# SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH

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> PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday, 9am-4:30pm closed for lunch 12:30-1:30pm

Religious Education/Youth Ministry Pre-K-8, Sundays 9:45-10:45am Grades 9-12, Sundays 2-4pm September - May

Instructions in the Catholic Faith - (R.C.I.A.) Tuesdays, 7pm, August - April Sunday Masses Saturday (Vigil): 4:30pm Sunday: 8:30 & 11am

WEEKDAY MASSES & HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION as announced

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday: 3-4pm & by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Fridays 9-10am & on First Friday 8:30-11:30am

WEDDINGS Six months notification required.

**BAPTISM** By appointment - Parent Class required and must be registered three months in the parish.



### Thanksgiving Meal Project



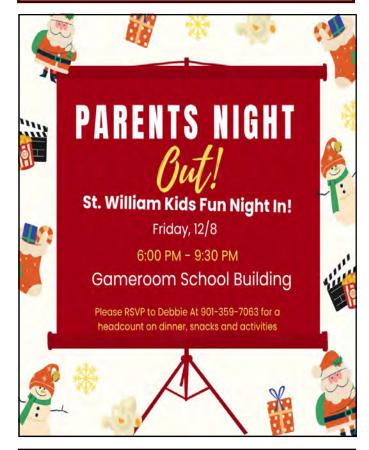
December 3, 2023 ~ First Sunday of Advent



Knights of Columbus Meeting Thursday, December 7th, at <u>7:15pm</u> in the school cafeteria.

Friday, December 8, *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*, is a <u>Holy Day of Obligation</u>. There will be a vigil Mass on Thursday at 6pm and Masses on Friday will be at 8:30 & 11:30am.

Please note the Parish Office will also be closed on Friday.



Don't forget "**Share Sunday**" next weekend, December 9/10. The items donated are given to the poor. The following items are needed and used each month: paper towels, toilet tissue, napkins, feminine products, coffee, tea bags, creamer, sugar, cooking oil, laundry detergent, dish detergent, cleaning supplies, and soap (they receive plenty of food).

<u>Please bring your items to the Family Life Center</u> and place in the wooden boxes in the gym.

Thank you for your generosity.

### **Additional Opportunity for Confession**

Next Sunday, December 10, from 9:45-11am with Fr. Richard Coy in the Family Life Center.

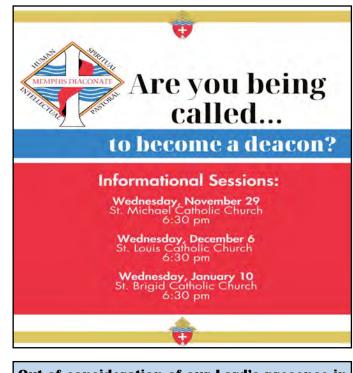
#### **2024 Boxed Set of Collection Envelopes**

Please pick up your 2024 boxed set of collection envelopes. They are on the table located in the Narthex and available for pick up during regular office hours or on the weekends before and after Mass. If you do not find envelopes for your family, but would like to receive a set, <u>please</u> call the parish office at 872-4099 and we will be happy to assign a box to you.

**RCIA** is held on Tuesdays at 7pm in the Family Life Center classrooms. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or inquiring about the Catholic Faith, please join us.

### This week's topic is *"Introduction to the Sacraments"*.

You do not have to be a participant in the class to attend. All are welcome!



Out of consideration of our Lord's presence in the tabernacle and for those wishing to pray before or after Mass, please refrain from talking in the church worship space.

#### **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

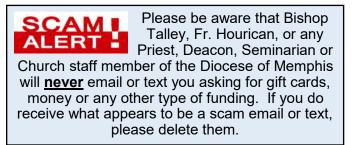
Roman Catholic Church and through prayer, evangelization, and service to others; while always remembering that the primary mission of the Church is the salvation of souls.



ALTAR

#### **Altar Flowers**

Each week, the Church uses fresh FLOWERS flowers on the altar. The Flower Chart for 2024 is on the bulletin board in the Church's Narthex. There are many available dates. If you would like to provide flowers on a particular weekend, please sign the chart with your name and phone number. You will be responsible for placing your own order.



If you would like to serve at any of the Christmas

Masses, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

#### **Commemorative & Illustrated Books**

As part of the Diocesan Year of the National Eucharistic Revival, our beautiful "That All May Be One" Commemorative and Illustrated books are available for purchase. These faith-filled books cover the start of Catholicism in Memphis, past the establishment of our Diocese in West Tennessee and through our Diocese's 50th Anniversary.

