

St. William Parish

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January 16, 2022 ~ Second Sunday of Ordinary Time



“Let us seek each other in our God!”

Today we enter into Ordinary Time in the church year before the start of Lent in early March. This “in-between” time allows us to catch our breath and is a welcomed break between the joyous festival of Christmas and the solemn season of Lent. During this year the majority of our gospel readings will come from Luke, however, one of the exceptions is the gospel today from John. The wedding at Cana in Galilee is often referred to as the start of Jesus’s public ministry. John writes, *“Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.”* Essentially, Jesus reveals two

elements of his nature. First, we see that Jesus is fully human, as he attended the wedding party with his mother, and secondly, Jesus reveals that he is the Son of God, performing signs that disclose his divine nature and nature of the kingdom of God. In the kingdom of God there will be no more thirsting. In fact, we will come to see throughout John’s gospel that there will also be no hunger, sickness or death. As Jesus does in today’s gospel, we must all use the unique gifts God has given to us so that we might build up the kingdom of God. This familiar story reaffirms in us an important lesson. As we enter into this season of Ordinary Time, we are invited to renew our relationship with Jesus. As the water becomes wine, through our discipleship we are called to become life for others by following in the footsteps of the Lord. May we do so with an open heart, a willing spirit, and a generous soul!

Our Power UP→Reconnect Parking Lot Project Campaign is moving along. Many thanks to all who continue to make pledge payments and for all who have supported this project. In the coming weeks the Parish Council and Finance Committee will meet jointly to discuss and decide if we can move towards doing the project this coming summer. I will let you know once it has been decided.



Have a great week! ~ Fr. Balash



~ January 16-23, 2022 ~
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

JANUARY 16, 2022

Sat 5:00 p.m. † LARRY GRIFFIN/ St. John Paul Prayer Circle
Sun 8:30 a.m. † DOROTHY JOHNSON/ JoAnn & Arnold Beller
11:00 a.m. † MO THUMAN/ Church Ladies & Friends
Mon 8:30 a.m. † NO COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues 8:30 a.m. † AMEDEO SALVADOR/ Viviane Watson
Wed 8:30 a.m. † ANGELO NATURAL/ Mary Pytlik
Thur 8:30 a.m. † IDA MAE SWITTER/ Helen Snyder
Fri 8:30 a.m. † STEVE MILLIK/ Lynn, John, & Yvonne Vastag

JANUARY 23, 2022

Sat 5:00 p.m. † WAYNE LENHART/ Mary Pytlik
Sun 8:30 a.m. † BARB BRDEK/ Chad & Jacob Karafa
11:00 a.m. † DAN GELET, SR/ Gelet Family

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ January 23, 2022 ~
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nehemiah 8: 2-4, 5-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand ...

1 Corinthians 12: 12-30

Brothers and sisters: As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body...

Luke 1: 1-4; 4: 14-21

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were ...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

January 23, 2022

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Deana Barco, Kathy Rogel
8:30 a.m. Sandy Frantz, Woody Pealer
11:00 a.m. Renita Mintus, Catherine Poponak

Servers

5:00 p.m. John Barco
8:30 a.m. Linda Trunick
11:00 a.m. Nathan Goldner

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Bob Hardman, Karen Hardman
8:30 a.m. Dave Lucanski, Jamie Taneri
11:00 a.m. Barbara Bickford, Christina Pacurar



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ January 9, 2022 (WK 28)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,043.00*	\$ 203,864.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 203,532.00
Difference	\$ (226.00)	\$ (668.00)
Performance	97%	99%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 920.00 LAST WK — \$ 23,195.00 YTD
Christmas YTD \$10,189.00
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 7.00 (6 out of 40)

POT-OF-GOLD

#299 drawn on 1/12/2022
!!WINNER!! Forrest & Kim Pealer
Amount: \$307.00



**CHURCH OVERSEAS
COMBINED COLLECTION**

Catholics around the country have always responded to the needs of people everywhere. Next weekend will be the Church Overseas Combined Collection. This collection supports four major services: Catholic Relief Services; Holy Father/Peter's Pence; the Church in Central and Eastern Europe; and the Church in Latin America. Your generosity next weekend is greatly appreciated.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Day

PRAYER SHAW MEETING

The planned meeting for Fanuary 19, 2022 at 6:30 has been cancelled.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Prayer and Fellowship
Tuesday, January 25, 2022 6:30pm - 8:00pm

We gather to support each other in our loss and to celebrate the lives of our loved ones. You are encouraged to bring a picture of your loved one.



WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS

The Baptism of the Lord

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 CORINTHIANS 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

†† RECENT DEATHS ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Pauline Lesh
and
Shirley Andrews

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

FISH DINNER NEWS!

