OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

3570 KING WILLIAM AVENUE, WEST POINT VA 23181



WEEKDAYS: 8:30 A.M. Tuesday - Friday

HOLYDAYS: 8:30 A.M. & 7:00 P.M.



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SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Also by appointment

EUCHARISTIC 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.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 14th & 15th 2023

Saturday, January 14th

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 pm Mass Offered for Marguerite Sturtz for

Healing

Requested by Marian Kopacki & Family

Sunday, January 15th

9:00 am Mass Offered for Billy Hart (RIP)

Requested by Jim Milby

Mass Offered for Esther Seckora (RIP)

Anniversary of Death Paul & Valeria Seckora

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, January 16th

No Mass

12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, January 17th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Richard & Anna

Kozlowski (RIP)

Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

4:30 pm Adult Faith Formation (Mercy Center)

12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, January 18th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Patricia Hinkle (RIP)

Requested by Cathy Fudella

Thursday, January 19th

11:00 am Mass Offered for Billy Hart (RIP)

Requested by Jim Milby

12:00 Noon Senior Luncheon at Lucano's Pasta Italian

Restaurant in Eltham

Friday, January 20th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Billy Hart (RIP)

Requested by Jim Milby

6:30 pm Most Holy Rosary

Saturday, January 21st

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 pm Mass Offered for Joe, Sr., Elsie, & Johnny

Drexler (RIP)

Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Sunday, January 22nd HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. OSCAR

9:00 am Mass Offered for Fr. Oscar

In honor of his birthday

10:15 am Religious education classes for

Children & Adult faith formation



FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education

Welcome Back! All Classes have resumed!

Thank you to our teachers for sharing their time and talents to teach our parish kids. You are appreciated so much! May God Bless you all!

Youth Group

Youth Group will meet at the hall on January 15th @6:30 pm. Bring your favorite snack and enjoy some of our own New Year Fun and games!

Religious Education & Adult Bible Study

Start your year with a new good habit! Join us for Bible Study @ 10:15 am at the hall on Sundays or Tuesday nights, 4:30 pm. @ the Mercy Center conference room. Bible study group is a great way to learn and grow in your faith. It also builds a great bond with parish family.

A Very Big Thank You!

To the OLBS Women's Group for their generous donation of \$131.00. This money was given to be used to enhance any programs for the youth of our parish. This monetary blessing will be used to help our kids learn and grow in their faith in the most memorable way possible.





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!

Prayer List Starts Over for the New Year

If you wish to add someone's name to the prayer list, please call the parish office. The new year's list begins in this week's bulletin with those who have already requested names for the list. Last year's list became so long and there was no way to know who should no longer be on that list.

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 <u>or</u> 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.

Married Couples

The Parish wishes to honor married couples throughout the year in our bulletins. Please find a form in this bulletin for you to let us know when you were married! If you have been recognized last year, names will continue to be listed and there is no need to fill out the form again.



Quan & Sandy Dinh Bill & Edwina Madigan January 18, 2020 January 28, 1967

2023 Parish Calendars

The Parish calendars are here! Please pick up a calendar at the back of the church.

Collections for January 7 th &	8th	2023
Week's Amount		

Parish Operations	\$	4,728
Christmas	\$	50
Solemnity of Mary	\$	10
Initial Offering	<u>\$</u>	20

Total <u>\$ 4,808</u>

Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:

Catholic Charities \$ 35 Haitian Ministry \$ 532

Thank You for Supporting our Parish

*** Attention:

Last Saturday an envelope containing cash toward a Capital Campaign pledge was placed in the collection basket. The envelope did not have anyone's name on it for recording this payment toward your pledge.

If that envelope was yours, please contact Pam Watkins at the church office during office hours Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday at 804-843-3125.



The LORD GOD is my STRENGTH and my SONG, and he has my SALVATION.

Isaiah 12:2, ESV

Blessing of Candles

Father Oscar will be Blessing candles the weekend of January 28th & 29th. Please bring any candles you would like to have Blessed with you to Mass that weekend.

Feast of Saint Blaise

The Feast of St. Blaise is on February 3^{rd} this year. Father Oscar will be Blessing throats after each of the Masses on the weekend of February 4^{th} & 5^{th} .

Senior Luncheon on January 19th

The Senior Luncheon this month will be on 1/19/2023 following the 11:00am Mass. The Luncheon will be at Lucano's Pasta Italian Restaurant located at 18950 Motel Drive, West Point, VA 23181 across the river in New Kent.

Please call Jeanie Sturtz by noon on Tuesday, January 17th at 804-370-8521 to sign up for the Luncheon.

