

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.

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 19th & 20th , 2022



Saturday, November 19th FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass Offered for Paul McDonald (RIP)
Requested by John & Vickie Roane

Sunday, November 20th FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

9:00 am Mass Offered for Bob & Kay Getman (RIP)
Requested by Louis & Kim Getman
10:15 am Religious education classes for
Children & Adult faith formation
11:30 am Spanish Mass
6:30 pm Youth Group at VDB Hall

Monday, November 21st

No Mass
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, November 22nd

8:30 am Mass Offered for Paul McDonald (RIP)
Requested by Pat & Wini Barron
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel
4:30 pm Adult Faith Formation (Mercy Center)

Wednesday, November 23rd

8:30 am Mass Offered for Paul McDonald (RIP)
Requested by Erin Hayden

Thursday, November 24th THANKSGIVING

8:30 am Mass

Friday, November 25th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Mary Rosa Gooch (RIP)
Anniversary of Death
Requested by Edna Trudeau
6:30 pm Most Holy Rosary

Saturday, November 26th

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass Offered for Thomas Sturtz, Sr. (RIP)
Requested by Marguerite Sturtz

Sunday, November 27th

9:00 am Mass Offered for Paul McDonald (RIP)
Requested by Mike & Nancy Pausic
10:15 am Religious education classes for
Children & Adult faith formation

Thanksgiving Day Mass

There will be only one Mass on Thanksgiving Day and will be at 8:30 am.

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday November 24th in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The office will reopen Tuesday, November 29th.

The staff wishes you and yours a very Blessed Thanksgiving filled with family and friends!

Thanks for All the Help!

Pre-Holiday Church Cleaning is Done!

A big thank you to all those who came out to help with the church clean-up day this past Saturday, November 12th.

The turn out was very good and we were able to accomplish the tasks on the to-do-list.

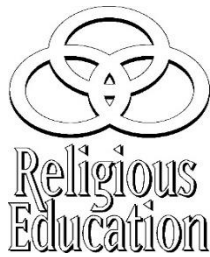
Advent Reconciliation Service

Our Advent Penance Service will be on Tuesday, November 29th at 7:00 pm. Two visiting priests will assist Father Oscar in the community reconciliation service.

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.

FAITH FORMATION



Christmas Play Practice-

Christmas play practice will take place, every Sunday @ 11:15 am., following Religious Ed. classes. We will have a Potluck dinner and show our Christmas Play "What Can I Give Him," on December 18th, at 5:00 pm. Make sure to mark your calendar now!



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Bible Study:

Bible Study is held at the church hall on Sunday's, following the 9 am. Mass. All are invited to join! It's a great opportunity for parents, while kids are in Sunday school class.

There is also a Bible Study on Tuesday's, held at the Mercy Center conference room @ 4:30 pm.

Come join us!

Movie Night-

December 8th @ 6:00 pm. Bring your favorite cookie dish to share! We will be showing "It's A Wonderful Life!"

Soup and snack items will be available by donation to support the Youth Group.



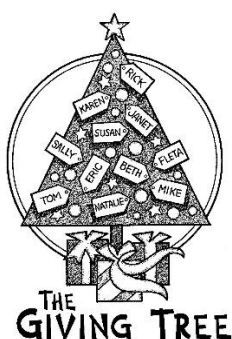
Altar Flowers

Flowers on the altar this weekend were donated by Joe & Linda Drexler in thanksgiving.

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.



Visit the 'Giving Tree' in Back of the Church

Make Someone's Christmas Special

It is that time of year! Our "Giving Tree" is up in the back of the Church! Please sign out any tag you take from the tree. The sign-up sheet can be found on the side altar at the back.

The deadline to have the items back is Sunday, December 4th. Please return the gifts in a black trash bag, either wrapped or unwrapped.

If you have any questions, please call Sandy Lam at 1-562-607-1422 or call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday between 9:00am and 4:30pm.




