

St. William Parish

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July 5, 2020 ~ Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Happy 4th of July!



As we celebrate this holiday weekend and enter into the middle of summer (*already!*) we continue our journey with Jesus. Today we encounter him teaching, preaching, praying, and praising and he seems to do all at once! Our gospel reading appears to be in stark contrast to the one we heard just last Sunday when Jesus told the disciples that only the one who was willing to take up their cross was worthy of following him. Just as Jesus offered many parables to help his disciples understand the mystery of the kingdom of God, he also gives us different images of what it means to be a disciple. Today we hear Jesus proclaim, *“my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”* Which are we to believe? Is the life of discipleship one of hardship and drudgery or one of comfort and ease? Jesus tells his disciples that he himself is the yoke, meek and humble of heart. The rest he promises comes from emulating his ways, attitudes, dispositions and general way of being in the world. Being a yoke would not seem to be an enjoyable experience yet the yoke of Jesus, the one who is meek and humble of heart, is itself easy; the burden light. Perhaps it will help to look at this from the perspective of our own faith journey. Within the life of faith, when have we faced hardship or heartbreak? When we open our hearts to love God and others, we also open ourselves up for pain, disappointment and grief. And yet, our sure hope in the Lord is that light is stronger than darkness, love is stronger than hatred, and life is stronger than death. This hope eases the burden of the cross, transforming it to the yoke of Jesus. Today we learn that when we are true disciples of Christ, we conform to the person himself. So conformed, we find any burden not to be a burden at all.

On this holiday weekend we celebrate once again our country's independence and the many freedoms we continue to enjoy and embrace. During this time of uncertainty due to the continuing pandemic and with the recent social unrest call for equality and an end to racism, this holiday takes on special significance. It is easy to become overwhelmed and disheartened by all that has happened over the past few months. The restrictions and limitations we have been forced to live with have heightened our sensibilities to the freedom and autonomy we are accustomed too. As we gather this weekend for hot dogs and hamburgers and as we enjoy fireworks from afar may we always remember the many blessings we enjoy in life keeping in mind our call to continue the dream envisioned by our founders for a country and life rooted in liberty, justice and freedom for all. Happy Fourth of July weekend!



Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ July 5-12, 2020 ~

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 5, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † MARY ANN LANAHAN/ Donald Lanahan
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † LILLIAN KALMAN/ The Jones Family
 10:30 a.m. † SANDRA MACKEY/ Maria Butcher

Mon 8:30 a.m. † NO SERVICE
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † MARYANN PREBONICK/ Steve & Margaret Prebonick
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † STEVE MILLIK/ The Millik Family
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † KAREN BOGAN/ Jim & Theresa White
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † JOE MAKOSKY/ The Makosky Family

JULY 12, 2020

Sat 5:00 p.m. † VERONICA MEANS/ The Foster Family
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † MICHAEL LANAHAN/ Donald Lanahan
 10:30 a.m. † DONALD TITCHNELL/ Marilyn & Donald Titchnell

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ July 12, 2020 ~

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55: 10-11

Thus says the LORD: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth ...

Romans 8: 18-23

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us ...

Matthew 13: 1-23

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him ...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

July 11/12, 2020

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Tim Timko, Deanna Barco
 8:30 a.m. Ed Runyan, Linda Horn
 10:30 a.m. _____, _____

Servers

5:00 p.m. John Barco
 8:30 a.m. _____
 10:30 a.m. James Swiger

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Bob Hardman, Karen Hardman
 8:30 a.m. Christina Pacurar, David Lucanski
 10:30 a.m. Barb Bickford, Melanie Shoaf

Sign-Up In Vestibule



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!

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.

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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

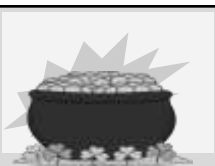
OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ June 28, 2020 (WK 52)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 8,228.00*	\$ 375,496.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 369,200.00
Difference	\$ 1,128.00	\$ 6,296.00
Performance	116%	102%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 902.00 LAST WK — \$ 38,446.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 195 out of 551
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 8.00 (3 out of 62)

POT-OF-GOLD

#85 drawn on 7/1/20
 !!Winner!! ~ Rita & Vince DeSalvo
 Amount: \$883.00



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.

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 **this 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.



NEXT WEEKEND...

- ◆ Next weekend we will celebrate the RICA Initiation of our two catechumens on Saturday, July 11 at 5:00 p.m. Mass. William McCreedy and Nicole Ullinsky will be baptized, confirmed and receive their first Holy Communion at Mass. We congratulate and welcome them to our Church and parish
- ◆ ***Cards of Welcome and Congratulations are due TODAY...Monday at the latest. Drop them in the basket in the vestibule or at the parish office.***
- ◆ On Sunday we will celebrate First Communion at 10:30 a.m.
- ◆ On Thursday July 16th at 7:00 p.m. we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for our former 8th and 9th grade candidates.

These ceremonies were originally planned this Spring but were postponed due to the suspension of parish activities. Congratulations to all who are celebrating these special faith moments in life!

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!



LITURGICAL MINISTER UPDATE

For the next couple weeks, liturgical ministers needed for Mass can sign up in the vestibule. A new schedule will be issued sometime later this coming summer. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

- July 7 ~ Summer Book Club 6:00 p.m.
- July 11 ~ RCIA Initiation 5:00 p.m.
- July 12 ~ First Communion 10:30 a.m.
- July 16 ~ Confirmation at St. William 7:00 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491



Next Meeting:

Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
Meeting will be held outdoors.
Please bring a lawn chair!

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.

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:

www.stwilliamchampion.org



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.



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.

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 during the summer. 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.

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