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March 17, 2019 ~ Second Sunday in Lent



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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

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** rkane@stwilliamchampion.org by Wednesday prior to the weekend they are to appear.

Visit our website at

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.

Pastor's COLUMN

"With grace and gladness..."

Our Lenten Season of "With grace and gladness" continues on this Second Sunday of Lent as we hear the story of the Transfiguration of Christ. The message of today's Gospel is about the change Christ makes in us. It is a peak moment in the lives of his disciples who are present for this event. Peak experiences do not come often and they do not last, but they can be a touchstone to which we may return often through memories. The birth of a child, falling in love, a special day, or an encounter in nature may all be peak experiences we want to preserve, remember and cherish. Perhaps like Peter we may even want to "build a tent" to memorialize these events. Today's gospel story is meant to motivate us to continue our Lenten journey so that we keep looking for God's presence amid the storms and sin of daily life. May the repentance and forgiveness we seek in our lives this Lent help us...with grace and gladness...to find hope in our faith and each other.

This weekend we continue the in-church opportunity to make a pledge to this year's Bishop's Appeal for Catholic Charities. Support of the appeal offers us a chance to respond to Jesus' teaching that we serve Him by serving those in need. You are kindly asked to make a response in the coming weeks towards our parish goal of \$43,636.00. To date \$14,409.00 has already been pledged by our parish to this year's Appeal. Thank you for your kindness and generosity to this important and vital part of our mission and ministry in the Church.

On Wednesday of this coming week, March 20, our parish will participate in "The Light is ON for YOU." This special evening of reconciliation throughout the diocese will take place from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in many parishes. This opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation is in addition to our Lenten Communal Reconciliation Service that will be next Sunday, March 24 at Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Happy Saint Patrick's Day!
Fr. Balash



Mass Intentions for the Week

~ March 17 - March 24, 2019 ~
Second Sunday of Lent

MARCH 17, 2019

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **CHRIS COPE**/ The Kochunas Family
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **TED PYTLIK**/ Mary Pytlik
 11:00 a.m. † **HEIDI SEITZ**/ Bernadette Fox
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † **RITA KITTLE**/ Natalie & Eddie Hagyar
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † **JOHN MAKOSKY**/ Gerald & Marilyn Kolar
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † **INTENTIONS OF IRENE BELLEX**/
 Darlene Whyte
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † **DAN NICHOLS**/ The Prebonick Family

MARCH 24, 2019

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **CAPAK & METRO FAMILIES**/
 Martha Lee Peters
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **PASQUALE LIBERATORE**/
 Ron & Donna Runtas
 11:00 a.m. † **EMIDIO DI GIACOBBE**/ Lee & Judy Wolfe

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ March 10, 2019 (WK 37)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 8,148.95 *	\$ 270,411.39 *
Holy Day	\$ 1,801.70	\$ 1,829.70
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 262,700.00
Difference	\$ 2,850.65	\$ 9,541.09
Performance	141%	104%

* Includes MyEoffering of \$ 702.38 WK - \$ 7,690.02 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 228 out of 540
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 20.87 (20 out of 62)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing equally in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

~ March 23/24, 2019 ~
Third Sunday of Lent

- 5:00 p.m. Andrea Kochunas, Ann Coursen
 8:30 a.m. Margaret Foster, Sandy Frantz
 11:00 a.m. Christine DePascale, Bob Mintus

Servers

- 5:00 p.m. John Barco, Kaylynn Abbey
 8:30 a.m. Luke Zigarovich, Olivia Zigarovich
 11:00 a.m. Bethany Wilson, Brian Wilson

Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00 p.m. Bob Hardman, Karen Hardman, Deanna Barco
 8:30 a.m. Dave Lucanski, Nancy Lucanski, Penny Hudak,
 Ellie Gates, Gloria Mintus, Michele Jeffers
 11:00 a.m. Sandy Hudak, Patty Heib, Murph Gelet,
 Dan Gelet, Scott Freer, Karen Daugherty



Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ March 23/24, 2019 ~
Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15

Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian. Leading the flock across the desert. . .

1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, . . .

Luke 13:1-9

Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. . .