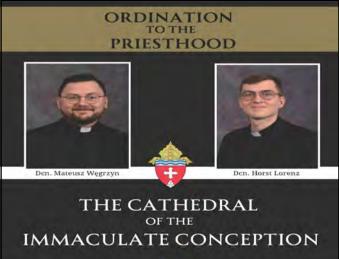
Cost of the books are:

History Book of the Diocese of Memphis—\$35

Graphic Novel Softcover—\$15

These books may be purchased after Mass or during the week in the Parish Office. These books will make great Christmas gifts!

### Save the date!



10:00 am

Jan. 6, 2024

	Monday	December 4	8:30am	+Lee Drouin by Mike & Andrea McLellan
	Tuesday	December 5	11:30am	+Millie Quigley by Mike & Andrea McLellan
	Wednesday	December 6	8:30am	+Deceased Members of St. William Parish
11100	Thursday	December 7	11:30am	+Mary & Raphael Medrano by Mike & Ellen Schmall
			6:00pm	<b>+Deceased Members of St. William Parish</b> by Rev. William Burke
	Friday	December 8	8:30am	Spec Int of <b>John Austin</b> by Josie Austin
			11:30am	Spec Int of the Parishioners of St. William
	Saturday	December 9	8:30am	Spec Int of <b>Claire Hutton</b> by Rev. John Hourican
INTENTIAN			4:30pm	+Leo & Bea Schaller by Mike & Ellen Schmall
	Sunday	December 10	8:30am	+Lee Drouin by Mike & Ellen Schmall
			11:00am	Spec Int of the Parishioners of St. William

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND/OR RECUPERATING OF OUR PARISH: Earl Baker, Jeanne Brannock, Dee Burke, Sarah Cole, Michael Dalao, Al Harris, Mary Harris, Terry Hunt, Angelo LoBianco, Mary Morrison, Howard & Ruthann Olson, Rick Ortiz, Chase Weston, and John Yetman.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES: Clayton & Eva Allen, John Babich, Austin Brewer, Fr. Bill Burke, Diana Carroll, Brenda Cline, Donna Cordle, Essy & Dave Cragin, Sally & Andy Cuccia, Tim Dorsey, Glenn Hayes, Ronald Hitchcock, Alberta James, Charles LeBlanc & family, Heather Lewellen, Evelyn Lynn, Jamie Neal, Michele Neal, Kalynn Pierce, Claudia Sanders, Deacon Jim Schmall, Gunnar Tombs, Aaron Williams, Todd Williams, all caretakers, all the unborn babies, and for all abused children. PLEASE REMEMBER OUR FAMILY MEMBERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY: HM1 James Allen, Zachary Andrews, E3 Nate Beckmann, SP4 Patrick Beckmann, BM1 Shane Blevins, LCDR Evan Bower, CS2 (SW/AW) Michael Domingo, Msgt Jonathan A. Duncan USMC, CS2 (SS) Michael T. Duncan, PFC Dylan Kirkpatrick, Cody Michael Maglio, Sgt. John Messene, Arthur Metcalfe IV, MAJ Ian A. Netzel, LT Leah Ortiz, Joseph Stephens, Turner Weston OSSA, Sgt Amy Winter, and 1SG Nathan Wright.

# WEEKLY OFFERING

#### WEEKLY OFFERTORY—Last Weekend:

Offertory Actual \$6,105 Offertory Budget \$6,731

YTD Offertory-actual \$144,835 YTD Offertory-budget \$148,077

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND YTD Offertory-actual \$19,582 YTD Offertory-budget \$25,385

#### Next weekend's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

#### WeShare Online Giving

You can make a one-time or recurring donation using your debit card, credit card, checking, or savings account. Visit our church website, click on Online Giving on the home page, set up your account, choose a payment option and customize your donation. Stewardship is easier than ever! *"He who is generous will be blessed." Proverbs 22:9* 



		December 9	December 10	December 10
,		4:30pm	8:30am	11:00am
2	Lectors	Lisa Schmidt	Mark Miller	Rob Tomlinson
	Ministers of Holy	Scott Ewen*	Gary Harper*	Josie Tomlinson*
	Communion			
	Altar Servers	Scott Ewen	Alex Marlow	Emily Hunter
ł.		Chris Pond	Delia Rodocker	Joshua Hunter
,		VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	James Pagulayan