

# St. William Parish

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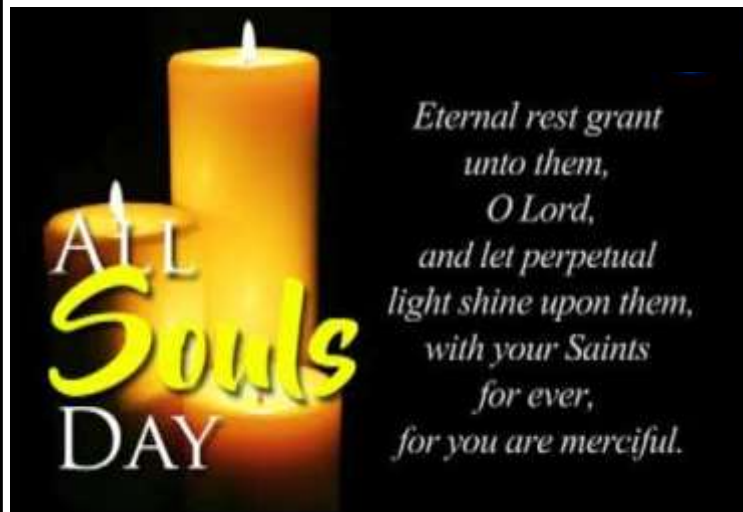
October 31, 2021 ~ Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



*“Come fill our hearts with a spirit of love!”*

Today’s readings point to what is most essential to living out our discipleship in Christ: love. During the last days before his death and resurrection, Jesus spent his time preaching and teaching in the temple in Jerusalem. In today’s gospel a scribe asks Jesus, “*which is the first of all the commandments?*” Jesus responds with the ancient Jewish proclamation of faith in the one God, and devotion to loving God with “*all your heart, soul, mind and strength.*” While this is the first commandment, Jesus follows it immediately with a second: “*You shall love your neighbor as yourself.*” Within these two phrases, we find the beating heart of what it means to live life in Christ. In his response, Jesus tells us that love of God and love of neighbor comprise the essence of morality, explaining, “*there is no other commandment greater than these.*” Although our Christian faith can at times lead to complex conversations about ethics and the discernment of proper action, Jesus gives us a litmus test that all our decisions must pass in order to be considered godly: they must have love at their heart. In our journey of faith, we are constantly called to grow in our love of God and others. Rather than a sentimental or fleeting fancy, the love we are called to demands everything from us: our time, energy, and strength of will. When our words and deeds are motivated by love of God and neighbor, we are truly living as members of the kingdom of God. As we continue the path of discipleship, let us be attentive to the quality of our love of God and others and always be devoted to living more deeply the self-giving love Jesus modeled on the cross.

This weekend we remember our loved ones from the parish who have embraced eternal life in the last year and we pray for their families and friends who continue to mourn their loss. Marked with the sign of faith, we recall their humor and work, affection and trust, enthusiasm and celebration for life. We are also reminded of what we have lost and what we hope to gain. Our prayer this weekend is for comfort, healing, and peace to be upon all those who grieve. Intentions from our All Souls Day envelopes will be remembered throughout the month of November.



*Enjoy the week! ~ Fr. Balash*



~ **October 31-November 7, 2021** ~  
**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**OCTOBER 31, 2021**

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **THOMAS CHURA**/ Donna & Ron Runtas  
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **FRANKLIN AMOLINE**/ Tom Leonard  
 11:00 a.m. ♥ **ANGELA ROTH**/ Judy Makosky  
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**  
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † **STEVE MILLIK**/ Tom Leonard  
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † **KAREN BOGAN**/ Marnie Kely  
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † **IDA MAE SWITTER**/ Barb & Mike Wilkinson  
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † **JOE BABNIK**/ Mary Pytlik

**NOVEMBER 7, 2021**

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **ANGELA TOMBAR**/ Knights of Columbus 7491  
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **MURPH GELET**/ Brian & Andrea Kochunas  
 11:00 a.m. † **PAUL MCCUMMINS**/ Family

*Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:*

~ **November 7, 2021** ~  
**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1 Kings 7: 10-16**

*In those days, Elijah the prophet went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the entrance of the city...*

**Hebrews 9: 24-28**

*Christ did not enter into a sanctuary made by hands, a copy of the true one, but heaven itself...*

