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Mission Statement

We the people of St. William Parish, accept as our mission: to love God with all our heart and mind, and our neighbor as ourselves. We seek to know our faith, to live our faith, and to authentically teach our faith by word and example. We carry out this mission by lovingly promoting the traditions and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church and through prayer, evangelization, and service to others; while always remembering that the primary mission of the Church is the salvation of souls.

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For **E**veryone **F**rom: **R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nitiation for

The Four Cardinal Virtues (part 3)

This month, we will discuss the Cardinal Virtue of **Fortitude.** The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us in paragraph 1808:

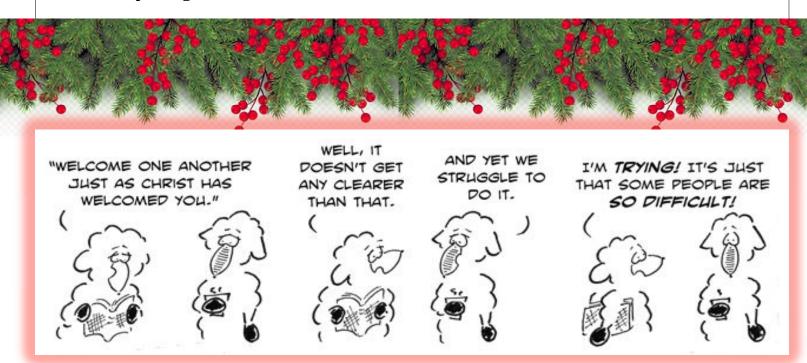
Fortitude is the moral virtue that ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of the good. It strengthens the resolve to resist temptations and to overcome obstacles in the moral life. The virtue of fortitude enables one to conquer fear, even fear of death, and to face trials and persecutions. It disposes one even to renounce and sacrifice his life in defense of a just cause. "The Lord is my strength and my song." 70 "In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." 71.

70: Psalm 118:14 71: John 16:33

Fortitude is a virtue that we need to embrace and live in our daily lives. This virtue, like all virtues, is acquired by doing virtuous acts repeatedly. This disposes us to act in morally good ways and help us with sharing and living out the Gospel message Jesus taught us to live and aids us in our spiritual growth.

Fortitude helps us to remain in Christ and to live a morally good life in spite of the temptations, social expectations and pressures within our daily lives that we encounter. Through the Sacraments and the graces we receive from them we are strengthened with fortitude to help us to resist these things that can put barriers between us and God. Fortitude will help us to avoid sin.

As we prepare for the coming of the child Jesus, let fortitude be your guide and strength to help us remember this Advent Season is a season of preparing for eternal life with Christ. May this virtue of Fortitude guide us to remember the needs of the poor, lonely, homeless and despairing.





St. William Women's Club

We had a very busy November and it is hard to believe we are already at the end of the year and preparing for Christmas. A huge thank you goes out to all who supported our Harvest Dinner and Silent Auction! It was a great success and we enjoyed seeing you all, sharing a delicious meal, and jockeying for bids on the auction items! Special thanks to this

year's Confirmation class and youth group. They did an excellent job taking care of us, serving our meal, and cleaning up afterward. We are thankful for them that we were able to host the dinner this year and look forward to doing it again next year.

Thank you

We also have another holiday bake sale in the books and again, thank you for your support!



If you adopted a family through the Gifts for God's Children program, please note that all gifts must be wrapped, have name tags on them, and dropped off in the old school building no later than Dec 6th. Just look for your families' number on the wall and place your gifts under it. Thank you for helping us with this amazing program and providing gifts for children and seniors who may not otherwise get them.

Please note that we will not meet again until January 11^{th} at 7 p.m. in the family life center. We would love for you to start your new year off by joining us.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all!!





St. William Council 6321 December 2022 News



Greetings fellow Parishioners and Merry Christmas to all. I know you all have been good this year and are not on Santa's naughty list. Thank you all

for supporting our fundraising events and other service work that we do. Working together we feed the hungry, provide clothing for those in need through our coats for kid's program, and help those who need various other forms of assistance. It's been a great year and I know 2023 will even be better. Here are our upcoming events for the most wonderful time of the year.

On Dec. 4th our breakfast crew will be serving breakfast after the Masses. They do a great job and the money raised goes towards our works of charity. Thank you breakfast crew and all who come by for some good food and fellowship. Join us if you can.



