

# SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## PARISH STAFF

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**Mrs. Debbie Breckenridge,**

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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.



January 14, 2024 ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Please note the Parish Office will be closed Monday, January 15, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

## RCIA

RCIA is held on Tuesdays at 7pm in the Family Life Center classrooms.

This week's topic is *"The Four Last Things"*.

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

Bunco is **this Friday, January 19!** Please mark your calendars and plan to join us! It is a game of no skill and is super easy to play.



Bunco begins at **6pm**. If you have any questions, please call Debbie Breckenridge at 359-7063.

## Silver Rose Prayer Service

Next Saturday, January 20, the Knights of Columbus will be having a Silver Rose Prayer Service after the 4:30pm Mass.

This service honors Our Lady of Guadalupe and her message of the sanctity of human life.

***FYI—The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and holy days of obligation is the ordinary expectation for Roman Catholics (Canon 1247). However, extraordinary circumstances such as sickness, snow or ice, or other severe weather excuse the faithful from this obligation.***

**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.**

## Young Adult Ministry

Everyone ages 14-35, please join the Young Adult Ministry in the Family Life Center classroom from 12:30-1:30pm for Lunch and Learn discussions. The dates and topics are listed below, and pizza will be provided. We are opening these discussions to all those in 9th-12th grade (parents are also encouraged to attend topics on vocations). Please reach out to Todd Ripley at 901-308-3595 with any questions.

Dates	Discussion Topics
January 28	Vocation of Marriage
February 11	Mark Ch. 1-4
February 25	Vocation of Priesthood
March 10	Mark Ch. 5-8
March 24	Vocation of Religious Life
April 14	Mark Ch. 9-12
April 28	Vocation of Deacons
May 12	Mark Ch. 13-16
May 19	Vocation of Laity

## The Rite of Election and The Call to Continuing Conversion

On the First Sunday of Lent this year, our catechumens and candidates will celebrate an important step in their journey toward becoming a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church. This celebration will take place on Sunday, February 18, at 3pm, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

## Email Prayer Request

Thank you to all of our prayer warriors! St. William has an email prayer request line that is available to ALL of our parishioners. Please email Lisa if you would like to be added to the list of recipients as well.

Please send all requests to:  
[lisaschmidt319@yahoo.com](mailto:lisaschmidt319@yahoo.com)

*Statements of your **2023 financial donations** to the church will be available upon request only. Please call the Parish Office or email [lisa.rhodes@stwilliam.cdom.org](mailto:lisa.rhodes@stwilliam.cdom.org) if you wish to have a record of your donations.*



### 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.

*Mark your Calendars!*

## **Lenten Parish Mission**

with Fr. Steve Bruno,  
Pastor of St. Rita's in Harahan, LA

**March 4-6, 2024**



### ***Fr. Steven Bruno Bio***

I was born and raised in Mid-City New Orleans, serving at the Altar of God at St. Anthony of Padua until I was a senior in High School at St. John Prep, a 'minor seminary' run by the Archdiocese of New Orleans. My college career was very non-traditional until I finally graduated from Our Lady of Holy Cross College. After several years working at a family-owned reprographic company, I discerned a call to enter seminary. I entered a formation year at Notre Dame Seminary with another 'late vocation' who had been at NDS for a year, now Fr. John Hourican. We were ordained on the same day, June 4, 2005, so we unfortunately could not attend each other's ordination. I served at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish for a couple of years before being asked to work in the Vocations Office at the chancery, where I served for the next 7 years. Needing to get back to parish life, I served at St. Philip Neri Parish for a couple of years before being asked to become a Pastor for the first time at St. Rita of Cascia in Harahan, a small incorporated city just west of New Orleans proper. I have served there for the last 7 years and hope to be there for the next 5 years to finish repairs from Hurricane Ida and complete a Capital Campaign to refresh our 60 year old church.

I've just recently (Dec 2021) become a cat owner (getting Marcus from a local shelter), and last year I felt had to get him a buddy, one-eyed Jack. I love music and played guitar for much of my life. Now I just play silly songs for the school children (we have 328 children in our parochial school). I truly look forward to coming up to Memphis to lead a Mission that hopefully will invigorate and inspire faith for all those who attend. I will use some music, some slides to guide the presentation, and some video clips to keep our attention, which seems to be decreasing as we trudge through a society insisting on 140 characters in a tweet to inform us about even very complex issues. Please join me March 4th, 5th, and 6th, to help make our Lenten journey fruitful and spiritual.

### **Guidelines for Receiving the Eucharist**

Catholics should make spiritual preparation before receiving Holy Communion. We do this by abstaining from food and drink (except water and medicine) for at least one hour before receiving Communion (see Can. 919: §1). Be aware that chewing gum breaks the Eucharistic fast. No one should ever attempt to receive Communion with chewing gum in their mouth. Also, a Catholic in a state of mortal sin should first make a sacramental confession before returning to the Eucharist.

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Please have someone contact the Parish Office if you are hospitalized or are seriously ill. Due to privacy laws, hospitals do not notify churches when patients are admitted. Also, Catholics are encouraged to seek the sacrament in advance of scheduled surgery.

	Monday	January 15	8:30am	<b>+Anita Gustafson</b> by Joe & Dot Costa
	Tuesday	January 16	11:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Wednesday	January 17	8:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Thursday	January 18	11:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Friday	January 19	8:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Saturday	January 20	8:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
			4:30pm	<b>+Filisetas Guillermo</b> by Mike & Andrea McLellan
	Sunday	January 21	8:30am	<b>+Doris Raye</b> by Connie Allison
			11:00am	Spec Int of <b>the Parishioners of St. William</b>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND/OR RECUPERATING OF OUR PARISH:** Earl Baker, Jeanne Brannock, Dee Burke, Sarah Cole, Michael Dalao, Al 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, Ronald Hitchcock, Alberta James, Charles LeBlanc & family, Heather Lewellen, Evelyn Lynn, Jamie Neal, Michele Neal, Kalynn Pierce, Claudia Sanders, Gunnar Tombs, Aaron Williams, Todd Williams, Jane & Martin Wiseman, 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, Msgr 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, LCDR Leah Ortiz, Joseph Stephens, Turner Weston OSSA, Sgt Amy Winter, and ISG Nathan Wright.


## WEEKLY OFFERING

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY—Last Weekend:**


Offertory Actual \$7,351  
 Offertory Budget \$6,731  
 YTD Offertory-actual \$185,070  
 YTD Offertory-budget \$188,462

**BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND**

YTD Offertory-actual \$37,640  
 YTD Offertory-budget \$32,308



*The altar flowers this weekend  
 are In Honor of  
 Danny & Maria Boyett's  
 43rd Wedding Anniversary.*

		<b>January 20</b>	<b>January 21</b>	<b>January 21</b>
		<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
	<b>Lectors</b>	Lisa Schmidt	Teresa Elliott	Rob Tomlinson
	<b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Scott Ewen*	Gary Harper*	Josie Tomlinson*
	<b>Altar Servers</b>	Scott Ewen	Joseph Marcello	Aedan DiCello
		Chris Pond	Delia Rodocker	Cayleigh DiCello
		VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	Megan DiCello