

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/Teen Ministry

Pre-K-8, Sundays 9:45-10:45am

All Teenagers, Sundays 12:30-2:30pm

September - May

Instructions in the Catholic Faith - (O.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 in the FLC & by appointment

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays 9-10am

WEDDINGS

Six months notification required.

BAPTISM

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



November 17, 2024 ~ Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Alberta James, mother of Wanda
Marcello, who died recently.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord
and let perpetual light shine upon
her. May her soul rest in peace.
Amen.



CALLING ALL MEMBERS OF ST. WILLIAM!!

Our Annual Thanksgiving Meal Project is upon us. As always,
it can ONLY be accomplished with your help!

We will need the following food items to
make this event successful!

Canned Regular Cut Green Beans
Whole Potatoes
Canned Cranberry Sauce
Pies (store bought ONLY) bring 11/23-11/24
Brown and Serve Dinner Rolls bring 11/23-11/24

These items can be left in the FLC kitchen, dropped by the
parish office during regular office hours or collected
during PRE class 11/17 and 11/24. If you plan on donating,
please bring items by 11/24 for planning purposes.

Thursday morning we need volunteers to help:



Prepare Food
Package Meals
Deliver Meals
Clean Up Kitchen



For more information, feel free to reach out to
Rob Tomlinson (901-335-3658), Debbie Breckenridge (901-359-7063)
or Lisa at the church office 901-872-4099

Thank you for your continued support of this annual project!

Attention crafters and vendors: Our annual
craft and vendor show will be held in the Family
Life Center after all Masses on November 23/24.

If you would like to participate, please contact
Mary Heburn at 215-266-5244 to reserve your
space.

ST. WILLIAM GIFTS FOR GOD'S CHILDREN POT LUCK & LIVE AUCTION

DECEMBER 7, 2024
AFTER 4:30 MASS IN
THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Please bring a new, auction-worthy, wrapped gift,
with some enticing words attached describing the
item. It will be up for grabs in true live-auction style;
all for a worthy cause. This auction is taking the place
of adopting a family, so PLEASE come, bring an item,
bid generously, and support this worthwhile cause.
All the proceeds will go to Catholic Charities to
provide Christmas for families in need.

BRING A DISH TO SHARE AT
THE POTLUCK

WE WILL BE HAVING
AN UGLY SWEATER
CONTEST SO PLAN ON
SHOWING OUT!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MARY HEBURN
215-266-5244 OR JUDI HARPER 340-0425

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

is usually celebrated on
December 8th. This solemnity is also a holy day of
obligation in the United States. Because the Sundays of
Advent are very important days in the Church's yearly
preparation for Christmas, they take precedence.

Whenever the Immaculate Conception falls on a
Sunday, it is transferred to the following Monday and
was not thought to be a holy day of obligation. In a
recent letter from the Holy See, the United States
Conference of Catholic Bishops was informed that the
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception should always
be a holy day of obligation in the U.S.A. even if it is
transferred to Monday, December 9th. In the likeli-
hood of confusion and the short notice given by the
Holy See, *Bishop David is dispensing all Catholics
living in the Diocese of Memphis on that day from the
obligation of attending Mass on December 9, 2024.* In
future years, we will observe the Solemnity of the
Immaculate Conception on whichever day it is
observed.

**St. William will have Mass on Monday,
December 9, at 8:30am & 5:30pm.**

The Youth Group will be **selling cookies** after
the Masses on **December 7th and 8th**. There
will be Chocolate Chunk, Peanut Butter Rounds
and Mint Chocolate Chip and they will be \$5 per
bag (about 7 or so cookies per bag). The teens
will be baking on December 7th so they will be
good and fresh! You can pre-order by calling or
texting Todd Ripley at 901-308-3595. The
money raised will support their summer trip to
Alive In You Knoxville. Alive In You is an All-
Catholic Service Camp and Youth Confer-
ence. Half of their time will be spent helping a
group or organization in need and the other half
will consist of attending daily Mass, adoration,
confession, listening to young dynamic speakers,
music, games, and A LOT of fellowship with
other teens from around the country. Last
year, they went to Alive In You Mobile and had
an awesome time! You really cannot fully under-
stand just how powerful of an impact these
camps have on our teens without seeing it for
yourself. We have a lot of new teens this year
and I personally cannot wait to see the power
of God working through each one of our new and
existing teens next summer. Thank you for
your continued support and please reach out to
Todd Ripley with any questions.



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.

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.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

OCIA is held on Tuesdays at 7pm in the old school building.

