

St. William Parish

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April 12, 2020 ~ Easter Sunday



Easter Sunday Mass from Saint William
*Available **ALL DAY** On-Line Easter Sunday*
beginning at 7:00 a.m. on the Parish Website!



Alleluia!

Happy Easter ~ Happy Spring ~ Happy Resurrection
from the Entire Parish Staff of
Saint William Parish

It is with great joy that I offer you and your family best wishes and prayers for a blessed and joyful Easter holiday! I hope this finds you well and remaining strong under these unusual circumstances and that an end will come soon to the many restrictions we are dealing with.

As we gather this day to celebrate the resurrection of the Lord we do so with gladness and thanksgiving for all the goodness God continues to bestow on us. This Easter, in a very special and unique way, we come face-to-face with the empty tomb. The words of Saint Paul: *“neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor present things, nor future things, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor any creature, [nor a virus], will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Romans 8:38-39)*, seem most appropriate as we continue to observe physical distancing. Although we are separated from each other and our parish home, we are together in spirit, faith, and wonder! The death of Jesus was not his end. He was raised in a wholly unexpected way to new life. His destiny is ours; his new life will be shared by us who seek to follow him. This Easter may we be open to the unexpected ways that God may work in our lives.

It is with sincere gratefulness and thanksgiving that I share with you Easter Sunday Mass on our parish website this blessed day. Mass will be available throughout the day beginning at 7:00 a.m. on Easter morning. At the end of Mass, a special candle will be lighted from the Easter Candle and placed on the altar. It will remain on the altar until we can gather again in Church to celebrate Mass with one another. My wish and I hope it is yours as well, is that this candle won't need to burn much longer.

Finally, please know that I continue to remember you daily in my prayers for your well-being, safety, and good health. I would also like to *THANK YOU* for your continued support of the parish. Your faithfulness, kindness and generosity have been overwhelming and comforting.



Happy Easter! Have a Good Week and Stay Safe!
Fr. Balash



To all who continue mail, drop off, or use myEoffering to make their current weekly contribution. With limited office hours, if you plan to drop off your offering, you can place it in the mailbox at the main entrance. It is checked daily 12:00noon, 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. I very much appreciate and am grateful for your support during these unusual circumstances as we continue to meet our financial obligations. I will keep you up to date as we continue to move forward.

THANK YOU!
Fr. Balash

Scripture that will be proclaimed THIS WEEKEND
or visit www.usccb.org for the Readings

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Acts 10: 34, 37-43

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism ...

Colossians 3: 1-4

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God ...

Mathew 28: 1-10 and John 20: 1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark ...

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ April 5, 2020 (WK 39)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 8,979.66*	\$ 288,683.65*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 284,000.00
Difference	\$ 1,879.66	\$ 4,683.65
Performance	126%	102%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,385.66 LAST WK — \$ 26,827.20 YTD
Special Donations ~ \$50.00
Envelopes ~ 155 out of 552
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 2.00 (1 out of 62)

Pot-of-Gold: #13 drawn on 4/8/20. No Winner.
Winner would have received \$460

OHIO BISHOPS EXTEND SUSPENSION OF MASS

Following the "Stay at Home Order" the Bishops of Ohio have extended the temporary suspension of all Masses and liturgies through **Sunday, May 3, 2020**. All are dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass during this period and are encouraged to view Mass on television or on-line.

OF IMPORTANCE...

Remember that the Church building remains closed and it is asked that no one enter the building without checking at the office first. The Parish Office is open on Monday and Friday ONLY from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, however you are encouraged to conduct any business by phone or mail. The office door handles and other surfaces are sanitized often for your safety. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



Mass Intentions through April will be rescheduled to open dates beginning June 1.



LENTEN RICE BOWLS

Due to the current circumstances, Lenten Rice Bowls can be held onto until we resume normal operations at the parish, or if desired, they can be dropped off at the Parish Office. Thank you for cooperation.



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.

NEW MEMBERS

Hall Family

John & Jayne

*Welcome to our parish family.
May you find warmth and
spiritual growth in our parish.*




JOIN THE PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY:

Anyone interested in joining our community of parishioners dedicated to pray for the intentions and concerns of our church family, friends and community, can do so by contacting the parish office at 330-847-8677 or by emailing parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org. Prayer requests can be made by calling or emailing the parish office.



myEoffering?

PARTICIPANTS INCREASE

 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.

Online Mass

Daily Mass is available at www.CatholicTV.org

LIVE-STREAM MASS FROM ST. COLUMBA EVERY SUNDAY

Every Sunday Mass is live-streamed for from Saint Columba Cathedral at 10:30 a.m. on WFMJ-TV's website. Go to www.wfmj.com and click on "Weekly Faith Services."

"SHEPHERDING ONE ANOTHER"

As we to cope with the absence of Sunday Mass, our "Shepherding One Another" outreach continues. A group of parishioners have volunteered to be your "contact" with the parish during this time and have begun making courtesy phone calls checking in and making sure everyone is doing OK in these unusual circumstances. Just another way to stay in touch as we physically distance!!



PARISH APP

SEEING MORE ACTIVITY...

Missing out on news, updates and information? Put your smartphone to good use and sign up for our Parish APP. It's FREE and EASY! Simply text **APP** to **88202** to download **myParish APP**. Select our parish and follow the easy instructions or visit our website for more information. During this time it is important to stay connected. Circumstances change daily and the **BEST** way to stay in touch, get news, and keep you informed is through the Parish APP. Questions??? Call the Parish Office.



Download myParish App
on your smartphone or tablet!



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



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

www.stwilliamchampion.org



A picture for you to color...