

# 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.*

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD  
OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)**

June 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> **THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD  
OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)**

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
5:30 pm Mass Offered for Cornell Adams (RIP)  
Requested by Lorraine & Bob Ryalls

Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> **THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD  
OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)**

9:00 am Mass Offered for All Our First Holy  
Communicants  
(As They Prepare for First Holy  
Communion To Take Place Next  
Weekend)

10:15 am Bible Study (Mercy Center)

Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>

No Mass  
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> **St. Anthony of Padua, Saint, Doctor  
of the Church**

9:30 am Mass Offered for Jackie Drayer (RIP)  
Requested by Lorraine & Bob Ryalls  
12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel  
4:30 pm Adult Bible Study (Mercy Center)

Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Mass – No Mass Intention  
6:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Mass – No Mass Intention

Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> **THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

9:30 am Mass – No Mass Intention  
6:30 pm Holy Rosary (Fr. Oscar)

Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> **ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

4:30 pm First Sacrament of Reconciliation  
5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
5:30 pm Mass Offered for Fathers & Grandfathers  
Requested by the Watkins Family

Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> **ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am First Holy Communion  
Mass Offered for All of our First Holy  
Communicants Receiving the Body & Blood  
of Christ for the first time this day  
10:15 am Bible Study (Mercy Center)

**“Given  
for  
you.”**



**Return to Holy Eucharist Under Both Species**

We are in need of additional Eucharistic Ministers. A training session will be planned to show new volunteers the procedures and refresh previous Ministers. Please let Fr. Oscar, Pam, Pattie Vadas, or Joe Drexler know of your interest in serving and for a training session.

**Senior Mass & Luncheon**

The Senior Mass and Luncheon will be on Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. Please mark your calendars and call Jeanie Sturtz at 804-370-5821 by Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> by noon to sign up for the Luncheon at Lucano's Pasta Restaurant, Rt. 33 in Eltham.

**Catholic Cemetery Information & Survey**

In last week's bulletin as well as you may have received in the mail, there was information on cremation and that it is accepted by the Catholic Church. In this regard, there is also a survey of parishioner level of interest in a "columbarium" for St. Theresa's Cemetery where ashes (cremains) may be interred above ground.

**Please return the survey in the collection basket, drop off at the parish office, or by mail by the end of June.**

Lastly, there is Father Oscar's letter explaining an increase in the annual fee for maintenance of grave sites at both St. Theresa and St. John Kanti Catholic cemeteries to \$50.00 annually.

## FAITH FORMATION

### Religious Education & Adult Bible Study

Bible Study is in the Mercy Center, front Parlor room after the Sunday, 9 am. Mass. If our group grows, we may move to the Conference room. The Bible study is on the **Book of Revelation**. We hope you can join us in learning the faith!

Tuesday night Bible study is at 4:30 pm. in the Mercy Center Conference room. We are in the Book of Revelation.



June 17<sup>th</sup>:       \*\*\*Reconciliation  
June 18<sup>th</sup> :       \*\*\*First Holy Communion



## First Communion

### Weekend of First Reconciliation & Holy Communion –

Families will meet at the church on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. for Reconciliation and practice. On Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, families will need to be at the church no later than 8:30 am. This will give us a few minutes for pictures, seating and run through.

Please call if there are any questions: 804-366-4435



### Looking for help!

Vacation Bible School is set for the week of **July 24<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup>** from **6:00 pm. to 8:00 pm.** We are still in need of many volunteers for: Teaching, decorating, setting up, art, crafts, bible stories, music, games and snacks. Please consider sharing your time and talents.

Volunteer sign up is on the back table, or call the office. Even if you can only commit one day, it will be appreciated!

**We are looking for donated items:** Any Color Yarn, Beads of any color, old towels (No holes please), Sheets (No holes please), baskets of different sizes, brown packaging paper that comes in with Amazon or mail order, toilet paper / paper towel rolls, and Large pieces of cardboard or Large boxes.

**Items we would like to borrow:** Qty. (1) -Outdoor Pop-up

### Tea with the Blessed Mother

Thank you to all who joined us for the Tea on Saturday. It was a wonderful time for all and the food was amazing.

A VERY BIG thank you to all our ladies who hosted a table: Jennifer Brown, Sandy Dinh, Anne Duke, Cydney Henley, Hope & McKenna Kopacki, and Virginia Walthour.

This event couldn't happen without volunteers. One more very special thank you, to Sandy Dinh, for all her ongoing help with special events!





**Summer Food Baskets**

Thanks to everyone who donated for the Summer Food Baskets. We were able to collect \$1,920.00 and spent \$1,866.63 in order to put together 10 Food Baskets geared to children’s needs and convenience. With rising prices, we used almost every bit of what was taken in with the much higher prices than we even anticipated. Thanks you so much for your continued generosity!

