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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
(also by appointment)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday and Tuesday in the
Mercy Center Chapel

FIRST FRIDAY BENEDICTION AND ADORATION

In the church at 6:00 p.m.
*(followed by the Most Holy Rosary
at 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.

HOME VISIT WITH FATHER OSCAR

To schedule, please call the church
office at the number below.

Mass Schedule

WEEKENDS

Saturday 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Spanish Mass 4:00 p.m.
(first Sunday of the month)

WEEKDAYS

Tuesday – Thursday 9:30 a.m.
Friday 5:30 p.m.
*(followed by the Rosary —
first Friday of the month
is followed by a holy hour)*

HOLIDAYS

9:30 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

Parish Offices

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Thursday
9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

June 22nd & 23rd, 2024

Saturday, June 22nd *TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass Offered for Melvina Gooch (RIP)
Anniversary of Death June 22, 2019
Requested by Edna Trudeau

Sunday, June 23rd *TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 AM Mass Offered for Tuan (Eston) Nguyen
Mass for Healing
Requested by Mike & Nancy Pausic

Monday, June 24th *THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**
No Mass

12 pm-10 pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, June 25th

9:30 am Mass offered for Mary Rosa Gooch (RIP)
Anniversary of Birthday (June 25, 1918)
Requested by Edna Trudeau

Wednesday, June 26th

No Mass
Fr. Oscar celebrating 9 a.m. Mass with Bishop
Knestout at Poor Clares' Silver Jubilee

6:30 pm **Choir Practice**

**Thursday, June 27th *Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop,
Doctor of the Church****

9:30 am Mass offered for Matthew Rogers (RIP)
Anniversary of Death (June 27, 2017)
Requested by Edna Trudeau

Friday, June 28th *Saint Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr**

5:30 pm Mass offered for Joe Sr, Elsie, & Johnnie
Drexler (RIP)

Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

6:00 pm The Most Holy Rosary

Saturday, June 29th *THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass offered for Patricia Lanuza (RIP)
Requested by Dennis Lanuza

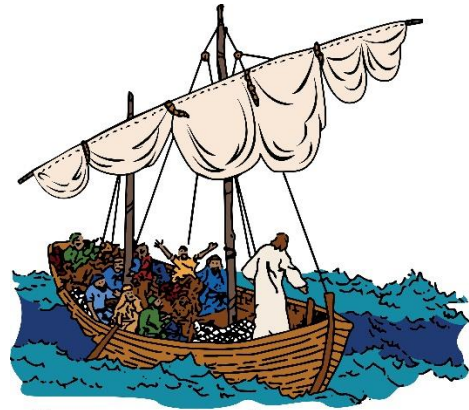
Sunday, June 30th *THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9:00 am Mass offered for Raymond Chartier (RIP)
Requested by Donna Geron

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

Silver Jubilee 25th Celebraton Mass

There will be no daily Mass on Wednesday, June 26 at 9:00 am. Father Oscar will be celebrating Mass with Bishop Knestout at the Poor Clares Monastery celebrating the Silver Jubilee – 25 years – of Sister Marie Theresia. All are welcome to attend.



Jesus calms the storm

The Church office will be closed Thursday, July 4th, in observance of Independence Day.

If You Need a Visit from Father Oscar

If you or a parishioner or family who is in need of a visit from Father Oscar, please call the parish office Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:30pm. Father's time has been limited because he is also temporary Chaplain at the Poor Clares Monastery.

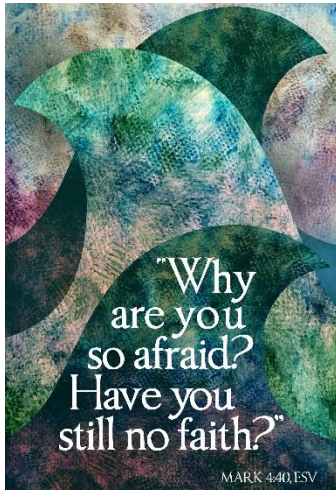
Daily Mass is said at the Poor Clares Monastery at 8:00 am.

Each Friday Daily Mass will be at 5:30pm followed by the Most Holy Rosary.