Christmas Food Baskets

The Parish is collecting Funds for Christmas Food Baskets again this year! If you wish to contribute, please place your donation in an envelope clearly marked "Food Baskets", along with your envelope number so you can get credit for your donation.

You can either place your donation in the offertory basket or see Sandy Lam, Deidra Kopacki, Erin Hayden, Tiffany Smith, or Pam Watkins after one of the Masses.

If you have any questions, you can call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays between 9:00am and 4:30pm.



Little Blue Advent Books Available

The Little Blue Books for Advent have been donated by one of our parishioners and are located at the back of the Church. These are great books to help keep you focused during Advent to prepare for the coming of Baby Jesus.

OLBS Church 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!

NOVEMBER



Paul & Erin Borszich	November 3, 2007
Richard & Margaret Mountcastle	November 6, 1971
Shane & Donna Donahue	November 10, 2001
Jody & Bobbi Drexler	November 15, 2003
Joe & Linda Drexler	November 23, 1968

The Year of Grace, with Divine Mercy

From the Diary of St. Faustina

Meditation: Daughter, I need sacrifice lovingly accomplished, because that alone has meaning for Me. Enormous indeed are the debts of the world which are due to Me; pure souls can pay them by their sacrifice, exercising mercy in spirit (Diary, 1316).

My Prayer Response: Jesus, teach me to lovingly make sacrifices for souls that I may exercise mercy in Spirit. May I always remember that only what is accomplished in love has meaning for You, Lord.



Knights of Columbus Update

Coats for Kids

The Father Jakubowski Council 8116 has started its annual campaign for Coats for Kids. Please note the flyer in this week's bulletin. This is a nationwide effort sponsored by the Knights. Last year, the local council provided coats to children at West Point elementary, King William's Cool Springs & Acquinton elementary, and Lower King and Queen elementary.

Great Turnout of Knights at Crab Carnival Booth

A big thank you to so many Knights who turned out to spend some time working at the Crab Cake booth on Saturday October 29th. This is our Council's biggest fundraiser and will allow the Knights to continue making its charitable contributions to our Parish and other worthy causes.

K of C Christmas Card Sales

The Knights are once again selling religiously-based Christmas cards as part of its "Keep Christ in Christmas" program. Please visit the display in the church foyer.

Collections for November 12th & 13th, 2022

Week's Amount

Parish Operations	\$ 2,947
Christmas Flowers	\$ 460
Religious Education	\$ 10
Supplemental Collection	\$ 20
All Saints Day	\$ 10
All Souls Day	\$ 40
Thanksgiving	\$ 5

Total \$ 3,492

Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:

Capital Campaign	\$ 8,055
Archdiocese of the Military	\$ 306
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 123
Cemetery Fund	\$ 195

Thank You for Supporting our Parish

Attendance

November 12th Saturday 5:30 pm Mass 71

November 13th Sunday 9:00 am Mass 138

No Spanish Mass

Priests for Life

In Honor of Jesus Christ, the Eternal King

Of every pond and stream that flows,
Of every rock and pebble small,
Of every river and ocean wide,
Of every mountain vast and tall,

Of every moon and star above,
Of every storm and rain and hail,
Of sleet and fog, of ice and smog,
Of summer breeze and winter gale,

Of every island in the sea,
Of every animal that walks,
Of crawls or swims or flies or rests,
Of chirps or barks or howls or squawks,

Of every place by men unknown,
Not yet discovered or explored,
Of every height and every depth,
Of sites beloved and abhorred,

Of every kingdom, empire, state,
Dominion, country, monarchy
Of village small and city great
Of men of power and majesty,

Of house and home and property,
Of kitchen and of living room,
Of bedroom, hallway, stairway long,
Of playground and of working room,

Of every act, desire, and wish,
Longing, passion, weakness, strength,
Of every heart that longs and laughs,
And cries and tries and waits at length,

Of all who suffer and who wait
For justice or for daily bread,
Of all who triumph and are glad,
Of all who middle paths do tread,

Of every woman, man and child,
Of every creature large and small,
Of every sinner, saint and angel,
Jesus Christ is King of all!