**Hall Rental Coordinator**

We are seeking someone who is willing to take on the responsibility of handling rentals for our parish hall (van den Boogaard Center), which involves meeting potential renters, showing the hall, and help renters fill out the rental paper work. Contact the parish office if interested in this ministry. Rentals are an important financial benefit to the Parish.



**Many Thanks - New Landscaping at Boogaard Hall**

Thanks to Alfred Jones and crew for the landscaping plan and installation done last week. If you have not done so, please check out the beautiful job!

**Openings on Parish Council**

Several parishioners will be going off Parish Council in June after serving several years. If you have an interest in guiding and advising on the direction of the Parish and its activities, please consider a seat on the Council. Let Father Oscar or any Parish Council member know of your interest.



**Annual Diocesan Appeal**

- >Your gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal Strengthens Catholic Communities
- >Your gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal Empowers the Next Generation
- >Your gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal Provides for those in Need



**Collections for June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**Week's Amount**

Total Offertory	\$ 10,643
Supplemental Collection	\$ 25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,668</b>
Budgeted weekly average parish need	\$ 4,596
Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:	
Capital Campaign	\$ 1,112
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 100
OLBS Scholarship Fund	\$ 25
Peter's Pence	\$ 25
Maintenance Fund	\$ 45

\*\*\*Thank You for Supporting our Parish\*\*\*

**Notice: Good Neighbor Center**

The Good Neighbor Center no longer will be using the facility at Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. For assistance, contact Mrs. Thornton at 757-585-8227 and she will give instructions on getting the help you need.



June Wedding Anniversaries

Jeffrey & Melissa Pitts	June 1, 1985
Mark & Carolyn Drexler	June 8, 1974
Terry & Brenda Frederick	June 16, 1973
John & Victoria Kurdziel Roane	June 26, 1960
(Paul) & Mary Leigh McDonald	June 30, 1973

Altar Flower Donations

Even though May is over, you can still donate flowers for beside the Tabernacle and in front of the Altar in honor of a loved one. Please call the parish office at 804-843-3125, Tuesdays-Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:30pm. Or email Pam at [adminassistant@olbs-catholic.org](mailto:adminassistant@olbs-catholic.org).

Year of Grace and Divine Mercy  
(From The Diary of St. Faustina)

Meditation:

...I want to tell you that eternal life must begin already here on earth through Holy Communion. Each Holy Communion makes you more capable of communing with God through eternity. (Diary, 1811)

When I received Him into my heart, the veil of faith was torn away. I saw Jesus who said to me, **My daughter, your love compensates Me or the coldness of many souls.** After these words, I was once again alone, but throughout the whole day I lived in an act of reparation (Diary, 1816).

My Prayer Response:

O Lord Jesus, every Holy Communion with You here on earth is already a sharing in the Heavenly Liturgy at the throne of the Father. Help me and all who receive Holy Communion to be ever more capable of communing with You throughout eternity!

Attendance

June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	77
June 4 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	9:00 am Mass	129

Priests for Life

The Eucharist and Unity

Imagine a person who receives Communion, accepts the Host when the priest says, "The Body of Christ," says "Amen," and then breaks off a piece, hands it back, and says, "Except this piece, Father!"

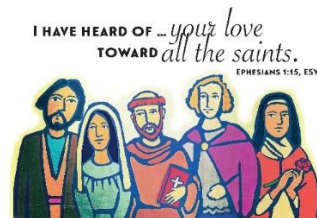
This is what the person who rejects other people may as well do. In receiving Christ, we are to receive the whole Christ, in all his members, our brothers and sisters, whether convenient or inconvenient, wanted or unwanted, born or unborn.

As St. John remarks, Christ was to die "to gather into one all the scattered children of God." Sin scatters. Christ unites.

The word "diabolical" means "to split asunder." Christ came "to destroy the works of the devil" (1Jn.3:8). The Eucharist builds up the human family in Christ who says, "Come to me, feed on My Body, become My Body."

Abortion, in a reverse dynamic, says, "Go away! We have no room for you, no time for you, no desire for you, no responsibility for you. Get out of our way!"

Abortion attacks the unity of the human family by splitting asunder the most fundamental relationship between any two persons: mother and child. The Eucharist, as a Sacrament of Unity, reverses the dynamic of abortion.



Saint of the Day

Saint Albert Chmielowski  
Feast day- June 17th

Born in Igolomia near Kraków as the eldest of four children in a wealthy family, he was christened Adam. During the 1864 revolt against Czar Alexander III, Adam's wounds forced the amputation of his left leg. His great talent for painting led to studies in Warsaw, Munich, and Paris. Adam returned to Kraków and became a Secular Franciscan. In 1888, when he founded the Brothers of the Third Order of Saint Francis, Servants to the Poor, he took the name Albert. They worked primarily with the homeless, depending completely on alms while serving the needy regardless of age, religion, or politics. A community of Albertine sisters was established later. Pope John Paul II beatified Albert in 1983, and canonized him six years later. His liturgical feast is celebrated on June 17.

# 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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