

St. William Parish

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September 6, 2020 ~ Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Then sings my soul!”

On this holiday weekend – the unofficial end to summer and the beginning of fall – we hear a gospel reading that can leave us feeling uncomfortable at best. Today Jesus lays out the nuts and bolts of what it means to be a community intent on living out God’s message of peace and forgiveness. Jesus does not tell us to avoid or cover up conflict, but instead to face it head-on. While Jesus’ teaching in today’s gospel makes sense, it is also really difficult! When someone hurts us, it’s so much easier to fume to others about what this person has done than to go and talk to the one who has wronged us. Often when our egos or feelings have been bruised, there is a deep desire to get others on our side. Their support makes us feel better about ourselves and justified in our grievance. Though this may seem easier and safer than going to the one who has hurt us directly, it is no way to build a community. In order to live as a sign of reconciliation in the world, we must try to the best of our ability to be the people God has called us to be. We will fail at times, however with God’s help and care we can forgive ourselves and each other and continue to try again. Only when we experience the new life of the resurrection will every tear be wiped away. Until that time, we do the best we can, motivated by love and guided by the wisdom of Christ.

As we mark Labor Day and the beginning of September we are slowly returning to activity and events here at the parish. I hope that you will take advantage of the many opportunities to be involved in the parish by considering joining a group or organization. Meetings are always open to anyone who wants to join or attend and every group needs new members! In addition to our worship each week this is how we live out our call to discipleship and mission. Many thanks to all for your continued commitment, dedication, and service to the message of the Gospel and the mission of the Church lived out by the many activities and projects of our parish groups and organization!

Finally as we anticipate the appointment of a new Bishop for our Diocese a *“Prayer for a New Bishop”* has been written. It can be found in today’s bulletin and will be used at many parish gatherings as we turn to the Holy Spirit asking for a new leader.



Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ September 6-13, 2020 ~
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **SHELLY ROGERS**/ Liz Dunlap
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **STEPHEN M. TIMKO**/ Foster Family
 10:30 a.m. † **LARRY DINES**/ Gerry Dines
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † **NO SERVICE**
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † **SAM ALTIER**/ Cindy Piras
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † **ANDY SURKALA**/ Barb & David Bailey
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † **JOANN GRIFFITH**/ Women's Guild
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † **SARAH ESCARCEGA**/ McCue & Winebrenner Family

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **MARY MILLIK LITZ**/ Millik Family
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **ED BUNDY**/ Liz Dunlap
 11:00 a.m. † **JOE HUDAK**/ Theresa Craiger

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ September 13, 2020 ~
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 27: 30 - 28: 7

*Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight.
 The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance ...*

Romans 14: 7-9

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord ...

Matthew 18: 21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times? ..."

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

September 12/13, 2020

Lectors

- 5:00 p.m. Deanna Barco, Linda Horm
 8:30 a.m. Christine DePascale, Ed Runyan
 11:00 a.m. _____, _____

Servers

- 5:00 p.m. John Barco
 8:30 a.m. Joe DePascale
 11:00 a.m. _____

Eucharistic Ministers

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



**Sign-Up In
 Vestibule**

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ August 30, 2020 (WK 9)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 8,398.00*	\$ 66,058.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 63,900.00
Difference	\$ 1,298.00	\$ 2,158.00
Performance	118%	103%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,333.00 LAST WK — \$ 9,851.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 216 out of 547
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 2.00 (2 out of 62)

POT-OF-GOLD

#452 drawn on 9/2/2020

!!No Winner!!

Amount: \$318.00



**DISPENSATION CONTINUES
 LIVE-STREAM MASS INFO**

As the current health circumstance continues, 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. It is vitally important that anyone who is symptomatic, at high risk of becoming sick, or who has been exposed to another with the virus within 14 days not attend Mass or any other parish function in accordance with national, state and local health directives.

- ♦ Live-stream Mass is available every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. for the time being on the parish website and Facebook. www.stwilliamchampion.org
- ♦ The Worship Aid for the live-stream Mass is available on the News/Events page of the website or Facebook. It is a PDF file for you to download and print.
- ♦ For those not attending Mass in person 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 can be found on the parish website

Some Reminders!

- ♦ Face-coverings are to be worn for Mass by all in attendance.
- ♦ 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.
- ♦ Please maintain a safe distance (at least 1 row in front and behind you) when coming forward to receive Holy Communion.
- ♦ Remember to remove your face covering **before** receiving Holy Communion to ensure proper reverence and avoid the possibility of dropping the host.

SUMMER GOES SO QUICKLY!!!