**Mark 12: 38-44**

*In the course of his teaching Jesus said to the crowds, "Beware of the scribes, who like to go around in long robes..."*

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY**

November 7, 2021

**Lectors**

5:00 p.m. Donna Runtas, \_\_\_\_\_  
 8:30 a.m. Christine DePascale, \_\_\_\_\_  
 11:00 a.m. Bob Kane, \_\_\_\_\_

**Servers**

5:00 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_  
 8:30 a.m. Mike Trunick  
 11:00 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_

**Eucharistic Ministers**

5:00 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_, Bob Mintus  
 8:30 a.m. Laurie Sitch, Bob Mintus  
 11:00 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_, Bob Mintus

**Sign-Up In Vestibule**



**OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ October 24, 2021 (WK 17)**

	LAST WK	YTD
<b>Sunday Collection</b>	\$ 7,016.00*	\$ 121,365.00*
<b>Amount Needed</b>	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 123,573.00
<b>Difference</b>	\$ (253.00)	\$ (2,208.00)
<b>Performance</b>	97%	98%

\*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 640.00 LAST WK — \$ 13,765.00 YTD  
 Envelopes ~ 196 out of 531  
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 10.00 (7 out of 45)

**POT-OF-GOLD**

#455 drawn on 10/27/2021

!!NO WINNER!!

Amount: \$324.00



**Christmas Ca\$h Raffle**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!!!**

Tickets for our Annual Christmas Cash Raffle can be returned to the Parish Office or dropped in the weekly collection basket. Take a chance to win some *CASH* just in time for Christmas. Tickets are \$10.00 each for a chance to win 12 prizes of \$30.00 and grand prize of \$500.00. Drawings begin on Thanksgiving Day and continue every other day until December 17. Grand Prize drawing will be on Sunday, December 19...just in time for Christmas! Be the top seller of tickets and receive 5 FREE TICKETS!!!! Top seller deadline is Sunday, November 21.



**IT IS TIME TO GIVE THANKS!**

Rather than having a Thanksgiving Food Drive, Saint William will be gifting the residents of Woodland Meadows with Sparkle Gift Certificates in celebration of Thanksgiving. This act of kindness was very much appreciated last year by the residents. Donations will be accepted next weekend, November 6 - 7. Please drop your donation in the "Giving Thanks" basket to help fund the Sparkle Gift Certificates. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



**WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS**

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." (Mark 12:33)*

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

†† RECENT DEATHS ††

**Our Sincere Sympathy**

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

**Ronald Wisniewski**

and

**Angelo Naturale**

Brother of Claudia Valimont

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

### **All Saints Day ~ Monday ~ November 1**

Monday, November 1 is the Feast of All Saints. Because this day falls on Monday this year, the obligation to attend Mass is dispensed

### **All Souls Day ~ Tuesday ~ November 2**

Tuesday, November 2 is the Feast of All Souls. Mass will be offered at 8:30 a.m. at Saint William. There will also be a special outdoor Mass at All Souls Cemetery at 11:30 a.m. An automobile procession will form at Blessed Sacrament Church and depart at 10:30 a.m. If attending you are asked to bring your own chair and dress accordingly. All are welcomed to attend.

### **All Souls' Envelopes**

The special All Souls' Envelope is an offering for deceased loved ones. These may be put in the collection basket or dropped off at the Parish Office at any time. Remember to write your intentions on the front of the envelope. The envelopes will be placed near our Book of Remembrance in the sanctuary for the entire month of November.

### **FALL CLEAN-UP**

This coming Friday, November 5 at 12:30 p.m. we will be doing our annual Fall Clean-Up in front of the Church building to get the grounds ready for winter. If you are available to help it would greatly appreciated. Please bring hedge trimmers and rakes.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Parish Finance Committee will meet this coming Tuesday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

### **FISH DINNER NEWS!**

Our Fish Dinners will begin on Friday, February 25, 2022! The Fish Dinner Committee will begin meeting in the coming weeks to begin discussing how and what options will be available for this year's upcoming Fish Dinners. Our hope is to offer both dine-in and take-out dinners. Stay tuned for coming updates!

