

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.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 21st & 22nd, 2023

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

Monday, January 23rd

No Mass
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, January 24th

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
6:30 pm Finance Council Meeting (MC)

Wednesday, January 25th

8:30 am Mass Offered for William Sr. & Mary
Madigan (RIP)
Requested by Bill & Edwina Madigan

Thursday, January 26th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Joe, Sr., Elsie & Johnny
Drexler (RIP)
Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Friday, January 27th

8:30 am Mass Offered for Louis & Mary Tavares
(RIP)
Requested by Edwina & Bill Madigan
6:30 pm Most Holy Rosary

Saturday, January 28th

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 29th

9:00 am Mass
10:15 am Religious education classes for
Children & Adult faith formation
10:15 am Parish Council Meeting (MC)

Follow Me,
and I
will make you



become
fishers
of men.

Mark 1:17, NKJV

Christmas Flowers Need a Good Home !!

If you donated for Christmas flowers, please stop by after any of the Masses this weekend and take some home. Thank you for helping make our Church beautiful for the Christmas Season!

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.

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.

FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education

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.



Movie Night!

Thursday, January 26th @ 6:00 pm. we will be showing the movie "Sabina, Tortured for Christ". Based on a true story, this movie has a wonderful message of Christ at work in us and forgiveness.

Food concession and snacks will be available by donation. All proceeds will be donated to the Voice of the Martyrs to help persecuted Christians in other parts of the world.



Start your year with a new good habit! 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.

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Come join us!

A Very Big Thank You!

Thank you to Lorraine and Bob Ryalls for purchasing new Bibles for our Confirmation classes to use. These Bibles will help our teens and children breakdown and understand the Word of God with more easily and how to live the Word in our daily lives.

Save the Dates-

Every Wednesday of March:

March 1st to March 29th @ 6:00 pm.

A Lenten Bible Retreat on the Eucharist.
We will share a Lenten meal of bread and broth.

March 11th: Saturday Retreat on Divine Mercy (Know the gift and be ready to receive it on Divine Mercy Sunday).

May 27th: Tea with the Blessed Mother (Interested in Hosting? Call Erin @ the office)

From OLBS Preschool:

Hello Church family! The preschool is experiencing a wonderful year so far. Fall enrollment for next school year will be opening to the Church on February 14th. Please reach out to the preschool for a registration form. Our 3-year-old and 4-year-old programs are wonderful. The preschool number is 804-843-4177 or you can call the Church office for more information.

preschool registration



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 January 18, 2020
Bill & Edwina Madigan January 28, 1967

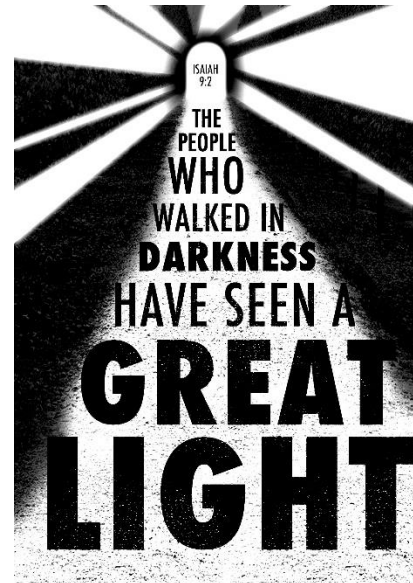
2023 Parish Calendars

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

Priests for Life

Finding Forgiveness

Linda is a woman who had an abortion. She writes, "My breaking point with ...[my former] Church was when I was feeling truly guilty because of what I had done, I knew it was wrong, but people were trying to justify it to me. I didn't need justification, I needed to know how to reconcile an already fragmented relationship with the Lord I desired... but I was too weighed down and no one seemed to see the need of forgiveness and reconciliation, at least until I came into contact with the Catholic Church. The funny thing is, so many people seem to see the Church as uncompassionate and uncaring, it was where I found love, acceptance, and forgiveness..."



