

# St. William Parish

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February 23, 2020 ~ Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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](http://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* drobinson@stwilliamchampion.org by Wednesday prior to the weekend they are to appear.

#### Visit our website at

[www.stwilliamchampion.org](http://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.



On this last weekend before the start of our Lenten season, we hear some simple and basic wisdom of life... *"offer no resistance...give to the one who asks...love your enemies."* Today's gospel reading picks up where we left off last week – the Sermon on the Mount. The words of Jesus should certainly challenge us and our basic attitudes towards life. It is quite an appropriate message as we enter into the holy season of Lent this coming Wednesday. Our parish theme this year is **"Lenten Blessings Await."** Sometimes when we consider the path of holiness, we think of personal piety and devotion. While these can be important aspects of our spirituality, they are not our primary calling as Christians. Rather, we strive to be the Body of Christ in the world, through our compassion and care for one another. In this coming season of Lent, we might ponder how our prayer, sacrifice, and almsgiving might be oriented to making ourselves more whole, holy, and forgiving. Hopefully these coming 40 days will afford us many opportunities to reflect and renew ourselves in our faith and commitment to Jesus Christ as we look forward to Easter and more importantly –the resurrection. Our *Lenten Blessings Await!*

In the mail with the latest parish newsletter sent this past week and on our parish website is a special insert outlining all of the activities and opportunities that are planned for Lent as well as the regulations for fasting and abstaining from meat. Also available after Mass today are Lenten booklets for adults and children containing meditations, activities and prayers for the season. Rice Bowls from Catholic Relief Services are also available and will be part of our collection on Holy Thursday evening and may be returned then. Two events of particular note during Lent will be *"The Light is ON for You ~ An Evening of Reconciliation"* and our Lenten Blessings Await journal experience. See the announcements about these events in today's bulletin. May all of us embrace this time as we prepare for our celebration of Easter and the coming of spring! For with certainty...*Lenten Blessings Await!*

This weekend we join with the rest of our Diocese to kick-off the 2020 Annual Bishop's Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church. The Bishop's Appeal is the main source of funding for Catholic Charities which remains the largest non-government social agency in our area. Support of the Bishop's Appeal enables Catholic Charities to continue its outreach to the poor and disadvantaged. Please consider supporting this year's Appeal as you have done in the past with your generosity and kindness. In the coming weeks there will be an opportunity to make a donation in Church. You should have received information about this year's Appeal in the mail. When making your donation please remember to include Saint William as your parish so we are credited with your response and generosity. Thank you for your support again this year.

*Have a Good Week! Father Balash*



~ February 23 - March 1, 2020 ~  
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**FEBRUARY 23, 2020**

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † ELEANOR HUMMEL/ The Robinson Family
- Sun 8:30 a.m. † VERONICA MEANS/ The Kochunas Family
- 11:00 a.m. † DAVID MENDIK/ The McCue Family
- Mon 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE
- Tues 8:30 a.m. † KAREN BOGAN/ Shirley & Joe Carlini
- Wed 8:30 a.m. † BRIDGIT RAFFERTY /Jane & Tim Johns
- 7:00 p.m. † PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
- Thur 8:30 a.m. † DANIEL & ELIZABETH KALOSKY/ Family
- Fri 8:30 a.m. † JUDY WOLFE/ Jerry & Marilyn Kolar

**MARCH 1, 2020**

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † RON SPRAGUE/ The Kochunas Family
- Sun 8:30 a.m. † MICHAEL BALASH/ Son
- 11:00 a.m. † NOREEN SHAGNOT/ Denise Butcher

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY**

~ March 1, 2020 ~

**First Sunday of Lent**

**Lectors**

- 5:00 p.m. Donna Runtas, Tim Timko
- 8:30 a.m. Christine DePascale, Linda Horn
- 11:00 a.m. Eddie Kuhn, Dominic Kuhn

**Servers**

- 5:00 p.m. Kiley Karafa, Alexa Szykulski
- 8:30 a.m. Frank DePascale, Joe DePascale
- 11:00 a.m. Taylor Kuhn, Dan Gelet

**Eucharistic Ministers**

- 5:00 p.m. Carla Gilronan, Ron Gilronan, Carol Timko
- 8:30 a.m. Carole Baniak, Ellie Gates, Christina Pacurar, Laurie Sitch, Linda Trunick, Mike Trunick
- 11:00 a.m. Melanie Shoaf, Karen Daugherty, Scott Freer, Sandy Hudak, Brian Lenhart, Maureen Thuman



**OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ February 16, 2020 (WK 33)**

	LAST WK	YTD
<b>Sunday Collection</b>	\$ 6,519.82*	\$ 238,474.75*
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 234,300.00
<b>Difference</b>	\$ (580.18)	\$ 4,174.75
<b>Performance</b>	92%	102%

\*Includes MyEoffering: \$452.82 LAST WK — \$21,729.81 YTD  
Envelopes ~ 185 out of 545  
Children's Envelopes ~ \$7.00 (6 out of 62)

*Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:*

~ March 1, 2020 ~

**First Sunday of Lent**

**Genesis 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7**

*The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life ...*

**Romans 5: 12-19**

*Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death ...*

**Matthew 4: 1-11**

*At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights ...*

## LENTEN BLESSINGS AWAIT

Lent begins this Wednesday, February 26, 2020. Ash Wednesday Mass will be at 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.



### Special Lenten Event

**The Journey Begins** Monday — March 2: 6:00 p.m.  
*"Pasta and Prayer Night"*

Join us this evening and receive your Lenten Blessings Await Journey Journal. Each week (at your own pace!) spend a moment praying, reflecting and pondering your thoughts.

