

St. William Parish

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November 8, 2020 ~ Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



“To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever near.”

In turning the page to November we begin to anticipate the end of year. For some this year can't end soon enough! This theme will also be carried over into our liturgy as we look to the end of the Church year and the beginning of Advent. In the few weeks left before Advent, our scripture readings will echo this theme of the “end times.” Today's parable of the ten virgins provides us an opportunity to ponder the second coming of Christ and the time when we will meet the Lord at the end of our own lives. At the time of Jesus, and when the gospel accounts were written, there was a great expectation that Jesus' second coming was imminent. Today's parable brings up the possibility that the bridegroom might be “delayed” and we are reminded of the need to be prepared and “stay awake.” Jesus reminds us that the fools are the ones who were not prepared for the coming of the master. As always the meaning of Jesus' parables can at times be difficult to discern and today's is no different. One can read almost anything into it. While the imagery of the bridesmaids oil and lighted lamps can point to the end time and the coming of Christ, it can also be considered a parallel to how we began our lives as Christians with new life



through baptismal waters and by receiving the light of Christ from the paschal candle. When anyone is baptized, but in particular infants, parents and godparents are told, “[t]his light is entrusted to you to be kept burning brightly. This child has been enlightened by Christ. They are to walk always as a child of light keeping the flame of faith alive in their heart. When the Lord comes, may they go out to meet him with all the saints.” As we grow, the responsibility to keep the flame of faith alive is transferred more and more to each of us. We are to remember always that we are children of the light and to nourish the flame we received at baptism so it will be burning brightly until our last breath. We do not know the hour of our Lord's return, nor do we know the hour when our lives will end. As we contemplate this parable we might wonder, what is the oil that keeps the light of Christ alive within us? We might also ponder, is this oil something that another can give to us, or is it something that we must find on our own? We received the light of Christ in baptism; now our task is to keep it burning brightly until we meet the Lord. Let us be like the wise, attentive to the coming of the Lord, for we know not when that day might be!

Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ November 8-15, 2020 ~

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVEMBER 8, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † CHARLENE BOUCHER/ Mintus Family

Sun 8:30 a.m. † IDA MAE SWITTER/ Women's Guild

11:00 a.m. † MICHAEL BALASH/ Son

Mon † NO SERVICE

Tues 8:30 a.m. † STEVE MILLIK/ Millik Family

Wed 8:30 a.m. † JANE SIRONEN/ Cindy Nappi-Piras

Thur 8:30 a.m. † LOU KRIVANEK/ Joan Krivanek

Fri 8:30 a.m. † BLASKO FAMILY/ Marie Dye

NOVEMBER 15, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † SHELLY ROGERS/ Liz Dunlap

Sun 8:30 a.m. † FR. WILLIAM LOVELESS/ Ron & Donna Runtas

11:00 a.m. † JUDY WOLFE/ Theresa Craiger

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ November 15, 2020 ~

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailing prize ...

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you ...

Matthew 25: 14-30

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them ..."

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

November 15, 2020

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Ruth Bubba, Andrea Kochunas

8:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Woody Pealer

11:00 a.m. Erin Lee, _____

Servers

5:00 p.m. Therese Tuttle

8:30 a.m. _____

11:00 a.m. _____

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Bob Hardman, Bob Mintus

8:30 a.m. Penny Hudak, Bob Mintus

11:00 a.m. Sandy Hudak, Bob Mintus



**Sign-Up In
Vestibule**

LOOKING AHEAD!

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Start your holiday on Thanksgiving Day morning by joining us for Mass at **8:30 a.m.** as we give thanks and praise to God for the goodness and blessings of this life.



"Special Advent Evening Prayer"

Tuesday, December 1 at 7:00 p.m.

As we continue to cope with the on-going pandemic and its challenges, a special Advent Evening Prayer for "Healing and Hope" will be held on Tuesday, December 1 at 7:00 p.m. Join us for this special time of prayer and reflection as we prepare for a Christ-filled Christmas holiday and offer our hope and courage to overcome the challenges we are all facing because of the pandemic.

"THANKSGIVING GIVING" COLLECTION TODAY!

This weekend is our special "Thanksgiving Giving" collection. In an effort to remain aware of others needs and to give thanks for God's abundant blessings we are hoping to provide a Thanksgiving Gift Certificate for food to the residents of Woodland Meadows. Thank you for your generosity! Donations will also be accepted next weekend.

2020 BISHOP'S APPEAL UPDATE

As of this month, our parish has donated \$44,049.00 to this year's Bishop's Appeal from 260 donors representing a participation rate of 49% of our parish. St. William is ranked 14th among all the parishes of the Diocese for participation in the Appeal! Despite a year full of challenges we continue to work towards 100% participation. The Appeal is the primary funding source for Catholic Charities and other Church ministries. Thank you to those who have already responded. If you have not yet responded please consider participating. During this season of Thanksgiving, your prayerful reflection and generous response is greatly appreciated.



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ November 1, 2020 (WK 18)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,345.00*	\$ 130,068.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 127,800.00
Difference	\$ 245.00	\$ 2,268.00
Performance	103%	102%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,369.00 LAST WK — \$ 18,578.00 YTD

Envelopes ~ 205 out of 540

Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 12.00 (7 out of 62)

POT-OF-GOLD

#571 drawn on 11/04/2020

!!Winner!! ~ Ted Bogan

Amount: \$1,785.00



YOU LUCKY SNOWBIRDS!

For those of you fortunate to escape winter in Ohio and head south for 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 CASH RAFFLE TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE!!!

