

St. William Parish

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August 29 2021 ~ Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Walk humbly with God!”

WOW!!! It is hard to believe that Labor Day weekend is next week already and that the summer is quickly coming to an end! I hope that this summer has been a good and restful time for you and your family. In today’s gospel we hear of an encounter with Jesus and some of his opponents named as *“Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem.”* Jerusalem was the center of formal opposition to Jesus by those who were fearful of the loss of personal power, overly concerned with externals, and worried about minor deviations from the established way of doing things religious while ignoring more serious matters. In this sense, every religious group, in the present as well as the past, has those who “come from Jerusalem.” Traditions are necessary for the identity of any group. They are tenacious and important, but they are not absolute and their value can be questioned. Jesus responds to the Pharisees’ challenge about the behavior of his disciples with a quotation from the prophet Isaiah, addressing them as “hypocrites.” Jesus tells his disciples that what truly defiles a person does not come from the food we take into our



bodies; what defiles a person is the impurity and evil that is savored in our heart. It is important to recognize that Jesus did not have a problem with these groups in general; it was only when their strongly held beliefs went against charity and compassion. Saint Francis of Assisi famously stated, *“Preach the gospel at all times, and if necessary use words.”* While our call to discipleship definitely requires the use of words, our words mean nothing if they are not supported and lived out by our actions. It is not enough to hear the words of God. We must allow these words to become fully rooted within us; when they do, our whole lives change. We become more open, giving, and humble. This week let us consider, how do we receive the word of God as the greatest gift in our lives? And after receiving this gift, how do we strive to enact these words in all that we do and say?

I hope you are planning to be part of our “POWER-UP→RECONNECT!” special event on Sunday, September 19. Please make your reservation this week after Mass in the vestibule.

Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash



~ August 29-September 5, 2021 ~
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 29, 2021

- Sat 5:00 p.m. ♥ **BOB & MARCIA KANE**/ Anniversary
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **THERESA LEE BENNING**/ Hysen Sait
 10:30 a.m. † **LARRY DINES**/ Gerry Dines
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † **MARIA, TOMMY, & CHURA FAMILY**/
 Donna & Ron Runtas
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † **DAVID RABLE**/ Sharon Nicopolis
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † **MO THUMAN**/ Alyce & Gary Baker
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † **ANGELA TOMBAR**/ Jan & Pete Superak

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **RON MOONEY**/ Kochunas Family
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **FRANK IANNIZZARO**/ Mary Pytlik
 10:30 a.m. † **RICHARD LENHART**/ Ross & Gayle Lenhart

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ September 5, 2021 ~
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 35: 4-7

Thus says the LORD: Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God ...

James 2: 1-5

My brothers and sisters, show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ ...

Mark 7: 31-37

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis ...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

September 4/5, 2021

Lectors

- 5:00 p.m. _____,
 8:30 a.m. _____,
 10:30 a.m. Eddie Kuhn, Taylor Kuhn

Servers

- 5:00 p.m. _____
 8:30 a.m. _____
 10:30 a.m. _____

Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00 p.m. Carla Gilronan, Bob Mintus
 8:30 a.m. Dave Lucanski, Bob Mintus
 10:30 a.m. _____, Bob Mintus

**Sign-Up In
Vestibule**

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ August 22, 2021 (WK 8)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,908.00*	\$ 55,124.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 58,152.00
Difference	\$ (361.00)	\$ (3,028.00)
Performance	95%	95%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,075.00 LAST WK — \$ 7,125.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 190 out of 535
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 5.00 (5 out of 45)

POT-OF-GOLD

#285 drawn on 8/25/2021

!!NO Winner!!

Amount: \$306.00



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Join us for our Little Rock Scripture Studies “Angels in the Bible.” Registration information is posted in the vestibule. **Introductory Session:** Monday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. Kindly register by 09/05/21.

FACE COVERINGS AT MASS

Last week Bishop Bonnar issued a revised temporary guideline for those attending Sunday Mass due to the changing circumstances of the Covid-19 virus. For those who are vaccinated, it is suggested that face coverings be worn. While not mandated, it is encouraged for the time being. For those not vaccinated, a face-covering should be worn while attending Mass. This is a temporary recommendation and will be re-evaluated in the coming weeks.

OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Friday, September 3 and Monday, September 6.

SUMMER GOES SO QUICKLY!!!

Just a reminder: **NEXT Sunday, September 5** is the **LAST** Sunday for our summer Mass schedule. 11:00 a.m. Mass returns beginning Sunday, September 12.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Parish Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, September 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” **JAMES 1:22**

It’s easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your actions reflect God’s word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

†† RECENT DEATHS ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Ethel Weeks

Sister of Tom Weeks

and

Robert Chura

Brother of Donna Runtas

and

Pete Sexton

Brother of Maureen Scott

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Youngstown is sponsoring a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 10, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at the Basilica of Saint John the Baptist in Canton, honoring couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th and over wedding anniversaries in 2021. The Mass includes a renewal of marriage vows and a personalized certificate for each couple. Bishop Bonnar will be the main celebrant and following Mass there will be a reception for couples and their families. Reservations are required for this event and can be made by contacting the Parish Office before September 5, 2021.

