

# St. William Parish

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March 18, 2018 ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent

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## 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.

### ♦ Christian Formation and Education

#### John F. Kennedy Catholic School

Lower Campus—Grades K-5

Upper Campus—Grades 6-12

www.warrenjfk.com

330-372-2375

330-369-1804

#### 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.

### ♦ 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:** Celebrated the Third Sunday of each month.

**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.

### ♦ Hall Rental/Catering: Contact the Parish Office for details.

### ♦ 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.

### ♦ Catholic Charities Regional Agency: Trumbull County 330-393-4254





## “Finding Hope...”

On this Fifth Sunday of Lent we continue our Lenten quest of “*finding hope.*” Our Gospel lesson is about new life. We heard that “*unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies it remains just a grain of wheat, but if it dies, it produces much fruit.*” This scripture verse speaks clearly to us about the cycle of nature—a cycle in which our world, environment and even human beings participate fully. With the arrival of spring this week, our world is waking up from its winter death to new life! Likewise, as we anticipate the coming of Easter, we too are awaking to a new life—the joy and light of Easter and eternal life! It is with this same great anticipation and hope that we look toward Holy Week and the celebration of Easter beginning next weekend with Palm Sunday!

As we prepare for the great liturgy of Holy Week, I remind you that the TRIDUUM, which means “*three days,*” is a celebration of the liturgy that begins on Holy Thursday, continues to Good Friday and ends with the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. Thus, it is not three separate liturgical events, but one liturgy that takes three days to celebrate. The Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday begins the “*three day*” liturgy and includes the washing of feet and solemn stripping of the sanctuary. We continue on Good Friday with the reading of the Passion and Veneration of the Cross Service. Finally, on Holy Saturday, the Triduum Liturgy concludes with the Easter Vigil—our first parish celebration of Easter. I hope that many of you will join us this coming year for this solemn and special liturgy that represents the core meaning of our faith and beliefs. If you have never experienced this liturgy on Holy Thursday and concluding on Holy Saturday, perhaps this year is the year to do so. In addition, on Good Friday during the hours of 12 noon-3:00 p.m. we will hold our “*Keep Watch With Me,*” Prayer Vigil. It is hoped that many of you will be able to spend some time in Church during these hours of the day with someone being here at all time during these three hours.

This coming Friday is our LAST fish dinner. I would like to thank all of you who have so generously supported our dinners this year and most especially to all who have worked so hard each week to make this year’s dinners a great success. As soon as the bills are paid, I will provide a complete financial report.

*Make it a great week, Fr. Balash*



### Mass for the Intentions for the Week

~ March 18 to March 25, 2018 ~  
The Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### MARCH 18, 2018

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **GEORGE & PEARL BERISH/** Jennifer McVicker  
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **JOHN MAKOSKY/** George & Donna Bodajlo  
11:00 a.m. † **ROGER STONE/** Knights of Columbus

Mon. 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**  
Tue 8:30 a.m. † **PAUL F. GATES/** Joan Krivanek  
Wed 8:30 a.m. † **TED PYTLIK/** Mary Pytlik  
Thu 8:30 a.m. † **DANIEL GELET/** Poponak Family  
Fri 8:30 a.m. † **LEWIS DANVER FAMILY/** Tim & Jane Johns

#### MARCH 25, 2018

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **VIRGIL SELLARS/** Mark & Jacqueline Mazarek  
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **DARLENE SAIT/** Jim & Theresa White  
11:00 a.m. † **CAROL MC GEEHAN/** McNeill Family

#### OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ March 11, 2018 (WK 37)

Sunday Collection	\$ 6,769.00	\$ 270,338.76
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 262,700.00
Difference	\$ ( 331.00)	\$ 7,638.76
Performance	95%	103%

Envelopes ~ 219 out of 547

Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 11.00 (11 out of 65) **Thank You!**



#### >> RECENT DEATHS <<

##### *Our Sincere Sympathy*

In your prayers for the departed please remember

**Donna Scott,**  
Mother of Larry Scott

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

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY

~ March 24/25, 2018 ~

#### Palm Sunday

##### Lectors

5:00 p.m. Andrea Kochunas, Deanna Barco  
8:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Margaret Foster  
11:00 a.m. Dominic Kuhn, Erin Lee