On December 10th we will have another blood drive. What a great gift to give if you can. As of 08-16-22, following recent FDA GUIDANCE geographic risk deferrals will end for individuals who spent time in the UNITED KINGDOM or EUROPE. Watch the bulletin and listen to Mass announcements for more details and donate if you can.

On December 11th we will have another homeless meal at St. Patrick's downtown. On the menu is split pea soup provided by Diane Miller. Thank you, Diane. If you have an idea for a homeless meal or would like to donate, let a Knight know. We usually serve about 50 people. St. Patricks has a full kitchen that we can prepare food or warm it up.

Now back to gift wrapping. I got the Grandkids some really cool toys this year, I just hope they let me play with them. Have a MERRY CHRISTMAS from your Knights of Columbus council 6321. Vivat







a note from the DRE ...



PRE will be out for Christmas the 25th and the 1st returning to normal classes on January 8th



Christmas Bunco!

We will have our annual Christmas Bunco Sock Exchange Dirty Santa Style on December 16th starting at 7 pm. If you have not come to join us for Bunco yet this is the month to do it....our MOST FUN month of the year. If you have not ever played it is NOT hard and no skill is involved. WE will teach you! We start at 7 pm with finger foods and start playing at 7:30. If you would like to participate in our Dirty Santa

Sock exchange, bring a pair of Socks (Christmas, fluffy, slippers or otherwise, ones you would want to get if you opened) wrapped and we will do an exchange after we play Bunco. Call Debbie (901-359-7063)with questions! Hope to see you there!



FORMED: Monthly

Liturgical Calendar

1 ST EDMUND CAMPION

Watch: Faith of Our Fathers: In Search of the English Martyrs

Listen: <u>Shakespeare and the Grace of Conversion</u>
Read: Young People's Book of Saints - Chapter 53

3 ST FRANCIS XAVIER

Watch: <u>Francis Xavier and the Samurai's Lost Treasure</u> **Ver: Francisco Xavier y el Tesoro Perdido del Samurai**

Watch: Daily Reflections

Read: The Book of Saints and Heros

Read: Young People's Book of Saints - Chapter 50

6 ST NICHOLAS

Watch: St. Nicholas: The Real Story

Watch: Nicholas: The Boy Who Became Santa

Ver: Nicolas y los tes sacos de oro Ver: El Hermano Zeferino: San Nicolas

Watch: FORMED Now! Christmas, Holidays and Traditions

7 ST AMBROSE

Watch: Who is Saint Ambrose?
Watch: Daily Reflections
Watch: Restless Heart

Watch: The Story of Saint Augustine
Ver: La Historia de San Agustin
Read: The Restless Flame

Read: Young People's Book of Saints - Chapter 4

Read: Saint Augustine's Confessions

Read: Saints for Sinner

8 THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Watch: FORMED Now! What is the Immaculate Conception? Watch: Was the Immaculate Conception Necessary?

Watch: Is there Biblical Proof for the Immaculate Conception

Watch: The Bible and Virgin Mary Lesson 9: Full of Grace

Watch: Daily Reflections

Watch: Blessed Duns Scotus: Defender of the Immaculate Concep-

<u>tion</u>

Ver: Beato Duns Scotus: Defensor de la Inmaculada Concepcion

Watch: Mary of Nazareth

Watch: Symbolon Knowing the Faith Session 9: Mary and the

Saints

Watch: Footprints of God Session 3: Mary
Listen: Answering Common Objections: Mary

Escucha: El Ave Maria y la Oracion

Escucha: El Infierno Wue Existe - El Verdadero Misterio

9 BL FULTON J. SHEEN Watch: <u>Angels</u> Watch: Sheen Gems

Watch: <u>Faith</u>, <u>Hope</u>, <u>and Love</u>
Listen: <u>The Priest is Not His Own</u>
Listen: <u>Three to Get Married</u>
Listen: The Meaning of Christmas

Listen: What Ever Couple Should Know About Marriage and Prayer

Listen: There is Life in the Womb Listen: The World's First Love Escucha: Filosofia de la Vida 9 & 12 ST JUAN DIEGO and OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE Watch: Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message

Ver: <u>Guadalupe: El Milagro y el Mensaje</u> Watch: Juan Diego: Messenger of Guadalupe

