

# St. William Parish

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July 19, 2020 ~ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*“The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed...”*

On this mid-summer weekend we continue to hear from Matthew’s chapter on parables. Parables are a particular genre of storytelling in which something that is well-known to the listener (*a farmer sowing seeds, a shepherd caring for sheep, a woman baking bread*) is used to shed light on something that is not well-known (*the nature of the kingdom of God or who one might consider a neighbor*). In today’s gospel we learn from Jesus that God is aware that there are weeds growing within the wheat. God is content to let them grow together only to be separated later, at harvest time. It is our task to simply let God be God while we grow into the harvest we are meant to be. Today and next week, all the parables we read focus on one mystery--the kingdom of God. This mystery cannot be reduced to only one image so Jesus offers us many parables to ponder. The parables that Jesus told always deal with real, everyday occurrences. Within each story there is usually something shocking that takes place to teach the lesson. As a teller of parables, Jesus asks for our conscious participation as we consider how the kingdom of God is like the wheat and the weeds, or the mustard seed, or a woman baking bread. To fully enter into a parable, we must be willing to let go of the security offered by answers and definitions. Most of the parables Jesus offered did not come with explanations. Instead, just as Jesus’ first listeners did we are invited to ponder and wrestle with what this living word has to teach us today.



Hallway Painting Continues...

As our summer moves along so does the presence of the health crisis that we have been dealing with over the past months. The uncertainty of what will happen next, how long this will last, and how and when will it end, is sometimes more overwhelming than the adjustments and adaptations we have had to make just to live a normal routine life. That is why it was good to celebrate First Communion, the initiation of our RCIA catechumens, and Confirmation this past week. It was refreshing and encouraging to actually *celebrate* and experience some joy for a change after being mired in anxiety and confusion these past few months. For this reason, we are currently planning for as normal a year as possible with regards to our parish events and activities. It is hoped we might be able to resume these usual activities and events in the near future. As more details become definite they will be passed on to you. In the meantime continue to be safe along with enjoying these nice summer days!

*Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash*

~ July 19-26, 2020 ~

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**JULY 19, 2020**

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **GEORGE & PEARL BERISH/ Family**  
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **MIKE KUFCHAK, SR./ Family**  
10:30 a.m. † **GEORGE SCHUSTER/ Noeleen Miller**

Mon 8:30 a.m. † **NO SERVICE**  
Tue 8:30 a.m. † **LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION**  
Wed 8:30 a.m. † **LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION**  
Thur 8:30 a.m. † **LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH COMMUNION**  
Fri 8:30 a.m. † **JAMES HARVEY/ Skip & Mo Thuman**

**JULY 26, 2020**

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **SHELLY ROGERS/ Liz Dunlap**  
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **MARLENE CEROLI/ Darlene & Tom Blessing**  
10:30 a.m. † **RON SPRAGUE/ Ellie & Gary Gates**

*Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:*

~ July 26, 2020 ~

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1 Kings 3: 5, 7-12**

*The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." ...*

**Romans 8: 28-30**

*Brothers and sisters: We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose ...*

**Matthew 13: 44-52**

*Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again ..."*

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY**

July 25/26, 2020

**Lectors**

5:00 p.m. Deanna Barco, \_\_\_\_\_  
8:30 a.m. Ed Runyan, Woody Pealer  
10:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Melanie Shoaf

**Servers**

5:00 p.m. John Barco  
8:30 a.m. Mike Trunick  
10:30 a.m. Dan Gelet

**Eucharistic Ministers**

5:00 p.m. Bob Hardman, Bob Mintus  
8:30 a.m. Linda Trunick, Bob Mintus  
10:30 a.m. Sandy Hudak, Bob Mintus

**Sign-Up In  
Vestibule**



**SAFE ENVIRONMENT UPDATE**

Given the current uptick in virus infection cases and following the direction of the Governor we are asking, for the time being, that all in attendance at Mass wear a face covering. You are kindly asked to cooperate with this new directive.

