

St. William Parish

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November 25, 2018 ~ Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



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CELEBRATING TOGETHER



Parish Ministries

Please call the Parish Office for Mass and Prayer Intentions, Homebound and Hospitalized Ministry, Funerals, The Catholic Exponent, Family Information Changes, New Parishioner Registration and details about any Parish Organization and Ministry.

Celebrating the Sacraments:

Baptism: Call parish office to make arrangements.

First Eucharist: Celebrated in the 2nd grade with parents and children participating in preparation program.

Confirmation: Celebrated with the Bishop biannually for 8th graders (or older) who have attended preparation classes.

Reconciliation: Celebrated Saturday at 4:00 p.m. or by appointment. Communal Reconciliation Services are held during Lent and Advent.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office to inform us of anyone who is sick (at home or in the hospital) for visitation and anointing.

Marriage: Couples should contact the Parish Office/Priest before making any arrangements for marriage (at least 6 months in advance). Couples must be registered in the parish and participate in the marriage preparation program.

Holy Orders: For information on religious life, contact Diocese of Youngstown Vocation Office at 330-744-8451.

Christian Formation and Education

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

Sunday Morning Gr. K-8
9:30-10:45 a.m.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):

Sunday Mornings
9:30-10:45 a.m.

Adult and Teen Enrichment Programs:

Offered periodically throughout the year.
Consult the weekly bulletin.

John F. Kennedy Catholic School

www.warrenjfk.com

Lower Campus—Grades K-5

330-372-2375

Upper Campus—Grades 6-12

330-369-1804

Hall Rental/Catering:

Contact the Parish Office for details.

Catholic Charities Regional Agency:

Trumbull County 330-393-4254

Bulletin Deadline: Articles must be submitted to the Parish Office **or emailed to** rkane@stwilliamchampion.org by Wednesday prior to the weekend they are to appear.

Visit our website at

www.stwilliamchampion.org



CELEBRATION OF THE LITURGY

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Winter - Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Summer - Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. Tuesday - Friday

Holydays - Check weekly bulletin

Communion Service - Monday 8:30 a.m.

Pastor's COLUMN

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Christ our King and bring to a close another liturgical year in the Church. This feast celebrates an aspect of Jesus' identity rather than an event of his life, but nonetheless, it is a feast of significant importance in the life of the Church. It celebrates Christ's reign over all things and turns our attention toward our expectant waiting for the coming of the Lord in His Glory. Our gospel reading continues this theme of being prepared that we have been hearing about over the past few weeks. Pilate questions Jesus about his authority and Jesus answers by testifying to the truth – that he came into this world to be the humble and complete servant to all. As we celebrate this holiday weekend giving thanks for all the blessings we have received from God, we are reminded of our call to serve those in need – to model our discipleship of Jesus Christ to others.

Next week we begin the holy season of Advent and our preparation to celebrate the coming of Christ and commemorate his birth among us. Our theme this year is "*Hearts Full of Hope and Joy.*" As we experience this season of anticipation and preparation, may our hearts become filled with hope and joy. To help in this, you are invited to sign up for the Best Advent Ever program (*see additional announcement*) to receive a daily inspirational message during the season to help fill your heart with hope and joy! May this upcoming Advent season be one of true conversion and prayer during this busy time of year.

Finally, this weekend we welcome Sr. Mary Stephany Rose to our parish to speak about this weekend's Annual Religious Retirement collection. Sr. Mary Stephany is a Junior Sister with the Oblate Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Originally from Warren, she has been with her community for five years. The Religious Retirement Appeal helps communities pay for the health care needs of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests, who ministered for years in service to the Church. Thank you for your continued generosity and support to this important need.

Have a good week, Fr. Balash



Mass Intentions for the Week

~ November 25-December 2, 2018 ~

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NOVEMBER 25, 2018

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **SABINA & ANTHONY BONACCI/**
Ron & Felicia Mooney

Sun 8:30 a.m. † **DARLENE SAIT/** Hysen Sait, Jr.

