

St. William Parish

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May 8, 2022 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter



“We follow and rejoice!”

It has been written that *“love is a direction.”* This image is interesting, as instead of insisting that love is manifested in the same static, unchanging actions, it suggests that love looks different in different times and circumstances. The way we are called to love when we are children looks different from the way we are called love as we grow in age and faith. Likewise the way a single father loves his children might look different than the love a woman has for her elderly mother. The particulars of love can change from situation to situation, but the source and direction of authentic love is always God. We are continually discerning the direction of love throughout our lives. In today’s gospel Jesus proclaims, *“my sheep hear my voice and they follow me.”* Notice that Jesus does not say, “my sheep do what I tell them, they have an obligation to me.” As we continue to discern God’s call in our lives, we listen not for specific instructions for every possible scenario we encounter, instead we listen to the voice of Jesus by following his command—*do this in memory of me.* This is the intimacy that is often associated with the image of the Good Shepherd. When Pope Francis said that shepherds must smell like the sheep, he reminds us of the intimate relationship between the two. In order to love and serve others we must be close to them, keenly aware of their unique and individual needs, hopes, fears, and dreams. These are not the same for each person, however in our life of discipleship the common need among people remains the same. The Good Shepherd shows us how love is a “direction” and how that love should be expressed among all of God’s people.

On this Mother’s Day weekend we offer congratulations and best wishes to all those who are mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, and for all who take care of someone in a special way... *HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY to all!*



Make it a great week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ May 8-15, 2022 ~
Fourth Sunday of Easter

MAY 8, 2022

Sat 5:00 p.m. † ROBERT CHURA/ Mary Pytlik
Sun 8:30 a.m. † ROSALINE & TONY IANARO/
Vince & Rita DeSalvo
11:00 a.m. † DARLENE MARANDO/ Marando Family
Mon 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues 8:30 a.m. † ANGELA TOMBAR/ Dave Carl
Wed 8:30 a.m. † JAMES DANVER FAMILY/ Tim & Jane Johns
Thur 8:30 a.m. † JOANNE STROUP/ Renita & Bob Mintus
Fri 8:30 a.m. † LOUISE BEDENIK/ RoseAnn & Ed Radnothy

MAY 8, 2022

Sat 5:00 p.m. † LARRY GRIFFIN/ Martha Griffin
Sun 8:30 a.m. † IDA MAE SWITTER/ Gary & Ellie Gates
11:00 a.m. † DONALD L. TITCHNELL/ Family

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ May 15, 2022 ~
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 14: 21-27

After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples...

Revelations 21: 1-5

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away...

John 13: 31-33, 34-35

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him..."

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

May 15, 2022

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Theresa Petrosky, Viviane Watson
8:30 a.m. Margaret Foster, Treva Pytlik
11:00 a.m. Margie McCummins, Melanie Shoaf

Servers

5:00 p.m. Therese Tuttle
8:30 a.m. Olivia Zigarovich
11:00 a.m. Sophia Garito

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Judy Jaskiewicz, Brian Lenhart
8:30 a.m. Ellie Gates, Penny Hudak
11:00 a.m. Scott Freer, Patty Heib



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ May 1, 2022 (WK 44)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,223.00*	\$ 320,680.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 319,836.00
Difference	\$ (46.00)	\$ 844.00
Performance	99%	100%

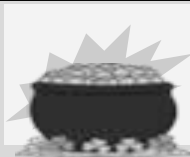
*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,075.00 LAST WK — \$ 37,395.00 YTD
Envelopes ~ 182 out of 520
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 5.00 (5 out of 41)
Easter Collection ~ \$8,513.00

POT-OF-GOLD

#336 drawn on 5/4/2022

!!!NO WINNER!!!

Amount: \$976.00



PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council will meet this coming Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT:
Prayer and Fellowship

TUESDAY, MAY 10, 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. Open to all.



MEMORIAL SERVICE

for Miscarried or Stillborn Children

If you know someone who has suffered the loss of a child through miscarriage or stillbirth, please invite them to the following Memorial Service on Sunday, May 15 at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel at Calvary Cemetery, 248 Belle Vista Ave. Youngstown. Parents, family, grandparents, and others are encouraged to attend.

NAIM CLUB

Luncheon Meeting, Thursday, February 10 at 12:30 p.m. Meet at Sorrento's Restaurant at 2488 Parkman Rd. NW (Not meeting at Church) Questions: Call Barb at 330-847-8375



Youth Ministry expresses a huge THANK YOU to all who supported the Mother's Day flower sale. Proceeds from the sale of the 219 hanging baskets will be used for supporting youth ministry activities throughout the year!

WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS

Third Sunday of Easter

"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." (ACTS 13:52)

The disciples heard Our Lord's call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to!

†† RECENT DEATH ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Anthony "Tony" Zigarovich
Father of Richard Zigarovich

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

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER & BLESSING

On this Mother's Day we say *Thank You* for the many blessings you have bestowed on us. Motherhood is a precious gift freely given for the care of all. In honor of all Mothers, Grandmothers, Stepmothers, Godmothers, and Great Grandmothers we offer this special prayer and blessing.



*Loving God,
as a mother gives life
and nourishment to her children,
so you watch over your Church.
Bless all women this day,
that they may be strengthened
as Christian mothers.
Let the example of their faith
and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
may honor them always
with a spirit of profound respect
May God bless all mothers this day,
in the name of the Father,
and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.*

HOLY COMMUNION FROM THE CUP

After consultation with appropriate medical professionals, Bishop Bonnar has decided to return the practice of offering the Precious Blood of the Lord at Mass during Communion beginning on the Feast of Pentecost, June 5, 2022. More information will be forthcoming in the upcoming weeks. Please remember that receiving from the Chalice at Communion time remains an option for all.

THANKS JFK STUDENTS!

Many thanks to the JFK students who, along with some supervising parishioners helped with spring cleaning at the Church and Parish residence last week.

NEW TOTALS! Power UP → Reconnect PARKING LOT PROJECT UPDATE

Our Parking Lot Campaign has some NEW TOTALS! THANK YOU to all who participated and supported this parish project.

\$134,210.00 has been pledged!

\$127,505.00 has been collected!

Only \$6,705.00 remains in pledge payments!

Payments can still be made to the Parish Office or it can be dropped in the Sunday collection.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

May 8 ~ Mother's Day
May 10 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
May 10 ~ Bereavement Gathering 6:30 p.m.
May 10 ~ Parish Council 7:00 p.m.
May 12 ~ NAIM Group @ Sorrentos 12:30 p.m.
May 12 ~ Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
May 15 ~ Adult Choir 8:30 a.m.
May 15 ~ Folk Group 11:00 a.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:

Meeting: September 7, 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, May 18, 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

NEW AND IMPROVED!

This week the Parish Office will transfer over to a new and improved phone system. The parish number remains the same. During this transfer of systems there might be a disruption in service. If you call the Parish Office this week and can't get through please try again.

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Our Summer Mass Schedule will begin on SUNDAY, JUNE 5. Mass times for the summer will be 5:00 p.m. Saturday, and 8:30 a.m. and **10:30 a.m.** Sunday through September 4, 2022.

VBS: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Digging for Treasure: Parables Revealed

Dig into vacation Bible school! Bible stories, games, crafts, snacks, and other activities will help children in grades K-5 dig deeper to reveal the treasures in Jesus' parables. Children in grades 6-12 are encouraged to volunteer to be part of the VBS team!

June 13 – 17, 2022

9:30am – Noon

Blessed Sacrament Parish, 3020 Reeves Road, Warren
Registration deadline June 5, 2022

Cost \$10.00 payable to Blessed Sacrament Parish

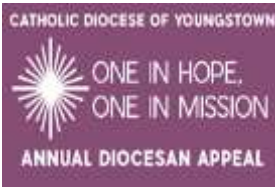


2022 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

One in Hope, One in Mission

Getting Closer to Our Parish Goal!

Many thanks to all who have responded to this year's Bishop's Appeal. To date our parish has already pledged \$34,850.00 (76% of goal) towards our goal of \$45,700.00. Thank you for your commitment to the 2022 Diocesan Appeal and for sharing your concern for others, while expressing your gratitude to God for the many blessings you have received. If you have not yet responded, you are asked to do so as soon as possible. Without your generosity, Catholic Charities would never be able to serve the poor among us as we are called to do by Jesus in the Gospel. *Thank you to all who have made a commitment to this year's Appeal.*



~Contact~

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Chuck Poponak, Maintenance Manager

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 June 2, 2022 is Reverend James Daprile, retired priest, Catholic Diocese of Youngstown. 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, May 20. Cost is \$18.00. Please make checks payable to St. William Parish.



~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

Spring cleaning is under way

As you begin spring cleaning, please remember our **August Rummage Sale!** Please hold onto items no longer needed by your family, but so appreciated for our sale. Once again, we cannot accept computer monitors, appliances, large TV's or large furniture. Thanks for your continued support.



Help is needed to receive items during drop off times and to help out during the sale. If you can spare an hour or two, please contact Theresa Craiger.

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!

~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