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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 2-3:30pm

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 8:30am-5:45pm

WEDDINGS

Six months notification required.

BAPTISM

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF

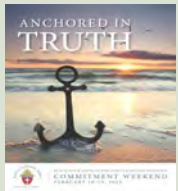
Lent

MARCH 12, 2023

Jesus said,
"Whoever drinks the
water I shall give
will never thirst;
the water I shall give
will become in them a
spring of water welling
up to eternal life."
John 4:14

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March 12, 2023 ~ Third Sunday of Lent



Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. St. William is 23% towards our goal of \$56,000. 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.

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

This week's topic is
"The Sacrament of Marriage".

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

Please note day and time change this month!

Bunco is this THURSDAY, March 16! Please mark your calendars and plan to join us! It is a game of no skill and is super easy to play. Bunco begins at **6pm**. If you have any questions, please call Debbie Breckenridge at 359-7063.



There will be no PRE next Sunday, March 19, due to Spring Break.

From Bishop David:

"This year, the commemoration of St. Patrick on March 17th occurs on a Friday of Lent. While I want Catholics to be able to celebrate on St. Patrick's Day, I also want to respect the important Lenten practices that spiritually prepare us for the coming celebration of Easter. I, therefore, commute the obligation of abstinence from meat on March 17, 2023, such that those who choose to eat meat on St. Patrick's Day may fulfill the obligation to abstain from eating meat on any other day of that week."

The Bishop is also encouraging everyone to see every Friday during holy Lent as a day of fasting and abstinence. He will be doing this as part of his Lenten practice.

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.



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.

BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a blood drive Saturday, **March 25**, from 10am-1pm in the Family Life Center. Please come out and give the Precious Gift of Life. If you have any questions, contact Joe or Regina Kons at 837-6534.



St. William Women's Club would like to announce their **3rd Annual Scholarship!** This scholarship will be available to one lucky recipient that will be attending any full time trade school, 2 year or 4 year accredited establishment for the 23/24 school year. Applicants must be registered active parishioners. A 550 word essay and application will need to be submitted to the office **no later than April 15, 2023**. You may pick up an application in the Family Life Center (on the Women's Club bulletin board) or in the church office. Essay topic and information about how the winner is chosen is on the application.



Mark your calendar for the Women's Club "And the Winner Is" auction to be held April 22 after the 4:30pm Mass. We are currently accepting donations, valued at \$10 or more. Ticket cost is \$12 per person which includes a spaghetti dinner and 20 auction tickets. You may purchase 20 additional tickets for \$5.

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Just a reminder that Mass at the NSA Base Chapel is held on the first and third Fridays every month at 11:30am. This does not not change our Mass schedule here at St. William.

Next weekend's (March 18/19) second collection is for Catholic Relief Services.

40 Days for Life St. William Day!

Come pray for the unborn babies and their mothers! St. William's parishioners will gather for the 40 Days for Life prayer vigil **today, Sunday, March 12th, from 1-3pm** at Choices, an abortion clinic where they are actively referring women to abortion clinics out of state since abortions are no longer legal in TN!! They are located at 1203 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, 38104. Join us for a complimentary lunch in the FLC after the 11am Mass before we carpool to the vigil. Please text or call Bridget at 901-628-3207 to let her know you are joining in—so we have enough lunch for everyone! Please consider spending time with us on the sidewalk, praying for life! Here in Memphis, our prayers and efforts through 40 Days for Life has led to over 100 babies saved that we know of! If you have any questions, please feel free to call Bridget. You can also sign up for additional hours at www.40daysforlife.com/memphis/.

What is 40 Days for Life? The visible, public centerpiece of 40 Days for Life Memphis is a consecutive 40 day, 12 hour prayer vigil outside Abortion Clinics and Referral Centers to offer love, help and hope to mothers and their unborn babies.

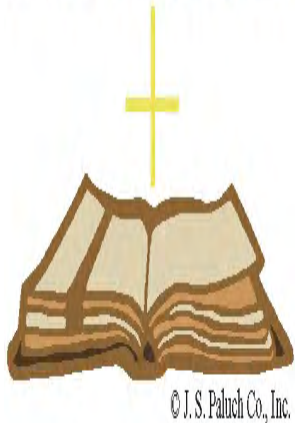
As we pray, we assist the mothers considering abortion—showing them love and offering resources so they know that they don't need to destroy their life or their baby's life. We are a witness to the sanctity of life! The vigil goes from February 22—April 2 and people pray on the sidewalk in front of Choices from 6am-6pm.