PARISH COUNCIL AT-LARGE MEMBER NEEDED:

The Parish Council serves as the chief consultative body of the parish to aid the pastor in the administration, planning and guiding of the parish. The main purpose of Parish Council is to collaborate and oversee the mission and ministry of the Parish. Currently, we are seeking one At-Large member for the Council beginning in September. If you are interested in being considered for this position, or if you would like to nominate someone, please submit your name for nomination via email at parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org. Those nominated will be notified and selection to the Council will be by spiritual discernment. Thank you for considering this important ministry in our parish.

PSR NEWS

PSR starts on September 12, 2021. If you are new to our program with children Kindergarten and older, please contact the Carol Timko (ctimko@stwilliamchampion.org) to be put on the PSR family mailing list to receive information about the upcoming PSR school year.

STORIES & SCRIPTURES

Stories and Scriptures meet the second Sunday of the month beginning October 10 from 9:30—10:45 a.m. This is for children ages 3-5 and their parents. Any families interested, please contact Carol Timko to be put on the mailing list (ctimko@stwilliamchampion.org)

PSR TEACHERS/CATECHISTS

We will hold our beginning of the year teacher/catechist meeting on Tuesday, August 31 at 6:30 p.m. Please mark your calendars!

TNT NIGHT

CLUE-a comedy/thriller
presented by Trumbull New Theatre
Wednesday, September 22 at 7:00
Tickets on sale soon!
Mark your calendars!



THE PARISH CALENDAR

- Aug 31 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
- Aug 31 ~ PSR Staff Supper Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Sept 1 ~ Women's Guild 6:00 p.m.
- Sept 1 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.
- Sept 2 ~ Finance Committee 7:00 p.m.
- Sept 3 & 6 ~ Office Closed

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, September 1, 2021
Social: 6:00 p.m.
Meeting: 6:30 p.m.



Membership in the Women's Guild is open to women 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics. If interested in joining, join us at a regularly scheduled meeting.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491



Next Meeting:
Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics. If interested in joining, please visit our web site at www.knights7491.org

GUEST MUSICIAN

We welcome Mr. Luke Politsky to our parish this weekend and next as our guest musician. Luke serves as the Director of Development & Stewardship for the Diocese and is a member of Holy Family Parish in Poland. We welcome and thank Luke for sharing his gifts and talents with our parish.

GOOD NEWS!

In keeping with its commitment to support Catholic parishes, Ohio Catholic Federal Credit Union has awarded **\$26,500** in Catholic parish ministry grants in 2021. Over the summer, Saint William religious educators applied for the OCFCU Catholic Parish Ministry Grant sharing our dream to be able to provide families with a Catholic Bible. "We firmly believe that providing a family with a Catholic bible will help strengthen the family's Catholic understanding of scripture and help each member of the family to use scripture by assimilating the Word of God into everyday life." ***We are overjoyed to announce that Saint William Parish has been awarded a \$5,000 grant given by Ohio Catholic Federal Credit Union!*** We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Ohio Catholic Federal Credit Union, the team of educators and the grant writing assistant who made this possible. The full proposal will be unveiled as we Power Up and Reconnect on September 19!



The Big Event!

Sunday, September 19 ~ 4:00 ~ 6:30



4:00 p.m. Early Arrival Raffle!

Arrive by 4:00 p.m. SHARP to be eligible for the Early Arrival Raffle!

4:00 p.m. "The Music of 'Ole Blue Eyes'"

Enjoy the Music of Frank Sinatra featuring Angelo Barbaro!

4:45 p.m. "Power Up↑" Buffet Dinner

Catered by Guy's BBQ Catering!

*Pulled Pork ~ Hot Dogs ~ Fried Chicken
Baked Beans ~ Mac & Cheese ~ Potato Salad
Ice Cream Dessert Treats!*

Klondikes ~ Push-Ups ~ Sandwiches ~ and more!

5:30 p.m. "→Reconnect"

Stilt Walkers! ~ Petting Zoo! ~ Bingo! ~ Bonfire!

6:30 p.m. Raffle Drawings and Closing

OUR SHINY NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE!

Say hello to our new parish website! We have a new look, full of updated features customized to our needs. Our pages have a fresh new layout and all the content you have relied on for the past twelve years. New pages will be added over the coming weeks. Check back often for new and exciting additions!

www.stwilliamchampion.org

WOMEN'S GUILD CHANCE AUCTION

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Gift cards and lottery tickets are needed to complete the baskets to be auctioned. Bring donations to the Parish Office by September 26 and record your name on the donation list. Thank you for your continued generosity and support to all Women's Guild functions that benefit the church.

~Contact~

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Therese Tuttle, Business Manager
Dan Robinson, Office Manager
Chuck Poponak, Maintenance Manager

~Celebrate~

Mass Times

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
Summer - Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. Tuesday - Friday
Holydays - Check weekly bulletin
Liturgy of the Word Service - Monday 8:30 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.
Communal Reconciliation Services are held during Lent and Advent.

Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, Holy Orders ~ Contact the Parish Office.

~Christian Formation~

Parish School of Religion (PSR)

Sunday Morning Gr. K-8 ~ 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon Gr. 9-12 ~ 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sunday Mornings ~ 9:30-10:45 a.m.

Adult and Teen Enrichment

Offered throughout the year. Consult the bulletin.

John F. Kennedy Catholic School

www.warrenjfk.com

~Service~

Please call the Parish Office for Mass and Prayer Intentions, Homebound and Hospitalized Ministry, Funerals, The Catholic Exponent, Family Information Changes, New Parishioner Registration, Hall Rental/Catering, and details about any Parish Organization and Ministry.

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday 12:00 noon