Watch: The Bible and the Virgin Mary: The Wedding at Cana Watch: FORMED Now! Our Lady of Guadalupe and Saint Juan Die-

go

Watch: <u>1531</u>: A Story that is Not Finished Yet Ver: <u>1531</u>: La Historia que aun no Termina

Listen: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Listen: Truth to Inspire: Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego

Escucha: <u>Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe por Luis Soto</u> Escucha: <u>Guadalupe y el Misterio del Verbo Encarnado</u>

Listen: <u>Attack on Religious Liberty</u> **Escucha: <u>Ataque a la Libertad Religiosa</u>**

14 ST JOHN OF THE CROSS

Watch: True Reformers: Session 5, St. Teresa of Avila

Watch: <u>John of the Cross</u>
Watch: <u>Daily Reflections</u>

Read: Deep Conversion, Deep Prayer

Read: <u>The Fire of Love</u> Read: <u>Fire Within</u>

Listen: Deep Conversion, Deep Prayer

Listen: <u>John of the Cross: Living Flame of Love</u>
25 Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
Watch: FORMED Now! The Litany of the Infant Jesus

Watch: <u>The Story of the Nativity</u> Watch: <u>Joseph of Nazareth</u> Watch: <u>Mary of Nazareth</u>

Watch: FORMED Now! The Nativity Set
Watch: FORMED Now! 12 Days of Christmas

Watch: <u>Christmas In Rome</u> Watch: The Gift of Peace

Watch: Symbolon Knowing the Faith Session 4: The Story of Salva-

<u>tion</u>

Watch: <u>Kristoph and the First Christmas Tree</u>
Watch: <u>Brother Francis: O Holy Night</u>
Watch: Were the Magi at Jesus' Birth?

Read: God Sent His Son: A Contemporary Christology

Read: Read Aloud book of Bible Stories
Read: Christmas with Bernadette
Read: The Blessings of Christmas
Read: Cradle of Redeeming Love
Read: The Strangers at the Manger
Listen: The Meaning of Christmas

Listen: God Made Man
Listen: The Story of Christmas
Listen: The King is Born

Listen: The Mystery of Christmas Listen: Glory to the Newborn King 27 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Watch: FORMED Now! The Holy Family

Watch: Opening the Word: Feast of the Holy Family

Watch: <u>Daily Reflections</u>

Watch: <u>Beloved</u>

Watch: The Fourth Commandment: Strengthen Your Family

Watch: The Sixth Commandment: Marital Fidelity

Watch: <u>Be Not Afraid Family Hour</u> Watch: Joseph of Nazareth

FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE

"We are blessed to be meeting in person again. ALSO, we have a virtual meeting over Zoom. The <u>in-person</u> Prayer Cenacle will meet in the FLC classrooms on the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 9:45 to 10:45am (between Masses). We will be reading between 5—7 pages from the diary (blue diary) of Elizabeth Kindelman and praying the Flame of Love Rosary. We will be maintaining social distancing and wearing a mask. The <u>virtual</u> Prayer Cenacle will be over the internet on Zoom, at 2pm on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays. We will be praying the Flame of Love Rosary. Contact Teresa Elliott at 901-604-7225. Newcomers are welcome! Please join us on any one of the weekends!

"My Adorable Jesus,

May our feet journey together.

May our hands gather in unity.

May our hearts beat in unison.

May our souls be in harmony.

May our thoughts be as one.

May our ears listen to the silence together.

May our glances profoundly penetrate each other.

May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father. Amen."



Our Lady's Promises
"With this Flame you will light all
hearts in the world. This Flame will
become a fire, and with its shining
Light, this fire will blind Satan."

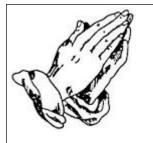






Our Lord's Promises
"The Renewal of the Earth will take
place through the power and
imploring force of the Blessed Virgin
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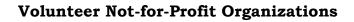
Come deepen your faith and prayer life! Learn about and pray the devotion "Flame of Love" given by Jesus and Mary to Elizabeth Kindelmann of Hungary between 1961 and 1983 as written in her diary. The Flame of Love Movement has the Apostolic Blessing of Pope Francis, was encouraged by Pope John Paul II, and received the Imprimatur number 494-4/2009 from Cardinal Peter Erdo, Archbishop of Estergom-Budapest and Primate of Hungary. Since then, the diary has received the Imprimatur by numerous bishops in various jurisdictions, including Archbishop Charles Chaput in Philadelphia, the Fountainhead of this Movement in the United States. The Diary will be provided to participants. PLEASE JOIN US! Call Teresa Elliott for any questions at 901-604-7225



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The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of December 2022





We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.