**NEVER
STOP
LEARNING**

The Keys of the Kingdom

Jesus entrusted a specific authority to Peter: "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose keys" designates authority to govern the house of God, which is the Church. Jesus, the Good Shepherd confirmed this mandate after his Resurrection: "Feed my sheep." The power to "bind and loose" connotes the authority to absolve sins, to pronounce doctrinal judgements, and to make disciplinary decisions in the Church. Jesus entrusted this authority to the church through the ministry of the apostles and in particular though the ministry of Peter, the only one of whom he specifically entrusted the keys of the kingdom. (CCC 553)



Coming up in July!! Our dates will run July 22nd to July 26th, from 6-8 pm. **We will need volunteers, please consider helping.**

If you have the recyclable items below, please save them for our VBS: They can be dropped by the office or left by the back table at church. Contact: Erin 804-366-4435.

– toilet paper rolls, paper bags, brown packing paper from your amazon orders.

As we get closer, if anyone has camping props, ex: fishing nets, lanterns, small Christmas trees or other, please let Erin Hayden know.

Religious Education & Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study- With religious education being out for summer break, Adult Bible study for Sundays will resume after the Summer. Keep on studying!

Tuesday Adult Bible Study – 4:30 pm. Join us for a Bible study on Lectio Salvation.



Open to all 6th -12th Grade.

EPIC Middle School Youth Rally is coming up on **August 3rd**.

This is open to all **youth grades 6-8** in this Fall school year!

We will need to register as soon as possible. If you are interested in going or adult chaperoning, call the office or see Erin Hayden.



Also, our preschool and **Afterschool program** will be offering a week long **Summer Bible day camp** this Summer.

The church will host an evening VBS later in July.

If you have a child interested in our **all-day camp**, please contact the preschool at **804-843-4177**. The next camp will be offered **July 15-19** from **Mon -Fri** at the preschool 7am – 5:30pm. The cost for the camp is \$150 per child. Registration is limited.



Baptism

Congratulations to the Bach family on the Baptism of their son, Ryan Bach!

Welcome into the Christian family!

May the light of Christ guide you and lead you to Him.

We are currently taking donations to help us with the Summer Food Baskets for the children. If you would like to donate, please see Deidra Kopacki, Sandy Dinh, Erin Hayden or Pam Watkins after one of the Masses. Or, you can put your donation in an envelope marked Food Baskets. Please include your envelope number so that you can get credit for your donation. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

Summer Food Baskets will be shopped for, packaged and given out on Saturday, July 20th. We will meet in the Church parking lot at 10:00am. We will leave from there to shop at Aldi in Gloucester. We will bring the food back to the hall and package to be distributed. Lunch will be provided. Anyone is welcome to help. We just ask that children not yet in high school be accompanied by an adult. We will need to know by July 16th if you are planning on helping with the Baskets so that we can make plans.



Knights of Columbus

Awards to Parishioners & Knights

After a many-year hiatus, the local council of Knights of Columbus wanted to re-start its annual program of awarding deserving members of the Parish community as well as our hard-working members of the Knights.

Young Persons of the Year



Vivian Nguyen, one of two Young Persons of the Year, because of her helpfulness in all the youth projects.



Valen Dinh Le, also awarded as Young Person of the Year certificate for all the help she has given to Parish youth.

Knight of the Year

This year the Council put two names forward as Knight of the Year, since the Council had not named recipients for a number of years. These gentlemen have gone over and above what is expected of those who serve the Parish, the Knights, and the community. It is fitting that these men be recognized for their services for the past several years and more.



Joe Drexler has held many positions in the local Council as well as at the District level. Everyone has seen Joe's work around the church as Sacristan and helping Father or guiding the altar servers, but behind the scenes, Joe inherited much of the work he and David Seckora had performed over the years. We thank Joe for all he does and has done.



Phil Liberato served as Grand Knight for several years during which he overcame many serious health issues. Through it all, he and Jonathan Kopacki teamed up to plan and execute successful Crab Carnival crab cake booths, Lenten dinners, and other fundraisers. Phil headed the Keep Christ in Christmas card program for the entire State for several years. Phil has also served on many committees and Councils in the Parish. Phil, we're so glad for your recovery from all the health issues and your continued improvement.

Knights' Next Blood Drive

The next blood drive held by the Knights of Columbus at the van den Boogaard Hall will be on Wednesday July 3. The drive will take place from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm because the nursing crew needs to travel back home during the mad holiday rush.

Upcoming Red Cross Blood Drive at Boogaard Hall on Wednesday, July 3rd. Go to Red Cross Blood.org or call 1-800 Red Cross.

