# 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. WEEKDAYS: 9:30 A.M. Tuesday - Friday HOLYDAYS: 9:30 A.M. & 7:00 P.M.

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GOOD NEIGHBOR CENTER (757) 585-8227 By Appointment 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. followed by the Most Holy Rosary - 6:30 p.m.

#### RECITATION of the MOST HOLY ROSARY 6:30 p.m. Every Friday in the church

#### **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.

# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE\*

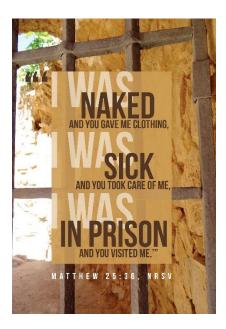
November 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Saturday, Noven	iber 25 <sup>th</sup> OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE*			
5:00 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation			
5:30 pm	Mass offered for Rosa Gooch (RIP)			
p	Anniversary of Death			
	Requested by Edna G. Trudeau			
Sunday, November 26 <sup>th</sup> OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE*				
9:00 am	Mass offered for <u>Paul McDonald (RIP)</u>			
	Requested by Paul's Sister Luciene & John Lazaro			
10:15 am	<u>No</u> Adult Bible Study			
10:15 am	No Religious Education Sunday School			
Monday, November 27 <sup>th</sup>				
12	No Mass			
12 pm-10 pm	Adoration in Chapel			
Tuesday, November 28 <sup>th</sup>				
9:30 am	Mass – No Mass Intention			
12pm-10pm	Adoration in Chapel			
4:30 pm	Adult Bible Study (Mercy Center)			
Wednesday, Nov	rember 29 <sup>th</sup>			
• ·	Mass – No Mass Intention			
	Choir Practice			
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Thursday, Nove	ember 30 <sup>th</sup> SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE*			
9:30 am	Mass – No Mass Intention			
Friday, December 1 <sup>st</sup>				
9:30 am	Mass offered for <u>Ann Kolar (RIP)</u>			
	Requested by Mike & Nancy Pausic			
6:00 pm	FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR			
-	ber 2 <sup>nd</sup> FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT*			
5:00 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation			
5:30 pm	Mass offered for <u>Mary Stephen Ochman (RIP)</u> Requested by Marguerite Sturtz			

#### Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT\* 9:00 am Mass offered for Mary JoAn Kisjewecz (RIP)

9.00 am	Wass offered for <u>Wary JOAN Rislewecz (RIF)</u>
	Anniversary of Death
	Requested by the Watkins Family
10:15 am	Adult Bible Study
10:15 am	Religious Education Sunday School

\*Color of letters indicates vestment colors for that Sunday or Saint's feast day. If no color, vestments are white.



#### Monthly Spanish Mass to Begin

On Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, Father Oscar will be offering a Spanish Mass at 4 pm. Spanish Masses will be offered <u>once</u> <u>a month on the first Sunday</u>. This will continue as long has Father remains assigned as Chaplain at the Poor Clares Monastery due to the additional masses he has there.

#### First Friday Holy Hour for December

First Friday will again be observed with Holy Hour on December 1<sup>st</sup> from 6 pm to 7 pm. This will include Benediction and the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary. There will then be a Holy Hour on every First Friday of every month.

A holy hour is a period of devotion in which we spend time with Jesus before the Blessed Sacrament. We praise Him; we thank Him for all He has done for us; we tell Him what is on our minds. It is a time to draw closer to Jesus who gave His life for us.

#### Help Decorate After Mass This Sunday

Plans are to decorate for the Advent Season after the 9:00 am Mass this Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. No experience necessary, just spend a little time beautifying our church. If necessary, we will finish up Wednesday, the 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. The contact person is Linda Drexler 804-241-4073.

#### Hearing Assistance

If you are having difficulty hearing the Mass in Church, please arrive a few minutes early and ask one of the ushers for one of the hearing assistance devices. Just ask one of our ushers how it works. You can even use your own earphones to plug into the device.

### **Religious Education & Adult Bible Study**

Sunday Adult Bible Study No Bible Study on November 19<sup>th.</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>.

<u>No Religious Ed., Bible Study or Christmas play practice</u> on the weekends of November 19<sup>th</sup> or November 26<sup>th</sup>. Classes, Bible study and practice will resume on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.





<u>Christmas Play & Potluck</u> Save the date! Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm

Save the date and Join us for Christmas fellowship on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm. Bring your favorite dish to share! We will have our Christmas Play showing, "The Perfect Christmas Tree."



Many, many thanks to everyone who participated in our Giving Tree Ministry! All the gift tags have been taken!

Please don't forget gifts need to be back under the tree by the weekend of December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> so they can be distributed.

Please return the gifts unwrapped in a black trash bag with the Tag attached and a list of what is enclosed. If you would like to include wrapping paper and tape, please do. Thank you all so much for spreading Christ's love!

If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office or Sandy Lam Dinh.



We will once again be collecting money to grocery shop for needy families. You can include an envelope marked Food Baskets in the offertory basket with your envelope number on it so it can be recorded correctly. Or, you can give it to Sandy Lam Dinh, Deidra Kopacki, Erin Hayden or Pam Watkins after one of the Masses. The tentative date for shopping is Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to come and help. We just need a good head count by Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. All children not yet in high school will need to be accompanied by a parent.