The Great Adventure Bible Timeline, is a ground-breaking approach to understanding salvation history developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins.

The Great Adventure Bible Timeline Philosophy:

- Identifies the 14 narrative books that tell the story of Scripture from beginning to end. The remaining "supplemental books" of the Bible are then contextualized within the storyline of the 14 narrative books.
- Divides the Bible into 12 time periods, identified by different colors, which serve as "chapters" in Salvation History.

How to Use the Reading Plan:

This reading plan covers the entire Catholic Bible in 365 days. Readings in bold refer to the 14 narrative books of the Bible.

The Psalms and Proverbs are spread out throughout the year to provide additional opportunity for prayer, reflection, and practical wisdom. The Psalms in italics have a particular connection to that day's other readings.

	Bible in a Year		
	1st Reading	2nd Reading	Psalm/Proverb
1	Acts 14	1 Corinthians 9-10	Proverbs 28:7-9
2	Acts 15	1 Corinthians 11-12	Proverbs 28:10-12
3	Acts 16	1 Corinthians 13-14	Proverbs 28:13-15
4	Acts 17	1 Corinthians 15	Proverbs 28:16-18
5	Acts 18	1 Corinthians 16	Proverbs 28:19-21
6	Acts 19	2 Corinthians 1-2	Proverbs 28:22-24
7	Acts 20	2 Corinthians 3-5	Proverbs 28:25-28
8	Acts 21	2 Corinthians 6-8	Proverbs 29:1-4
9	Acts 22	2 Corinthians 9-11	Proverb 29:5-7
10	Acts 23	2 Corinthians 1:2-13	Proverbs 29:8-11
11	Acts 24	Galatians 1-3	Proverbs 29:12-14
12	Acts 25	Galatians 4-6	Proverbs 29:15-17
13	Acts 26	Ephesians 1-3	Proverbs 29:18-21
14	Acts 27	Ephesians 4-6	Proverbs 29:22-24
15	Acts 28	Philippians 1-2	Proverbs 29:25-27
16	James 1-2	Philippians 3-4	Proverbs 30: 1-6
17	James 3-5	Colossians 1-2	Proverbs 30:7-9
18	1 Peter 1-2	Colossians 3-4	Proverbs 30:10-14
19	1 Peter 3-5	1 Thessalonians 1-3	Proverbs 30:15-16
20	2 Peter 1-3	1 Thessalonians 4-5	Proverbs 30:17-19
21	1 John 1-3	2 Thessalonians 1-3	Proverbs 30:20-23
22	1 John 4-5	1 Timothy 1-3	Proverbs 30:24-28
23	2 John, 3 John 1	Timothy 4-6	Proverbs 30:29-33
24	Jude 2	Timothy 1-2	Proverbs 31: 1-7
25	Revelation 1-3 2	Timothy 3-4	Proverbs 31:8-9
26	Revelation 4-7	Titus 1-3	Proverbs 31:10-15
27	Revelation 8-11	Philemon	Proverbs 31:16-18
28	Revelation 12-14	Hebrews 1-4	Proverbs 31:19-22
29	Revelation 15-17	Hebrews 5-8	Proverbs 31:23-25
30	Revelation 18-20	Hebrews 9-10	Proverbs 31:26-29
31	Revelation 21-22	Hebrews 11-13	Proverbs 31:30-31





Saint John of the Cross' Story

John is a saint because his life was a heroic effort to live up to his name: "of the Cross." The folly of the cross came to full realization in time. "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me" (Mark 8:34b) is the story of John's life. The Paschal Mystery—through death to life—strongly marks John as reformer, mystic-poet, and theologian-priest.

Ordained a Carmelite priest in 1567 at age 25, John met Teresa of Avila and like her, vowed himself to the primitive Rule of the Carmelites. As partner with Teresa and in his own right, John engaged in the work of reform, and came to experience the price of reform: increasing opposition, misunderstanding, persecution, imprisonment. He came to know the cross acutely—to experience the dying of Jesus—as he sat month after month in his dark, damp, narrow cell with only his God.

Yet, the paradox! In this dying of imprisonment John came to life, uttering poetry. In the darkness of the dungeon, John's spirit came into the Light. There are many mystics, many poets; John is unique as mystic-poet, expressing in his prison-cross the ecstasy of mystical union with God in the *Spiritual Canticle*.

