

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.



March 23, 2025 ~ Third Sunday of Lent



Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Our parish goal is \$60,800. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the Narthex. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

Job Opening: We are currently seeking a candidate for Youth Director at St. William. If you are interested, or would like to know more about what the role entails, please reach out to Fr. Hourican.

We will not have a Penance Service during Lent, but we will have **additional confessions available** on: Sunday, March 23, March 30 and April 6, from 9:45-10:45am.

PARISH
Clean Up Day

SATURDAY
29
MARCH
2025

STARTS AT
8:30 AM

MEET IN
CHURCH
PARKING LOT

Inside & Outside Activities:

- WEEDING OF FLOWER BEDS
- CLEANING IN THE CHURCH
- GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Many Hands Make for Light Work

WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP

TO GET THE CHURCH LOOKING GOOD FOR THE MISSION

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

OCIA is held on Tuesdays at 7pm in the old school building. This week's topic is *"The Sacrament of Holy Orders"*. You do not have to be a participant in the class to attend. All are welcome!

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.

First Communion
Mandatory Parent Meeting

There will be a mandatory parent meeting on **Sunday, March 30**, for PARENTS of students receiving their First Communion on April 27. The meeting will begin at 10:30am in the school cafeteria. Please be there and signed in by 10:30 so it can start on time and you don't miss any of the information.

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 \$10, children ages 6-12 are \$8, and kids 5 and under are free. 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.

"And the Winner Is?"

The Auction will be held on Saturday, April 26, after the 4:30pm Mass in the Family Life Center, with the Knights of Columbus providing a pasta dinner. Tickets are \$12 per person regardless of age. The Women's Club is sponsoring this event and is accepting new items with a minimum value of \$10. Items may be given to any club member or left in the church office. Please contact Velda Dedeaux at 901-596-2929 with any questions.

Give instead of Giving up.



Here is a great way to give this Lenten Season:

If you have any old coats, hoodies, sweatshirts, sweatpants, or jeans, you would like to donate to someone in need, please gather them up. You can drop them by the parish office during the week during normal business hours or in the game room in the school building on Sundays between the Masses.



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.

APRIL 7TH - 9TH



SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH LENTEN MISSION

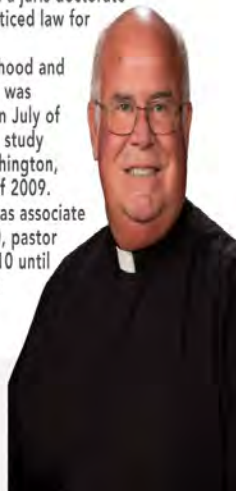


WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE, AND GOOD THINGS HAPPEN TO PEOPLE WE THINK ARE BAD?

Fr. James Brady was born in Philadelphia, PA to Dr. Eugene F. and Joan J. Brady. He is one of seven children, and his older brother is a priest serving the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. His father was a permanent deacon for the Diocese of Baton Rouge.

After high school, Fr. Brady attended Spring Hill College in Mobile, AL and received a BS in Accounting in 1987. He then attended the University of Mississippi School of Law and received a juris doctorate in 1990. He then moved to Lafayette where he practiced law for 11 years.

In 2001 Fr. Brady entered formation for the priesthood and attended Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans. He was ordained a deacon in January of 2006 and a priest in July of the same year. After ordination, he was assigned to study Canon Law at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. and received a licentiate in canon law in May of 2009. Upon his return from Washington, Fr. Brady served as associate pastor of St. Michael's Church in Crowley until 2010, pastor of St. Landry Catholic Church in Opelousas from 2010 until 2018, and was named pastor of St. Pius X Church in Lafayette in July of 2018.



Mass at 5:15pm.
Dinner to follow Mass.
Mission starts at 7:00pm.

FR. BRADY

The FLAME OF LOVE
of the IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

South 2025 National Conference
GRACE & MERCY
On the Wings of the Holy Spirit

DIVINE MERCY WEEKEND April 25th & 26th
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Germantown TN
8151 Poplar Ave, Germantown, TN 38138

----- COST / \$45 per person or \$65 for married couples -----

The Blessed Virgin's grace and Jesus' mercy are the heart of the divine plan to return souls to the Father. The plan demands a response from those who love God and through the Holy Spirit and the gifts of grace and mercy, we can rise in this epic moment, united, and say YES!

Join us for a time of illumination, renewal, and readiness as we open ourselves to the grace that will unify us with Jesus and usher in the triumph of the Immaculate Heart.
The Holy Spirit is moving with a torrent of GRACE and MERCY! Souls will be set on FIRE!

Speakers

 Fr. Robert Thorn Keynote Speaker	 Jill Metz National Director	 Deacon Norman Alexander Regional Director	 Teresa Elliott Emcee & State Leader
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Register  www.flameoflove.us

2025  2027
Viviendo en la unción de Cristo

Our Vision To live a Christ-centered fellowship, on fire with the love of God and neighbor, to see individuals, families, parishes, and our schools working together to build up the Kingdom of God in West Tennessee.	Our Priorities
Our Mission <i>Living the anointed life in Word and Sacrament</i> 	Eucharistic Life 
	Formation 
	Evangelization 
	Unity 
	Steeped in Mercy 
	Stewardship 

For more information - cdom.org 

Catholic Diocese of Memphis
Strategic Pastoral Plan



Monday	March 24	8:30am	+Corazon Gregor by Mike & Andrea McLellan
Tuesday	March 25	11:30am	+Mike Austin by Josie Austin
Wednesday	March 26	8:30am	+Patty Averwater by Rev. John Hourican
Thursday	March 27	3:00pm	+Tucker Parish
Friday	March 28	8:30am	+Pat Hunt by Terry Hunt
Saturday	March 29	8:30am	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory by Rev. John Hourican
		4:30pm	+Vernon Luze by Karen Overschmidt
Sunday	March 30	8:30am	Intention of the parishioners of St. William
		11:00am	+Pat Hunt by Terry Hunt

Please note that Mass this Thursday, March 27, will be at 3:00pm, NOT at 11:30.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND/OR RECUPERATING OF OUR PARISH: *Guy Avanzi, Earl Baker, Bill Beckmann, Jeanne Brannock, Dee Burke, 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: *Eric Ballou, Debbie Barkowski, Edward & Holly Berger, Fr. Bill Burke, Diana Carroll, Brenda Cline, Donna Cordle, David & Essy Cragin, Virginia Duff, Dianne Langley, Babette Lopez, Tanya Martchek, Jamie Neal, Michelle Neal, Dennis Stephens, Donald Stephens, Marie Sublett, Dave Wainwright, Cathy Whaley, 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, 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, and ISG Nathan Wright.*

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY OFFERTORY—Last Weekend:

Offertory Actual \$6,680
Offertory Budget \$6,788


YTD Offertory-actual \$288,094
YTD Offertory-budget \$251,173

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND

YTD Offertory-actual \$41,352
YTD Offertory-budget \$42,692

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

Next weekend's second collection is for Catholic Relief Services.



	March 29	March 30	March 30
	4:30pm	8:30am	11:00am
Lectors	Scott Ewen	Theresa Cook	Marie Stevenson
Ministers of Holy	Scott Ewen*	Margaret Carlson*	Bill Stevenson*
Communion			
Altar Servers	Scott Ewen	Alex Marlow	Cayleigh DiCello
	Buddy Kuhstoss	Delia Rodocker	Emily Hunter
	Janis Nichols	VOLUNTEER	Joshua Hunter