~Week of March 2: *"The Healing Rosary"*

~Week of March 9: *"Connecting with God ~ March 7, 1848"*

~Week of March 16: *"The Last Supper ~ Our Supper"*

~Week of March 23: *"Prayer and Sacrifice"*

**The Journey Ends** Monday — March 30: 6:00 p.m.  
*"Soup Supper and Prayer Night"*

Join us as we conclude our Lenten Blessings Await Journey!

## Lenten Blessings Await Journey

This Lent be part of our 4-week Lenten Journey: *Lenten Blessings Await!* Receive your own personal journal on Monday, March 2 at our Pasta and Prayer Night event. Each week (at your own pace!) spend some quiet time in prayer, reflection and pondering your thoughts. Return on Monday, March 30 as we conclude our Lenten Blessings Await journey with a Soup Supper and Prayer Night.

## ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The next Liturgical Minister schedule (including Lent - Holy Week - and Easter Sunday weekend) is currently being worked on. Liturgical Ministers (*Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers*) for **Holy Thursday, Good Friday, The Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday** are needed. If you are able to serve at any of these services please sign up in the vestibule today. "Special Requests" for the new schedule can also be indicated on the sheets in the vestibule.

## THE PARISH CALENDAR

FEB 25 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.

FEB 25 ~ RCIA at St. Rose 6:30 p.m.

**FEB 26 ~ Ash Wednesday Mass 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.**

FEB 28 ~ Fish Dinner #2

MAR 1 ~ Coffee & Donuts

MAR 1 ~ RCIA Rite of Sending 8:30 a.m.

MAR 1 ~ Eucharist Parent Meeting 9:30 a.m.

MAR 1 ~ PSR 9:30 a.m.

MAR 1 ~ Youth Ministry 12:00 Noon

MAR 1 ~ RCIA Rite of Election at St. Columba 1:30 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY

~ February 26, 2020 ~  
Ash Wednesday

### Lectors

8:30 a.m. Andrea Kochunas, Donna Runtas

7:00 p.m. Tim Timko, Deanna Barco

### Servers

8:30 a.m. Therese Tuttle, Theresa Petrosky

7:00 p.m. John Barco, Zachary Shoaf

### Eucharistic Ministers

8:30 a.m. Gloria Mintus, Dan Gelet, Murph Gelet,

Bob Kane, Marcia Kane, Ann Sprague,

7:00 p.m. Carol Timko, Barb Brdek, Melanie Shoaf,

Joe DePascale, Sandy Hudak, Bob Mintus



## Fish Dinners Have Started!!!



Every Friday until April 3

~ 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

~ Adults and Carry-Out \$12.00

~ Children (5-10 years) \$6.00

~ "Haluski" Only Dinner!

(\$10.00 Adult / \$6.00 Children)

**Lights! Camera! Action!** Don't forget WFMJ-TV 21 will feature **OUR** Fish Dinners this coming Friday on their Morning Program from 5:00 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.

## 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!

## "Pot - of - Gold"

Envelope number drawn, Wednesday, February 19 was #661  
There was no winner! The winner would have received \$572.00

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!!

## 2020 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL for Catholic Charities and Church

Our parish has been asked to join together with parishes throughout the Diocese of Youngstown in offering our support to the *2020 Annual Bishop's Appeal*. Our goal this year is to reach 100% participation. There are three ways to participate:

~**PRAY** for the success of the Annual Bishop's Appeal. Your prayers are meaningful and critical to our success.

~**DONATE** to the Appeal. Use the response card you received in the mail OR use an envelope found in Church to respond.

~**VOLUNTEER** your time and talents to any of the ministries of the Church and our parish.

The Annual Appeal is the primary funding source for Catholic Charities in our six-county diocese. There continues to be an ever-increasing number of people in need coming to Catholic Charities for help and assistance. The Bishop's Appeal also helps to subsidize many Church ministries offered throughout the diocese. Those who donated last year have received an Appeal Letter and response card. Those who have never made a gift, who did not give last year, or participated through prayer and volunteerism, have also received a mailing and response card for this year. In the coming weeks, an Appeal contribution envelope will also be available in Church. We ask every family to prayerfully make a gift this year. Please submit your response directly to the Diocese or by dropping it off in the collection basket at the parish. **Your completed response counts toward our parish participation goal.** Help us reach 100% response this year!

## LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY

*Panorama of the New Testament*

Beginning with the Gospels and Acts and continuing through the letters and final book of the Bible, Panorama of the New Testament invites us into familiar scenes but with a wide-angle lens to capture the big picture.

Sessions are offered on Monday's beginning **March 9 at 9:30 a.m. and at 7:00 p.m.**

Cost \$10.00

Registration information can be found in the vestibule.

## WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

*Next Meeting:*

**Wednesday, March 4**

WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

6:00 p.m. Social ~ 6:30 p.m. Business Meeting

**A VERY MERRY UN-BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

Join in the fun by bringing a wrapped \$10 gift



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL #7491

*Next Meeting:*

Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.



## "The Light is ON for You" An Evening of Reconciliation

On Wednesday, March 11 our parish and parishes throughout the Diocese of Youngstown will offer an "Evening of Reconciliation." During this time the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. as a sign for all to embrace and live God's mercy and love more completely. As Pope Francis says, "the joy of God is the joy of forgiveness." Plan to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of your Lenten journey on March 11.



**☑ DONE!**

The handicapped restroom remodel project is all done! New wall tile, fixtures and ceiling have been completed.

## ADOPT-A-FISH COLORING CONTEST

St. William is looking for a few fishermen and fisherwomen to help decorate the social hall with colorful schools of fish! Have your fishing poles ready for this fun new contest! Join us at the Fabulous Fish Dinners for more information and "catch" a prize! Contest is open to children and adults!



# 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.