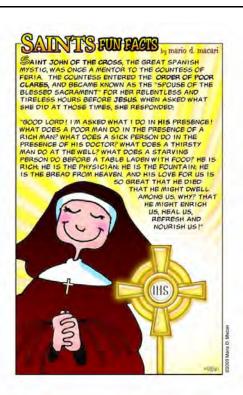
But as agony leads to ecstasy, so John had his *Ascent to Mt. Carmel*, as he named it in his prose masterpiece. As man-Christian-Carmelite, he experienced in himself this purifying ascent; as spiritual director, he sensed it in others; as psychologist-theologian, he described and analyzed it in his prose writings. His prose works are outstanding in underscoring the cost of discipleship, the path of union with God: rigorous discipline, abandonment, purification. Uniquely and strongly John underlines the gospel paradox: The cross leads to resurrection, agony to ecstasy, darkness to light, abandonment to possession, denial to self to union with God. If you want to save your life, you must lose it. John is truly "of the Cross." He died at 49—a life short, but full.

Reflection

In his life and writings, John of the Cross has a crucial word for us today. We tend to be rich, soft, comfortable. We shrink even from words like *self-denial*, *mortification*, *purifi-*

cation, asceticism, discipline. We run from the cross. John's message—like the gospel—is loud and clear: Don't—if you really want to live!







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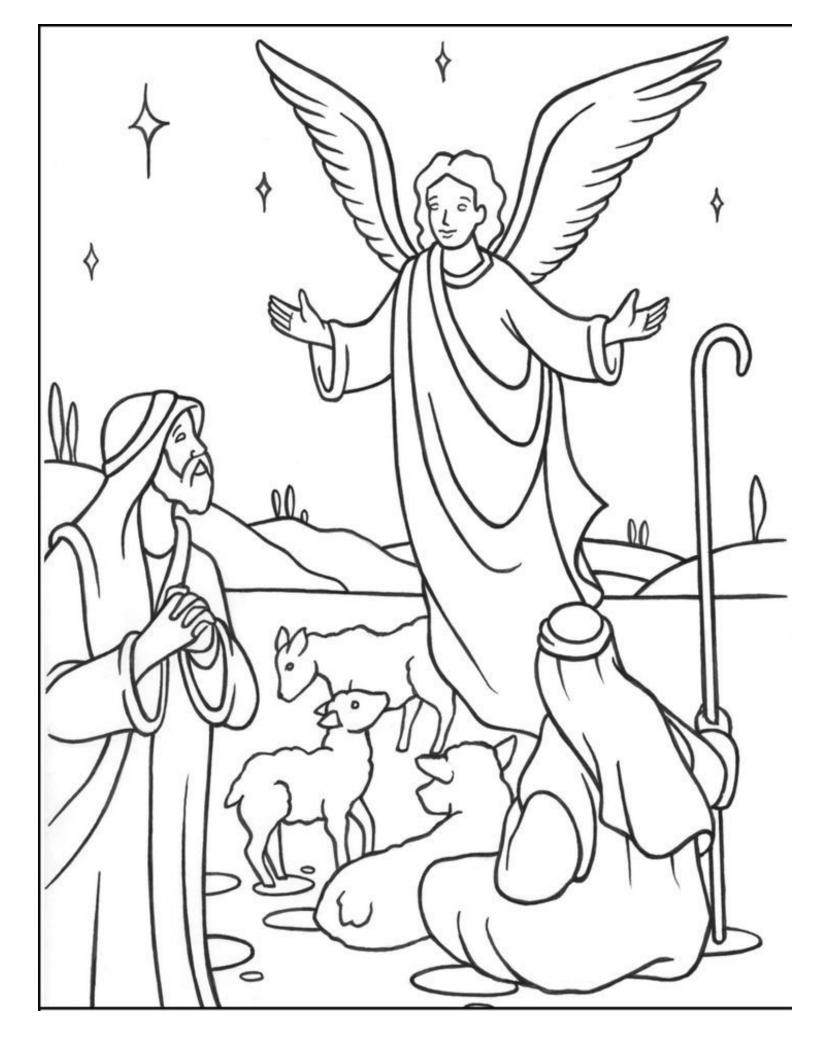
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Quo Primum
Quod Multum
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