

St. William Parish

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January 23, 2022 ~ Third Sunday of Ordinary Time



“We have been gifted with each other!”

Our gospel reading this weekend gives us a daring scene. Jesus goes to his hometown synagogue, where it can be assumed everyone knows him, walks up to read, is handed a scroll with the exact prophecy of his coming, and then he reads it out loud to his friend and neighbors. Rolling it up he hands it back to the attendant and with all eyes looking intently upon him, he says, *“today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”* Luke uses the gift God has given to him to listen to the stories of those who walked and talked with Jesus so that, as he writes, he may compile them for Theophilus and other future generations. This fits nicely with Saint Paul’s writing we hear from the Corinthians today. The second reading reminds us of our intricate and intimate interconnectedness with others and all of God’s creation. There is power and strength in community. If we are willing to accept help from others during our difficult times, we must also stand ready to assist others when they experience challenges and hardship. Part of the communal reality is recognizing and naming our own gifts. When we can name our strengths without self-absorption or false humility, we are better able to recognize how we can use these gifts for the service of others. We cannot opt into community when it is convenient. Rather part of living and working in communion with others is recognizing that we all succeed or fail together. Our challenge remains to answer the call to share our gifts and talents with others. In doing so we also share the life, message, and words of Jesus.



This weekend we celebrate the “Sunday of the Word of God.” Two years ago, Pope Francis established the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time to be observed as the “Sunday of the Word of God.” His initiative seeks to continually foster the Church’s love of Sacred Scripture while strengthening its efforts in catechesis and evangelization. This year our catechetical theme is “Power Up→Reconnect with the Word.” At our parish there are many opportunities that connect and immerse us in the message of Sacred Scripture, most recently, by the opportunity to provide Bibles for everyone. By focusing on the role of the Word of God in prayer, catechesis, and liturgy we allow *“the word of Christ to dwell in us richly”* (Col. 3:16), not just on Sunday but in every moment of life! Let us joyfully celebrate this “Word of God Sunday” as we continue to *Power Up* and *reconnect with the Word!*

Have a great week! ~ Fr. Balash



~ **January 23-30, 2022** ~
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † **JIM & MARY ELLEN HOOLIHAN/**
 Brian & Tina McCue
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † **MIKE KUFCHAK, SR/** Barb Kufchak
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † **JOE BADANJEK/** Rose Pearson
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † **CAROLE RUNYAN/** Don & Martha Urchek

JANUARY 30, 2022

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **SUZIE MINTUS/** Family
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **VICKI FRITZMAN/** SND Associates
 11:00 a.m. † **WAYNE LENHART/** Felicia Mooney

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ **January 30, 2022** ~
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19

The word of the LORD came to me, saying: Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born...

1 Corinthians 12: 31-13:13

Brothers and sisters: Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts. But I shall show you a still more excellent way...

Luke 4: 21-30

Jesus began speaking in the synagogue, saying: "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing..."

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

January 30, 2022

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Ruth Bubba, Donna Runtas
 8:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Rachael Zigarovich
 11:00 a.m. Taylor Kuhn, Margie McCummins

Servers

5:00 p.m. Tim Timko
 8:30 a.m. Mike Trunick
 11:00 a.m. Nathan Goldner

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Judy Jaskiewicz, Brian Lenhart
 8:30 a.m. Ellie Gates, Gloria Mintus
 11:00 a.m. Jeanette Jaskiewicz, Sandra Hudak



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ January 16, 2022 (WK 29)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,202.00*	\$ 210,066.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 210,801.00
Difference	\$ (67.00)	\$ (735.00)
Performance	99%	99%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,080.00 LAST WK — \$ 24,275.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 188 out of 531
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 7.00 (6 out of 40)

POT-OF-GOLD

#59 drawn on 1/19/2022

!!NO WINNER!!

Amount: \$157.00



**CHURCH OVERSEAS
 COMBINED COLLECTION**

This weekend is the Church Overseas Combined Collection for ministries of the Church around the globe including: Catholic Relief Services (CRS); Holy Father/Peter's Pence; the Church in Central and Eastern Europe; and the Church in Latin America. This collection assists in serving people who are hungry, refugees, victims of natural disasters, and development projects. Your generous support this weekend is greatly appreciated.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Prayer and Fellowship
This 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.

FISH DINNER SPONSORSHIPS

Are you or do you know a business owner? Sponsors are being invited to underwrite the 2022 St. William Fish Dinner "Go Green" Initiative. Sponsors will be featured on large banners in the Social Hall and in advertisements on our social media platforms and printed communications. If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming a sponsor call the parish office at 330-847-8677 for more information.

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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS

The Baptism of the Lord

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..."
 (NEHEMIAH 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

†† RECENT DEATHS ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Dorothy Scheitrumpf

Sister of Steve Tombor
 Aunt of Bill Tombar, Elaine Nicholas,
 Linda Ozanich, and Karen Daugherty

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

FISH DINNER NEWS!

**5 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)



FISH DINNER UPDATE

****NEW ****

Fish Dinner Dine-In / Carry Out Procedure for 2022

In an effort to maintain efficiency, uphold quality, and create a healthy, safe environment a new procedure will be implemented for our Dine-In and Carry Out Fish Dinners this year. As a result, there are new positions for volunteers and adjustments to others. Hopefully this will allow our guests to enjoy their dinner in a relaxed and comfortable environment. Here is a brief outline of our new procedure (*this will be explained in detail at the Fish Dinner Volunteer Meeting on February 10*).

- Upon entering the building our guests will be able to purchase 50/50 raffle tickets in the vestibule and their dinners (both dine-in and carry out) at the Library entrance in the main hallway.
 - Guests will be given their Order Form receipt and enter a queue line in the hallway.
 - Upon entering the Social Hall, guests will present their Order Form to our Dinner host/hostess (*new position*).
 - The dinner Order Form will be given to a "runner" who will take guests to their seats for dine-in. Take out guests will get in a second queue line in the Social Hall.
 - The runner will take the Order Form, complete the dinner order, and present it to the guest at their seat or in the take-out line (*similar to last year*).
 - Dine-in guests will be responsible for getting their own beverage...all else will be served to them.
- Note:** *If our dinners become take-out only, we will return to last year's Drive-Thru procedure.*

There is still time to join the crew to help out at this year's Fish Dinners. If you are interested, please use the sign-up sheets in the vestibule or call the Parish Office. **Many thanks to all who continue to be apart our Fish Dinners!** *Continue to hope and pray for our Fish Dinners to be successful this year!*

CHANGE OF PERSONAL STATUS

Have you changed your telephone number? Has your personal status changed? Please notify the parish office and help us keep our records current.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

Jan 24 ~ RCIA at Mount Carmel, Niles 7:00 p.m.
Jan 25 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Jan 25 ~ Bereavement Gathering 6:30 p.m.
Jan 27 ~ Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
Jan 30 ~ PSR 9:30 a.m.
Jan 30 ~ 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: 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, February 2, 2022 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

Power UP → Reconnect

PARKING LOT PROJECT UPDATE

January Pledge Payments can be made to the Parish Office or dropped in the Sunday collection. Thank you!

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

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Piper Duncan, Aubrianna Graham,
Lynda Grace Greb, Kaiden Horm,
Veronika Joseph, and Mia Mackiewicz**



who received their First Reconciliation this weekend.

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>.

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.

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 today, 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.



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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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

~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