##### Servers

5:00 p.m. Dominic Dutton, Madilyn Dutton  
8:30 a.m. Grace Kufchak, Olivia Zigarovich  
11:00 a.m. Marianne Babnik, Theresa Craiger

##### Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Donna Runtas, Ruth Bubba, Theresa Petrosky  
8:30 a.m. Penny Hudak, Jamie Taneri, Kim Pealer,  
Woody Pealer, Dave Lucanski, Nancy Lucanski  
11:00 a.m. Regina Speaker, Michele Jeffers, Melanie Shoaf,  
Maureen Thuman, Janice Ventling, Ann Sprague



*Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:*

~ March 24/25, 2018 ~

#### The Palm Sunday

##### Isaiah 50:4-7

*The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, . . .*

##### Philippians 2:6-11

*Christ Jesus, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God . . .*

##### Mark 14:1-15:47

*The Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread were to take place in two day's time, . . .*

#### >> RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS <<

**Nancy Cimbanin** ~ *University Hospital*

*Please keep our homebound, hospitalized and nursing home parishioners, and all those in need, in your prayers.*

## 2018 Bishop's Appeal for

### Catholic Charities and Church

The 2018 Bishop's Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church continues! Please respond with your gift as soon as possible. Pledge envelopes are available in the vestibule. To date our parish has already pledged \$28,995.00 towards our goal of \$41,558.00. Thank you for your commitment to the 2018 Bishop's Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church and for sharing your concern for others, while expressing your gratitude to God for the many blessings you have received.

### **REMEMBER NEXT WEEKEND!!!!**

Palm Sunday weekend, March 24-25 is a RED DAY. Be part of our environment...remember to wear something RED to Mass next weekend. We will begin Mass next weekend in the SOCIAL HALL.

***ALSO, REMEMBER YOUR WOODEN CROSSES NEXT WEEKEND!***

### **Finding hope...**

### **What gives you hope this Lent?**



Remember to bring back your wooden cross NEXT WEEKEND! Your cross will be placed in our Lenten Parish Cross and will be part of our Palm Sunday procession.

### ***Lenten Communal Reconciliation***

Tuesday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m.  
at Blessed Sacrament Church.

Other times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation:  
Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and Monday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m.  
here at St. William.

*Note: There are no scheduled times for Reconciliation for Easter after March 26.*

### **CHANGE OF PERSONAL STATUS**

*Are you moving? Have you changed your telephone number? Has your personal status changed? Please notify the parish office and help us keep our records current.*

### >>>> THE PARISH CALENDAR <<<<

MAR. 19 ~ FIRST COMMUNION PARENT'S MTG 6:30 PM  
MAR. 20 ~ QUILTERS 9:00 AM  
MAR. 20 ~ GOLDEN AGERS 12:30 PM  
MAR. 20 ~ COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION 7:00 PM  
MAR. 21 ~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING 6:30 PM  
MAR. 21 ~ FOLK GROUP REHEARSAL 7:00 PM  
MAR. 22 ~ ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:00 PM  
MAR. 23 ~ LAST FISH DINNER 4-7 PM  
MAR. 24 ~ RENE'S CLOSET 9 AM TO 1 PM  
MAR. 25 ~ F/G A/C SING AT 8:30 MASS  
MAR. 25 ~ PSR 9:30 AM  
MAR. 25 ~ RCIA VIGIL REHEARSAL 9:30 AM  
MAR. 25 ~ HOLY THURSDAY REHEARSAL 12:00 PM  
MAR. 25 ~ CANTOR PRACTICE 2:00 PM  
MAR. 25 ~ INSTRUMENTAL REHEARSAL 2:00 PM



### **HOLY WEEK AT SAINT WILLIAM**

#### **Palm Sunday – March 25**

Saturday, 5:00 p.m.; Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
*Blessing and Procession of Palms at all Masses*  
**REMEMBER YOUR WOODEN CROSS!!!**

#### **Holy Tuesday – March 27**

Chrim Mass, 10:30 a.m. St. Columba Cathedral

#### **Holy Thursday – March 29**

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 p.m.  
**REMEMBER YOUR RICE BOWLS!!**  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 p.m.  
Night Prayer, 10:00 p.m.

#### **Good Friday – March 30**

“Keep Watch Prayer Vigil” 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.  
Good Friday Passion and Veneration of the Cross Service, 7:00 p.m.

#### **Holy Saturday – March 31**

Blessing of Easter Food Baskets 12:00 noon  
The Easter Vigil, 8:00 p.m.

