

St. William Parish

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January 10, 2021 ~ Baptism of the Lord



“Come fill our hearts with a spirit of love!”

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord – the final feast day of our Christmas season and in doing so we bring to a close Christmas in our church. This feast is the culmination of our Christmas season, but more importantly, it also reminds us of our continual call and challenge to live our baptism as members of the Body of Christ. At the time of John the Baptist, baptism was performed as a ritual of cleansing and repentance. The one who entered into the waters was publicly proclaiming their sin and desire to be washed clean of its effects. In today’s gospel, John identifies the difference between the baptism he performs and the one that will be offered by Jesus. In Jesus, there is not only the cleansing from sin but also the newness of life. When Jesus comes out of the water, he witnesses *“the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him.”* In the dove we find the symbol of peace, hearkening back to the dove that brought Noah an olive branch to signal the end of the great flood and a new covenant between God and us. This is an affirmation of Jesus’ identity as God’s beloved Son who is anointed to bring God’s spirit of peace to all people. This event also inaugurates Jesus’ mission to preach the Good News and proclaim the kingdom. At our baptism, we received the same call to share in the mission of the Gospel and that call remains ever present in each one of us today. Baptism is not only for repentance but also an entry into the death and resurrection of Jesus. We have been called to bear the light and life of God to all.



As we close this season of Christmas, we are invited to reflect on what we have experienced throughout this holy season. What have we encountered in the gospels of Christmas, the Holy Family, Epiphany, and the Baptism of the Lord that has touched us in a new and different way? What might we need to do in the coming months to cast away our anxiety, fear and doubt? Today, as we celebrate the baptism of the Lord may the grace of our own baptism be stirred anew within us so we might continue to be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit prompting us to do what is good, bring forth justice, and seek the lost.

The conclusion of the Christmas season also means the disassembling of our Christmas environment. I would like to thank all who helped in any way with this year’s decorations and those who generously donated towards our Christmas flowers. I also offer my sincerest thanks and gratitude to all of you for your kindness, trust, support and generosity shown to the parish during this Christmas and during the past year.

Have a good week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ **January 10-17, 2021** ~
The Baptism of the Lord

JANUARY 10, 2021

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **LEONARD & LILLIAN KALMAN**/ Letscher Family
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **IDA MAE SWITTER**/ Vince & Rita DeSalvo
11:00 a.m. † **JANICE KUNOVICH**/ Theresa Craiger

Mon † **NO SERVICE**

Tues 8:30 a.m. † **MARYLYN BURNFIELD**/ Women's Guild

Wed 8:30 a.m. ♥ **MARTHA Y'BARBO**/ Helen Snyder

Thur 8:30 p.m. † **DAVID RABLE**/ Canatsey Family

Fri 8:30 a.m. † **JAMES DUGIC**/ Marie Dye

JANUARY 17, 2021

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **LOU KRIVANEK**/ Joan Krivanek

Sun 8:30 a.m. † **HELEN SPANO**/ Anna Pecorelli

11:00 a.m. † **JUDY WOLFE**/ Phyllis McCarthy

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ **January 17, 2021** ~
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 3: 3-10, 19

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD where the ark of God was. The LORD called to Samuel, who answered...

1 Corinthians 6: 13-15, 17-20

Brothers and sisters: The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body ...

John 1: 35-42

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." ...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

January 16/17, 2021

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Andrea Kochunas, Deanna Barco
8:30 a.m. Christine DePascale, Mike Trunick
11:00 a.m. Erin Lee, _____

Servers

5:00 p.m. John Barco
8:30 a.m. Joe DePascale
11:00 a.m. Nathan Goldner

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Carla Gilronan, Bob Mintus
8:30 a.m. Gloria Mintus, Bob Mintus
11:00 a.m. _____, Bob Mintus

**Sign-Up In
Vestibule**



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ January 3, 2021 (WK 27)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,287.00*	\$ 197,992.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 191,700.00
Difference	\$ 187.00	\$ 6,292.00
Performance	103%	103%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,338.00 LAST WK — \$ 27,085.00 YTD

Envelopes ~ 163 out of 537

Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 2.50 (2 out of 62)

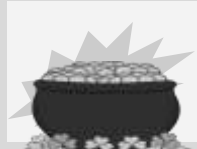
Christmas Offering to Date: \$ 9,770.00

POT-OF-GOLD

#100 drawn on 1/6/2021

!!Winner!! **Dennis & Diane Durno**

Amount: \$544.00



MASS FOR LIFE

Each year the Diocese hosts a Mass for Life as a prayerful reminder that we must protect and nurture human life at every stage of existence. This year the annual Mass for Life will be held on **Saturday**, January 30, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at Saint Columba Cathedral. Included at Mass will be a Blessing of Children in the Womb for all who are pregnant. A reception follows and all are welcome to attend.

