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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 BLESSING 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

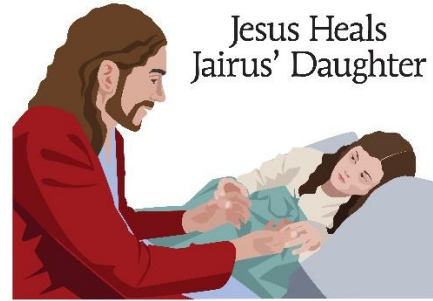
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### OFFICE HOURS

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

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**June 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**



Jesus Heals  
 Jairus' Daughter

Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> **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 30<sup>th</sup> **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME\***

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

Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup> **Saint Junipero Serra, Priest (USA)\***

No Mass  
 12 pm-10 pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>

9:30 am Mass offered for Richard & Anna  
Kozlowski (RIP)  
 Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

12 pm-10 pm Adoration in Chapel  
 4:30 pm Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> **SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE**

9:30 am Mass offered for Joe Sr, Elsie, & Johnnie  
Drexler (RIP)  
 Requested by Joe & Linda Drexler

6:30 pm **Choir Practice**

Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> **INDEPENDENCE DAY**

No Daily Mass

Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup> **First Friday Mass & Holy Hour**

*Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest*  
*Saint Elizabeth of Portugal (USA)\**

5:30 pm Mass offered for Richard & Anna  
Kozlowski (RIP)  
 Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler

6:00 pm Holy Hour

Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup> **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME\***

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 5:30 pm Mass Offered for Irene & Ralph  
Kasmarik (RIP)  
 Requested by Nancy & Mike Pausic

Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME\***

9:00 am Mass Offered for  
 Requested by  
 4:30 pm **Spanish Mass**

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

**Holy Communion**

In order to keep reverence to our most Blessed Sacrament, guidelines on receiving Holy Communion have been posted in every pew.

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



The flowers at the front of the Altar this weekend were donated in Memory of Raymond Chartier (RIP) by Donna Geron and Edmund Staskiel.

**The Spanish Mass will be held on Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm as this is the first Sunday of the month.**

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



**A foretaste of the Kingdom: The Transfiguration**

From the day Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Master "began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things...and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Peter scorns this prediction, nor do the others understand it any better than he. In this context the mysterious episode of Jesus' Transfiguration takes place on a high mountain, before three witnesses chosen by himself: Peter, James, and John. Jesus' face and clothes become dazzling with light, and Moses and Elijah appear, speaking "of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem." A cloud cover him and a voice from heaven says: "This is my Son, my Chosen listen to him!" . (CCC 554)

## 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.

## Youth Group News

Open to all 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Grade.

No Youth Group meeting.

Overnight campout following VBS, Friday July 26<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup> @ The Van Den Boogaard Hall. This will be for all Youth 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Grade. Camping fun will include: Food, songs, sharing of faith and a movie. We will have morning pancake breakfast and take down VBS camp out decorations. Looking for Chaperones to help! Mark your calendars now! More details to come.

**EPIC Middle School Youth Rally** is coming up on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. This is open to all youth grades 6-8 in this Fall school year! We will need to register no later than July 7<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in going or adult chaperoning, call the office or see Erin Hayden.

### From The Diary of St. Faustina

#### Meditation:

I want the eyes of your soul to be always fixed on My holy will, since it is in this way that you will please Me most. No sacrifices can be compared to this. Throughout all the exercise you will remain close to My Heart. You shall not undertake any reforms, because I will dispose of your whole life as I see fit. The priest who will preach the retreat will not speak a single word which will trouble you (Diary, 1327).

#### My Prayer Response:

Lord Jesus, with my spiritual eyes, I want to be always fixed on Your holy will. And help me to remain close to your Heart. May Your will, not mine, be done.



**CAMP  
OUT  
WITH  
JESUS**



Coming up in July!! Our dates will run July 22<sup>nd</sup> to July 26<sup>th</sup>, 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.



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

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.



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 20<sup>th</sup>. 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 16<sup>th</sup> if you are planning on helping with the Baskets so that we can make plans.

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.



Knights of Columbus

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 3<sup>rd</sup>. Go to [Red Cross Blood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.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

July Wedding Anniversaries

Dan & Amber Gibbs	July 1, 2006
Bill & (Kathy) Webster	July 14, 1956
Vincent & (Marina) D'elia	July 21, 1963
(Tripp) & Roberta Racioppi	July 28, 1973



Attendance

June 22	Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	103
June 23	Sunday	9:00 am Mass	115



Eucharistic Revival

*The unity of the Mystical Body: the Eucharist makes the Church.* Those who receive the Eucharist are united more closely to Christ. Through the Eucharist, Christ unites them to all the faithful in one body – the Church. Communion renews, strengthen, and deepens this incorporation in to the Church, already achieved by Baptism. In Baptism we have been called to for but one body. The Eucharist fulfills this call: "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread."

If you are the body and members of Christ, then it is your sacrament that is placed on the table of the Lord; it is your sacrament that you receive. To that which you are you respond "Amen," Be then a member of the Body of Christ that your *Amen* may be true. (CCC 1396)

Priests for Life

The Bishops Speak

In their statement "Catholics in Political Life" (June 2004), the United States bishops said the following:

"We need to continue to teach clearly and help other Catholic leaders to teach clearly on our unequivocal commitment to the legal protection of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. Our teaching on human life and dignity should be reflected in our parishes and our educational, health care and human service ministries.

"We need to do more to persuade all people that human life is precious and human dignity must be defended. This requires more effective dialogue and engagement with all public officials, especially Catholic public officials. We welcome conversation initiated by political leaders themselves."



**Help save lives. Give blood.**



## **BLOOD DRIVE**

**Knights of Columbus – West Point**

**Boogaard Center**

**3510 King William Ave**

**West Point, VA 23181**

**Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code 'knightswestpoint' OR call 1-800-REDCROSS.

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# 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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