# Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church



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#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

#### **EUCHARISTIC 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)

#### HOLYDAYS

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.

# TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME October 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Saturday, October 19th TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN

**ORDINARY TIME\*** 

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 pm Mass offered for Marguerite Sturtz (RIP)

Requested by Janice McGowan & Family

Sunday, October 20th TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN

**ORDINARY TIME\*** 

9:00 am Mass offered for Marian Kopacki (RIP)

**Requested by Mike & Nancy Pausic** 

10:15 am Religious Education Sunday School

10:15 am Adult Sunday Bible Classes (Boogaard Hall)

Monday, October 21st

**No Daily Mass** 

12 pm-10 pm Adoration in Chapel

Tuesday, October 22nd Saint John Paul II, Pope\*

9:30 am Mass offered for Marguerite Sturtz (RIP)

**Requested by Shirley Castonguay** 

4:30 pm Adult Bible Study (Boogaard Hall)

12 pm-10 pm Adoration in Chapel

Wednesday, October 23rd Saint John of Capistrano, Priest\*

9:30 am Mass offered for Joe Ripchick (RIP)

Requested by Janice McGowan & Family

6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 24th Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop\*

9:30 am Mass offered for Marian Kopacki (RIP)

Requested by Cathy Fudella

6:30 pm Finance Council Meeting (MC)

Friday, October 25th

5:30 pm Mass offered for Ed Haurand (RIP)

Requested by Janice McGowan & Family

6:30 pm Holy Rosary in the Church

Saturday, October 26th THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME\*

5:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 pm Mass offered for Barbara George (RIP)

Requested by Bob & Jennifer George

Sunday, October 27th THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME\*

9:00 am Mass offered for Patrick McGowan (RIP)

Requested by Phil & Karen Liberato

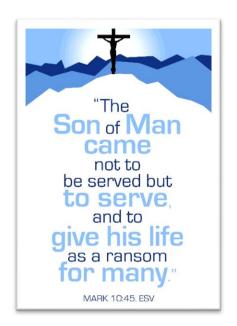
and offered for Kyle Burch (RIP)

Anniversary of Death (October 28)
Requested by the Hayden Family

10:15 am Religious Education Sunday School

10:15 am Adult Sunday Bible Classes (Boogaard Hall)

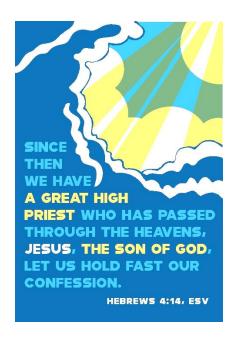
10:15 am Parish Council Meeting (MC)





Welcome back, Father Oscar, from your visit to the Philippines and your family and friends!

Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher.



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

#### **Religious Education**

Religious education classes have begun! Classes run from 10:15 to 11:15 am.



On October 27<sup>th</sup>, our religious ed. classes will celebrate All Saints / All Souls Day. Please have your child research and dress up as a Saint for this day. They can wear their saint's costume to Church and Father Oscar usually gives a special blessing to our little saints at Mass.

<u>Sunday Bible Study-</u> during religious ed. class time, we will meet in the front foyer of the hall. The study will be, "Lectio Eucharist." Find out how the Eucharist had been foreshadowed since the beginning of Genesis and shown throughout the Bible.

<u>Tuesday Adult Bible Study</u> – 4:30 pm.– studying the Book of Job. Newcomers are welcome to join! Our group has grown, and we are now meeting at the Church Hall. Bring your Bible, notepad and pencil.



Open to all 6th -12th Grade.

"Cabrini" movie was shown the evening of October 10<sup>th</sup> at the Parish Hall. An amazing story of perseverance amid impossible odds and of one nun's love of those less fortunate.

A big thank you to the Youth Group for serving dinner and to all who came out to see this wonderful movie.

#### October is Respect Life Month

During this month we should reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life, from the moment of conception to Natural death. We would like to help young mothers provide small items for their unborn child and our older residents with items to bring joy.

There will be tags placed at the back of church. Please help by taking a tag of choice, go shopping and then return the items to the bin or crib provided.

Please return items no later than November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Items will be dropped off at Williamsburg House of Mercy and Three Rivers Health and Rehab.

Thank you for making a difference!

<u>T-Shirts Available!</u> – We have many T-Shirts to support #team Logan in all Youth and Adult sizes. If you would like a shirt, it can be ordered online and picked up at the church office: Erin 804-366-4435



#### Jesus' Ascent to Jerusalem

"Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living." 1.) Christ's Ascension into heaven signifies his participation, in his humanity, in God's power and authority. Jesus Christ is Lord: he possesses all power in heaven and on earth. He is "far above all rule and authority and power and dominion", for the Father "has put all things under his feet." 2.) Christ is Lord of the cosmos and of history. In him human history and indeed all creation are "set forth" and transcendently fulfilled. (CCC 668)







#### **Stations Path & Cultural Prayer Gardens**

Please check out the progress on Mason Kopacki's Eagle Scout project "Stations of the Cross Outdoor Path" and the work that was completed last Saturday behind the parking area.