>> RECENT DEATHS <<

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed please remember

Rich Hudak

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

In 2 Weeks!

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

Our Lenten Journey ~ With Grace and Gladness

Sunday ~ March 31, 2019 ~ 6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

“LUKE: Stories on the Road and

Monday ~ April 1, 2019 ~ 7:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

The Sermon on the Mount”

“Hollywood vs. Faith: The Struggle to Live Faithfully in the Media Age”

Featuring:

Emmy Nominated TV Star ~ **Frank Runyeon**

Frank has won national acclaim for his work as a translator and performer of Biblical texts over the past 25 years. He is a graduate of Princeton University and has studied at Yale Divinity School and General Theological Seminary.



Fish Dinners Update!

~ 698 Dinners Sold on March 8

~ Hourly Raffle Winners:

5:00 p.m.: Bertha Spence

6:00 p.m.: Jay Logan

7:00 p.m.: Landon Bianco

~50/50 Winner: Jason Pleacher ~ \$248.00

~50/50 Second Chance Winners:

Sharon Gilmore, Mark Brosvic, Lynn Vastag

FRIDAY'S DURING LENT: ~ 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

~ Adults and Carry-Out ~ \$12.00

~ Children (5-10 years) ~ \$6.00

~ “Haluski” Only Dinner! Adults ~ \$10.00

~ Children \$6.00

Saint William Parish Youth Ministry will host Warren Area Catholic Teens to pray the Stations of the Cross on March 22, 2019 at 7:15pm. Following our Lenten Fish Dinner, all are invited to pray as we adore our Lord, Jesus Christ.

>>>> THE PARISH CALENDAR<<<<

MAR 18 ~ LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY 9:30 AM & 7:00 PM

MAR 19 ~ QUILTERS 9:00 AM

MAR 19 ~ GOLDEN AGERS 12:30 PM

MAR 19 ~ CANTOR PRACTICE 7:00 PM

MAR 20 ~ THE LIGHT IN ON 6:30-8:00 P.M.

MAR 20 ~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING 6:30 PM

MAR 20 ~ PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY 6:30 PM

MAR 20 ~ ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:00 PM

MAR 22 ~ FOURTH FISH DINNER 4:00—7:00 PM

MAR 23 ~ RENE'S CLOSET 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

MAR 24 ~ PSR/FFC 9:00 AM

MAR 24 ~ LENT COMMUNIAL RECONCILIATION 3:00 PM

Our Parish APP NOW Available!



Text APP to 88202 to download myParish App and select our parish. Visit our website: www.stwilliamchampion.org for easy instructions and our App Navigation guide.

App Features of the Week...



Calendar

Never miss a parish event and easily add events to your phone's calendar.



News

Stay in touch with Catholic world news and events.

EASTER FOOD DRIVE

Our annual Easter Food Drive has begun. The box will be in the vestibule for food donations of non-perishable, *non-expired* food items. e.g. cereal, boxed potatoes, sauces, pasta, tuna fish, canned chicken and ham, veggies, peanut butter, mac & cheese, dessert items, etc. **Request forms for those in need** are on the bulletin board, please return forms by April 1. **Monetary donations** for Sparkle Gift Certificates can be given to Darlene Frantz, Ray Mercandino, or turned in at the office by April 1. Checks should be made out to St. William Parish. Thank you for your continued support!

Employment Opportunity

The positions of Parish Bookkeeper (3 days a week) and Parish Secretary (3 days a week) will be available beginning in May. The primary responsibility of the Parish Bookkeeper is to maintain the financial status of the parish. Eligible candidates should be proficient in accounting, payroll, budgeting procedures and computers. The Parish Secretary is responsible for secretarial duties pertaining to the parish office. Eligible candidates should be proficient in computer word processing and general secretarial responsibilities. Interested parties should contact the parish office for an employment application, job description and to submit a resume. Deadline to apply is April 5, 2019.

“Pot - of - Gold”

POT-OF-GOLD Raffle Drawing!

Envelope number drawn, Wednesday, March 13, was 71.

There was no winner. The winner would have received \$ 580.00.

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!!

