaning Donations | \$ 580 |
| Total | \$ 4,494 |

Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:

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| Capital Campaign | \$ 4,649 |
| Maintenance Fund | \$ 322 |
| Retired Religious Fund | \$ 20 |

Thank You for Supporting our Parish

Attendance

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| September 17 th | Saturday 5:30 pm Mass. | 76 |
| September 18 th | Sunday 9:00 am Mass | 105 |
| | Spanish 11:30 am Mass | 41 |

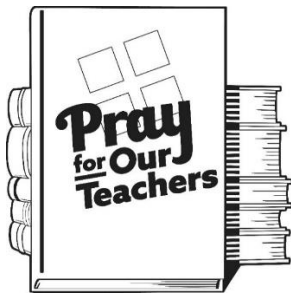
FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education

Religious Education Begins!! Please pray for our students to have ears that hear, eyes that see and a heart to live the message of Christ.

Thank you to all of our Catechists, for their willingness to teach in this much needed ministry!

Pre-K – Peggy Meade
1st Grade- Melissa Simal
2nd Grade- Cydney Henley
3rd Grade- Shannon Hayden
4th Grade- Karena Funkhouser
5th Grade- Jackie Silvia & Dan Gibbs
6th & 7th Grade- AJ Duke
8th & 9th Grade- Angelynn McDonald
Confirmation- Deacon Kevin & Erin Hayden



Bible Study:

Join the Great Adventure Bible Study Timeline!

Starting on September 25th, following the 9 am Mass. This group will meet in the front foyer at the VDB hall. You can enter through the front double doors. Parents, this is a great opportunity for you while kids are in class. Coffee will be ready!

There is also a Bible Study during the week, on Tuesday's @ 4:30 pm. The Fall Bible session will begin on September 27th @ the Hall. This session is Lectio: Mary. If you want to know why the Blessed Mother plays such an important role, join us!

FORMED is a Catholic digital platform. It has over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, audio dramas, talks, e-books, and even cartoons for our children.

FORMED has content from over 60 apostolates, including Augustine institute, Ignatius Press, and the Knights of Columbus, with material that is professionally produced, engaging, and solid in its catechism. Best of all, this material is free to you! It has been gifted to our parish from the Augustine Institute. Thank the Lord! The Augustine Institute also gifted the digital platform for our new curriculum "Word of Life."

To access FORMED, go to <https://signup.formed.org/> and enter our parish's zip code (23181) and enter your name and email address.

We hope everyone takes advantage of these resources while they are available to us. We would love to have your feedback to share with the Augustine institute. Thank you.

Email your feedback to: dre@olbs-Catholic.org

*****Movies Worth Seeing!*****

Note that two movies are showing at the theaters in Williamsburg for a limited time.

The first is "St. Michael: Meet the Angel." It is only shown on September 29th at 7:00 pm at the Movie Tavern in Williamsburg. That is the only time it is showing.

The second is only on October 3rd & 4th and is the showing of the movie "Mother Teresa – No Greater Love." On October 3rd, it will be shown at 7:00 pm at both the Movie Tavern and Regal New Town. On October 4th, it will only be shown at 7:00 pm at Regal New Town.

If anyone is interested in going as a group, please call the parish office and let us know so that we can try to secure group seating.

The Mother Teresa movie was actually produced by the Knights of Columbus. Trailers for these movies can be viewed on the Website for Marian Helpers at MarianHelpers.org.

The Year of Grace, with Divine Mercy

From the Diary of St. Faustina

Today I saw the Crucified Lord Jesus. Precious pearls and diamonds were pouring forth from the wound in His Heart. I saw how a multitude of souls was gathering these gifts, but there was one soul who was closest to His Heart and she, knowing the greatness of these gifts, was gathering them with liberality, not only for herself but for others as well. The Savior said to me, Behold, the treasures of grace that flow down upon souls, not all souls know how to take advantage of My generosity. (Diary, 1687).

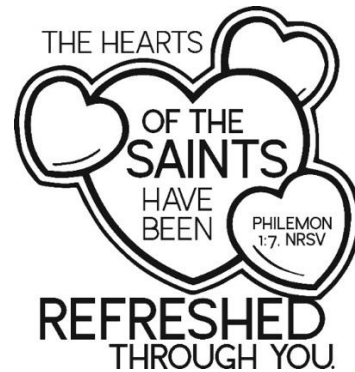
My Prayer Response: Thank You, Jesus, for teaching us through St. Faustina that Your graces flow like “precious pearls and diamonds” from the wound in Your Heart. Teach us how to take advantage of Your generosity and gather Your graces for ourselves and for others.

Priests for Life

"We need to continue to teach clearly and help other Catholic leaders to teach clearly on our unequivocal commitment to the legal protection of human life from the moment of conception until natural death.

Our teaching on human life and dignity should be reflected in our parishes and our educational, health care and human service ministries.