"Although each of the faithful always has the right to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, at his choice, if any communicant should wish to receive the Sacrament in the hand, in areas where the Bishops' Conference with the recognition of the Apostolic See has given permission, the sacred host is to be administered to him or her. However, special care should be taken to ensure that the host is consumed by the communicant in the presence of the minister, so that no one goes away carrying the Eucharistic species in his hand. If there is a risk of profanation, then Holy Communion should not be given in the hand to the faithful." Redemptionis Sacramentum paragraph # 92 from the CONGREGATION FOR DIVINE WORSHIP AND THE DISCIPLINE OF THE SACRAMENT

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please have someone contact the Parish Office if you are hospitalized or are seriously ill. Due to privacy laws, hospitals do not notify churches when patients are admitted. Also, Catholics are encouraged to seek the sacrament in advance of scheduled surgery.

Mass Intentions



Monday	March 13	8:30am	+Curt Strahan by Charles & Angelo LoBianco
Tuesday	March 14	11:30am	+Mike Maglio by June Patton
Wednesday	March 15	8:30am	Spec Int of Rev. Jim Brady by Rev. John Hourican
Thursday	March 16	11:30am	+Heriberto Bernil by the Bernil Family
Friday	March 17	8:30am	+Anna Bernil by the Bernil Family
Saturday	March 18	8:30am	Spec Int of the Beirne Family by Rev. John Hourican
		4:30pm	+Lee Drouin by Mike & Ellen Schmall
Sunday	March 19	8:30am	+Vincent Speranza by the Bower Family
		11:00am	Spec Int of the parishioners of St. William

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND/OR RECUPERATING OF OUR PARISH: *Jeanne Brannock, Dee Burke, Sarah Cole, Michael Dalao, Al Harris, Mary Harris, Terry & Pat Hunt, Angelo LoBianco, the Marcello Family, Ann Moeller, Mary Morrison, Howard & Ruthann Olson, Rick Ortiz, Deacon Jim Schmall, Chase Weston, and Debi & John Yetman.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES: *John Babich, Kay Baker, Austin Brewer, Fr. Bill Burke, Jim Cline, Sharon DeMarco, Tim Dorsey, Bill Fultz, Steve & Brenda Hampton, Glenn Hayes, Ronald Hitchcock, Alberta James, Charles LeBlanc & family, Heather Lewellen, Jamie Neal, Michele Neal, Claudia Sanders, Shari Sides, Gunnar Tombs, 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, SrA Andrew Kurtzman, Cody Michael Maglio, Sgt. John Messene, MAJ Ian A. Netzel, LT Leah Ortiz, Turner Weston OSSA, Sgt Amy Winter, and 1SG Nathan Wright.*

****If any names can be deleted, please call the Parish Office. Thank you.****

Weekly Offering

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WEEKLY OFFERTORY—Last Weekend:

Offertory Actual \$8,355
Offertory Budget \$6,462

YTD Offertory-actual \$235,397
YTD Offertory-budget \$232,615

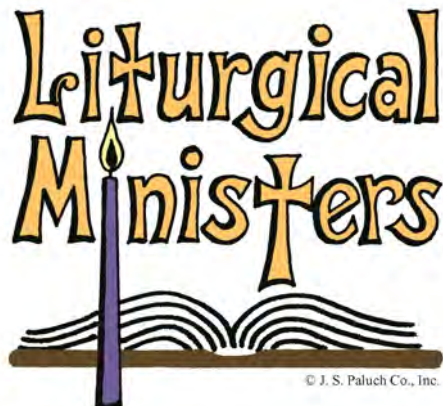
EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

YTD Offertory-actual \$43,120
YTD Offertory-budget \$41,539

Extra opportunities for Confession during Lent:

March 12, 19 & 26 from 10-10:45am
and during Stations of the Cross on
March 17 & 31 @ 7pm

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



	March 18	March 19	March 19
	4:30pm	8:30am	11:00am
Lectors	Scott Ewen	Teresa Elliott	Alex Domingo
Ministers of Holy Communion	Deacon Jim Schmall*	Margaret Carlson*	Deacon Jim Schmall*
Altar Servers	Cindy Beckmann Chris Pond	Andrew Lechner Alex Marlow	Addison Strevel Cole Strevel
	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	James Pagulayan