Parish Family Directory

If you were unable to schedule an appointment to have your picture taken for the updated Parish Family Directory in February, don't despair! We are trying to schedule a make-up day in May. Help us to choose the best date. Here are three potential dates for pictures:

- May 13 - May 20 - May 28

Please contact the parish office by phone or email and let us know which dates would be the best for you and your family. The date with the most interest will be chosen. Appointments will be scheduled at that time. *Thank you!*

2019 Bishop's Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church

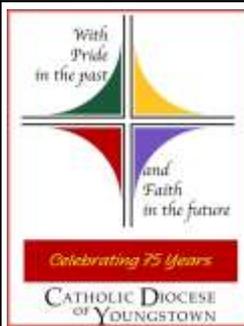
Your commitment to the 2019 Bishop's Appeal for Catholic Charities and Church allows you to show your concern for others, while expressing your gratitude to God for the many blessings you have received. Without the generosity of people like you who faithfully support the Bishop's Appeal, Catholic Charities would never be able to serve the poor among us as we are called to do by Jesus in the Gospel. If you have already made a gift to the 2019 Appeal, thank you! To date our parish has already pledged \$14,409.00 towards our goal of \$43,636.00. If you have not yet made your gift please consider doing so as soon as possible by either taking an Appeal donation envelope from church or using the one you received in the mail. There are many ways in which all of us can participate: **PRAY** for the Appeal's success; **DONATE** by using the response card you received in the mail OR use an envelope found in Church; **VOLUNTEER** your time and talents to any of the ministries of the Church. Please make your pledge today either in Church or at home. Be sure to include St. William Parish on your response.



"The Light is ON for You"
An Evening of Reconciliation
Wednesday, March 20, 2019
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

"With infinite mercy, He forgives all of our sins as soon as we show the smallest sign of repentance." —Pope Francis.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation offers to us the healing grace of God. During this Lenten Season all Catholics are reminded to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of their Lenten observance in preparation for Easter. This opportunity provides us with an awareness of God's deep abiding love through His forgiveness and mercy. Be part of this special event on Wednesday from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at our parish and throughout the Diocese.



St. William
Parish School of Religion
Cordially invites all parishioners to our Family
Faith Celebration
March 24, 2019
9:30 a.m. in the Social Hall
as young members of the parish present their
Faith In The Future Projects and meet their
prayer partners.

With Pride in the past
and Faith in the future
Celebrating 75 Years
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL 7491

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Reminders at Mass

Now and then it is good to be reminded of some common practices we all should be aware of when attending Mass each week:

~ Reverence Receiving Communion: When approaching to receive Holy Communion it is proper to make a slight bow or nod of the head before receiving. Furthermore, if you choose not to receive Communion from the cup, rather than simply passing by, it would be appropriate to stop and also make a small bow or nod of the head to the cup as a sign of reverence and respect for the Real Presence of our Lord in the wine.

~ Children's Area in Church: Please remember that the special seating area near the choir is primarily for families with small children who might need some extra space and need to be close to the restrooms. Please be considerate and refrain from sitting in this area unless there is a special need.

Thanks for your understanding and cooperation!

Teamwork!

'Many hands make the task light!'

Working on the success of our 3rd FISH DINNER ... and volunteers have been wonderful! Please note the schedule for the week is posted on the side of the small cooler in the kitchen. Let me know if any information is incorrect and / or if you are unable to work any of the indicated dates / times.

We are also in need of some 'runners' from 4-7 on Friday nights. You may reach me at 330-889-9854 ... my cell: 330-540-1464 ... or e-mail: l_horm@yahoo.com. Thank you for your continued support.

Linda Horm

St. William Women's Guild Annual
CARD PARTY
April 7, 2019

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



News Around Town

Pirohy Sale St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, (SS. Cyril & Methodius Church), 175 Laird Ave NE, is sponsoring a pirohy sale Friday, March 29. Four varieties will be offered: potato, sweet cabbage, sauerkraut, and lekvar (prune). The cost is \$5.50 per dozen. Haluski (cabbage and noodles) is \$3.75. (1 1/2 lb. bag is also available.) Advanced orders can be placed by calling 330-393-0781 on Wednesday and Thursday. Pick up is Friday, March 29 from noon to 4 PM.