Requesting Old Palms

Please bring any old palms you might have and put in the basket at the back of the Church. Each year, these palms are burned to create our ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please bring them in by the weekend of February 11th & 12th.



Knights of Columbus

Knights' BBQ Lunch/Dinner January 28, 2023

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a fundraiser on Saturday January 28th with a BBQ lunch thru dinner from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. TAKE OUT ONLY!

Call for tickets: (804) 512-9701

Knights' Friday Lenten Dinners

The Knights' have scheduled three Friday Lenten dinners:

Friday, February 24th Fish Dinner
Friday, March 17th Shrimp Dinner
Friday, March 31st Crab Cake Dinner

Please mark your calendars!

Becoming a Knight

Father Jakubowski Council 8116 always welcomes practicing Catholic men (18 and older) to join. You can either talk to one of the Knights or simply complete an online application. Go to www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html.

Knights of Columbus Insurance

Do you have life insurance, long-term care insurance, an annuity, or other retirement needs? Knights of Columbus had their origins in 1882 to help those in need, especially to for working class families if something happened to the family provider. Knights' members can get a free consultation with our local insurance agent, Todd Curtis, by contacting him at 866-868-1492.

2023 Parish Calendars Provided by the Knights

The Knights have once again generously donated the parish calendars. The Parish calendars are here! Please pick up a calendar at the back of the church.

	<u>Attendance</u>	
January 7 th	Saturday 5:30 pm Mass	80
January 8 th	Sunday 9:00 am Mass	126
	No Spanish Mass	

Priests for Life

Three Key Themes

This week our nation honors the dream of equal human rights articulated by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

On January 22, we also mark the anniversary of the most egregious violation of human rights through the Supreme Court decision Roe vs. Wade, which permitted the killing of children in the womb.

During these days, Christians also observe the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

These three themes intersect powerfully. We pray that Christians will unite in effective service to all who are deprived of their rights, and bring about a Culture of Life, Justice, and Love.

Saint of the Week

St. Fabian

Feast Day- January 19

Fabian was a Roman layman who came into the city from his farm one day as clergy and people were preparing to elect a new pope. Eusebius, a Church historian, says a dove flew in and settled on the head of Fabian. This sign united the votes of clergy and laity, and he was chosen unanimously.

He led the Church for 14 years and died a martyr's death during the persecution of Decius in 250 A.D. Saint Cyprian wrote to his successor that Fabian was an "incomparable" man whose glory in death matched the holiness and purity of his life.

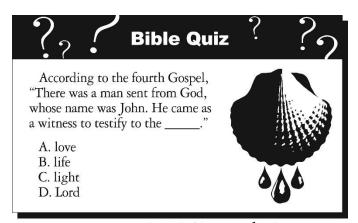
In the catacombs of Saint Callistus, the stone that covered Fabian's grave may still be seen, broken into four pieces, bearing the Greek words, "Fabian, bishop, martyr." St. Fabian shares the celebration of his liturgical feast with St. Sebastian on January 20.

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

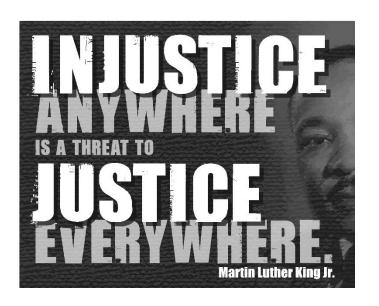
Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion, but on the contrary, I justify him in unfathomable an inscrutable mercy (Diary, 1146).

My Prayer Response:

Jesus, I appeal to Your mercy for me a sinner and for mercy on the whole world. Help all of us to appeal to Your great mercy. May we be justified by Your unfathomable and inscrutable mercy!



Answer: C (See John 1:6-7, NRSV.)



Knights of Columbus BBQ Lunch/Dinner

Includes BBQ, sandwich bun, slaw, baked beans, chips

OLBS Catholic Church Boogaard Hall
3150 King William Ave.

Saturday, January 28, 2023

11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Cost \$10.00

Take Out Only

For Tickets Call: (804) 512-9701

Attention Married Couples!

We would like to honor all married couples throughout the year in our bulletins. Please take a moment to fill out this form. Please return the finished form to the basket at the back of the Church or mail to the parish office at 207 West Euclid Blvd., West Point, VA 23181 by January 25, 2023.

Names:
Years Married:
Where were you Married? (City/State):
Date of Marriage:



To Honor a Beloved Spouse who has passed on to eternal life:

Name of Surviving Spouse:
Name of Deceased Spouse:
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Wedding Anniversary:

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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