

# St. William Parish

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September 5 2021 ~ Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



*“So we rise with him each morning and we work as work we must!”*

On this holiday weekend – the unofficial end to summer and the beginning of fall – we hear a gospel reading that can leave us feeling uneasy at best. Today we recall the story of Jesus healing of a man with hearing and speech impediment. Very likely, the man had been the butt of jokes and unsympathetic mimicry as he stuttered his life away in his small, isolated world. Yet some of his acquaintances are compassionate enough to bring him to Jesus, begging Jesus to speak to the man in the only language he can understand – the language of touch. The actions of Jesus are unusual and described in detail. Instead of the simple taking by the hand or laying on of hands like in the miracles previously performed, there are fingers in the man’s ears, touching of the man’s tongue with spittle, looking up to heaven, and sighing. Once again we see the efficacy of God’s word at work. Jesus commands – “*be opened!*” and immediately what he has commanded comes to pass. The man who previously was limited in both hearing and speech is now able to do both. In each of the gospel miracles, we discover something new about Jesus. He has the authority over sickness and health, life and death, as well as all of creation. In Jesus we find God’s dreams for the world enacted: the blind see, the lame walk, the deaf hear, the sick are healed, and the outcast are restored to society. Not only are these comforting images to bring us consolation during our times of grief and suffering, they are also a call to action. Throughout our lives we need to come to Jesus or be brought to him by the compassion of others, for the healing of whatever is an impediment to our baptismal commitment. *Be opened!* might be our prayer so that in everything our Lord might open our senses and mind to find him and serve him in all those we meet.



As we mark Labor Day and the beginning of September we are slowly returning to activity and events here at the parish from the summer hiatus. I hope that you will take advantage of the many opportunities to be involved in our parish by considering joining any group or organization. Meetings are always open to anyone who wants to join in or attend and every group needs new members! In addition to our worship each week, this is how we live out our call to discipleship and mission. Many thanks to all for your continued commitment, dedication, and service to the message of the Gospel and the mission of the Church lived out by the many activities and projects of our parish groups and organization!

*Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash*



~ September 5-12, 2021 ~

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SEPTEMBER 5, 2021**

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

Mon 8:30 a.m. † **HOLIDAY ~ NO SERVICE**  
Tue 8:30 a.m. † **STEVE MILLIK**/Kochunas Family  
Wed 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**  
Thur 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**  
Fri 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**

**SEPTEMBER 12, 2021**

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **JOHN & CHARLENE BOUCHER**/  
Mintus Family  
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **DARLENE SAIT**/ Hysen Sait  
11:00 a.m. † **JOE HUDAK**/Theresa Craiger

*Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:*

~ September 12, 2021 ~

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Isaiah 50: 5-9**

*The Lord GOD opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back...*

**James 2: 14-18**

*What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ...*

**Mark 8: 27-35**

*Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples...*

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY**

September 11/12, 2021

**Lectors**

5:00 p.m. Ruth Bubba, Tom Shepker  
8:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Rachael Zigarovich  
11:00 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

**Servers**

5:00 p.m. Therese Tuttle  
8:30 a.m. Joe DePascale  
11:00 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

**Eucharistic Ministers**

5:00 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_, Bob Mintus  
8:30 a.m. Penny Hudak, Bob Mintus  
11:00 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_, Bob Mintus

**Sign-Up In Vestibule**

**OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ August 29, 2021 (WK 9)**

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,114.00*	\$ 62,238.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 64,421.00
Difference	\$ (155.00)	\$ (3,183.00)
Performance	98%	95%

\*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 325.00 LAST WK — \$ 7,450.00 YTD  
Envelopes ~ 174 out of 535  
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 1.00 (1 out of 45)

**POT-OF-GOLD**

#174 drawn on 9/1/2021  
!!Winner!! **John & Agnes Crock**  
Amount: \$480.00



**SUMMER GOES SO QUICKLY!!!**

*This is it!!!* ~Just a reminder: **TODAY** is the LAST Sunday for our summer Mass schedule. **11:00 a.m.** Mass returns beginning next Sunday, September 12.

**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.

**FIRST FRIDAY CLUB**

First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown hosts a Catholic Speaker Luncheon series the first THURSDAY of every month. The speaker for October 7, 2021 is Reverend Bob Bonnot, Executive Director Association of US Catholic Priests and Pastor Emeritus of Christ our Savior Parish. We will carpool from Saint William promptly at 10:45 a.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. followed by the speaker at noon and ending at 1:00 p.m. Kindly register by Friday, September 24. Cost is \$18. Please makes checks payable to St. William Parish.

*Check out the new and improved parish website from time to time for information about what is happening at the parish...*

[www.stwilliamchampion.org](http://www.stwilliamchampion.org)

**WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS**

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" JAMES 2:5*

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions we truly realize it is better to give than receive.

†† RECENT DEATHS ††

**Our Sincere Sympathy**

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

**Murph Gelet**

and

**Amedeo Salvador**

Father of Viviane Watson

*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 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:ctimko@stwilliamchampion.org))

## TNT NIGHT

Trumbull New Theatre Event (Niles, Ohio) presents Clue-On Stage: a madcap comedy based on the movie and Hasbro game that will keep you guessing until the final twist.



Wednesday, September 22, 2021 @ 7:00  
Sponsored by St. William Women's Guild  
Doors open at 6:00 for hors d'oeuvres and drinks.  
Tickets \$20.00 on sale after Mass starting Sept 5 or contact Theresa Craiger at 330-889-9711.

## THE PARISH CALENDAR

Sept 6 ~ Labor Day ~ Office Closed  
Sept 7 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.  
Sept 8 ~ Parish Grant Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Sept 8 ~ FG Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.  
Sept 9 ~ NAIM Group 12:30 p.m.  
Sept 10 ~ Office Closed  
Sept 12 ~ PSR Opening Meeting 9:30 a.m.  
Sept 12 ~ Youth Ministry 12:00 p.m.

## WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

### Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 6, 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 15, 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](http://www.knights7491.org)

## R(ite) of C(hristian) I(nitiation) of A(dults)

It is not too late to consider joining RCIA this coming year! The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults seeking answers in their lives are brought into full union with our parish community and the Catholic Church. The RCIA provides a spiritual opportunity to learn and discuss various aspects of the Catholic faith and its practices.



If you or someone you know has:

- ♦ ...been worshipping with us but never officially took the step to become Catholic?
- ♦ ...been away from the Church...and now have returned but want to know more?
- ♦ ...yet to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or Eucharist?
- ♦ ...joined us from a different background and would like to find out more about the Catholic Church?
- ♦ ...felt God leading you and want to find out where that might be?

If any of the above applies to you, or if you know of anyone who could answer YES to any of these questions, we would love to help you on your journey! If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more, please contact Fr. Balash at the Parish Office for more information. RCIA begins in September!

# 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

*Sign up to attend after Weekend Mass!*

## *St. William Parish Community Membership Form*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

e-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Check One:**

- I am interested in membership, please send registration form
- Moving out of the parish
- Change of address / phone number

*Drop this form in the collection basket, USPS mail, or send us an email!*

### *~Contact~*

**Church Office** 330-847-8677

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**Rev. Michael D. Balash**, Pastor  
**Robert Mintus**, Deacon  
**Tina McCue**, Pastoral Associate  
**Patricia Maciejewski**, Music Director  
**Carol Timko**, Religious Education  
**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](http://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