**6 Weeks and Counting Until Our
"FABULOUS FISH DINNERS" RETURN!!!**

~Worker Sign-Up Sheets Available THIS WEEKEND!
Fish Dinners begin on Friday, February 25, 2022

~Mark Your Calendar~

**Fish Dinner Worker Meeting
Thursday, February 10 – 6:30 p.m.**

~This year "*Dine-In and Carry Out"
(*Subject to change)



MANY THANKS...

To all who helped disassemble our Christmas environment last Sunday along with those who helped in any way with this year's decorations and those who generously donated towards our Christmas flowers. It always goes down a lot quicker than putting it up. In 45 minutes the job was done! Thanks also to all for your kindness, trust, support, and generosity shown to the parish during this Christmas and during the past year.

Power UP → Reconnect PARKING LOT PROJECT UPDATE

January	Pledge	Goal:	\$380,000.00
Payments can be made to the Parish Office or dropped in the Sunday collection. Thank you!		Parish Funds	\$100,000.00
		Total Pledged	\$116,240.00
		<i>Total Collected \$</i>	<i>81,675.00</i>
		Goal Balance:	\$163,760.00

Special Request:

Please do not include Pledge Payments as part of your Sunday weekly donation. A separate check for Pledge Payments is much appreciated.

MASS FOR LIFE

Do you know someone expecting a child? Each year the Diocese hosts a Mass for Life as a prayerful reminder that we must protect and nurture human life at every stage of existence.

This year the annual Mass for Life will be held on **Sunday**, January 23, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at Saint Columba Cathedral. Included at Mass will be a Blessing of Children in the Womb for all who are pregnant. A reception follows and all are welcome to attend.



9 DAYS FOR LIFE January 19-27, 2022

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life, surrounding the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision that effectively legalized abortion on demand throughout the United States. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggest actions to build a culture of life. For more information visit: <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life>.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

- Jan 17 ~ Office Closed
- Jan 18 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
- Jan 18 ~ Golden Agers 12:30 p.m.
- Jan 18 ~ Fish Dinner Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Jan 19 ~ Folk Group Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Jan 19 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.
- Jan 20 ~ Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Jan 22 ~ Rene's Closet 9:00 a.m.
- Jan 22 ~ First Reconciliation 3:00 p.m.
- Jan 23 ~ PSR - FFC 4:00 p.m.
- Jan 23 ~ Youth Ministry 4:00 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:

Meeting: February 2, 2022
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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491



Next Meeting:

Wednesday, January 19, 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

GOLDEN AGERS NEWS

St. William Golden Ages will meet Tuesday, January 18 at 12:30 p.m. in room 103. Door prizes donated by Carl & Gloria Karafa. Pizza will be served.
Bring a friend to the meeting.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Last week we learned a new Mass setting: Mass of St. Mary Magdalene with Mystery of Faith - "When we eat this Bread." Please continue to ready your music book after our Presentation Song to # 938 "Holy, Holy" until we can sing it from memory.

Adult Choir and Folk Group resume this week after the Christmas break. Parents and St. William youth grades 2+ listen up! Save two Saturday mornings, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. for Easter Sunday rehearsal, April 9 and 16. We will have prayer, music instruction, liturgy preparation, snacks, and singing. Registration is available now from Mrs. Timko or Mrs. Pat M. Information was included in your PSR packet at the beginning of September.

2021 Contribution Tax Statements

If you are in need of a copy of your 2021 Contributions **for itemizing deductions on your tax return**, please fill out the following coupon and return it to the Parish Office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Statements will be available in the vestibule.

WARM HEARTS FOR WARM HOMES

Catholic Charities created the Warm Hearts for Warm Homes campaign in 2008 in response to the economic recession impacting many local families. Unfortunately, the need for this annual campaign still exists 14 years later. Warm Hearts for Warm Homes aims to provide utility assistance during the cold winter months to families with children, working poor adults, and older adults on fixed incomes. More information, including ways to support this campaign with you prayers and financial support, can be found at www.ccdoy.org. Donate online; give today in your parish; or, mail checks to Catholic Charities, 144 Wood St. Youngstown, OH 44503. Thank you for your generosity.

FIRST FRIDAY CLUB OF GREATER YOUNGSTOWN

First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown hosts a Catholic Speaker Luncheon series the first THURSDAY of every month. The speaker for February 3, 2022 is Mr. Jesse McClain, Deacon, Saint Patrick Youngstown. We will carpool from Saint William promptly at 10:45am. Lunch is served at 11:30 am followed by the speaker at noon and ending at 1:00pm. Kindly register by Friday, January 21. Cost is \$18.00. Please make checks payable to St. William Parish.

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~

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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

~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