We need to do more to persuade all people that human life is precious and human dignity must be defended. This requires more effective dialogue and engagement with all public officials, especially Catholic public officials. We welcome conversation initiated by political leaders themselves." -- "Catholics in Political Life," a statement of the United States Catholic Bishops, June 18, 2004



Saint of the Week

Feast Day- September 27th

St. Vincent de Paul

Vincent was born in France in 1581 to a peasant family. He joined the seminary when he was 15yrs. old.

When he was still a young priest, he was captured by Turkish pirates who sold him into slavery for two years he had to work hard for the master who bought him. He converted his last master and was then set free.

Vincent was sent to do parish work near Paris. He was a very great friend of the poor. He organized groups to look after the needy. The women nursed the sick and cooked meals for them. Men found jobs for the poor who were able to work, and gave food and clothes to those who could not work.

Vincent also founded the Daughters of Charity. With the help of these Sisters, he gathered money to clothe and feed the poor and to nurse the sick. He built homes for the poor for the sick, for the aged and for abandoned children. Vincent also founded the Congregation of the Mission, or Lazarists, a society of priests and missionaries; priests devoted to poverty, chastity and obedience. He spent the rest of his 43 years working for the poor. He was almost eighty years old when he died in Paris, in 1660. His body was found to be incorrupt fifty years after his death. St. Vincent is called the Apostle of Organized Charity.

He died September 27, 1660. He was canonized in 1737.

Altar Flowers

If you are interested in ordering flowers for the altar, please call the parish office to let Pam know what weekend and whether or not you will be bringing the flowers in or need her to order for you.

Vases beside the Tabernacle are \$75.00 each and the basket or vase in front of the Altar is \$100.00. With delivery fee of \$15.00. You can do both or do either the flowers beside the Tabernacle or those in front of the Altar.

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

Update - OLBS Church Weekly Cleaning

The Hispanic community will be cleaning the church the last week of each month. However, because of a lack of volunteers, a cleaning service will now clean the other weeks.

There are envelopes at the back of the church for donations to help offset the cost as it is not part of current budget. Any donations will help!

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.

All Knights, spouses, or Knight's children over the age of 18, can help. 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 – or else just show up and help.

Request for Short-term Assistance

We have had a request from someone who has injured their back and is having trouble getting around. Is anyone available who is interested in working to help them once a week for about three hours doing regular housekeeping for them? If anyone is interested, please contact the parish office at 804-843-3125 from 9am until 4:30pm.

Congratulations!

To the Nguyen family,
on the Baptism of Timothy Anh Nguyen

and

The Velazquez / Lopez family, on the Baptism of
Santiago Sales Rodriguez.

Welcome to the Catholic Christian family!

For Vocations

"But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness."

Do you want to bring others to life in Christ as a priest? Call the Vocations Office (804)359-5661, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Knights' October 6th Blood Drive

Please note the insert in this weekend's bulletin is for the Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and being held at the Boogaard Hall on October 6 from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Please call the Red Cross or visit their website to schedule an appointment.

Greater Williamsburg LIFE CHAIN

Once again rain or shine St. Olaf Catholic Church in coordination with other Churches invites all to participate in the 34th National Life Chain on Sunday, October 2nd from 2:00 to 3:15 PM. This will be the Greater Williamsburg area's 10th annual Life Chain. Location will be on the sidewalk facing Richmond Road starting at Centerville Road.

The Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, and public witness of pro-life faithful standing in honor of 60+ million lives lost to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that we support the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Pro-Life signs will be available and you may bring a chair if need be and extend this invitation to your friends as well.

OCTOBER

THE MONTH of the MOST HOLY ROSARY

Ever wonder how the rosary came to look as it does?

Some form of the rosary has been around for over 1200 years. During the ninth century, the monks recited the 150 psalms of the bible's Old Testament. People had a difficult time with this form of prayer as the psalms were difficult to memorize and few people could read or afford books so they would say 150 "Our Father" prayers in place of the psalms.

At first 150 small rocks were used to keep count but carrying the rocks in a pouch was cumbersome. A thin rope with 50 knots was then used instead. It was used 3 times to make up a total of 150 prayers. After some time, a piece of string with small pieces of wood were used. In later years, the people began to recite the "Angelic Salutation" (the first part of our Hail Mary) on the pieces of wood. Eventually, the grouping of prayers was divided into 5 decades; each decade was made up of 10 Hail Mary prayers with one Our Father said before each decade.

As time went on, the look of the rosary became more and more refined until we have today's rosary.

The rosary is said each Friday evening at 6:30 pm in the church. Please consider coming and praying together with your parish family.

"I PRAY ALSO
FOR THOSE WHO
WILL BELIEVE IN ME
THROUGH THEIR MESSAGE,
THAT ALL OF THEM
MAY BE ONE,
FATHER,
JUST AS YOU ARE IN ME
AND I AM IN YOU."

JOHN 17:20-21, NIV

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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