Yes He is King; yes, Christ is King!
No start or end and never failing,
His reign engulfs infinity
O'er all existing things prevailing.

Yet men are weak and often question
When many evil things they see.
Christ waits for them to realize
That He is wiser than are we.

He is aware of all that is,
He knows our problems, needs and fears,
His Providence is now at work
And Jesus' final triumph nears.

Then let us rise in greater faith
To tell the world of His great name,
That when the King returns, we may
For lack of faith not blush with shame. Amen!

-- Fr. Frank Pavone

November Is Dedicated to the Holy Souls In Purgatory

The Church Suffering and the Church Militant constitute in their relations a second circle of most vital activities. Having entered into the night "wherein no man can work," the Suffering Church cannot ripen to its final blessedness by any efforts of its own, but only through the help of others—through the intercessory prayers and sacrifices (*suffragia*) of those living members of the Body of Christ who being still in this world are able in the grace of Christ to perform expiatory works. The Church has from the earliest times faithfully guarded the words of Scripture that it is a holy and a wholesome thing to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins. [2 Mac. 12, 43] The suppliant cry of her liturgy: "Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them," can be heard already in the Acts of the martyrdom of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas (A.D. 203) and is represented in numerous sepulchral inscriptions of the most ancient period, while theologians and Fathers of the Church, beginning with Tertullian, have supplied its substantial proof... So fundamental indeed and so natural to man's hope and desire and love is this belief, that historians of religion have discovered it among almost all non-Christian civilized peoples: a striking illustration of Tertullian's saying that the human soul is naturally Christian.

The Catholic, therefore, is jealous to expiate and suffer for the "poor souls," especially by offering the Eucharistic Sacrifice, wherein Christ's infinite expiation on the Cross is sacramentally represented, and stimulating and joining itself with the expiatory works of the faithful, passes to the Church Suffering according to the measure determined by God's wisdom and mercy. — Karl Adam

November 2022

Annual Coats for Kids Campaign

For the third year in a row, the Knights of Columbus Council 8116 in West Point, is raising funds for Coats for Kids, a national program helping children in need.

We are asking your help with any donation you could make to make this program a success for children in local schools.

Last year, the Knights supplied 24 coats to each of **West Point Elementary, Lower King & Queen Elementary, and Cool Springs/Acquinton Elementary (King William)**. The coats are purchased in quantity from the Knights of Columbus national organization, sponsor of the worldwide program.

This year we wish to at least supply this many coats, if not more – depending on funds, to all three schools. Administrators at these schools have been very appreciative of having coats available for many students.

Many children in our area don't have the basic necessity of a warm coat for braving the cold weather that is right around the corner. It is even more difficult this year for many families dealing with inflation and the high costs of everything.

Please help by sending a check payable to the Knights of Columbus, c/o Financial Secretary, P.O. Box 707, West Point VA 23181.

Donors will receive a letter from the Knights recognizing and thanking you for your contributions.

Thank you for your support.

Coats for Kids Committee

Jim Milby, chair

Phil Liberato

Jim Vadas



NOVEMBER 2022 PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Emily Adams
Sharon Adams
Elizabeth Alley
Camb Ashley
Candace Barefoot
Virginia Becker
Paulette Berberich
Tom Berberich
Linda Blevins
Ron Blevins
Linda Burch
William Bush
Kathryn Carson
Kevin Carson
Lucy Carson
Jose Castaneda
Tim Collier
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Mary Wilson
Lois Wilson
Robert 'Bobby' Wilson Leda
Zaginaylo
Jody Zogran

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson
Specialist Sydney Gay

Please note that in January, the list will start anew. If you wish to put someone on the list, for the year 2023, you will need to call the office to have that person's name put on the prayer list. In this way we will be able to remove those who should no longer be on the list.

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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