Just a reminder: **TODAY** is the LAST Sunday for our summer Mass schedule. **11:00 a.m. Mass returns beginning next Sunday, September 13th.**

†† RECENT DEATHS ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

John Maus

and

Frank Barco

Father of John Barco

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

PSR / YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

- ◆ We are planning for in-person PSR classes to begin on **Sunday, September 27 at 9:30 a.m.** and Youth Ministry at **12:00 noon.** A letter and information regarding safe environment protocols was sent to all PSR/ Youth Ministry families in this week. New families to our program should contact the Parish Office for information.
- ◆ **Help Needed:** Two catechist/teachers are needed for the upcoming year –one for Grade 4-5-6 and Grade 7-8. These openings are paired with another experienced catechist/teacher. If you are interested or have questions please contact Carol Timko.

WOMEN'S GUILD BASKET RAFFLE

Women's Guild is hosting a basket raffle. The baskets may be viewed in the social hall this weekend before and after each Mass. We ask that you enter the social hall from the door in the hallway across from room 103, follow the traffic pattern as indicated by arrows on the carpet, wear your face covering and maintain 6' physical distance from others, and exit the social hall through the double doors. Ticket sales will begin next weekend. 6 Tickets for \$5.00; 26 Tickets for \$20.00. A ticket form will also be available on our parish website that can be mailed to the office with payment. The Basket Raffle committee will place your tickets as indicated on your ticket order form.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Finance Committee meets this Tuesday, September 8 at 7:00 p.m.

RCIA....HAVE YOU.....

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults seeking answers in their lives are brought into full union with our parish community and the Catholic Church. The RCIA assists in the spiritual journey to learn, discuss and live the faith of the Catholic faith and its practices. If you know of someone....a spouse, family member, friend, relative that has...

- ...been worshipping with us but never officially took the step to become Catholic?
- ...been away from the Church...and now have returned but want to know more?
- ...yet to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or Eucharist?

...joined us from a different background and would like to find out more about the Catholic Church?
If any of the above applies to you, or if you know of anyone who could answer YES to any of these questions please invite them to consider joining the RCIA journey of faith. Interested in learning more? Please contact Fr. Balash at the Parish Office.



THE PARISH CALENDAR

- Sept 7 ~ Office Closed for Labor Day
- Sept 8 ~ Finance Committee 7:00 p.m.
- Sept 9 ~ Folk Group 7:00 p.m.
- Sept 13 ~ K of C Corporate Communion 8:30 a.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491



Next Meeting:

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
Meeting will be held outdoors if weather permits!
Please bring a lawn chair!

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 7, 2020
Social at 6:00 p.m.
Business Meeting at 6:30 p.m.



LITURGICAL MINISTER UPDATE

For the time being, liturgical ministers needed for Mass can sign up in the vestibule. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

POP TABS

PSR is **NOT** accepting any more pop tabs for right now. Thank you to everyone who has donated them.



PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP

As we anticipate the appointment of a new Bishop for our Diocese the following prayer has been created as we await a new shepherd:

Almighty God, eternal shepherd and guide,
in your love for us,
grant to the Diocese of Youngstown
a shepherd who will lead us to be Christ's
heart of mercy,
voice of hope, and hands of justice.
Help him to fill our minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel,
the power of the sacraments
and the desire to build up your holy Church.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Youngstown will sponsor a Wedding Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, October 18, 2:00 p.m. at St. Columba Cathedral honoring couples observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and over wedding anniversaries in 2020. The celebration will include Mass with Monsignor Robert J. Siffrin, renewal of marriage vows, and a personalized certificate for each couple. Couples may opt to attend the Wedding Anniversary Mass in-person or participate remotely via live-stream on the diocesan website: www.doy.org. Space is limited for those attending in-person. Reservations are required and due before September 16. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

MEETINGS ~ EVENTS ~ ACTIVITIES

This week a letter was sent to all parishioners outlining the Building Protocols that are in place for all in-person meetings, events and activities held at the parish. Parish organizations and groups are resuming in-person activities and meetings. All meeting and gatherings are to follow current health guidelines including the wearing of face-coverings, physical distancing, and proper sanitization procedures.

RENE'S CLOSET ~ HELP NEEDED

Rene's Closet began in 2007 as a social outreach effort to provide clothing to those in need. Donated clothing items such as pants, shirts, dresses, coats, and other items for adults and children have been available to those who need them on the last Saturday of the month. On average, 25-35 people come to the Closet each month for assistance. For the past 13 years Debi Hays has been coordinating Rene's Closet and she will be retiring this December. We are now looking for someone to serve as the coordinator so that Rene's Closet might continue. Responsibilities include maintaining the Closet, rotating clothes in season, and staffing the Closet on the day of operation. The monthly time commitment is 10-12 hours including the day of operation. If anyone is interested in more details about serving as coordinator, please contact the Parish Office.

QUILTERS RETURN!

The Quilters will resume meeting next Tuesday, September 15 at 9:00 a.m. *Welcome Back!*

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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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