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

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 Hours:
 M
 10 am - 2 pm

 W
 12:30 pm - 2:30 p.m.

van den BOOGAARD HALL RENTALS Janice McGowan 843-2870 Email: <u>hallrentals@olbs-catholic.org</u>

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.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 15th & 16th, 2023

Saturday, July 15th FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:30 pm Mass Offered for <u>Joe Sr., Elsie, & Johnnie</u> <u>Drexler (RIP)</u>

Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Mass Offered for <u>A Very Special Intention</u> Requested by Virginia Kopacki

Sunday, July 16th FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am Mass Offered for <u>Edward Kopacki (RIP)</u> Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler 10:15 am Bible Study (Mercy Center)

Monday, July 17th

No Mass 12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, July 18th Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest (USA)

9:30 am	Mass Offered for <u>Anna & Richard</u>	
	<u>Kozlowski (RIP)</u>	
	Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	
12pm-10pm	Adoration in Chapel	
4:30 pm	Adult Bible Study (Mercy Center)	

Wednesday, July 19th

- 9:30 am Mass Offered for <u>Thomas Trudeau (RIP)</u> <u>On the Anniversary of Birthday</u> Requested by Edna G. Trudeau 6:30 pm Choir Practice
- Thursday, July 20th Saint Apolinaaris, Bishop, Martyr
 - 9:30 am Mass Offered for <u>Melvin A. Gooch (RIP)</u> <u>On Anniversary of Birthday</u> Requested by Edna G. Trudeau

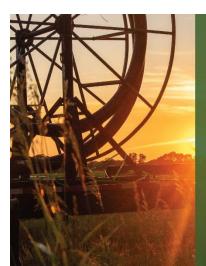
Friday, July 21 st	St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest,
	Doctor of the Church
9:30 am	Mass Offered for <u>Joe, Sr., Elsie, & Johnnie</u>
	<u>Drexler (RIP)</u>
	Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler
6:30 pm	Holy Rosary (Fr. Oscar)

Saturday, July 22ndSIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME5:00 pmSacrament of Reconciliation5:30 pmMass Offered for Anna & RichardKozlowski (RIP)

Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

Sunday, July 23rd SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 amMass Offered for Lewis & Mary Tavares (RIP)
Requested by Bill & Edwina Madigan10:15 amBible Study (Mercy Center)



"But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word — and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."

MATTHEW 13:23, NIV

Catholic Cemetery Information & Survey Surveys on cremation and whether there is a need for a columbarium are still available at the back of the church. Please submit your survey, if you have not already done so, about interest in a "columbarium" for St. Theresa's Cemetery. St. Theresa's Cemetery has a space that the Cemetery Committee is reserving for future columbariums. Please return the survey in the collection basket, drop off at the parish office, or in the basket in the church entrance.



The rosary is said by Father Oscar each Friday evening at 6:30 pm in the church. Please consider coming and praying together with your parish family.

Adoration in Mercy Center Chapel

Stop by the Mercy Center Chapel for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and enjoy the comfort of the new kneelers. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament usually takes place on Mondays and Tuesdays. The Chapel can also be opened for you during Parish Office hours on Tuesday through Thursday.



Vacation BIBLE SCHOOL

Looking for help!

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Vacation Bible School is set for the week of **July 24th to the 28**th from **6:00 pm. to 8:00 pm.** Registration Forms are out and can be found on the table at the back of church.

Decoration Set up for VBS will be at the hall on Sunday, July 23rd, following the 9 am. Mass. Anyone wishing to help is welcome. Feel free to bring a change of clothes.

We will be setting up for a Marketplace. If you are interested, contact: Erin (804-366-4435).

We are looking for donated items for VBS:

Extra large pieces of cardboard.

If anyone has a pop-up canopy that we can borrow for the week, this would be appreciated.

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.

Altar Flower Donations

Thank You to Larry & Janie Dzula for all the beautiful flowers they continue to share with us when flowers are not ordered by parishioners!

You can 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 <u>adminassistant@olbscatholic.org</u>

Your Parish Needs Your Help

The Finance Council would like to find someone to head up the <u>Committee for the Poor</u> within our Parish. If someone is interested in helping those in need, please contact the Parish Office @ 804-843-3125 Tuesdays – Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:30pm for further information.

There remains a need for someone to work with Boogaard Hall rentals. Not a lot of time is involved but are important roles in the functioning of our Parish!

Also, with the Holy Eucharist under both species, host and blood, at all masses, there is a need for additional Eucharistic Ministers. Also, additional lectors are needed for Saturday evening masses. Training sessions are being planned.

