

St. William Parish

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July 12, 2020 ~ Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

As we enter into the middle of the summer season, we begin a series of readings over the next few weeks of parables as told by Jesus. In today's parable Jesus gives four different scenarios for the seed scattered by the sower: some falls upon the path, some on rocky ground, some among thorns, and some lands on rich soil. When we enter into the parables of Jesus, it is always best to keep an open mind. These mysterious sayings require much from us and they invite us to take the images used and relate them to our own experiences. Today's parable may cause us to stop and consider several questions: What kind of seed are we? Were we scattered on rocky soil or fertile? Will we bear fruit? If so, how much—thirty, sixty one hundred fold? Today we might pray for the grace to grow where we find ourselves and to produce as much fruit as possible. Undoubtedly, each of us has had experiences where we have heard God's word proclaimed, either in Scripture or in the preaching or testimony of another disciple and it has failed to flourish in our lives. Hopefully we also have had times where this word has fallen on fertile soil, when the gospel message has touched us deeply and caused us to grow more into the people Jesus has called us to be. That is why Jesus tells his listeners "whoever has ears ought to hear!" Within our life of prayer, we might tend to focus on

what words *we* are going to say, neglecting the more important aspect of prayer—listening. Jesus' command to "*hear*" requires more than just taking in the words he speaks. To truly hear what Jesus is saying we are required to profoundly ponder what Jesus wishes us to know. Only with ears attuned to the word of God and hearts open to receive him can we gain insight into kingdom of God. Such is the life of discipleship we have all been called too.

This weekend we celebrate two events postponed from Spring due to the suspension of activities in the parish. On Saturday, we will welcome two new people to our faith and church. Our two RCIA catechumens—Bill and Nicole—will be Baptized, Confirmed, and receive their First Communion. On Sunday, we will celebrate with two of our young people—Emma and Nathan—their First Communion. We congratulate all of them and their families as they celebrate these important faith events!

On June 30 we completed our fiscal year at the parish. Our Sunday collections totaled 102% of our projected budget for the year. We finished with a total of \$375,496.00. This represents \$6,300.00 over our projected budget for the year. Thank you so much for your continued support and generosity to our parish

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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
- Mon 8:30 a.m. † NO SERVICE
- Tues 8:30 a.m. † DECEASED FAMILY OF ELRY TAYLOR/
Jane & Tim Johns
- Wed 8:30 a.m. † LEONARD & LILLIAN KALMAN/ The Jones Family
- Thur 8:30 a.m. † MARY SAXON/ Mary Pytlik
- Fri 8:30 a.m. † DECEASED FAMILY OF PETER RUNTAS/
Ron & Donna Runtas

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

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ July 19, 2020 ~

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19

There is no god besides you who have the care of all, that you need show you have not unjustly condemned ...

Romans 8: 26-27

Brothers and sisters: The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought ...

Matthew 13: 24-43

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened..."

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

July 18/19, 2020

Lectors

- 5:00 p.m. Deanna Barco, Donna Runtas
- 8:30 a.m. Christine DePascale, Woody Pealer
- 10:30 a.m. _____, _____

Servers

- 5:00 p.m. _____
- 8:30 a.m. Joe DePascale
- 10:30 a.m. _____

Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00 p.m. _____, _____
- 8:30 a.m. _____, _____
- 10:30 a.m. Regina Speaker, _____



Sign-Up In
Vestibule

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROTOCOLS

As we continue our efforts to continue 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!*

SAFE ENVIRONMENT UPDATE

Given the current uptick in virus infection cases and following the mandate of the Governor for Trumbull County, it is now required, for the time being, that all in attendance at Mass wear a face covering. You are kindly asked to cooperate with this new directive.

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.

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.

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ July 5, 2020 (WK 1)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,538.00*	\$ 7,583.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,100.00	\$ 7,100.00
Difference	\$ 438.00	\$ 438.00
Performance	106%	106%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,162.00 LAST WK — \$ 1,162.00 YTD
Envelopes ~ 143 out of 551
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 4.00 (3 out of 62)

POT-OF-GOLD

#368 drawn on 7/8/20
!!Winner!! ~ Lynn Vastag
Amount: \$132.00



CONGRATULATIONS ALL AROUND!

◆ This weekend we congratulate William McCready and Nicole Ullinsky who were fully initiated into our Church at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Both were baptized, confirmed, and received their first Holy Communion. We congratulate and welcome them to our Church and parish!

◆ We also congratulate Emma McCluskey and Nathan Swiger who celebrated First Communion this weekend at 10:30 a.m. Mass.

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!

CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

This Thursday, July 16 our parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation that was postponed in March. Due to the circumstances, delegation has been granted to pastors to celebrate this sacrament locally. Congratulations to our young people and their families who will celebrate this week.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to all who offered cards of Welcome and Congratulations to our newest members of the Church and parish. Your kindness is deeply appreciated.

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



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.

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) 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!”



THE PARISH CALENDAR

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, 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. 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.

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!



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especially over the past few months and throughout these unusual and unprecedented circumstances. The recent challenges we have been facing have been overwhelming in many ways. Your on-going generosity and kindness is truly a tribute to all of you and a remarkable example of your faith and care for our parish. Currently we are beginning to work on our year-end reports for the Diocese and once completed, I will provide a summary of our current financial status. Look for this sometime in mid-September. Again I would like to offer my sincerest thanks and appreciation for your commitment to stewardship and support of the parish. It is a welcomed relief to be able to continue to operate our parish in a positive balance and to remain current on all of our obligations, maintenance, and upkeep of our property and buildings especially in the midst of this pandemic.

It is hard to believe how fast the summer is moving along. As we reach this halfway point I hope it continues to be a good time for you and your family under these circumstances. Hopefully, things will begin to change for the better soon for all of us. In the meantime, continue to be safe and try to enjoy the warm weather, long days, and bright sunshine!!

Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash

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

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.

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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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