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

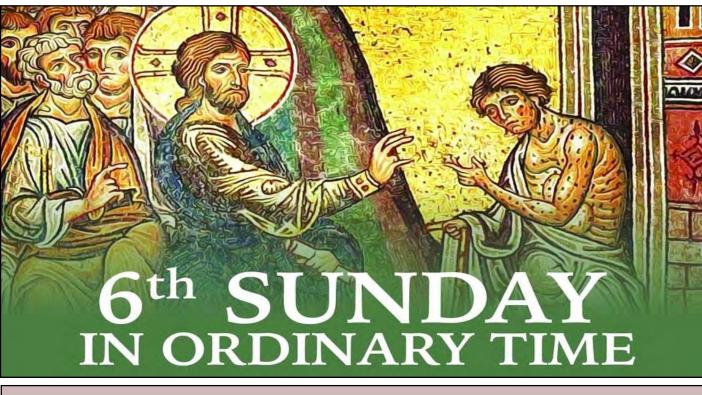
WEEKDAY MASSES & HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION as announced

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.



February 11, 2024 ~ Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



This weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal. Our parish goal is \$55,000. Please complete your pledge card,

indicating your gift or pledge to our diocesan church. If you do not have a card, please fill out a commitment card located in the Narthex. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocesan church.

<u>RCIA</u>

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

This week's topic is *"The Sacrament of Confirmation".*

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, <u>February 18</u>, at 3pm, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

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.

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 <u>fast</u> 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 <u>abstinence</u> obliges those 14 years of age and older not to eat meat.

Lenten Fridays

Lenten Fish Fries will be held during the Fridays of Lent from 5-6:30pm in the Family Life Center. Take out meals will be offered as well. Proceeds go to benefit various programs supported by our local Knights of Columbus Council. Cost per plate is \$12, seniors age 65+ are \$10, and children ages 6-12 are \$8. Please note we will be unable to offer second helpings as we have in the past.

<u>Stations of the Cross</u> will be held at 7pm in the Church on Fridays during Lent.

Please note there are <u>no flowers</u> in the Church during the Season of Lent.

Mark your Calendars!

Lenten Parish Mission

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

March 4-6, 2024



<u>Mission Statement</u>

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.

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 or Fr. Hourican. Thank you for your support over the past two years!

Statements of your **2023 financial donations** to the church will be available <u>upon request only</u>. Please call the Parish Office or email lisa.rhodes@stwilliam.cdom.org if you wish to have a record of your donations.

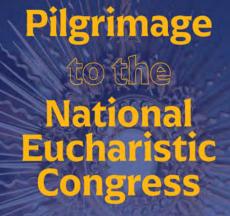
BABY SHOWER

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. Donations may be brought to the parish office or given to any active club member after Mass. Thank you for your participation!



Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 19, in observance of Presidents' Day.

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.



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! Scan the QR code or click the Book Now button to attend this historic event.





NASS NTENTIONS	Monday	February 12	8:30am	Spec Int of Davey Dever by Mike & Ellen Schmall
	Tuesday	February 13	11:30am	+Tom & Sandra Harbach by Mike & Ellen Schmall
	Wednesday	February 14	8:30am	Spec Int of Andrew Gross by Rev. John Hourican
			6:00pm	Spec Int of the Parishioners of St. William
	Thursday	February 15	11:30am	+Tom & Barbara Barnes by Mike & Ellen Schmall
	Friday	February 16	8:30am	+Ellery Cline by Mike & Margaret Carlson
	Saturday	February 17	8:30am	+Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Rev. John Hourican
			4:30pm	+David Morrison by Mary Morrison
	Sunday	February 18	8:30am	+Michael Maglio by Linda Maglio
			11:00am	Spec Int of the Parishioners of St. William

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND/OR RECUPERATING OF OUR PARISH: Guy Avanzi, 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: HMI James Allen, Zachary Andrews, E3 Nate Beckmann, SP4 Patrick Beckmann, BMI 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, LCDR Leah Ortiz, Joseph Stephens, Turner Weston OSSA, Sgt Amy Winter, and ISG Nathan Wright.

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY OFFERTORY—Last Weekend:

Offertory Actual \$8,821 Offertory Budget \$6,731

YTD Offertory-actual \$211,236 YTD Offertory-budget \$215,385

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND YTD Offertory-actual \$41,725 YTD Offertory-budget \$36,923 The altar flowers this weekend are In Memory of Wayne Shannon by the Whitehouse Family.

Next weekend's second collection is for Black & Indian Missions.

