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December 2, 2018 ~ First Sunday of Advent



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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

"Hearts Full of Hope and Joy."

This weekend we begin the great and holy season of Advent. Our theme this year is "Hearts Full of Hope and Joy!" We begin this new church year with a gospel that seems intent upon shocking and startling us out of complacency. Jesus speaks of signs that will accompany the coming of the Son of Man, reminding us of the great and glorious light that is coming into our world. To prepare for this, Jesus reminds us to be vigilant in waiting and in prayer. This is what the season of Advent is all about...waiting in preparation for the coming of Christ. Ironically, this season is perhaps one of the more noticeable times when the Church is completely countercultural to our environment and surroundings. While the outside world is getting dressed and ready for Christmas, the Church encourages us to prepare for the coming of Christ in His Glory at the end of time. We are urged to keep this in mind as we prepare to celebrate the holidays with family and friends and ready our hearts *full of hope and joy* for the coming of Christ. May the days before Christmas truly be a time of preparation and vigilance, so that when the Lord comes we can greet him with *hearts full of hope and joy!*

I hope that many of you will join us this Tuesday evening for our annual Festival of Lessons and Carols. This reflective prayer service is a celebration of Scripture and Song rooted in the meaning of Advent and our preparation for Christmas. Join us on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. for this night of reflection and celebration as we usher in our season of Advent.

Have a good week, Fr. Balash 

Mass Intentions for the Week

~ December 2-9, 2018 ~
First Sunday of Advent

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
Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**
Tues 8:30 a.m. † **FORREST EMERINE**/ Krivanek Family
Wed 8:30 a.m. † **JOE MAKOSKY**/ Knights of Columbus 7491
Thur 8:30 a.m. † **JIM ROESCHER**/ Prebonick Family

HOLY DAY

Fri 7:00 p.m. † **ADELE HERZOG**/ Cindy Piras

DECEMBER 9, 2018

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **ROBERT BANIC**/ Wife, & Family
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **JOE MAKOSKY**/ The SND Associates
11:00 a.m. † **DANIEL GELET**/ Tom & Louise Crump

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ November 25, 2018 (WK 22)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,050.00	\$ 152,751.00
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 156,200.00
Difference	\$ (1,050.00)	\$ (3,449.00)
Performance	85%	98%

Envelopes ~ 188 out of 540

Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 9.00 (9 out of 62)

Religious Retirement ~ \$ 2,831.50

Congratulations!!!

to **Jaxon Michael Northup**
son of Jared and Samantha Northup
who was baptized this weekend.



>> RECENT DEATHS <<

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed please remember
Vernon Rohr, father of Chris Cooney

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

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

~ December 8/9, 2018 ~
Second Sunday of Advent

Lectors

5:00 p.m. John Robinson, Theresa Petrosky
8:30 a.m. Frank DePascale, Margaret Foster
11:00 a.m. Eddie Kuhn, Bob Kane

Servers

5:00 p.m. Cathy McCauley, Therese Tuttle
8:30 a.m. Nathan Goldner, Grace Kufchak
11:00 a.m. Brian Wilson, Marianne Babnik

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Felicia Mooney, Barb Robinson, Dan Robinson
8:30 a.m. Michele Jeffers, Dave Lucanski, Nancy Lucanski,
Gloria Mintus, Christina Pacurar, Mary Pytlak
11:00 a.m. Barb Bickford, Regina Speaker, Dave Bickford,
Sandy Hudak, Jennifer Kusmierek, Brian Lenhart



Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ December 8/9, 2018 ~

Second Sunday of Advent

Baruch 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery;
put on the splendor of glory from God forever. . .

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Brothers and sisters: I pray always with joy in my
every prayer for all of you. . .

Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar,
when Pontus Pilate was governor of Judea . . .



"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.

**Congratulations
Christmas Ca\$h Raffle Winners!!!!**

November 22: Louise Crump
November 24: Donna Davis
November 26: Ashley Redman
November 28: Andrea Kochunas
November 30: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson

THE WINNING CONTINUES THIS WEEK!