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 3rd this year. Father Oscar will be Blessing throats after each of the Masses on the weekend of February 4th & 5th.

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.

I want to thank my parish family for your prayers, lovely cards, and visits to the hospital and at home. Special thank you to Father Oscar.
God Bless.
Marguerite Sturtz.





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/ 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.

Knights Deliver "Coats for Kids"



Pam Pate accepting boxes of coats at King & Queen Elementary School from "Coats" chair Jim Milby



Principal Kristen Britt and Lynette Wadley accept delivery of coats at West Point Elementary School



Cool Springs Primary School staff Tiffany Quick, Principal, Amanda Schneck, Assistant Principal, and Margaret Harvey, secretary and "Coats" contact person accept coats in King William County

Saint of the Week

St. Marianne Cope Feast Day- January 23rd

St. Marianne Cope was born in western Germany in 1838. She entered religious life in Syracuse, N.Y. in 1862. She served as a teacher and principal in several schools in the state and established two of the first hospitals in the central New York area: St. Elizabeth Hospital in Utica and St. Joseph’s Hospital in Syracuse.

In 1883, Mother Marianne’s community was the only one of fifty to respond positively to an emissary from Hawaii who requested Catholic sisters to provide health care on the Hawaiian Islands, especially to those with leprosy.

Over the next five years, St. Marianne set up a system of long-term education and care for her patients.

She ministered to patients at Kalaupapa on the island of Molokai. Her time of service overlapped with the last years of St. Damien of Molokai, a priest who served victims of Hansen’s disease and himself died of leprosy.

St. Marianne promised her sisters that none of them would ever contract the disease. To this day, no sister has. Her care earned her the affectionate title “beloved mother of the outcasts.”

She died in 1918 and was beatified on May 14, 2005 and canonized on October 21, 2012, both by Pope Benedict XVI. In the years following her death, several miracles were reported in her name. After her beatification, Mother Marianne’s remains were moved to Syracuse, New York and placed in a shrine.

"At a time when little could be done for those suffering from this terrible disease, Marianne Cope showed the highest love, courage and enthusiasm," Pope Benedict XVI said in his homily during the Mass for her canonization. "She is a shining and energetic example of the best of the tradition of Catholic nursing sisters and of the spirit of her beloved Saint Francis."

Collections for January 14th & 15th, 2023
Week’s Amount

Parish Operations	\$ 4,620
Supplemental Collection	\$ 267
Total	\$ 4,887
Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:	
Capital Campaign	\$ 2,780
Haitian Ministry	\$ 50

Thank You for Supporting our Parish

Attendance

January 14 th	Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	70
January 15 th	Sunday	9:00 am Mass	131
		Spanish 11:30 Mass	50

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

My daughter, I have inclined My Heart to your requests. Your assignment and duty here on earth is to be for mercy for the whole world. No souls will be justified until it turns with confidence to My mercy, and this is why the first Sunday after Easter I to be the Feast of Mercy. On that day, priests are to tell everyone about My great and unfathomable mercy. I am making you the (dispenser) of My mercy. Tell the confessor that the Image is to be on view in the church and not within the enclosure in that convent. By means of this Image I shall be granting many graces to souls; so, let every soul have access to it (Diary, 570).

My Prayer Response:


Lord Jesus, I unite myself with St. Faustina, the dispenser of Your Mercy, to beg for mercy on the whole world. May every soul have access to the image of You as the Divine Mercy and to the Feast of Mercy.

(Want to learn more about the Feast of Divine Mercy? Join the Retreat on March 11th, 9 am.- 12 pm. @ our VDB hall. More information to come)

Bible Quiz

Naaman, the commander of the Aramean army, had leprosy. Who told his wife about a prophet in Samaria who might be able to cure Naaman? And who was that prophet?

A. the king of Aram; Elijah
 B. Naaman’s wife’s sister; Isaiah
 C. an Israelite servant girl; Elisha
 D. a visiting emissary from Israel; Jeremiah



Answer: C (See 2 Kings 5:2-3, 8-10.)

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: _____

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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