**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.

*Thank you for your continued cooperation and patience!  
Together help us maintain a safe environment for all attending!*

**CONGRATULATIONS ALL AROUND!**

This past Thursday our parish celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with our young people and their families. This ceremony was postponed in March due to the suspension of public liturgies. Congratulations to all who celebrated this sacrament this past week!

Faith Brugler	Taylor Kuhn
Jared DeRamo	Abigail Potts
Kayla Haynie	Allison Potts
Jacob Karafe	Jacob Potts
Morgan Toth	Kaylee Kennedy-Snodgrass

*Congratulations!!!*

to **Luna Jayne Hall**,  
daughter of John and Jayne Hall, who was  
baptized this weekend



**OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ July 12, 2020 (WK 2)**

	LAST WK	YTD
<b>Sunday Collection</b>	\$ 7,440.00*	\$ 14,433.00*
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 14,200.00
<b>Difference</b>	\$ 340.00	\$ 233.00
<b>Performance</b>	105%	102%

\*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,718.00 LAST WK — \$ 2,890.00 YTD  
Envelopes ~ 184 out of 551  
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 2.00 (2 out of 62)

**POT-OF-GOLD**

#48 drawn on 7/15/20

!!No Winner!!

Amount: \$142.00



**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](http://www.stwilliamchampion.org) or on the parish Facebook.

## SHOW AND TELL 2020

Did you have a project to “keep you busy” during the Covid Pandemic? If you started, worked on, or completed a “Pandemic Project” over the last couple of months, we want to see it! Submit a picture to Dan Robinson ([drobinson@stwilliamchampion.org](mailto:d robinson@stwilliamchampion.org)) for the upcoming newsletter. If you have questions or need assistance getting that picture submitted, call the office at 330-847-8677. We look forward to seeing what big or small projects “kept you busy!”



**Congratulations Nicole and William  
and welcome to our Church and Parish**

## PARISH PICNIC...NEXT YEAR!

Given the current circumstances it has been decided in the best interest of all to cancel the annual Summer Parish Picnic that was scheduled for this August. It will be back next summer!

## 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.

## 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.

## CORRECTION

Last week the Pot-of-Gold winner was mistakenly reported as Lynn Vastag. The winner was actually Yvonne Vastag. Congratulations, Yvonne!

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491



### Next Meeting:

Wednesday, August 5, 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](http://www.usccb.org). A schedule of televised Mass is available at [www.doy.org](http://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.*

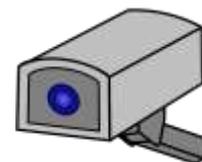
6. Close with the sign of the cross.

## 2020-2021 Parish Calendar

Parish Groups and Organizations are reminded to turn in their calendar dates for the upcoming year through June 2021. We are planning for a normal year of activities and events with the understanding that the current health circumstances may force the postponement or cancellation of some activities. Calendar dates are due July 24<sup>th</sup> and can be dropped off at the Parish Office or emailed to [parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org](mailto:parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org).

## 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](http://www.stwilliamchampion.org)



## THE PARISH NEWSLETTER

We are searching for pictures of St. William Church. Specifically, images that show ANY portion of our church buildings from 1963—today. If you, or someone you know, has pictures that we could put in upcoming newsletters, please call Dan Robinson at 330-847-8677. All pictures will be safely returned.

### DEADLINE FOR THE SUMMER EDITION

Articles, ideas, pictures, poems, stories, etc. are now being accepted for consideration for the upcoming August 2020 edition ~ the deadline is July 24.

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

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

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

*...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?*

*...felt God leading you and want to find out where that might be?*

If any of the above applies to you, or if you know of anyone who could answer YES to any of these questions, we would love to help you on your journey! 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 provides a spiritual opportunity to learn and discuss various aspects of the Catholic faith and its practices. If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more, please contact Fr. Balash at the Parish Office for more information. RCIA begins in September!



## ~Contact~

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**Rev. Michael D. Balash**, Pastor

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**Carol Timko**, Religious Education

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**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](http://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

## 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!*