11:00 a.m. † **BETTE CHAMP/** Ron & Ann Sprague

Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**

Tues 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**

Wed 8:30 a.m. † **EMIDIO DI GIACOBBE/** Pat & Mary Webster

Thurs 8:30 a.m. † **STEVE MILLIK/** Joan Krivanek

Fri 8:30 a.m. † **TED PYTLIK/** Mary Pytlik

DECEMBER 2, 2018

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **ROBERT PETIYA/** Wife, Grace & Family

Sun 8:30 a.m. † **JOSEPH & MARGARET HUDAK/**
Rich & Penny Hudak

11:00 a.m. † **EILEEN CONLON/** Summerville Family

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ November 18, 2018 (WK 21)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,894.00	\$ 145,396.00
All Saints	\$ 40.00	\$ 1,305.00
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 149,100.00
Difference	\$ (166.00)	\$ (2,399.00)
Performance	98%	98%

Envelopes ~ 224 out of 540

Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 14.25 (13 out of 62)

>> RECENT DEATHS <<

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed please remember
Norma Clemente, sister of Mary Ellen Hoolihan
Rita Kittle

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

~ December 1/2, 2018 ~

First Sunday of Advent

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Donna Runtas, Andrea Kochunas

8:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Christine DePascale

11:00 a.m. Margie McCummins, Bob Mintus

Servers

5:00 p.m. Kaycie Martinko, Therese Tuttle

8:30 a.m. Luke Zigarovich, Olivia Zigarovich

11:00 a.m. Scott Mintus, Bethany Wilson

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Ron Gilronan, Carla Gilronan, Ruth Bubba

8:30 a.m. Mike Trunick, Linda Trunick, Theresa White,
Carole Baniak, Ellie Gates, Penny Hudak

11:00 a.m. Murph Gelet, Dan Gelet, Jeanette Jaskiewicz,
Maureen Thuman, Janice Ventling, Scott Freer



Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ December 1/2, 2018 ~

First Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and Judah . . .

1 Thessalonians 3:12; 4:2

Brothers and sisters: May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all. . .

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars and on earth . . .

Check the parish website from time to time for information about what is happening at the parish . . .

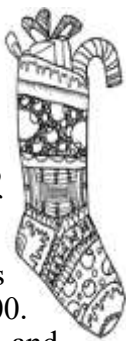
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Christmas Ca\$h Raffle Tickets

Now Available!!!

The Winning Has Started

Winners of the first drawings will be announced next week! Congratulations to Mary Lou Osborne who was the TOP seller of tickets and received 5 FREE tickets. Tickets are \$10.00 each for a chance to win 12 prizes of \$30.00 and the grand prize of \$500.00. Drawings began on Thanksgiving Day and continue every other day until December 16. Grand Prize drawing will be on Sunday, December 16...just in time for Christmas! Many thanks to all who purchased tickets and **GOOD LUCK!!!!**



>>>> THE PARISH CALENDAR <<<<

NOV 26 ~ BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY 7:00 PM
NOV 27 ~ QUILTERS 9:00 AM
NOV 27 ~ ADULT/FOLK GROUP REHEARSAL 7:00 PM
NOV 28 ~ KOLACHI BAKE 8:00 AM
NOV 29 ~ ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:00 PM
DEC 1 ~ FOLK GROUP SINGS AT 5:00 PM MASS
DEC 2 ~ PSR 9:30 AM
DEC 2 ~ ADULT CHOIR SINGS AT 11:00 AM MASS
DEC 2 ~ PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER 12 NOON

Second Collection!

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.

“A Festival of Lessons and Carols”

Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.

Join us for this annual Advent celebration of Scripture and Song. Our Advent theme this year is “*Hearts Full of Hope and Joy.*” Start your season off right by entering into it through prayer, reflection and song as we prepare for a Christ-filled Christmas holiday.

POP TABS NEEDED!

Remember our seventh and eighth graders are collecting pop tabs as a service project. We are asking parishioners to start saving the pop tabs and place them in the container in the vestibule. If you would like more information about Sr. Rosemary and Saint Monica's Tailoring Center, please visit their website: sewinghopefoundation.com.



Thank you for supporting this service project.

You lucky snowbirds!

For those of you fortunate enough to escape winter in Ohio and head south for the season...have a wonderful time in the warm sunshine this year and we hope to see you back in early Spring! In the meantime, we do ask two favors while you are away from Saint William Parish: first....send as much sunshine and warmth back to Ohio whenever you can...and secondly...don't forget your weekly contribution! Your continued commitment to stewardship to Saint William Parish during your time away is greatly appreciated.



