

St. William Parish

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May 31, 2020 ~ Pentecost Sunday



WELCOME BACK!

Ironically on this weekend, we are gathering for the first time in 77 days to celebrate the end of our Easter Season. What a strange time it has been as we mark the end of a most unusual and different Easter time! Historically, the feast of Pentecost was a Jewish feast of new grain, wine and the first fruits of the harvest. It was held fifty days after Passover, thus the name “Pentecost.” Today, we commemorate the bestowal of the Holy Spirit and the beginning of the mission of the Church to spread the good news to all parts of the world. In today’s gospel reading Jesus gives the gift of the Holy Spirit while the first and second readings focus on of the effects of this gift. In the first reading, the apostles proclaim “*the mighty acts of God to every nation under heaven,*” and yet, through the power of the Holy Spirit each person hears the message in their own native language. In the second reading, we hear about the many different gifts the Holy Spirit confers upon us. Finally, in the gospel reading Jesus gives the disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit empowering them to become missionaries of the message. Since then the Spirit has been with the church! And so, after being formed anew in the life and light of Jesus’ death and resurrection, we are sent like disciples throughout history to feed the hungry, comfort the outcast, heal the sick, and proclaim the love of God to all by the lives we live and the example we set. As we continue our mission, and in some respects as we begin again, may we do so with joy and thanksgiving living the discipleship to which we have all been called and blessed with!



It is a joy to welcome you back to Church this weekend! We have been working diligently to provide the safest environment for us to worship and pray together. We will all need to remain mindful of the precautionary measures needed for the safety and well-being of everyone as we slowly return to our routines and activities. In the meantime, it is great to be able to gather to pray and worship together. Again, welcome home!

Have a good week!
Fr. Balash



~ May 31 - June 7, 2020 ~
Pentecost Sunday

MAY 31, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **MARY JO DECRISTOFARO/** Kochunas Family
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **ALBERT FRANEK/** Judy Franek
 10:30 a.m. † **CLARENCE & ROSE GEDEON/** Music Ministry
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † **NO SERVICE**
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † **RON SPRAGUE/** Ann Coursen
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † **FRANCES SALVADOR/** Watson & Salvador Families
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † **FRANK NAPPI/** Cindy Piras
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † **STEVE MILLIK/** Millik Family

JUNE 7, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **SHELLY ROGERS/** Liz Dunlap
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **GEORGE SCHUSTER/** Noeleen Miller
 10:30 a.m. † **ROBERT HART, JR./** Gloria Hart

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ June 7, 2020 ~

The Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34: 4-6, 8-9

Early in the morning Moses went up Mount Sinai as the LORD had commanded him taking along the two stone tablets...

2 Corinthians 13: 11-13

Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace...

John 3: 16-18

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

~ May 31, 2020 ~
Pentecost Sunday

Lectors

5:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Servers

5:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Sign-Up In Vestibule



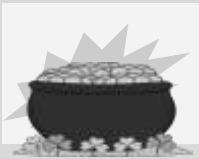
OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ May 24, 2020 (WK 47)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,737.00*	\$ 336,881.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 333,700.00
Difference	\$ (363.00)	\$ 3,181.00
Performance	95%	101%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 988.00 LASTWK — \$ 34,016.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 124 out of 552
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 1.50 (2 out of 62)

POT-OF-GOLD

#30 drawn on 5/27/20
 No Winner!
 Amount: \$114.00



DISPENSATION TO ATTEND MASS CONTINUES

In light of the current health circumstance, Bishop Murry has extended the temporary dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for all Catholic faithful within the Diocese of Youngstown especially for those who are sick, or at high risk of becoming sick. Anyone who is symptomatic or who has been exposed to another with the virus within 14 days should not attend Mass in accordance with national, state and local health directives.

PARISH OFFICE AND BUILDING UPDATE

Regular Parish Office hours have resumed, Monday through Friday – 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. You are still encouraged to conduct any business by phone or mail and are asked to use the mailbox ONLY AFTER HOURS to drop your contribution. It is asked that no one enter the church building without checking at the office first so that we can maintain proper and frequent cleaning and sanitizing. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

LIVE-STREAM MASS FROM ST. WILLIAM

Mass will be live-streamed from St. William every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Access will be available through the parish website:

www.stwilliamchampion.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions that were postponed over the past weeks have been re-scheduled. If you had an intention scheduled from March 24 to May 29 you may call the Parish Office for the new date.

LITURGICAL MINISTER UPDATE

For the next couple weeks, liturgical ministers needed for Mass can sign up in the vestibule. A new schedule will be issued sometime later this coming summer. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

WITH SINCERE GRATITUDE...

Many thanks to all who continue mail, drop off, or use myEoffering to make their current weekly contribution. Your response in these unusual circumstances has been overwhelming and most generous. I very much appreciate and am grateful for your support in helping us to meet our financial obligations.