### **VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK**

National Vocation Awareness Week is November 7-13, 2021. This celebration encourages us to recognize and promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The need to encourage, pray and foster vocations to ministry continues to be of utmost importance. Of the 17,007 parishes in the United States 3,363 (19%) are without a resident pastor and today there are 9,119 fewer priests in the United States since 2000. Currently 15 men are preparing for the priesthood (over a span of 8 years of study) from our diocese. Please continue to pray for vocations to all aspects of ministry. Anyone who is interested in pursuing a vocation to ministry in the priesthood, religious life, or permanent diaconate is encouraged to contact the Vocation Office of the Diocese.

### **THE PARISH CALENDAR**

- Nov 1 ~ All Saints Day
- Nov 1 ~ RCIA at Mt. Carmel Niles 7:00 p.m.
- Nov 2 ~ All Souls Day
- Nov 2 ~ Election Day
- Nov 2 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
- Nov 2 ~ Finance Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Nov 3 ~ Women's Guild Meeting 6:00 p.m.
- Nov 3 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.
- Nov 4 ~ Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Nov 6 ~ Parish Retreat 1:00 p.m.
- Nov 7 ~ Coffee & Donuts after Mass
- Nov 7 ~ Daylight Savings Ends
- Nov 7 ~ PSR 9:30 a.m.
- Nov 7 ~ RCIA 9:30 a.m.
- Nov 7 ~ Youth Ministry 12:00 p.m.

*Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events*

### **WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH**

#### ***Next Meeting:***

Meeting: November 3, 2021  
6:00 p.m. Social ~ 6:30 p.m. Meeting



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.

Join us for a memorable night where our meeting will feature special guests from the P.A.W.S. Therapy Team. Not only will members share what they do and how they help people across the area, but they will bring some of their four-legged friends to mingle with the crowd. We hope you can make it!

**Social 6:00 p.m. ~ Meeting 6:30 p.m. ~ Presentation 7:00 p.m.**

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

COUNCIL #7491



#### ***Next Meeting:***

*Wednesday, November 3, 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)

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

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The Bibles purchased through the OCFCU Parish Ministry grant will be blessed at Mass next weekend. If you need a family Bible, please choose one for your family after Mass. See the insert in today's bulletin with a description of the Bibles that have been purchased.

## ALL SOULS DAY – 2021

This weekend we remember all of our parishioners who passed away in the last year. We pray for their families who continue to grieve their loss.

*May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in Peace.*

*Roscoe "Babe" Gautschí  
Maureen "Mo" Thuman  
Francis C. Theis  
Marylyn Anne Burnfield  
Terry Troyan  
Barb Brdek  
William Sauer  
Millie Bova  
Donald Lesh  
Gerald Ott  
Joseph Badanjek*

*Joann Majersky  
Franklin Amoline  
Ronald Mooney  
Julia Albani  
Douglas Gradishar  
Angela Tombar  
Bernadette Fox  
Mary Beth Gelet  
Eleanor Poland  
Lawrence Griffen  
Ronald Wisniewski*

*and all the deceased members of  
Saint William Parish*



## ~Contact~

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**Dan Robinson**, Office Manager  
**Chuck Poponak**, Maintenance Manager

## ~Celebrate~

### Mass Times

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 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

## PUMPKIN PIE SALE!

Do you need Pumpkin Pie for Thanksgiving? Consider purchasing your Pumpkin Pie from St. William! Pumpkin Pies are fully cooked and frozen. You will just need to thaw your pie and enjoy! Please contact the parish office to reserve your pie(s). Pies will be available for pick up the weekend of November 19/20. Cost is \$12.00. Payment is due at pick up. Thank you for your support of Make a Difference Day and the St. William Parish *Power Up With the Word Bibles!*



## ANNOUNCEMENT



Calling St. William youth of the parish grade 2 + to help with a few liturgical events! We need 9 candle bearers for Advent Lessons and Carols, November 30 at 7:00

p.m. This service takes about 1 hour and invites us to once again welcome Christ anew into our hearts with song, scripture, and prayer. Parents, please contact Mrs. Maciejewski after any weekend Mass or Mrs. Timko at PSR to confirm your child's participation. Also needed are two Youth Ministry readers to proclaim scripture and two to greet and pass out the programs. Christmas Eve 5:00 p.m. Mass needs your voices to join with our Folk Group with a musical prelude and Mass. Info was included in your PSR packet at the beginning of the year. Mrs. Timko will have a registration form this weekend so we can prepare folders for you. Parents, please fill out this registration and return to Mrs. Maciejewski. There will be 2 rehearsals Saturdays, December 4 and 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the church.