

St. William Parish

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March 13, 2022 ~ Second Sunday of Lent



“Where you lead we’ll follow!”

“Transform us as you, transfigured.” These words are our prayer today as we continue our “season of fresh hope” this Lent. In the gospel, Jesus reveals to his disciples that he is the Son of God. The revelation is extraordinary, but this event is not one of passivity. We, too, are invited into a life of transformation as we strive to become the people we are called to be. Part of our transformation, just like that of the disciples, is our awareness and alertness of the presence of God. As we hear, *“Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and two men standing with him.”* We might ask, as we journey this Lent, what is keeping our own mind from being fully awake? Do our experiences, prejudices, and biases keep us from fully encountering God? Do we have difficulty recognizing the belovedness of others? Our lesson today is a great opportunity to reflect on our own self-awareness as we look to better ourselves and prepare for Easter. The transfiguration of Jesus gives Peter, James, and John and us a glimpse of what is to come in the resurrection. Jesus appears before them with his face shining like the sun and clothes as white as light. This is a peak moment in the lives of his disciples. Peak experiences do not come often and they do not last, but they can be a touchstone to which we may return often through memories. The birth of a child; falling in love; a special day; or an encounter in nature; may all be peak experiences we want to preserve, remember, and cherish. Today’s gospel story is meant to motivate us, as we continue our Lenten journey; to look for God’s presence amid the storms and sin of daily life. Our Lenten journey will lead us to the foot of the cross and to the joy of the empty tomb. The disciples today are offered a new hope as they, like Jesus, are transfigured in their belief and faith. May the repentance and forgiveness we seek this Lent, transfigure us as we look to a “season of fresh hope” in our faith and one another.

It has been some time since we have had two catechumens who are preparing to join the Church at Easter this year. This year we will return to the practice of offering cards of welcome and support to our “soon-to-be” new members of the Church. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they enter their immediate preparation for Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil this year!

Make it a great week! ~ Fr. Balash





~ **March 13-20, 2022** ~
Second Sunday of Lent

MARCH 13, 2022

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **JOSEPH JENYK**/ Family
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **KATHERINE SHELLHAMMER**/
 Vince & Rita DeSalvo
 11:00 a.m. † **ANN MARIE PALCICH**/ Women's Guild
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † **PAULINE LESH**/ Women's Guild
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † **IDA MAE SWITTER**/ Mary Pytlík
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † **RON MOONEY**/ Jerry & Marilyn Kolar
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † **DWIGHT DUTTRY FAMILY**/ Tim & Jane Johns

MARCH 20, 2022

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **ANGELA TOMBAR**/ Carl & Gloria Karafa
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † **JOHN & ROSE MAKOSKY**/ Tina & Brian McCue
 11:00 a.m. † **JEREMY LAPMARADO**/
 David & Georgana Lapmarado

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ **March 20, 2022** ~
Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15

Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian. Leading the flock across the desert...

1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud...

Luke 13: 1-9

Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

March 20, 2022

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Deanna Barco, Donna Runtas
 8:30 a.m. Margaret Foster, Nancy Lucanski
 11:00 a.m. Erin Lee, Renita Mintus

Servers

5:00 p.m. John Barco
 8:30 a.m. _____
 11:00 a.m. Marianne Babnik

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Brian Lenhart, Bob Mintus
 8:30 a.m. Dave Lucanski, Bob Mintus
 11:00 a.m. Karen Daugherty, Bob Mintus



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ March 6, 2022 (WK 36)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,828.00*	\$ 260,541.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 261,684.00
Difference	\$ 559.00	\$ (1,143.00)
Performance	108%	99%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 635.00 LAST WK — \$ 29,350.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 189 out of 523
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 23.00 (10 out of 41)

POT-OF-GOLD

#232 drawn on 3/9/2022

!!NO WINNER!!

Amount: \$326.00



RCIA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

As our Catechumens begin their final preparation to be welcomed into our community and receive the Sacraments of Initiation, please continue to pray for them. We also ask that you write a card of welcome.

Maria Hardman: *Maria is an account manager who enjoys crafts, decorating and being with family. She is married to Brian who is her sponsor.*

Nicole McIntyre: *Nicole is a pharmacy technician who enjoys the outdoors, crafting and reading. Her sponsor is Chad Karafa.*



Cards can be returned to the basket in the vestibule any time before Palm Sunday ~ April 10 Thank you!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Youngstown is sponsoring a Wedding Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, May 8, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Columba Cathedral, honoring couples observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and over wedding anniversaries in 2022. The Mass will include a renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate and reception. Reservations are needed and can be made at the parish office. Deadline to register is April 6, 2022.

SHARE THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL!

Small Christian Communities gather the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month to discuss and share thoughts on the Sunday scripture readings. Groups meet from 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and again at 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. You are encouraged to bring a friend along with you.

"It is my dream that parishes will form small groups for people to share their faith and support one another as they become disciples." ~Bishop David Bonnar

WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS

Second Sunday of Lent

"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." (GENESIS 15:7)

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing equally in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

FISH DINNER UPDATE!