THANK YOU!
Fr. Balash

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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

THANK YOU!

I would like to thank all those who submitted pictures of their statues of the Blessed Mother allowing us to virtually honor Mary during the month of May. Thanks also to all those who submitted their "At Home Card Party" pictures! It has been my pleasure to serve as Women's Guild President these past two years along with the outgoing officers: Linda Horm, Cathy Poponak, and Jamie Taneri. I very much appreciate all of their help and assistance and we all look forward to seeing one another when we are able to gather again.

~Theresa Craiger

SHEPHERDING ONE ANOTHER

Many thanks to all of our "shepherds" who helped us remain in contact with one another over the past weeks. Their care and concern was most appreciated as they "touched base" with all of us in attempt to stay connected as we stayed at home. Their phone calls and friendly message hopefully was a welcomed comfort to all of us!



CHURCH AT HOME COLLECTION

The annual "Church At Home" collection that supports will the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, the Catholic Communication Campaign and the educational ministries of the Catholic University of America and Newman Campus Ministries be taken next weekend, June 6-7, 2020. Thank you for your generous support.

CHURCH FLOWERS

The flower baskets and pots (both inside and outside) are courtesy of the donations made for this year's Easter flowers. Since we were unable to celebrate Easter in Church this year, it was decided to wait until we return to enjoy the flowers! Many thanks to Chick's Nursery for providing the flowers this year.



myEoffering?

Many thanks to those who have recently signed up for *myEoffering*! There has been an increase in parishioners taking advantage of this opportunity. This is an easy and convenient way to remain current on your weekly offerings. Electronic giving is safe and secure. Sign up for *myEoffering* today! Follow the easy sign-up registration and instruction steps found on the parish website: www.stwilliamchampion.org to establish your account. Questions??? Call the Parish Office.

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Everyday life has not been the same the last few months and Women's Guild events had to be canceled or postponed due to the pandemic. Some events were held virtually including the annual Mary Devotion and Card Party. On May 1, the officers held a virtual executive meeting to address the following concerns:

- ◆ Candidates for office, announced at the March meeting, will begin their 2020-2021 duties May 31, 2020: Linda Horm, President; Christine DePascale, Vice-President; Margie McCummins, Secretary; and Marcia Kane, Treasurer. A formal installation service will take place at a late date.
- ◆ The Annual Rummage Sale has been canceled for this year; save your treasures for next year!
- ◆ The Card Party as planned is canceled, however the committee is looking for an alternative idea to use the already made and donated gift baskets.
- ◆ The Parish Picnic is still currently planned for August. A committee will meet in June to discuss how to make the Picnic a more significant event celebrating our Parish family being together once again.

Spiritual Communion via Televised or On-Line Mass

The Act of Spiritual Communion is made when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion at Mass. The way to make an Act of Spiritual Communion is listed below and can be adapted based upon personal and family needs:

1. Gather with others in your household and begin a time of prayer with the sign of the cross.
2. Watch Mass on television or on-line, or if unable, take time to read and reflect upon the readings from Sunday Mass. Scripture readings can be found at www.usccb.org. A schedule of televised Mass is available at www.doy.org under Media tab.
3. Share prayer intentions quietly or aloud.
4. Pray the Lord's Prayer.
5. Offer a prayer for healing, strength, or forgiveness or any prayer available during the coronavirus pandemic. If viewing Mass, offer a prayer during the normal time of Communion.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

6. Close with the sign of the cross.

A PRAYER FOR ALL OF US DURING THIS TIME

by Pat Maciejewski

Lord, God,
creator of all good things,
help us in these days of concern and unrest,
of the unknown and maybe even panic.
Be with all medical personnel,
and all in charge of keeping us safe and calm.

We trust in you, O Lord,
to give us the strength and courage,
words and actions,
that we might need in the days and weeks ahead.

Keep us prudent in caring for ourselves,
our loved ones, and all others,
We implore you, O God, to send
your healing and spirit into the whole world.
Remain with us, grant us peace.

AMEN



HELP NEEDED...CASH INCLUDED!

The main hallway of the Church building has recently been remodeled with drywall. Both the main and short hallway will soon be ready for a fresh coat of paint and before the new flooring is installed in the vestibule and hallway. If anyone is interested in painting the hallways and ceiling please call the Parish Office. A stipend is available for the work and more than one person can be considered otherwise we will have contract professional painters to complete the project.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2020

*May God continue to bless you
as you continue on your journey.*

Tyler Betker, Bristol
Dominic Dutton, NDCL
Aidan Farley, WGH
Isabella Homchosky, Bristol
Kiley Karafa, Champion
Olivia Lane, Champion
Nathan McCue, JFK
Scott Mintus, JFK
Krysstal Randolph, Champion
Luke Zigarovich, Champion



~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. & 10:30 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.

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