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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.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 8th & 9th, 2023

Saturday, July 8th FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 pm Mass Offered for Edward Kopacki (RIP)

> **Anniversary of Birthday** Requested by Virginia Kopacki

Sunday, July 9th **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am Mass Offered for Cornell Adams (RIP)

Requested by the Watkins Family

10:15 am **Bible Study (Mercy Center)**

Monday, July 10th

No Mass

12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, July 11th Saint Benedict, Abbot

9:30 am Mass Offered for Linda Ridenhour (RIP)

Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

12pm-10pm Adoration in Chapel

4:30 pm Adult Bible Study (Mercy Center)

Wednesday, July 12th

9:30 am Mass Offered for Anna Carol Hollins (RIP)

Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

6:30 pm **Choir Practice**

Thursday, July 13th Saint Henry

9:30 am Mass Offered for Edward Kopacki (RIP)

Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Friday, July 14th Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

9:30 am Mass Offered for Mary & Joseph Pausic

and Irene & Ralph Kasmarik

Requested by Mike & Nancy Pausic

6:30 pm Holy Rosary (Fr. Oscar)

Saturday, July 15th FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Drexler (RIP)

Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

Mass Offered for A Very Special Intention

Requested by Virginia Kopacki

Sunday, July 16th FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am Mass Offered for Edward Kopacki (RIP)

Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

10:15 am **Bible Study (Mercy Center)**

COME TO ME, all who labor and are heavy laden,

and I will give you rest.



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.

Please look through the Lost & Found basket and see if any of the items belong to you. If the items haven't been claimed by July 10, they will be given a new home.



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.





Looking for help!

Vacation Bible School is set for the week of **July 24th to the 28**th from **6:00 pm. to 8:00 pm.** We are still in need of many volunteers for: Teaching, decorating, setting up, and games. 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: pieces of leftover carpet rolls, paper towel rolls, and 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.

Permanent Diaconate: Might You Be A Candidate?

A new cohort for the Permanent Diaconate will be announced in the July 10, 2023 issue of the Catholic Virginian. Men who have an interest are directed to <u>discuss this possible vocation</u> <u>with their Pastor.</u> Information sessions will hegin in mid-October.

Interested persons should be active in parish ministries, in good standing with the Church, currently between the ages of 30 and 59 years old, is interested in serving the Church with the support of his wife (if married).

Altar Flower Donations

A Huge Thank You to Larry & Janie Dzula for all the beautiful flowers they continue to share with us when flowers are not ordered by parishioners! The flowers are stunning and the generosity is just typical for Larry & Janie!

You, also, 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 adminassistant@olbs-catholic.org



The Parish offers our deepest condolences to Dexter and Pam Dix at the passing of Pam's cousin, John Ross.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him.

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.

<u>Attendance</u>					
July 1st	Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	78		
July 2 nd	Sunday	9:00 am Mass	143		



Knights of Columbus

A Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by the Knights of Columbus is scheduled for Friday, July 14th from 1 pm to 6 pm at the Boogaard Hall. (See flyer for details)

Collections for July 1st & 2nd, 2023 Week's Amount

Total Offertory \$ 4,785
Votive Stand \$ 8
Total \$ 4,793
Budgeted weekly average parish need \$ 4,596

Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:

Capital Campaign \$ 2,152 Haiti Fund \$ 10,000 Poor Box \$ 36

Thank You for Supporting our Parish



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

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

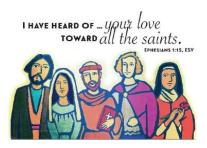
Meditation:

During Vespers, I heard these words: My daughter, I want to repose in your heart, because many souls have thrown Me out of their hearts today. I have experienced sorrow unto death. I tried to comfort the Lord, by offering Him my love a thousand times over. I felt, within my soul, a great disgust for sin (Diary, 866).

During prayer, I heard these words: My daughter, let your heart be filled with joy. I, the Lord, am with you. Fear nothing. You are in My heart. At that moment, I knew the great majesty of God, and I understood that nothing could be compared with one single perception of God. Outward greatness dwindles like a speck of dust before one act of a deeper knowledge of God (Diary, 1133).

My Prayer Response:

Lord Jesus, I welcome You into my heart. May my heart be a consolation to You today as You fill me with Your joy.



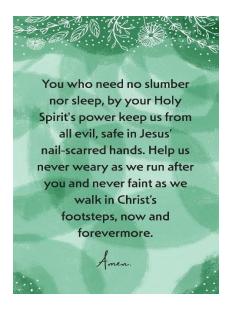
Saint of the Week

Saint Veronica Giuliani Feast Day- July 9th

Veronica was born in Mercatelli, Italy. It is said that when her mother Benedetta was dying, she called her five daughters to her bedside and entrusted each of them to one of the five wounds of Jesus. Veronica was entrusted to the wound below Christ's heart.

At the age of 17, Veronica joined the Poor Clares directed by the Capuchins. Her father had wanted her to marry, but she convinced him to allow her to become a nun. In her first years in the monastery, she worked in the kitchen, infirmary, sacristy, and also served as portress. At the age of 34, she was made novice mistress, a position she held for 22 years. When she was 37, Veronica received the stigmata. Life was not the same after that.

Church authorities in Rome wanted to test Veronica's authenticity and so conducted an investigation. She lost the office of novice mistress temporarily and was not allowed to attend Mass except on Sundays or holy days. Through all of this Veronica did not become bitter, and the investigation eventually restored her as novice mistress. Though she protested against it, at the age of 56 she was elected abbess, an office she held for 11 years until her death. Veronica was very devoted to the Eucharist and to the Sacred Heart. She offered her sufferings for the missions, died in 1727, and was canonized in 1839.





Blood Drive Knights of Columbus West Point

Boogaard Center 3510 King William Ave West Point, VA 23181

Friday, July 14, 2023 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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Statement of Activities - With Date Range **Bulletin Quarterly Report**

April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023

	Current Period Actual	Current Period Budget	Current Period Budget vs. Actual
Income			
GENERAL PARISH OPERATIONS Totals:	56,407.72	60,495.42	(4,087.70)
LITURGY AND WORSHIP Totals:	0.00	0.00	0.00
FAITH FORMATION AND EVANGELIZATION Totals:	760.00	737.49	22.51
CHARITY AND OUTREACH Totals:	7,178.92	1,475.01	5,703.91
FACILITIES Totals:	5,388.60	4,299.99	1,088.61
Income Totals:	69,735.24	67,007.91	2,727.33
Expense			
GENERAL PARISH OPERATIONS Totals:	27,753.37	32,315.91	4,562.54
LITURGY AND WORSHIP Totals:	7,061.24	7,179.27	118.03
FAITH FORMATION AND EVANGELIZATION Totals:	7,880.53	8,491.20	610.67
CHARITY AND OUTREACH Totals:	10,000.00	1,174.98	(8,825.02)
FACILITIES Totals:	(233,493.66)	24,321.21	257,814.87
Expense Totals:	(180,798.52)	73,482.57	254,281.09
Income - Expense:	250,533.76	(6,474.66)	257,008.42

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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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