#### **Easter Sunday – April 1**

8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Mass



## **“Pot - of - Gold”**

### **WE HAVE A WINNER !!!**



*This week's winning envelope number drawn, March 14, was 397.  
Congratulations to Larry & Linda Stepanic, winner of the \$ 378.00 Jackpot!!!  
... one-half of the amount collected.*

**A new Pot-of Gold Jackpot begins this weekend!!!!**



## WOMEN'S GUILD ANNUAL CARD PARTY

April 8, 2018 at 1:00 pm  
Tickets \$8.00



*Please consider being a part of this fundraiser!*

**DOOR PRIZES AND  
ITEMS FOR THE BASKET RAFFLE ARE NEEDED.**  
(ACCESSORIES FOR BASKETS WITH A KITCHEN THEME OR  
LOTTERY TICKETS / GIFT CARDS ARE REQUESTED)

You may leave your donations in the adult meeting room.

- ♦ *Be sure to mark your donation "Card Party."*
- ♦ *Be sure to record your name on the Donation List.*

*Thank you for your continued  
generosity and support of the Card Party.*

If you have questions call Ellie at 330-847-8296.

### Golden Agers

will meet Tuesday March 20 at 12:30 p.m. in room #103. Refreshments provided by Claudia Valmont, Joan Krivanek and Barb Kufchak. Door prizes provided by Mo and Skip Thuman. A Guest speaker (Dan Robinson) will be here to guide us on viruses and internet safety.



### 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.

*Check the parish website from time to time for  
information about what is happening at the parish . . .*  
[www.stwilliamchampion.org](http://www.stwilliamchampion.org)



*Come pray the Rosary  
every Sunday morning at 8:00 a.m.  
in the Adult Meeting Room.*



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL 7491

*Next Meeting*

Wednesday ~ March 21, 2018 ~ 6:30 p.m.

*from a parishioner . . .*

*Our sincerest thanks to our parish family for the outpouring of sympathy, love and support at the loss of our siblings. The many Masses offered in their memory are greatly appreciated.*

**Bob & Marcia Kane**



**The John F. Kennedy Catholic School** grades PK-12, will host its 28th Annual "Just For Kicks" Live & Silent Benefit Auction at 6:00 p.m. on March 24, at the Gillen Gymnasium at the Upper Campus, 2550 Central Parkway SE Warren. Your support helps to balance our operational budget, making the school accessible to qualified students. Guests attending will enjoy the luxury Chinese Auction, Silent Auction which features over 400 items and a live auction that includes once in a lifetime getaways, sports memorabilia, concert packages, high end jewelry and so much more. Tickets are \$50 each and must be purchased in advance online by visiting [www.warrenjfk.com](http://www.warrenjfk.com) under "EVENTS." Questions? Call the JFK Auction Office at 330-369-1804.

### Fish Dinner Update!



**705 Dinners Sold on March 9**  
50/50 Winner was Bill Tombar \$222.00  
**Every Friday until March 23**  
~ 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
~ Adults and Carry-Out \$10.00  
~ Seniors (65 and up) \$9.00  
~ Children (5-10 years) \$5.00

*Thank you* to all the "Church Ladies" for removing the Lenten inserts from all of the music books this past week and thank you to Dan Robinson for helping with various "tech" music projects. Your help is greatly appreciated!

*Pat Maciejewski*

## DUE NEXT WEEK!

### 2018 RCIA CATECHUMEN AND CANDIDATE

As our catechumen and candidate begin their final preparation to be welcomed into our community and receive the Sacraments of Initiation, please continue to pray for them. We also ask that you write a card of welcome and drop it in the basket provided before Palm Sunday.

**Catherine Morton:** *Catherine is a free-lance graphics designer who enjoys gardening, jewelry making, photography and art. Her sponsor is Mark Gundic.*

**Kristen Freudenrich:** *Kristen is married to Ryan and mother to Cole, Logan and Caleb. She is a teacher and enjoys reading and gardening. Her sponsor is her husband, Ryan.*

**PLEASE WRITE A CARD OF WELCOME AND GREETING TO OUR RCIA CATECHUMEN AND CANDIDATE. CARDS CAN BE RETURNED TO THE BASKET IN THE VESTIBULE ANY TIME BEFORE PALM SUNDAY – MARCH 25.**