MUSIC MINISTRY

- ♦ The music schedule for Winter Ordinary time is ready. Cantors and musicians please pick up your copy this weekend.
- ♦ The new cantor schedule for Lent, Holy Week and the Easter Season is being prepared. Please check your availability for Ash Wednesday, February 17 through Pentecost, May 23.
- ♦ **Cantor Practice** is Tuesday, January 12 at 7p.m. Please bring R&A book, Breaking Bread, and your music folder.
- ♦ **Folk Group** rehearsal is Wednesday, January 13 and Adult Choir is Thursday, January 14 both at 7 p.m. Adult Choir remember to bring your R & A and your Breaking Bread books.

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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

†† **RECENT DEATHS** ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Barb Brdek

William Sauer

Millie Bova

David Banic

Son of Theresa Banic

James McQuade

Brother-in-law of Ron & Felicia Mooney

Cay Wolfinger

Aunt of Christie Graham

Helen Gulish

Mother of Karen Kusmierk
Grandmother of Jennifer Kusmierk

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

ORDINATION MASS–BISHOP BONNAR

The Mass of Ordination and Installation of Reverend David J. Bonnar will be this Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. You are invited to watch the ceremony on FOX-Youngstown or on the diocesan website: www.doy.org/media/cathedral beginning at 2:00 p.m. A rebroadcast on ETC-Ecumenical Television is scheduled on Thursday, January 14, 2021 at 12:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 8:00 p.m., and on Saturday, January 16, 2021 at 12:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 8:00 p.m.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Bereavement Support: Prayer and Fellowship
Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

We gather to support each other in our loss and to celebrate the lives of our loved ones. You are encouraged to bring a picture of your loved one and you are most welcome to bring a friend.

Please contact Tina McCue at 330-883-2044 if you would like transportation.



HYMNALS TO RETURN

On the first Sunday of Advent we returned to using our hymnals at Mass picking them up before and returning them after to a cart in the vestibule. In the coming weeks the hymnals will be returned to their usual place within the seating area of the Church. Recent studies have shown that it is highly unlikely and improbable to transmit the virus through touched surfaces. A recent article appearing in newspapers is posted on the parish website. In addition because we alternate seating for each Mass, the time between the books being used is sufficient to eliminate any possible contamination.



MASS INTENTIONS NOT ONLY FOR THE DECEASED

Have you ever thought of memorializing a special event – birthday, anniversary, or any other special happening? Mass intentions are not limited to only remembering loved ones who have passed away; they can also be offered to commemorate a special event such as a birthday, anniversary, or other special moments. In addition, Mass can also be offered for other causes as well – the sick, lonely, unemployed, less fortunate etc. We are currently in need of Mass Intentions for upcoming weekday Masses. Please contact the parish office or drop your requests in the collection basket. If you are remembering a special event please be sure to include that with your request. The customary offering is \$10.00 for each intention.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

Jan 12 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Jan 12 ~ Cantor Practice 7:00 p.m.
Jan 13 ~ Folk Group Practice 7:00 p.m.
Jan 14 ~ NAIM Group 12:30 p.m.
Jan 14 ~ Adult Choir 7:00 p.m.
Jan 16 ~ K of C Free Throw 10:00 a.m.
Jan 16 ~ First Reconciliation 3:00 p.m.
Jan 16 ~ Adult Choir 5:00 p.m.
Jan 17 ~ PSR 9:30 a.m.
Jan 17 ~ Folk Group 11:00 a.m.
Jan 17 ~ Youth Ministry 12:00 Noon

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.



WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, February 3, 2021
Social at 6:00 p.m.
Business Meeting at 6:30 p.m.



Only 5 Weeks Away!!!

This year "Drive-Thru" Carry Out ONLY

**Fish Dinners begin Friday,
February 12, 2021**

*Fish Dinner Worker Meeting –
Thursday, January 28 – 6:30 p.m.*



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.

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your faithful support of the food pantry. The pantry is in need of the following items: Canned tuna/chicken, hygiene products, energy bars, and single serve "lunch pack" fruit/pudding cups. **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!



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

CHANGE OF ADDRESS???

Out of Town? Temporarily? Seasonally? Are you a Snowbird? Remember to let the Parish Office know ahead of time. We can send mail directly to a temporary or seasonal address. Mail returned to us incurs a hefty charge. Help keep our costs down by letting us know your address changes!

2020 Contribution Tax Statements

If you are in need of a copy of your 2020 Contributions **for itemizing deductions on your tax return**, please fill out the following coupon and return it to the Parish Office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Statements will be available in the vestibule.

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