Attendance				
July 8 th	Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	96	
July 9 th	Sunday	9:00 am Mass	121	



***** A movie worth seeing, "Sound of Freedom." Based on a true story.

A former government agent (Tim Ballard) played by Jim Caviezel, quits his job in order to devote his life to rescuing children from global sex traffickers. The message needs to be shared and people need to be made aware of this in order to be the voice and protection for all children.

Angel Studios is promoting, pay it forward. If you can't afford tickets and would like to see the movie, go to: <u>ANGEL.COM/Freedom</u> and get your tickets free.



July Wedding Anniversaries

Dan & Amber Gibbs	July 1, 2006
Bill & (Kathy) Webster	July 12, 1956
Vincent & (Marina) D'elia	July 21, 1963
Tripp & Roberta Racioppi	July 28, 1973



Knights of Columbus



Knights of Columbus Donations

Council 8116 of the Knights of Columbus have made a number of donations recently. Jim Vadas is pictured presenting a check to Spencer Cheatham, Chief of the West Point Volunteer Fire Department. The Knights' fundraising has allowed them to make donations to other local fire departments, West Point and Aylett Boy Scout troops, the Poor Clares Monastery, and to the OLBS Parish for the prayer gardens and a new food warmer for the Boogaard Hall kitchen.

Collections for July 9 th & 10 Week's Amount	th , 20) <u>23</u>	
Total Offertory Supplemental Collection Votive Stand Total	\$ \$ <u>\$</u> \$	4,001 5 <u>9</u> 4,015	
Budgeted weekly average parish need \$ 4,596 Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:			
Capital Campaign Haiti Fund Poor Box Cemetery Fund	\$ \$ \$	6,427 510 32 100	
Thank You for Supporting our Parish			

<u>Year of Grace and Divine Mercy</u> (From The Diary of St. Faustina)

Meditation:

(These souls with whom I can do nothing) sense their emptiness, but they do not recognize their own guilt, while souls in whom I reign completely are a constant source of remorse to them. Instead of correcting themselves, their hearts swell with envy, and if they do not come to their senses, they plunge in even deeper. A heart, which thus far is envious, now begins to be filled with hate. And they are already at the edge of the precipice. They are jealous of my gifts in other souls, but they themselves are unable and unwilling to accept them (Diary, 1717).

My Prayer Response:

Lord Jesus, help us to humbly and honestly recognize our own guilt. May we be open to correction from You and others. Help us to turn to You and others. Help us to turn to you Lord, with trust and repent when we sin. Help us to reach out to those who have lost their way or are lukewarm and indifferent to Your gifts.



Saint of the Week

Saint Francis Solano Liturgical Feast Day- July 14th

Francis came from a leading family in Andalusia, Spain. Perhaps it was his popularity as a student that enabled Francis in his teens to stop two duelists.

He entered the Friars Minor in 1570, and after ordination enthusiastically sacrificed himself for others. His care for the sick during an epidemic drew so much admiration that he became embarrassed and asked to be sent to the African missions. Instead, he was sent to South America in 1589. While working in what is now Argentina, Bolivia, and Paraguay, Francis quickly learned the local languages and was well received by the indigenous peoples. His visits to the sick often included playing a song on his violin.

Around 1601, he was called to Lima, Peru, where he tried to recall the Spanish colonists to their baptismal integrity. Francis also worked to defend the indigenous peoples from oppression. He died in Lima in 1610 and was canonized in 1726. His liturgical feast is celebrated on July 14.



June 2023 Prayers for Healing & Good Health

Cheryl Antal Jerry Armstead Paulette Berberich Linda Blevins Todd Brown Vuong Bui Linda Burch Robert Burch Katherine Carson Kevin Carson Lucy Carson Jose Castaneda Meredith Crowe Lydia Dehn Vincent D'elia Denise DePompeo Dexter Dix Joyce Drexler Rich Egan Paul Garman Laurie Hite Tom Hollowack Kendra Hunter Gloria Kojcsich Bonnie Kopacki Melissa Leger Philip Liberato Holly McGowan Lenny Ramlano Joe Ripchick Barbara Schaffer Margaret Silvia Edmund Staskiel Gloria Wajciechowski Frank & Beverly Watkins Bill Webster Steve Weems James Wills Andrea Berberich Wilson Leda Zaginaylo Abby Zwerner

For Those in the Military

Master Sergeant Tracie B. Gates

If you wish to put someone on the list, for the year 2023, please call the parish office (804) 843-3125 to have that person's name put on the prayer 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 804.843.3125

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