>>>> THE PARISH CALENDAR <<<<

DEC 4 ~ QUILTERS 9:00 AM
DEC 4 ~ GOLDEN AGERS /NAIM CHRISTMAS DINNER
DEC 4 ~ LESSONS & CAROLS 7:00 PM
DEC 5 ~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING 6:30 PM
DEC 6 ~ PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE 6:30 PM
DEC 6 ~ ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:00 PM
DEC 7 ~ IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASSES
Blessed Sacrament 5:00 p.m. St. William 7:00 p.m.
DEC 8 ~ WOMEN'S GUILD CRAFT SHOW 10:00—2:00
DEC 9 ~ PRE K SCRIPTURE AND STORIES 9:30 AM
DEC 9 ~ PSR 9:30 AM
DEC 9 ~ INSTRUMENTAL REHEARSAL 12:00 PM NOON

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

HOLY DAY ~ 7:00 P.M.

~ December 8, 2018 ~

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Mary

Lectors Deanna Barco, Linda Horm
Servers John Barco, Marianne Babnik
Eucharistic Ministers
Bob Hardman, Karen Hardman, Gloria Karafa



Advent Communal Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (*Penance*) for Advent will be celebrated on **Sunday, December 16 at 3:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament.** This celebration will be a combined effort of all the Warren area parishes. A number of priests will be available to celebrate the sacrament. Here at St. William, the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at 4:00 p.m. every Saturday afternoon and will also be available on Thursday, December 20 at 6:30 p.m.

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.*

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



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!

Parish Life Committee: The Parish Life Committee will meet this coming Thursday, December 6 at 6:30 p.m. to continue planning our annual Parish Appreciation Event in January. Details coming soon!



May we be living witnesses of your light in the world, always aware of the signs of the times, and willing to speak God's news in new ways to the people of our time.

CORRECTION TO LAST WEEK'S

“Pot - of - Gold”

WE HAD A WINNER !!!

*LAST week's winning envelope number drawn, Wednesday, November 21 was 203
Congratulations to Angie Gabrielson, winner of the \$194.00 Jackpot!!! . . . one-half of the amount collected.*

THIS WEEK'S DRAWING

*Envelope number drawn, Wednesday, November 28 was 538
There was **NO WINNER.** The winner would have received \$ 174.00.*

Drawings take place every Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m. Everyone who receives Church envelopes is eligible to win IF YOU PARTICIPATE. If your envelope number is drawn and you participated...YOU WIN the Pot-of-Gold!

GOOD LUCK!!



**St. William Parish
Christmas Craft Show**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2018

10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

Over 70 tables of Crafts

Ethnic Foods Available

Wedding Soup * Pierogi * Haluski * Cabbage Rolls

Eat in or Take-out



**On-Line Giving
Coming In January!**

myEoffering will begin in January for those interested in on-line giving. More Information and Details Coming Soon!

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



Thank you to all who helped with the Christmas Kolachi Bake. We had a wonderful crew of workers, who joined together for a great day of making 208 Kolachi. Thank you to all who continue to purchase these delicious rolls.

Gloria Karafa

Remember to Save Pop Tabs

The seventh and eighth graders are collecting pop tabs as a service project. The pop tabs may be placed in the container in the vestibule.



Thank you for supporting this service project.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL 7491

Next Meeting

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

Council Christmas Dinner

Wednesday Dec 19, 6:30pm, room 102



Families invited. Bring a covered dish to share. Signup sheet on Council Bulletin Board across from adult meeting room.

Contact Brian McCue at 330-307-6024 for questions.



NEW BREAKING BREAD music books are now in place. PLEASE respect and care for them. Please do not put the front cover of the music book into the binder and when returning books to the chair holder make sure

the pages of the book are intact and not open into the slats. Thank you. We are blessed to be a singing community!

During this Advent and Christmas season we will continue singing "Mass of Christ: Light of the Nations" by Tony Alonso. We change the Mystery of Faith to: ***Save us, Savior of the world . . .*** The mass setting is found on the insert in front of our music book. Please note that during the Christmas season we will sing the Gloria found on page 1 of the insert. Thank you!

Second Collection! Religious give thanks.

"This money is pure gift," writes a religious sister of the support made possible by the Retirement Fund. "It enables us to continue providing care for our elderly sisters." Your gift to last week's collection helps hundreds of religious communities meet pressing retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Thank you for your generosity!

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton PIROHY SALE Friday, December 14 and January 18. Potato, sweet cabbage, sauerkraut, and lekvar (prune), \$5.50 doz. Haluski, \$3.75. Advanced orders can be placed by calling 330-393-0781 on Wednesday and Thursday. Pick up is Friday, December 14 and January 18 from noon until 4:00 pm.

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.*