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 2-3:30pm 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

<u>WEDDINGS</u> Six months notification required.

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF

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MARCH 19, 2023

I was blind and now I see.

John 9:25

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March 19, 2023 ~ Fourth Sunday of Lent



Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. St. William is 26% 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

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

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!

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. Wednesday, March 29, at 6:15pm, we will have Stations of the Cross, through the eyes of Mary, in the church. Everyone is welcome.

There will be a Rosary Thursday, March 30, at 6:30pm in the church. All are invited to attend.

Please note the date change due to the first Thursday in April being Holy Thursday:



Knights of Columbus Meeting Thursday, March 30th, at 7:00pm in the school cafeteria.

From Bishop David:

The Bishop is 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 as well.



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.

<u>Lenten Fridays</u>

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.

Next weekend's (March 25/26) second collection is for Easter Flowers.

St. William Women's Club would like to announce their <u>3rd Annual Scholarship</u>! 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.



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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.

Friar Fest is coming to our Diocese next month, April 14-16, at our beautiful St. Michael Catholic Church, 3863 Summer Avenue. All middle and high school youth (7th-12th graders) are invited to attend. As part of the Diocesan Year of the National Eucharistic Revival, the Friar Fest event is a weekend celebration of faith where middle and high school youth are led by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal through prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and growth into a deeper relationship of heart and mind with the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus. Register at FRIARFEST.COM.

When should I call for a priest?

If you or a family member are suffering from a serious illness, in the hospital, or near death — then the parish should be contacted (regardless of the day or time). The parish should be contacted as soon as serious illness befalls a sick person or when serious surgery is scheduled (assuming that this is consistent with the wishes of the individual). This is so that

the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be administered, along with the Sacrament of Reconciliation, if possible. Pastoral care for the sick person should be asked for as soon as a person experiences the danger of illness or

is chronically ill, particularly if the person is elderly. To receive the Anointing of the Sick, the illness may be physical or mental. The ritual indicates that a person who is ill should be anointed early in the illness, or before one faces serious

surgery. The anointing can be repeated if the medical situation worsens or if the sick person experiences a different illness or injury. During the course of the illness, Holy Communion should be offered to the sick person as well.

What if the sick person is unconscious?

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be administered to a person who is not conscious. In this case, the Church relies on the desire of the family who requests this and on the presumption that the ill person would have asked for the anointing if he or she were able to do so.

Should someone receive the Anointing of the Sick after death?

Since all the Sacraments of the Church are an encounter between a living person and God, within the Church community, anointing a person who is certainly dead is not possible. The ritual, however, provides official prayers for the dead and the consolation of the living as part of the Church's pastoral care.

Funerals

If a family member dies, and the family would like a funeral Mass or a member of St. William staff to preside at the funeral at a funeral home, then notice should be given to the Parish Office so that arrangements for funeral services can begin. Funeral arrangements should always start with contacting the Parish Office. No funeral arrangements should be finalized without contacting the Parish first. This is to be sure that the Church, or a priest or deacon are available.

| Mass Intentions | Monday | March 20 | 8:30am | +Lee Drouin by Kathy Drouin | |
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| Mass Inclinions | Tuesday | March 21 | 11:30am | +Bryan Aylward by Paul & Nancy Mazzoncini | |
| | Wednesday | March 22 | 8:30am | +Mary Ellen Kociszewski by Rev. John Hourican | |
| | Thursday | March 23 | 11:30am | +Jonathon Rogge by Paul & Nancy Mazzoncini | |
| | Friday | March 24 | 8:30am | +Curt Strahan by Kathy Drouin | |
| | Saturday | March 25 | 8:30am | Spec Int of Deidre Worth by Rev. John Hourican | |
| | | | 4:30pm | Spec Int of Widows of Departed Knights by Council 6321 | |
| | Sunday | March 26 | 8:30am | Spec Int of the parishioners of St. William | |
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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, Austin Brewer, Fr. Bill Burke, 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 O.J. S. Paluch Co., Inc. WEEKLY OFFERTORY—Last Weekend: Offertory Actual \$6,440 Offertory Budget \$6,462 YTD Offertory-actual \$241,836 YTD Offertory-budget \$239,077

EXTRAORDINARY MANTENANCE/CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND YTD Offertory-actual \$44,042 YTD Offertory-budget \$42,692 Extra opportunities for Confession during Lent:

March 19 & 26 from 10-10:45am

and during Stations of the Cross on March 31

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



| | March 25 | March 26 | March 26 |
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| | 4:30pm | 8:30am | 11:00am |
| Lectors | Kathy Strahan | Mark Miller | "Children's Mass" |
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| Ministers of Holy | Jane Higgins* | Deacon Jim Schmall* | Deacon Jim Schmall* |
| Communion | | | |
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| Altar Servers | Janis Nichols | Paten Lambert | Kathryn Ripley |
| | Chris Pond | Delia Rodocker | Kyle Ripley |
| | VOLUNTEER | VOLUNTEER | Megan DiCello |