

# SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## PARISH STAFF

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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.



February 4, 2024 ~ Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Free Throw Contest

**The St. William Knights of Columbus Council #6321 is hosting a Youth Free Throw Contest today, Sunday, February 4, at 1pm, in the Family Life Center. It is for boys and girls ages 9-14.**



**Those who don't attend St. William are welcome to participate as well. Winners will advance to regionals on a date and location to be announced. Good luck and God Bless!**

Don't forget "**Share Sunday**" next weekend, February 10/11. 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).

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

Thank you for your generosity.

### RCIA

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

**This week's topic is "Lent—Grace—Justification—Conscience".**

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

### **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.



**The St. William Women's Club will meet this Wednesday, February 7th, at 7pm in the Family Life Center. Newcomers are welcome!**

### BABY SHOWER

The Women's Club is once again hosting our annual baby shower. We will be collecting new or gently used baby items for expectant mothers in need through March 3rd. This year your donations will be going to Life Choices of Memphis. If you would like to know more about Life Choices, please visit their website at [www.lifechoicesmemphis.org](http://www.lifechoicesmemphis.org). Donations may be brought to the parish office or given to any active club member after Mass. Thank you for your participation!

### 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.

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Discussion Topics</b>
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

**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.**

*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.

### NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTRY

Currently our Food Pantry has sufficient quantities of canned food, however, we are out of the following items, which we share with the First United Methodist Church Food Pantry:

**canned tuna**  
**canned chicken**  
**medium sized boxes of cereal**  
**boxes of saltine crackers**

Shirley Maes will be in the Family Life Center the next two Saturdays from 4-6pm and the FLC will be open on Sundays from 7:30am-1pm. If you have any of the above items that you can share, please leave them in the FLC. Questions, contact Shirley at 647-6111.

*Attention all:* I will be stepping down as Youth Director, but please know that this decision was not made lightly. I will continue as if nothing has changed until we find a new Youth Director. I will also continue to be involved supporting the new Youth Director in this extremely important ministry as I love ministering to the youth. If you are interested or just want to know more about what the role entails, please feel free to reach out to Todd Ripley at 308-3595. Thank you for your support over the past two years!

### **Ash Wednesday, February 14**

Masses are at 8:30am & 6pm.

The Women's Club invites everyone to join them for a free Monk's Supper, vegetable soup and homemade bread, in the Family Life Center immediately after the Ash Wednesday 6pm Mass. This is a tradition at St. William and is a good way to note the beginning of Lent as a Parish family.

### Lenten Rules for Fasting & Abstinence

In the United States, the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are days of **fast** and **abstinence**. The law of fast obliges all those from ages 18-59 to refrain from eating between meals and to limit their eating to one full meal and two lighter meals for the day. The law of abstinence obliges those 14 years of age and older not to eat meat.

*Mark your Calendars!*

### **Lenten Parish Mission**

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

**March 4-6, 2024**

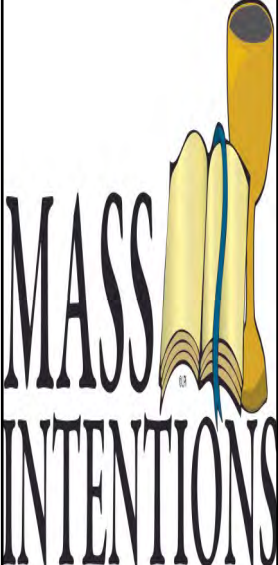
### **Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress**

**Indianapolis**

**July 17-21, 2024**

**with Bishop David Talley  
and the Diocese of Memphis**

Participate in this pivotal moment in the Church and draw into a deeper intimacy with our Lord. Join our Diocese by registering today at 866-468-1420.

	Monday	February 5	8:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Tuesday	February 6	11:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Wednesday	February 7	8:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Thursday	February 8	11:30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
	Friday	February 9	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>+Lee Drouin</b> by Mike & Andrea McLellan
	Saturday	February 10	8:30am	<b>+The Forgotten Souls in Purgatory</b>
			4:30pm	Spec Int of <b>Grace Johnson</b> by Ron Johnson
	Sunday	February 11	8:30am	Spec Int of <b>the Parishioners of St. William</b>
			11:00am	<b>+Marie Hoffman</b> by the DiCello Family

**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, Fr. Bill Burke, Diana Carroll, Brenda Cline, Donna Cordle, Essy & Dave Cragin, Sally & Andy Cuccia, Heather Lewellen, Evelyn Lynn, Kalynn Pierce, 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 \$6,550  
Offertory Budget \$6,731

YTD Offertory-actual \$202,416  
YTD Offertory-budget \$208,654


### BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND

YTD Offertory-actual \$38,727  
YTD Offertory-budget \$35,769

*We try to keep our prayer list current. We have removed all names that had been on our friends and relatives prayer list for the past year. If you know of someone that needs to be added to the list, please call the parish office.*



*The altar flowers this weekend are In Memory of my wife, Mary Ann, by John Oliver.*

		<b>February 10</b>	<b>February 11</b>	<b>February 11</b>
		<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
	<b>Lectors</b>	Scott Ewen	Agatha Asemota	Marie Stevenson
	<b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Scott Ewen*	Gary Harper*	Bill Stevenson*
	<b>Altar Servers</b>	Cindy Beckmann	Alex Marlow	Megan DiCello
		Scott Ewen	Delia Rodocker	Addison Strevel
		VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	Cole Strevel