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MASS SCHEDULE

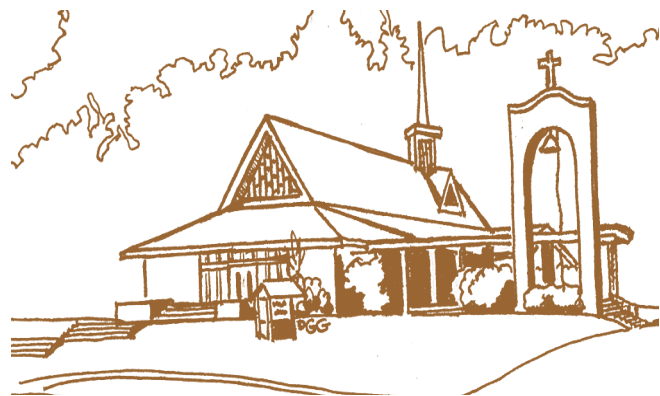
WEEKENDS: SATURDAY 5:30 P.M.

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- EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 8th & 9th , 2022

Saturday, October 8th

5:00 pm Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass Offered for Rosemarie Klisiewicz (RIP)
Anniversary of Birthday
Requested by the Watkins Family

Sunday, October 9th

9:00 am Mass Offered for Yolanda Arci (RIP)
Anniversary of Birthday
Requested by the Watkins Family
10:15 am Religious education classes for
Children & Adult faith formation

Monday, October 10th

No Mass

Tuesday, October 11th

No Mass – Father at Convocation
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel
4:30 pm Adult Faith Formation (Mercy Center)

Wednesday, October 12th

No Mass – Father at Convocation

Thursday, October 13th

No Mass – Father at Convocation

Friday, October 14th

No Mass – Father at Convocation

Saturday, October 15th

5:00 pm Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass Offered for Billy McGowan (RIP)
Requested by Virginia Kopacki

Sunday, October 16th

9:00 am Mass Offered for Joseph Fostek III (RIP)
First Anniversary of Death
Requested by Frank & Mary Ann Fetterolf
10:15 am Religious education classes for
Children & Adult faith formation
11:30 am Spanish Mass
6:30 pm Youth Group in Hall

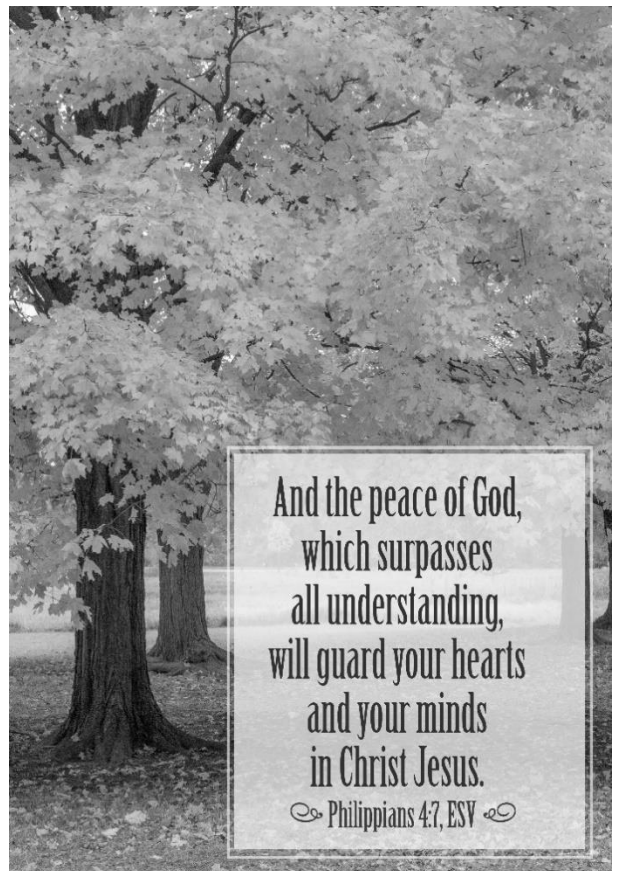
Note: Included in this week's bulletin are the minutes of Parish Council's meeting of September 4, 2022. This meeting was the carryover date for the August meeting and were approved at the Council's September 25th meeting.



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.



FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education

VIRTUS Program Tailored to Children

The Diocese has developed an age appropriate VIRTUS program for children. This program is to help your children to learn how to protect themselves by building safe boundaries; what is an appropriate contact and not, how to respond to adults, keeping safe with technology and who to go to for help.

A letter went home with this information and dates. If you need more information, please contact: Erin Hayden 804-843-3125 ext. 103

The first date is October 9th, for Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades. It will follow Religious Education classes and last for 1 hour. Snacks will be provided.



Respect Life Shower

We are asking for your help! We are gathering items for Respect Life month to be given to the House of Mercy and to our local 3 Rivers Health & Rehab to honor all life.

We will be collecting these items starting the weekend of October 9th. All items will need to be returned by October 23rd. If you don't have time to shop, but would like to donate, we are happy to help. Please contact the church office for questions: 804-843-3125.

