

St. William Parish

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May 15, 2022 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter



“Let your song be sung from mountains high!”

As our Easter season continues to unfold today we here the final word, the last message that Jesus leaves with us before ascending into heaven. It is simple and straightforward and there isn't a lot of room to wonder what he is talking about. *“Love one another”*...that's it...that's the endgame. How are we to just that? Jesus answers by saying: *“as I have loved you.”* Throughout the gospel, Jesus has modeled this love of us. He could have ended everything by reminding us that we are loved, and always will be. Instead of choosing words to soothe, Jesus gives us a new commandment. He essentially tells us to “go and do for others what I have done for you.” This command, like many of Jesus's teachings, is easier said than done. We are being called to love as God loves. This is not a love that is individualistic, nor it is grounded in fanfare and exultation. Instead, this love is profoundly communal and rooted in the humility and vulnerability of self-gift. Christ's own example of self-gift shows us how to share this love with others. We love as God loves when we lower our voices to listen to people whose voices might be typically ignored or forgotten. We love as God loves when we recognize our own limitations and need for a community of people to support us. We love as God loves when we share our gifts with others, unafraid of the consequences. Our Easter season provides us the opportunity to reflect on such matters. The celebration of Easter is really a celebration of God's love in our lives and how we might mirror and share that with others. The loss of faith that so often results from the lack or distortion of understanding can cause us to fall short of living this command. This is compounded in today's world with a general lack of care and compassion for others. As we strive to follow the Lord's command let us make the best of these last weeks of our Easter season with a concerted effort to live our faith and embrace God's love in our lives.



Best wishes to all those who are graduating this Spring from grade school, high school and college. Congratulations on a job well done and for all your achievements and good luck in your future endeavors!

Make it a great week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ May 15-22, 2022 ~
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MAY 15, 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
 Mon 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE
 Tues 8:30 a.m. † ANN MARIE PALCICH/ Ruby Jones
 Wed 8:30 a.m. † BILL CRAIGER/ Theresa Craiger
 Thur 8:30 a.m. † BOB & ANGIE MUSIL/ Kathy Rogel
 Fri 8:30 a.m. † LAURA Y'BARBO/ Helen Snyder

MAY 22, 2022

Sat 5:00 p.m. † RON MOONEY/ Felecia Mooney
 Sun 8:30 a.m. † MURPH GELET/ Gelet Family
 11:00 a.m. † FRANCES SALVADORE/ Viviane Watson

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ May 22, 2022 ~
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29

*Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers,
 "Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice..."*

Revelations 21: 10-14, 22-23

*The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me
 the holy city Jerusalem coming down ...*

John 14: 23-29

*Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word,
 and my Father will love him..."*

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

May 22, 2022

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Andrea Kochunas, Tim Timko
 8:30 a.m. Sandy Frantz, Ed Runyan
 11:00 a.m. Erin Lee, Cathy Poponak

Servers

5:00 p.m. John Barco
 8:30 a.m.
 11:00 a.m. Brian Wilson/Collin Lee

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Deanna Barco, Bob Mintus
 8:30 a.m. Michele Jeffers, Bob Mintus
 11:00 a.m. Chuck Poponak, Bob Mintus



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.

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.

ONLINE GIVING

myEoffering is an easy and safe way to give your weekly financial gift to the church, sign up for myEoffering today. Questions??? Call the Parish Office.

BULLETINS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

If you know of a parishioner who is homebound or in a nursing home or assisted living and would like to receive a weekly bulletin, please notify the office with their name and address.



WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS

Fifth Sunday of Easter

*"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."
 (JOHN 13:34)*

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know or someone that doesn't look like you.

NEW MEMBERS

Deanne Steinbeck

*Welcome to our parish family.
 May you find warmth and
 spiritual growth in our parish.*



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ May 8, 2022 (WK 45)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,700.00*	\$ 328,380.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 327,105.00
Difference	\$ 431.00	\$ 1,275.00
Performance	106%	100%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 900.00 LAST WK — \$ 38,295.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 187 out of 520
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 8.00 (7 out of 41)

POT-OF-GOLD

#658 drawn on 5/8/2022

!!NO WINNER!!

Amount: \$1,138.00



†† RECENT DEATH ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Howard Youngs

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

MEMORIAL SERVICE

for Miscarried or Stillborn Children Today

All are welcomed to attend a Memorial Service for miscarried or still born children this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. at the Chapel at Calvary Cemetery, 248 Belle Vita Ave., Youngstown. Parents, family, grandparents, and others are encouraged to attend. This event is sponsored by the Diocese of Youngstown Office of Worship, Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life, and Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services. You are kindly asked to keep in prayers all those who have suffered a loss of this kind.

HOLY COMMUNION FROM THE CUP

After consultation with appropriate medical professionals, Bishop Bonnar is granting permission 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. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal states: *"Holy Communion has a fuller form as a sign when it takes place under both kinds. For in this form the sign of one Eucharistic banquet is more clearly evident."* (#281) Beginning June 5, 2022, the Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday, Saint William Parish will return to offering the Precious Blood at Communion time for those who desire to receive. Please remember that reception of the Precious Blood of the Lord remains an option. *The act of receiving Holy Communion is an act of faith. The person makes this act of faith in the total presence of the Lord whether in receiving Holy Communion under one form or under both kinds.* (#14-15 Norms for the Distribution of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds).

GOLDEN AGERS NEWS

St. William Golden Ages will meet Tuesday, May 17 at 12:30 p.m. in room 103. Door prizes donated by Gerry Dines and Bob Kane. Plans will be made concerning our June cookout. Pizza will be served. **Bring a friend to the meeting.**



PARKING LOT PROJECT UPDATE

This coming week we should be receiving the timetable and date when the parking lot project will take place this coming summer. Miller-Yount will be the contractor for the project. Our Parking Lot Campaign has been very successful and to date we have collected \$128,105.00 (**Only \$6,405.00 remains in pledge payments!**) along with \$100,000.00 from previous Fish Dinner profits. The total estimated cost of the project is \$381,000.00 therefore we will need to borrow approximately \$150,000.00. This amount is what was estimated at the outset of the project. Further updates will be coming soon!

THE PARISH CALENDAR

May 16 ~ Small Christian Communities 9:30 a.m.
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May 17 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
May 17 ~ Golden Agers 12:30 p.m.
May 17 ~ Liturgy Committee Dinner 6:00 p.m.
May 18 ~ Newsletter Folding 9:30 a.m.
May 18 ~ Prayer Shawl Meeting 6:30 p.m.
May 18 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

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

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.

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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Call the parish office at 330-847-8677 or email parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org

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!

Saint William Parish continues to, once again, respond to those in need through the generosity of so many who have already made a pledge and donation to this year's 2022 Annual Diocesan Appeal. As of this week our parish has pledged \$35,675.00 (78%) towards our goal of \$45,700.00. **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.*



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.



MASS INTENTIONS NOT ONLY FOR THE DECEASED

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. 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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Rev. Michael D. Balash, Pastor

Robert Mintus, Deacon

Tina McCue, Pastoral Associate

Patricia Maciejewski, Music Director

Carol Timko, Religious Education

Therese Tuttle, Business Manager

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