If you know of a family in need of a food basket please call the Parish Office at 804-843-3125 or Pam Watkins at 919-820-1983 to let us know.

We Need someone to head up the Committee for the Poor within our Parish. If someone is interested in helping those in need, contact the parish office.



**Eucharistic Revival** 

This year is a National Eucharistic Revival movement for all parishes. This is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, the Most Blessed Sacrament.

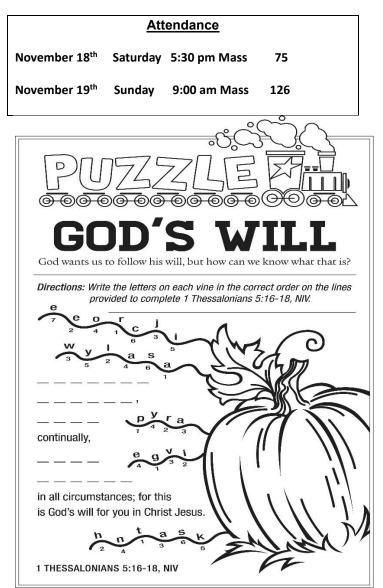
#### Send Greetings to Vince D'Elia

Parishioner Vince is at Warwick Forest in Newport News and is doing well. You can send him a note or card at:

Warwick Forest Room 528 850 Denbigh Blvd. Newport News, VA 23608

Collections for November 18th & 19th , 2023				
Week's Amount				
Total Offertory		4,686		
Supplemental Collection		285		
Votive Candles		7		
Christmas Flowers		335		
Thanksgiving		70		
Total	\$			
Budgeted weekly average parish need		4,596		
Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:				
Capital Campaign		1,142		
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance		100		
Cemetery Fund	\$	400		

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



Answer: rejoice, always, pray, give, thanks



**Knights of Columbus** 

#### **Coats for Kids**

The Father Jakubowski Council 8116 has started its annual campaign for Coats for Kids. Last year, the local council provided coats to children at West Point elementary, King William's Cool Springs & Acquinton elementary, and Lower King and Queen elementary. You can give a donation to any Knight or mail to K of C Council 8116, PO Box 707, West Point, 23181.

#### **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

Priests for Life

The King of Life

The liturgy for today's Feast of Christ the King tells us that his is "a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace."

Indeed, all these realities fit together perfectly. Truth and life go together, because when we know the truth about God's love and care for creation, we will respect all life. When we know the truth about ourselves, that we belong only to God, then we realize we cannot destroy any other person. A respect for life, personally as well as in our laws and policies as a nation, is the first requirement of justice and an absolute condition of peace. And the holier we are, the more we allow God's grace into our every thought and desire, the more we will adhere to truth, defend life, and promote justice and peace.



#### From the Local School System: Openings





Cardinal Newman Academy Christmas Craft Fair

Church of the Epiphany 11000 Smoketree Drive, North Chesterfield

Saturday, Dec. 2, from 9am-3PM.

There will be several local Catholic artisans with both religious and non-religious items for sale. For info or vendor application, contact <u>cnacraftfair@gmail.com</u>.

supporting local artisans! We hope you can make it out and bring the whole family! Concessions will be available for purchase and there will be several items being raffled off.

Items available will include: saint dolls, rosaries, jewelry, canned jam, baked goods, wood crafts, Christmas ornaments and decor, and much more!"

# The Bishop Keane Institute presents: Rev. Michael Joncas, M.A., S.L.L., S.L.D Priest, Composer, Author, & Professor

Sixty years after the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy: Pope Francis and Liturgical Renewal

## Friday December 1, 2023 7:00pm



2150 Cunningham Drive Hampton, VA 757-826-0393



To purchase tickets, scan the QR Code or visit icchampton.org.



Since his election, the matter of liturgy has become an ever more significant focus of Pope Francis' attention, and talking about the liturgy has become a distinctive way for him to talk about Vatican II. Come join us as we consider what exactly the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* envisions us to, and how we can continue its implementation.

Tickets on sale now for \$15.00 \$20.00 at the door



MELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

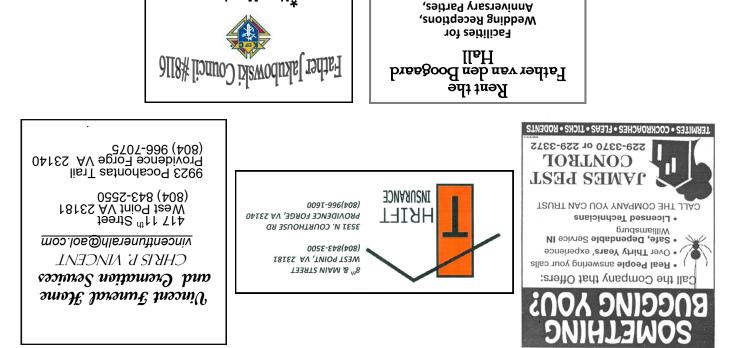
New members are asked to register at the Parish Office in the Mercy Center.

Contact the Chairperson of the ministry or call the Parish Office at 849.4125

We invite all parishioners to join a ministry.

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Birthdays, Family Reunions