Also, the cultural prayer garden paths have been marked with red flags behind the Boogaard Hall subject to change. A map of the garden area layout is on display in the Church foyer.

Collection for October 12 & 13, 2024		
Total Offertory Supplemental Collection Votive Stand Parish Heating World Missions Total received this week	\$ 3,237 \$ 103 \$ 30 \$ 435 \$ 60 \$ 3,865	
Budgeted weekly average parish need	\$ 4,596	
Restricted, Special Use, or Sent Out of Parish:		
Capital Campaign	\$ 645	
Facilities Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 100	
Poor Box	\$ 135	
***Thank You for Supporting our Parish***		

<u>Attendance</u>			
September 28	Saturday	5:30 pm Mass	90
September 29	Sunday	9:00 am Mass	135



#### **Eucharistic Revival**

The Eucharist is the memorial of Christ's Passover, that is, of the work of salvation accomplished by the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, a work made present by the liturgical action. (CCC 1408) Ministry Sign Up!! – We NEED You! There are many ministries in need of volunteers in our parish. Please consider where you can share your gifts and call the office. We are still trying to fill our weekend needs for Lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, and altar servers. Training is provided for all

If you have any announcements that need to be made at the end of Mass, you can type your announcement and place in the Orange Folder on the Cantor's Stand. The second lector will make announcements at the end of Mass. For those who wish to make their own announcements, please be on the side waiting after Holy Eucharist so Father knows you need to make an announcement.



#### **October Wedding Anniversaries**

Brandon & Gigi Jordan	October 3, 2009
Albert & Gloria Wajciechowski	October 10, 1970
(David "Charlie") & Jeanie Sturtz	October 11, 1968
Frank & Mary Ann Fetterolf	October 19, 1963
Kevin & Deidra Kopacki	October 20, 2001
Mike & Nancy Pausic	October 29, 1960



#### **Knights of Columbus**

#### **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 <a href="https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html">www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html</a>.

#### Knights of Columbus Insurance

Do you have life insurance, long-term care insurance, an annuity, or other retirement needs? Knights of Columbus had their origins in 1882 to help those in need, especially for working class families if something happened to the family provider. Knights' members can get a free consultation with our local insurance agent, Todd Curtis, by contacting him at 866-868-1492.

#### Battling the Cold

Knights brought <u>Coats for Kids</u> to Ukraine for the first time last year, giving away thousands of warm garments to children affected by the war. With winter approaching and many of the country's power plants destroyed by Russian forces, Knights are gearing up to get even more coats to Ukraine's kids.

#### From The Diary of St. Faustina

#### Meditation:

Secretary, write that I am more generous toward sinners than toward the just. It was for their sake that I came down from heaven; it was for their sake that My Blood was spilled. Let them not fear to approach Me; they are most in need of My mercy (*Diary*, 1275).

During Holy Hour in the evening, I heard the words, You see My mercy for sinners, which at this moment is revealing itself in all its power. See how little you have written about it; it is only a single drop. Do what is in your power, so that sinners may come to know My goodness (*Diary*, 1665).

#### My Prayer Response:

Thank You, Lord Jesus, for Your exceptional love for sinners. May we sinners take full advantage of the mercy You described to St. Faustina. May we come to know Your goodness.



Daily Mass is said at the Poor Clares Monastery at 8:00 am, 5500 Holly Fork Road, Barhamsville 23011 in New Kent

#### **Priests for Life**

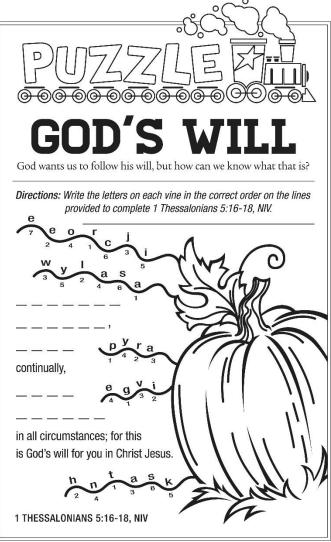
#### This is My Body

Did you ever realize that the same four words that were used by the Lord Jesus to save the world are also used by some to promote abortion? "This is my body." The same simple words are spoken from opposite ends of the universe, with meanings that are directly contrary to each other. Scripture tells us that on the night before He died to save all people, the Lord Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, "This is My Body, which is given up for you."

On the other hand, abortion supporters say, "This is my body! I can do what I want, even to the point of killing the life within it."

Abortion is the exact opposite of love. Love says, "I sacrifice myself for the good of the other person." Abortion says, "I sacrifice the other person for the good of myself." In the Eucharist we see the meaning of love and receive the power to live it. - The Pro-life Commitment is Eucharistic, Prolife Leader Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life. www.EndAbortion.US





#### 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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