**This week's topic is
"Theology of the Body".**

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

St. William Women's Club

CHRISTMAS LUNCH & GIFT EXCHANGE

BRING A FINGER FOOD TO SHARE AND IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GIFT EXCHANGE, BRING A WRAPPED GIFT (VALUED @ \$15 OR MORE)

The St. William's Woman of the Year will be announced at this luncheon

Sunday, December 8th @ 1:00PM in the Family Life Center

SANTA SHOP AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

**DECEMBER 15TH, 2024;
DURING PRE CLASS 9:45-10:45**

Bring your student to their regular class and pick them up in the FLC

Send your student with a few dollars and they will be able to Christmas shop and wrap the presents for their family (living in house). The youth group will have a great breakfast available and lots of fun games and activities for the kids.

KINDERGARTEN AND 1ST GRADE WILL SHOP ON DECEMBER 8TH SO THEY HAVE MORE TIME

We are always accepting donations of small items for the Santa Shop, so drop off what you have during PRE or to Lisa in the office. Used items are perfect! Candy is great too!

All proceeds go to the youth group's summer trip

This Advent, join Fr. Mike Schmitz in a journey through the daily readings as he confronts our doubts and reveals God's love with app-exclusive **daily video reflections and scripture passages**.

Discover who God is, who we are, and how we are made worthy to stand in his presence. What if you knew that December 25th Christmas Day was the day that you were going to die?



The way we live Advent would have to change.

We'd have to live with intentionality.

We'd have to live it with purpose.

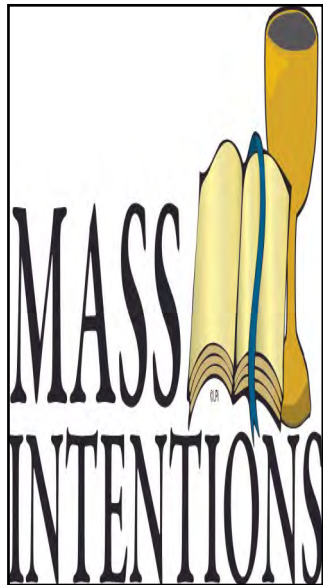
We'd have to live it with grace.

Too often, we live life by "default". We forget that we are on a journey to an eternal destination of joy that we were made for.

We are burdened by fears and questions: what if I am not worthy? What if I am not enough?

Live Advent differently this year. Prepare to meet God, face to face.

Only available on the Ascension App



Monday	November 18	8:30am	+Don Cox by Evelyn Cox
Tuesday	November 19	11:30am	+Senio Parfan by Rexie Conopio
Wednesday	November 20	8:30am	For Those Who Died Defending our Country by Mike & Andrea McLellan
Thursday	November 21	11:30am	Spec Int of Pauline Bielen by Josie Austin
Friday	November 22	8:30am	+Joyce McIntyre by Family of Patrick McIntyre
Saturday	November 23	8:30am	+Mike Austin by Josie Austin
		4:30pm	+Linda Fenwick by Charles & Betty Zoccola
Sunday	November 24	8:30am	+Betty Sampuda by George & Carla Sampuda
		11:00am	Intention of the parishioners of St. William

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND/OR RECUPERATING OF OUR PARISH: *Guy Avanzi, Earl Baker, Bill Beckmann, James Bishof, Jeanne Brannock, Dee Burke, Paul Carver, Alex Domingo, Ken Gregory & family, Terry Hunt, Angelo LoBianco, Evelyn Lynn, the Marcello Family, Mary Morrison, Marion Nadrchal, Linda Norman, Howard & Ruthann Olson, Rick Ortiz, and Chase Weston.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES: *Debbie Barkowski, Fr. Bill Burke, Lana McDowell, M.J. Netzel, Kayla Shea, Donald Stephens, 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, PFC Anna Grace Beckmann, E5 Nate Beckmann, SP4 Patrick Beckmann, BMI Shane Blevins, LCDR Evan Bower, Airman David W. Brandt USN, 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.*

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.

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY OFFERTORY—Last Weekend:

Offertory Actual \$7,385
Offertory Budget \$6,788

YTD Offertory-actual \$151,998

YTD Offertory-budget \$128,981

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND

YTD Offertory-actual \$22,459

YTD Offertory-budget \$21,923



*The altar flowers this weekend are
In Thanksgiving for
Many Blessings
by Russell & Helen Marshall.*



	November 23	November 24	November 24
	4:30pm	8:30am	11:00am
Lectors	Lisa Schmidt	Mark Miller	Rob Tomlinson
Ministers of Holy Communion	Chris Pond*	Gary Harper*	Josie Tomlinson*
Altar Servers	Buddy Kuhstoss Janis Nichols Chris Pond	Alex Marlow Delia Rodocker VOLUNTEER	Emily Hunter Joshua Hunter James Pagulayan