- ❖ Every Friday until April 8
- ❖ Last week 807 Meals Sold
- ❖ 50/50 Winner – Donna Runtas
- ❖ 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ Dine In / Take Out ~ \$12.00
- ❖ Choice of Baked or Fried Fish
- ❖ 3 Sides – *Mac and Cheese/Haluski ~ French Fries ~ Coleslaw
- ❖ Surprise Dessert!!!
- ❖ Still interested in being part of the *Fish Dinner Crew*? Call the Parish Office.
**Mac & Cheese and Haluski alternate each week.*



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS OF THE WEEK

Holko Roofing

<https://holko.com/>

Peter Rossi & Son

<https://www.peterrossiandsonfh.com/>

HELP NEEDED ~ WE ONLY HAVE TWO!!

Altar Servers are needed for the Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. Any adult interested in helping is encouraged to contact the parish office for more information.

GOLDEN AGERS NEWS

St. William Golden Ages will meet Tuesday, February 15 at 12:30 p.m. in room 103. Door prizes donated by Claudia Valimont and Bob Kane. Pizza will be served. Bring a friend to the meeting.



PARISH APP

Stay up to date on parish news, updates, cancellations and information. Download our FREE Parish APP for smartphones. Simply text **APP** to **88202**. Download **myParish APP** and select our parish. This is the **BEST** way to stay in touch, get updates and remain informed about parish news and events.

Power UP → Reconnect PARKING LOT PROJECT UPDATE

TURNING THE PAGE! March Pledge Payments can be made to the Parish Office or dropped in the Sunday collection. Many thanks to all who are keeping current with pledge payments! **ONLY TWO MORE MONTHS!**
Thank you!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The new Liturgical Minister schedule is now available. Be sure to pick it up in the vestibule after Mass this weekend.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

- Mar 14 ~ RCIA at Mt. Carmel Niles 7:00 p.m.
- Mar 15 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
- Mar 15 ~ Golden Agers 12:30 p.m.
- Mar 15 ~ Cantor Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Mar 16 ~ Prayer Shawl Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Mar 16 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.
- Mar 17 ~ St. Patrick's Day
- Mar 17 ~ Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
- Mar 18 ~ Stations of the Cross 8:45 a.m.
- Mar 18 ~ Fish Dinner #4 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- Mar 19 ~ Folk Group 5:00 p.m. Mass
- Mar 20 ~ RCIA 9:30 a.m.
- Mar 20 ~ Adult Choir 11:00 a.m. Mass
- Mar 20 ~ 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: April 6, 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.

KOLACHI BAKE

Wednesday, March 23

Nut, Apricot & Poppyseed
Kolachi \$12 each

Prep Work - 8:00 a.m.

Rolling - 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Baking - 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Wrapping 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.



Limit FOUR per order. For orders or questions call Gloria Karafa at 330-507-4580. Kolachi may be picked up March 23 from 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Orders not picked up will be sold unless paid in advance.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL #7491



Next Meeting:

Wednesday, March 16, 2022 7:00 p.m.

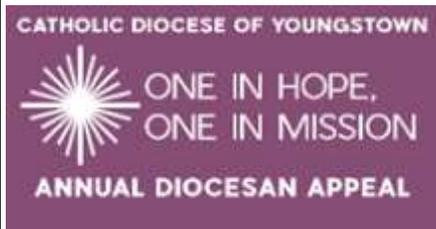
Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics. If interested in joining, please visit our web site at www.knights7491.org

SUPER CASH BONANZA RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus annual raffle to provide funding for many charitable donations given to the Catholic Church, local school systems, and communities is now underway. This year there are 25 chances to win part of the \$108,000 prize pot. Council #7491 is currently selling tickets for \$5.00 per ticket. Contact Mike Kirkwood at 704-999-1741 to purchase tickets.

2022 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

One in Hope, One in Mission



The Annual Diocesan Appeal ~ One in Hope, One in Mission is underway! As followers of Jesus, we make sacrifices that will bring His love and hope to the less fortunate served by Catholic Charities. Our support also enables our Church to provide programs which meet the pastoral needs of the diocese and enhance Jesus' mission in our time and place. The Diocesan Appeal is the primary funding source for Catholic Charities in our six-county diocese. Every parishioner is being asked to prayerfully make a gift to this year's Appeal. Please submit your response directly to the Diocese or by dropping it off in the collection basket at the parish office and help us reach our parish goal of \$45,700.00. Donation envelopes are available in the vestibule. THANK YOU to those who have already made their donation. To date we have received \$2,500.00 from 6 responses.

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 April 7, 2022 is Ms. Nancy Bird, RCL Benzinger Director, Training and Development. We will carpool from St. 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, March 18. Cost is \$18.00. Please makes checks payable to St. William Parish.



MASS INTENTIONS

Have you ever thought of memorializing a special event – birthday, anniversary, or any other special happening? Mass intentions are not limited to only remembering loved ones who have passed away; they can also be offered to commemorate a special event such as a birthday, anniversary or other special moments. In addition, Mass can also be offered for other causes as well – the sick, lonely, unemployed, less fortunate etc. We are currently in need of Mass Intentions for upcoming weekday Masses during the summer. Please contact the parish office or drop your requests in the collection basket. If you are remembering a special event please be sure to include that with your request. The customary offering is \$10.00 for each intention.



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 175 Laird NE, Warren is sponsoring a pirohy sale on Friday, March 25. Two varieties will be offered: potato and cheese, and sweet cabbage. The cost is 7.00 doz. Haluski (cabbage and noodles) \$ 4.00 qt. bag. Advanced orders can be placed by calling 330-393-0781 on Monday and Tuesday, the week of the sale. Please leave name and number with order. Pick up is Friday from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m.

~Contact~

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Rev. Michael D. Balash, Pastor

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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