

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 18, 2024 ~ First Sunday of Lent



Last weekend was our Parish Commitment Weekend for the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not yet completed your card, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it to the church office. Our goal is to have 100% participation in our church family that is the Diocese of Memphis.



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

RCIA

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

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

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

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**

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.

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 if you wish to have a record of your donations.

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.

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.

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

Please note there are no flowers in the Church during the Season of Lent.

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.

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!



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

“Where Y’at?: Navigating the Challenges of Life” with Fr. Steve Bruno,
Pastor of St. Rita’s in Harahan, LA

March 4-6, 2024



We are seeking a new part-time Youth Director. If you, or someone you know, might be interested, please reach out to Fr. Hourican.

The St. William Women’s Club would like to happily announce its **4th annual scholarship!** This scholarship will be available to one recipient who will be enrolled full-time at any trade school or 2-year or 4-year accredited establishment for the 24/25 school year. Applicants must be active, registered parishioners. **A 550-1000 word essay and application will need to be submitted to the office no later than April 15, 2024.** Once the essays are submitted, they will be given an application number and the essay will be blindly given to the St. William Women’s Club Executive Committee. They will collectively narrow the essays down to three. The final three will be presented at the May 2024 meeting and every member in attendance will vote on the essay they feel is deserving of the scholarship. The essay with the most votes will win. In the event of a tie, the executive committee will cast a vote among themselves between the two essays that are tied. The winner will be announced in the June William Tell along with their essay. Upon verification of enrollment, a \$500 check for the fall semester will be sent (in September) to the school of attendance in the winner’s name and applied to their school account. A second check for \$500 will be applied the same way for the spring semester (in January) if the applicant is still enrolled and pursuing their degree or trade.

The topic of the essay is:

How do you see your Catholic faith playing a role in your college experience?

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Den. Rolando Perez Den. Andrew Raffanti Den. Kacper Wojcieszko

THE CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

June 8, 2024 10:00 am

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

	Monday	February 19	8:30am	+Wayne Clayborne by Charles & Angelo LoBianco
	Tuesday	February 20	11:30am	+Bertha Witcher by Evelyn Cox
	Wednesday	February 21	8:30am	Spec Int of Heather Worth by Rev. John Hourican
	Thursday	February 22	11:30am	+Mary Syriac by Anna Stringfellow
	Friday	February 23	8:30am	+Marion McLellan by Mike & Andrea McLellan
	Saturday	February 24	8:30am	Special Intention by Rev. John Hourican
			4:30pm	+Linda Fenwick by Joe & Dot Costa
	Sunday	February 25	8:30am	+Lee Drouin by Kathy Drouin
			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: *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, LCDR Leah Ortiz, Joseph Stephens, Turner Weston OSSA, Sgt Amy Winter, and 1SG Nathan Wright.*

WEEKLY OFFERING

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Offertory Actual \$7,585
Offertory Budget \$6,731

YTD Offertory-actual \$218,822
YTD Offertory-budget \$222,115

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND

YTD Offertory-actual \$42,441
YTD Offertory-budget \$38,077


Email Prayer Request Line

Please send all requests to:
lisaschmidt319@yahoo.com

Catholic Diocese of Memphis

Procedure for Reporting Sexual Abuse

Anyone who has knowledge of or who has cause to suspect an incident of sexual abuse should report the information to the appropriate civil authorities first at 1-877-237-0004, then to the Diocesan Director of Child & Youth Protection at 901-359-2027 or the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 901-652-4066.

		February 24	February 25	February 25
		4:30pm	8:30am	11:00am
	Lectors	Lisa Schmidt	Teresa Elliott	Wendy Strevel
	Ministers of Holy Communion	Chris Pond*	Debbie Breckenridge*	Rob Tomlinson*
	Altar Servers	Cindy Beckmann	Alex Marlow	Aedan DiCello
		Chris Pond	Delia Rodocker	Cayleigh DiCello
		VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	Megan DiCello