Christmas Giving Tree:

The gifts are due back by **December 6**. Please place gifts in a gift bag with the tag attached. Our parish has always responded very well to this Christmas activity and hopefully the same will be true this year.

Thank you for your generous and kind response!

Best Advent Ever! ~ Hearts Full of Hope and Joy:

Sign up today to receive a FREE daily email message of inspiration and hope. Rediscover the joy of preparing for Christmas. To sign up visit:

www.BestAdventEver.com/YoureInvited

“Pot - of - Gold”

WE HAVE A WINNER !!!

*This week's winning envelope number drawn, November 21 was 473
Congratulations to Gary & Ellie Gates, winners of the \$198.00 Jackpot!!!
... one-half of the amount collected.*

A new Pot-of Gold Jackpot begins this weekend!!!!



MUSIC MINISTRY:

Early reminder to all parents of St. William to check your December family calendars now! St. William youth (grades 2 +) are encouraged to join with Music Ministry to celebrate our Lord's birth at 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve prelude and Holy Mass. We will have 2 rehearsals **at 10:00 a.m. the Saturdays of December 15 & 22.** All are welcome! Please advise the music director or sign up in the vestibule now if able to participate so a folder may be prepared for your child.

Advent Lessons and Carols will be celebrated at St. William, **Tuesday, December 4, at 7:00 p.m.** Music Ministry: Please prepare your music prior to and be present at **ONE rehearsal, Tuesday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m.** The music schedule for this celebration is available now in the music area of church.

THANK YOU !! THANK YOU !!

Many thanks to all who supported and donated to the Thanksgiving Food Drive. Due to your overwhelming support, we were able to distribute plenty of food and a \$20 gift card to Sparkle Market to 59 families. We received many sincere "thank you's" and even a phone call later in the day from two recipients. Thank you also to those from our parish who came to help sort on Friday and bag and distribute on Saturday. Many hands made quick work. You were all God's hands and feet that day.

PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER:

Our Parish Christmas Dinner will be held Sunday, December 2, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. **Free tickets will be available after all the Masses today.** The number of tickets given out will help determine how much food to prepare. Please take a ticket if you are planning to attend. Please return any tickets you will not be using. *We are asking for donations for the residents of Someplace Safe. They are in need of: diapers, diaper cream, deodorant, body lotion, toothpaste and toothbrushes, detergent (HE), cleaning items such as dish soap, Lysol spray, etc. For more information, please call Mo at 330-647-4174.*



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL 7491

Next Meeting

Wednesday ~ December 5, 2018 ~ 6:30 p.m.

Adult Faith Formation Opportunity

The Four Signs of A Dynamic Catholic

The Second Sign ~ Study

Monday, December 10

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Adult Meeting Room

You are most welcome to bring a friend!

Please register on the sign-up sheet in the vestibule

Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule Change!



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary is Saturday, December 8. This is the patronal feast day of the United States and is a holyday of obligation. Because of weekend Mass times, Mass for the holy day will be offered **ONLY** on Friday evening, December 7:

--5:00 p.m. at **Blessed Sacrament** (*note change in time/day than previously announced*) and

--7:00 p.m. at **Saint William.**

You are invited to attend Mass at either place. *Remember that your envelope will be returned to St. William.*



Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

Instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, Christ the King Day is a holiday which falls on the final Sunday of the Liturgical Calendar. On the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, we honor the unique kingship of Christ. His kingdom is not here: his kingdom is with his father, and yet it is being mysteriously built in our very midst. His is "an eternal and universal kingdom, a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace."

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Monday Dec. 24 / Tuesday Dec. 25

Sunday Dec. 23 – 4th Sunday of Advent: 5:00 p.m. Saturday
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Monday Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve: 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.
Monday Dec. 25 – Christmas Day: 10:00 a.m.

New Year's Monday Dec. 31 / Tuesday Jan. 1

Sunday Dec. 30 – Feast of the Holy Family: 5:00 p.m. Saturday
8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Monday Dec. 31 – New Year's Eve: 5:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church
Tuesday Jan. 1 – New Year's Day: 10:00 a.m. at St. William Church

*Note: *New Year's Day is a holy day of obligation. You are invited to attend Mass most convenient to your schedule. St. William envelopes given at Blessed Sacrament will be returned to our parish.*

