

St. William Parish

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June 28, 2020 ~ Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Here I am, Lord!”

It was once said, *“youth is wasted on the young.”* Deep wisdom is conveyed in this short statement and causes us to ponder not only our past but even our present since none of us will be younger than we are today. It was also once said, *“if you try to fail and succeed, which have you done?”* These statements of paradox resemble many such similar statements that are the mark of the Christian life: *death leads to life; to give is to receive; and emptying oneself is the means to fulfillment.* In today’s challenging gospel, Jesus speaks a series of paradoxes: *“whoever loves father and mother more than me is not worthy of me; whoever finds life will lose it and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.”* Today Jesus continues to prepare the apostles to go out on mission without him. He warns them of the persecutions they will likely face and outlines what they should take and what they should leave behind. He sums up what the disciples should be prepared to lose as they follow him and that they must love him more than family and life itself. Only in being willing to lose it all will they receive the abundant life he wishes to give them. This challenge remains with us today. Sometimes when we busy ourselves with projects, deadlines, and goals that give us a sense of urgency and meaning, we might miss the quintessential meaning of our lives, which may be found in stillness and quiet. Today we might consider our ultimate purpose and meaning. *Are we sometimes running to stand still? Are we restless until we rest in the Lord?* Only by giving over our very selves will we receive even more. By embracing the cross, Christ experienced exaltation and new life, showing us the way to the same. Such is the life of discipleship!



Words cannot completely express my feelings of gratitude, thanks, and appreciation for all of kind greetings, wishes and thoughts expressed by so many of you for my ordination anniversary and birthday last weekend. The drive-by parade of cars last weekend after the 10:30 a.m. Mass; the comments and words of encouragement and support offered on-line; and the personal greetings and expressions of kindness in your cards and notes made my 60th Birthday and 33rd Ordination Anniversary all the more special and meaningful. I was totally surprised and caught off guard by all the kind gestures. The picture of the building with all of you as part of it was extra special and will hang in my office as a fond remembrance of this milestone event. Next week, I will complete my twelfth year here and begin another new year of being part of the most wonderful and vibrant parish community I know. I feel truly blessed and consider it an honor and privilege to be here with all of you. I continue to be moved and touched by the deep faith, trust, commitment, and dedication all of you have for our parish, the Church, one another, and myself. **THANK YOU** ever so much for making all of this happen for me. I am truly blessed!

Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ June 28-July 5, 2020 ~
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JUNE 28, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **SHELLY ROGERS/** Liz Dunlap
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **ALBERT FRANEK/** Judy Franek
 10:30 a.m. † **WILLIAM CUPP, SR./** Mary Pytlík
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † **NO SERVICE**
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † **RUTH ANN McCRACKEN/** Jane & Tim Johns
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † **HELEN SPANO/** Mackovinc & Cromer Families
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † **JOHN D. BURNS/** Carol Drabek
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † **FRANCES SALVADOR/** Watson & Salvador Families

JULY 5, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **MARY ANN LANAHAN/** Donald Lanahan
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **LILLIAN KALMAN/** Phil, Diane, & Girls
 10:30 a.m. † **SANDRA MACKEY/** Maria Butcher

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ July 5, 2020 ~

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zechariah 9: 9-10

Thus says the LORD: Rejoice heartily, O daughter Zion, shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem ...

Romans 8: 9, 11-13

Brothers and sisters: You are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit if only the Spirit of God dwells in you ...

Matthew 11: 25-30

At that time Jesus exclaimed: "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things ...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

July 4/5, 2020

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Donna Runtas, Ruth Bubba
 8:30 a.m. Woody Pealer, _____
 10:30 a.m. Melanie Shoaf, _____

Servers

5:00 p.m. John Barco
 8:30 a.m. Mike Trunick
 10:30 a.m. Brian Wilson

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Bob Mintus, _____
 8:30 a.m. Linda Trunick, Bob Mintus
 10:30 a.m. Sandy Hudak, Bob Mintus

Sign-Up In Vestibule



DISPENSATION TO ATTEND MASS CONTINUES

In light of the current health circumstance, 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 has been extended. 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. Live-stream Mass from St. William will be provided every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. for the time being. Access is available through the parish website: www.stwilliamchampion.org or on the parish Facebook.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROTOCOLS

As we continue our efforts to provide a safe environment for worship you are kindly reminded of the following:

- ♦ When finding your seat for Mass, please move into the center of the row so that others can fill in the same row without having to pass by.
- ♦ Remember to keep a safe-distance between you and the person in front of you when coming forward for Holy Communion.
- ♦ Please remove your face covering before receiving Holy Communion to ensure proper reverence and avoid the possibility of dropping the host.
- ♦ The family area (cry area) has been reopened with limited seating. Please use this area only if necessary.
- ♦ Seating near the music area has been incorporated into the center section.
- ♦ An additional Eucharistic Minister has been added for those sitting in the section near the tabernacle. Please come forward down the aisle nearest the tabernacle and return to your seat in the intermediate aisle thus maintaining a one-way traffic pattern.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and patience! Together help us maintain a safe environment for all attending!

FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed this Friday, July 3 for the July 4 holiday.



OFFICE HOURS ADJUSTMENT

The Parish Office will be open Monday, July 6 through Friday, July 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

ONLINE MASS WORSHIP AID

The worship aid used during Mass at St. William is available online to use at home while watching Mass online. The worship aid can be found on the Sunday Mass page and the News/Events page on the parish website as a PDF for you to download and print.

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ June 21, 2020 (WK 51)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,377.00*	\$ 367,268.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 362,100.00
Difference	\$ 277.00	\$ 5,168.00
Performance	104%	101%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 697.00 LAST WK — \$ 37,544.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 198 out of 545
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 2.00 (2 out of 62)

POT-OF-GOLD

#602 drawn on 6/24/20

No Winner!

Amount: \$730.00



LET'S TRY THIS AGAIN...

This past Spring a number of significant events were postponed due to the suspension of parish activities, in particular the celebration of Confirmation, First Communion, and the RCIA Initiation of our two catechumens. These have been rescheduled in the coming weeks during July.

- ◆ First Communion will be held on Sunday, July 12 at 10:30 a.m. Mass
- ◆ Confirmation will be held on Thursday, July 16 at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ RCIA Initiation will be held on Saturday, July 11 at 5:00 p.m. Mass.

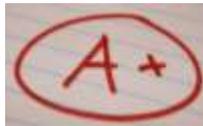
Please write a card of welcome and greeting to our RCIA catechumens and return them next weekend. Cards can be returned to the basket in the vestibule. William and Nicole will be Baptized, Confirmed, and receive their First Communion on Saturday, July 11 at 5:00 p.m. Mass.

William McCready: Bill has been married to Sandra for 15 years. He has three children and two step-children. Bill is an office manager and enjoys cooking (and eating!). His wife, Sandra will be his sponsor.

Nicole Ullinsky: Nicole is single and works as a mental health therapist. She enjoys family, sports, reading, and travel. Deanna Barco will be her sponsor.

COMPLIANCE REVIEW

This past week our parish was audited by the Diocese to review and determine compliance of all of our accounting procedures and financial responsibilities. This review is conducted by the Diocese for every parish. Good news...we passed! Just a few recommendations and changes were recommended to ensure we remain procedurally accurate and complete.



SUMMER BOOK CLUB 2020

This year we will be reading *"The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek"* by Kim Michele Richardson. Book discussion will be held Tuesday, July 7, 2020. Kindly register by July 4, 2020. Paperback and E-Books are available on Amazon. Each participant is responsible for getting their own book.

Please bring a comfortable outdoor chair, a personal snack, and beverage. We are planning to meet in the outdoor courtyard between the office building and the social hall. In the case of inclement weather, we will meet in the social hall.

We will be practicing physical distance according to current CDC/State guidelines. See the bulletin board or parish website for additional information and registration.



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.

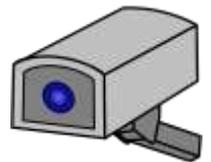
Check the parish website from time to time for information about what is happening at the parish...

www.stwilliamchampion.org

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 Facebook or the parish website:

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PARISH UPDATES

Building and Improvements

Church Building: In an effort to keep the building clean and sanitized it remains closed for the time being. It is asked that no one enter without checking-in at the office first. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Church Carpeting/Vestibule Flooring: Carpet and flooring choices have been made and ordered. They are on display in the vestibule this weekend. Once the materials arrive and installation date will be given and the project will begin. Both of these projects are possible because of our successful Fish Dinners! Our hard work is paying off!!!

Thank You

Thank you to Charlie's Stump Grinding from Lordstown for generously donating his time and equipment to remove the large stump leftover from the fire-damaged tree that was removed this past week. Thank you, Charlie!



PARISH APP

Stay up to date on parish news, updates, cancelations and information. Download our FREE Parish APP for smartphones. Simply text **APP** to **88202**. Download **myParish APP** and select our parish. Follow the easy instructions or visit our website for more information. This is the **BEST** way to stay in touch, get updates and remain informed about parish news and events.

JOIN THE PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

Anyone interested in joining our group of parishioners dedicated to praying 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?

Sign up today for an easy and convenient way to remain current on your weekly offerings. Electronic giving is safe and secure and easy! Sign up, registration and simple instructions can be found on our parish website. Questions??? Call the parish office.

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. & 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.

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