Our first drawing for our Christmas Cash Raffle is Thanksgiving morning, November 26!!! Take a chance to win some *CASH* just in time for the holiday shopping. Tickets are \$10.00 each for a chance to win 12 prizes of \$30.00 and the grand prize of \$500.00. Drawings begin on Thanksgiving Day and continue every other day until December 18. Grand Prize drawing will be on Sunday, December 20th...just in time for Christmas! **Be the top seller and receive 5 FREE TICKETS.** *Note: Top Seller deadline is in two weeks!*



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE!

Due to the pandemic, some adjustments concerning the annual Christmas Giving Tree will be happening this year. Catholic Charities which usually provides the gift tags will not be able to do so, therefore we have contacted the Salvation Army and they have agreed to provide 100 tags for our Christmas Giving Tree. Each tag will have 3 gift options for you to choose one for purchase. Gifts will be taken to the Salvation Army for distribution in time for Christmas. The Giving Tree will be in the vestibule soon.



DROPPING OFF WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Many thanks to all who continue to drop off their weekly contributions to the parish. Your continued support, generosity, and commitment are greatly appreciated. It is kindly asked that if you are dropping off contributions that you **DO NOT USE** the mailbox any longer. Postal regulations do not allow for this. Contribution envelopes can be brought into the parish office during regular hours or they can be sent via regular mail. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

NAIM/GOLDER AGERS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

December 1, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
Buffet with Servers at St. William
Cost is \$10/person. Make checks payable to Golden Agers.
May be put in collection basket in envelope marked "Golden Agers" by November 24
For more info: Contact Barb Mendik or Bob Kane



THE PARISH CALENDAR

Nov 9 ~ Adult Faith Formation 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Nov 10 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Nov 10 ~ Parish Council 7:00 p.m.
Nov 10 ~ Cantor Practice 7:00 p.m.
Nov 11 ~ Veterans Day
Nov 11 ~ Folk Group Practice 7:00 p.m.
Nov 12 ~ NAIM Group 12:30 p.m.
Nov 12 ~ Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
Nov 14 ~ K of C ~ Sausage Sandwich Drive 4:00 p.m.
Nov 15 ~ PSR 9:30 a.m.
Nov 15 ~ Youth Ministry 12:00 noon

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL #7491

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 6:30



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Saturday, November 14 the Knights will be holding a Sausage with Peppers & Onions Sandwich drive-thru from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. \$6 each.



Enter the kitchen parking lot. Knights will be there to direct traffic.

The Knights thank everyone who supported our last sandwich drive-thru. Proceeds from the event were used to support citizens with developmental disabilities.

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, January 6, 2020

Social at 6:00 p.m.

Business Meeting at 6:30 p.m.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The Parish Council will meet this coming Tuesday, November 10 at 7:00 p.m.

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your faithful support of the food pantry. The pantry is in need of the following items: **breakfast cereal, peanut butter, jelly, canned pasta (ravioli, etc.), small packages of toilet paper.** We are currently overstocked with **canned vegetables.** Any food donation will gladly be accepted! However, we cannot accept expired food. Donations can be dropped off in the vestibule. Thank you for your support!



To our men and women in uniform
past, present, and future
God bless you and thank you.



ATTENDING MASS DURING THIS TIME...

- ◆ As the current health circumstances continue, the temporary dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for all Catholic faithful within the Diocese of Youngstown remains. It is intended primarily for those of a vulnerable age or with compromised health concerns.
- ◆ Anyone who is symptomatic, at high risk of becoming sick, or who has been exposed to another with the virus within 14 days should not attend Mass or any other parish function in accordance with national, state and local health directives
- ◆ Face-coverings are to be worn for Mass
- ◆ Please remember to maintain a safe distance (at least 2 empty seats) between you and others when attending Mass.
- ◆ When finding your seat for Mass, please **move to the center of the row** so others can fill in the same row without having to pass by.
- ◆ Live-stream Mass is available every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. on the parish website and Facebook along with the weekly Worship Aid. www.stwilliamchampion.org
- ◆ For those not attending Mass in person the Act of Spiritual Communion is made when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion at Mass. Directions can be found on the parish website

BULLETINS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

If you know of a parishioner who is homebound or in a nursing home or assisted living and would like to receive a weekly bulletin, please notify the office with their name and address.



***St. William Parish Community
Membership Form***

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

e-Mail Address: _____

Check One:

- I am interested in membership, please send registration form
- Moving out of the parish
- Change of address / phone number

Drop this form in the collection basket, USPS mail, or send us an email!

~Contact~

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- Rev. Michael D. Balash**, Pastor
- Robert Mintus**, Deacon
- Tina McCue**, Pastoral Associate
- Patricia Maciejewski**, Music Director
- Carol Timko**, Religious Education
- Therese Tuttle**, Business Manager
- Dan Robinson**, Office Manager
- Ross Lenhart**, Maintenance

~Celebrate~

Mass Times

- Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
- Summer - Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
- Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. Tuesday - Friday
- Holydays - Check weekly bulletin
- Liturgy of the Word Service - Monday 8:30 a.m.

Reconciliation

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

Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, Holy Orders ~ Contact the Parish Office.

~Christian Formation~

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

Sunday Morning Gr. K-8 ~ 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon Gr. 9-12 ~ 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

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

Adult and Teen Enrichment

Offered throughout the year. Consult the bulletin.

John F. Kennedy Catholic School

www.warrenjfk.com

~Service~

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

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday 12:00 noon