All Souls and All Saints Day

Save the date- October 30th. Our parish children are being asked to research a Saint, write down something to share about that Saint, and dress up as that Saint. This is not required, it's for fun! We are asking parishioners who would like to pass out treats and help with our activities, to join us at 10:30 am. @ the hall. Please let us know if you are interested in joining us, by calling the church office: 804-843-3125 ext. 103

If you have questions, contact: Erin Hayden

Movie Night!

Save the date!! Thursday, October 27th @ 6:00 pm. We are showing the 2021 movie, "Purgatory". The movie, Purgatory examines the fate of the soul once it leaves the body after death. Drawing from the accounts of approved mystics such as Fulla Horak, St. Faustina Kowalska and St. Padre Pio. Purgatory tells the story of immortal souls living both in human bodies and those that have already left this world.

This movie is worth watching...We hope you can join us! A food concession will be available and proceeds to benefit our Youth Group.

Bible Study:

Join the Great Adventure Bible Study Timeline!

Sessions began on September 25th, following the 9 am Mass although anyone can attend at any time.

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 – This is FREE!!

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 sign up as a parishioner by entering our parish's zip code (23181) and 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



Saint of the Week

October 13
Our Lady of Fatima

The Promised Miracle of the Sun

The greatest miracle to occur since the Resurrection is also the only miracle ever precisely predicted as to date, time of day and location. While popularly known as "The Miracle of the Sun," October 13, 1917 has come to be known as "The Day the Sun Danced," the headline of the article by Almeida in *O Seculo*.

During the solar phenomena, the sun whirled and zig-zagged, casting colors about the crowd as it began to descend toward the earth. The 70,000 people assembled cried out in terror, thinking it was the end of the world.

After about 10 minutes, the sun returned to the sky. Then a howling wind began to blow, despite the leaves on the trees remaining still. The rain-soaked people were suddenly dry and their clothes clean, and the ground was completely dry. Many physical cures of the blind and the lame were reported. The countless unreserved public confessions of sin and commitments to conversion of life attest to the authenticity of what they saw.

The miracle is reported to have been seen from as far as 15-25 miles away, thus ruling out the possibility of any type of collective hallucination or mass hypnotism. No such phenomenon of the sun was reported anywhere in the world, and scientists were unable to explain it. Doubters and skeptics had become believers. Even the on-site reporter, Almeida, stood by his story later on in spite of harsh criticism. Want to know more? Read the story of Our Lady of Fatima who appeared to 3 Shephard children.



OCTOBER – THE MONTH of the MOST HOLY 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.

The Year of Grace, with Divine Mercy From the Diary of St. Faustina

At the chapter, Mother (Borgia) stressed a life of faith and fidelity in small things. Half way through the chapter, I heard these words: **I desire that you would all have more faith at the present time. How great is My joy at the faithfulness of My spouse in the smallest things.** Then I looked at the crucifix and saw that Jesus' head was turned toward the refectory, and His lips were moving (Diary, 352).

My Prayer Response:

Dearest Jesus, I desire to be more faithful to You even in the smallest things in my daily life. I desire and long to live in union with You and be the joy of Your Heart.

Priests for Life

"Miscalculation"

"The terrible miscalculation of young women is that abortion can make them 'un-pregnant,' that it will restore them to who they were before their crisis. But a woman is never the same once she is pregnant, whether the child is kept, adopted, or killed. Abortion may be a kind of resolution, but it is not the one the woman most deeply longs for, nor will it even preserve her sense of self" (Paul Swope, "Abortion: A Failure to Communicate").

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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.

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.

You can do either the flowers on both sides of the Tabernacle or those in front of the Altar or both.

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

Special Note

Mass Intention Requests are “up” here at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament. That says a lot about our wonderful parishioners and their care for one another and their care for each other’s spiritual well-being.

Our most gracious office volunteers do their best to honor everyone’s request for specific days; however, given the volume, there may be Masses for which there will be more than one intention. Having more than one intention at a Mass in no way takes away any validity of any of the intentions. God invented multi-tasking and will always give as much attention as is needed by each of his children.

Update - OLBS Church Weekly Cleaning

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

Attendance

October 1 st	Saturday 5:30 pm Mass	37
October 2 nd	Sunday 9:00 am Mass	175

No Spanish Mass

OCTOBER



Brandon & Gigi Jordan	October 3, 2009
Albert & Gloria Wajciechowski	October 10, 1970
(David “Charlie”) & Jeanie Sturtz	October 11, 1968
Frank & Mary Ann Fetterolf	October 19, 1963
Kevin & Deidra Kopacki	October 20, 2001
Mike & Nancy Pausic	October 29, 1960
Scott & Pam Watkins	October 29, 1983

Collections for September 1st & 2nd, 2022

Week’s Amount

Parish Operations	\$ 3,814
Votive Candles	\$ 6
Poor Box	\$ 1

Total \$ 3,821

Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:

Capital Campaign	\$ 2,470
Retired Religious Fund	\$ 60
Haiti Ministry	\$ 100

Thank You for Supporting our Parish

Father Oscar Recuperating

Some of you may know that Father spent several days in the hospital this week and came home on Wednesday. He will be resting comfortably here for a few days and then will be going to Convocation next week. He should be back for the weekend Masses on the 15th & 16th.

Diocesan Priests’ Convocation

Please note that Father Oscar will be attending the Diocesan Convocation and will be away from October 10th through October 14th. There will be no daily Masses that week. Please pray for all the priests who will be attending.

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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