SEE FLYER IN THIS BULLETIN



June Wedding Anniversaries

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

Attendance

June 15	Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	76
June 16	Sunday	9:00 am Mass	160

Collection for June 15 & 16, 2024

Total Offertory	\$ 5,042
Supplemental	\$ 355
Votive Candles	\$ 9
Total received this week	\$ 5,406
Budgeted weekly average parish need	\$ 4,596
Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:	
Capital Campaign	\$ 277
Poor Box	\$ 53
OLBS Scholarship Fund	\$ 125

Thank You for Supporting our Parish

From The Diary of St. Faustina

Meditation:

In the evening, the Lord said to me, **My child, rest on My Heart; I see that you have worked hard in My vineyard.** And my soul was flooded with divine joy (Diary, 945). Today, the Lord visited me, pressed me to His Heart and said, **Rest, My little child. I am always with you** (Diary, 1011).

My Prayer Response:

Saint Faustina, intercede for us and teach us how to rest on the Heart of Jesus. We, too, need to be flooded with joy and heart the promise of Jesus; I am always with you! (see Mt. 28:20)



Eucharistic Revival

By the same charity that it enkindles in us, the Eucharist preserves us from future mortal sins. The more we share the life of Christ and progress in his friendship, the more difficult it is to break away from him by mortal sin. The Eucharist is not ordered to the forgiveness of mortal sins—that is proper to the sacrament of Reconciliation. The Eucharist is properly the sacrament of those who are in full communion with the Church. (CCC 1395)

Priests for Life

"A Father Looks Back"

Longtime country music singer Kenny Rogers has a song called "Water and Bridges," which highlights a father's pain after losing a child to abortion. Rogers told CNN that the song is not about him, but is "really about choices you make when you're young that you pay for when you're old." He goes on to explain, "It starts off with a young couple who have an abortion, and the guy says, 'If a father could hold his son, I could undo what's been done, but I guess everyone is living with water and bridges.'" Counseling and healing is available for any man or woman who has lost a child to abortion. See www.RachelsVineyard.org for details.

Helping the Needy

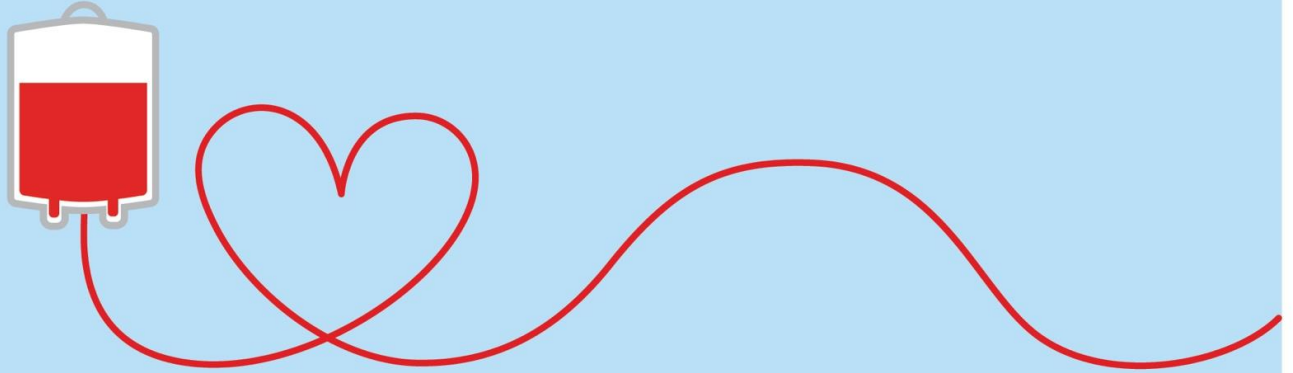
With the Economic situation in our country right now, many people are having a hard time making ends meet and paying for common necessities such as electric, rent, and food. The Parish has funds available, but we need someone willing to assess the needs of those seeking help. Please pray on this and if you are interested in helping those in need, please contact the Parish Office.

Announcements After Mass

If you have any announcement that needs to be made at the end of Mass, you can write your own announcement, call and let the Parish office type up your announcement, or make your own announcement by waiting near the choir loft after Eucharist so Father can recognize you. The second lector will make announcements from the orange folder at the cantor's podium at the end of Mass.



Help save lives. Give blood.



BLOOD DRIVE

Knights of Columbus – West Point

Boogaard Center

3510 King William Ave

West Point, VA 23181

Wednesday, July 3rd 2024

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

All donors will receive a Fandango movie ticket + Red Cross umbrella!

To make an appointment visit www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code 'knightswestpoint' OR call 1-800-REDCROSS.

Download the Blood Donor App | RedCrossBlood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767

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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