

St. William Parish

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July 24, 2022 ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“May the sunshine warm you always!”

In today’s gospel the disciples ask Jesus to teach them how to pray. This is an interesting request, as the disciples have been following Jesus for some time now. They have surely seen Christ pray before, but now they want to learn. If we look throughout the gospel, we see accounts of Jesus praying in any number of circumstances or situations. Jesus prays prayers of blessing and benediction, gratitude and thanksgiving, and communally and privately. Today Jesus offers the most common and widely known prayer of all time. With this, the Lord’s Prayer is situated within a much larger context of Jesus teaching his followers to pray in the everyday events of life. The Lord’s Prayer is a prayer *par excellence* in the sense that it not only affirms our ultimate dependence on God but also insists that we, as the people of God must be invested in our prayer. Jesus says, “forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us” and continues with the story of a friend who asks for bread. Pope Francis attests, “You pray for the hungry, then you feed them. That’s how prayer works.” Prayer is a way of living in relationship with God and others. We must



also remember that the answers to prayer do not always look like what we might expect. When Jesus asks who would give a scorpion instead of an egg, or a snake instead of a fish, our immediate response might be “no one would ever do that!” But this is a human way of thinking. Perhaps the scorpion or snake are actually answered prayers, as God answers prayer according to God’s will, not ours! This week we have an opportunity to reflect on the true value of our prayer and petition to the Lord. In doing so, may we always be open to the all the possibilities of God’s answered prayer in our lives.

Make it a great week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ July 24-31, 2022 ~

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 24, 2022

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **BOB & ANGIE MUSIL/** Kathy Rogel
- Sun 8:30 a.m. † **JOSEPH KIRKWOOD/** Mary Pytlik
- 10:30 a.m. † **ROBERT HART/** Gloria Hart
- Mon 8:30 a.m. † **COMMUNION SERVICE**
- Tues 8:30 a.m. † **TED PYTLIK/** Mary Pytlik
- Wed 8:30 a.m. † **MURPH GELET/** Carol Drabek
- Thur 8:30 a.m. † **EUGENE PETROSKY/** Lay Leaders of Prayer
- Fri 8:30 a.m. † **ANDREA GABRIELSON/** Jess

JULY 31, 2022

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **TED & MARGIE CHURA/** Donna & Ron Runtas
- Sun 8:30 a.m. † **AVIS AMOLINE/** Women's Guild
- 10:30 a.m. † **PHILIP DECAPITO/** Carl & Gloria Karafa

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ July 31, 2022 ~

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiastes 1: 2; 2: 21-23

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge...

Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11

Brothers and sisters: If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God...

Luke 12: 13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me." He replied to him...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

July 31, 2022

Lectors

- 5:00 p.m. Deanna Barco, Andrea Kochunas
- 8:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Treva Pytlik
- 10:30 a.m. Erin Lee, Margie McCummins

Servers

- 5:00 p.m. Alexa Szykulski
- 8:30 a.m. Olivia Zigarovich
- 10:30 a.m. Thresa Craiger

Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00 p.m. Bob Hardman, Karen Hardman, Brian Lenhart, Carol Timko
- 8:30 a.m. Carole Baniak, Penny Hudak, Frank Pytlik, Jamie Taneri
- 10:30 a.m. Barb Bickford, Dave Bickford, Patty Heib, Christina Pacurar



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ July 17, 2022 (WK 3)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,494.00*	\$ 20,622.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 21,807.00
Difference	\$ (775.00)	\$ (1,185.00)
Performance	89%	95%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,171.00 LAST WK — \$ 3,556.00 YTD

Envelopes ~ 177 out of 518

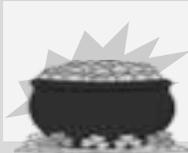
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 4.00 (4 out of 41)

POT-OF-GOLD

#50 drawn on 7/20/2022

!!!NO WINNER!!!

Amount: \$164.00



MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

Mass attendance last weekend was:

82	105	109
5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
	296	98

Why Mix Water and Wine...

Many of the practices and actions of the Mass have come about from a long history and have taken on various meanings and understandings. The practice of mixing some water into the wine came from the early middle eastern culture where the liturgy originated. It was the custom at the time to dilute strong wine so it would not be too strong to drink. This practice simply carried over into the liturgy with little thought or meaning, however over time, people began to ascribe different understandings to the practice. One of the common interpretations was that the mixing of water and wine represented the water and blood flowing from Jesus' side when he was crucified. Another line of thought is that the water mixed with the wine signified the union of Christ's humanity and divinity. The origin of the priest washing his hands is rather unclear. In the early church, the gifts being presented at Mass would have included different foods and offerings for the poor, and in many instances livestock and garden items, along with the bread and wine. The priest's hands may have gotten dirty after all this and washing may have been needed. One thought assigned to this action has been that the hand washing is a symbolic gesture of the inward cleansing of the priest and community as they prepare to receive the Eucharist. Another is that the washing of hands at Mass mirrored the act of government officials. It was common before a government authority proceeded with an official act to have a basin of water brought forth to first wash their hands before the pronouncement of a decision. Recall that even Pilate washed his hands before sentencing Jesus to death. Regardless these two actions remain part of the preparation of the gifts (*bread and wine*) as symbolic gestures of the inward and outward preparation for all present to receive the Eucharist.

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.



†† RECENT DEATH ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Janet Ott

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

HAVE YOU...

- ...been worshipping with us but never officially took the step to become Catholic?
- ...been away from the Church... and now have returned but want to know more?
- ...yet to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or Eucharist?
- ...joined us from a different background and would like to find out more about the Catholic Church?
- ...felt God leading you and want to find out where that might be?



If any of the above applies to you, or if you know of anyone who could answer YES to any of these questions, we would love to help you on your journey! The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults seeking answers in their lives are brought into full union with our parish community and the Catholic Church. The RCIA provides a spiritual opportunity to learn and discuss various aspects of the Catholic faith and its practices. If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more, please contact Fr. Balash at the Parish Office for more information. RCIA begins in September!

MISSIONARY CO-OP APPEAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend we will welcome Rev. William Christy, CSSp, to our parish for our annual Missionary Co-Op Appeal. Fr. Christy is a member of the Spritan Order of Priests. This Order is a member organization of the United States Catholic Mission Association. USCMA is a community of faith leaders engaged in networking, formation, and advocacy for God's mission. USCMA shares Pope Francis' dream for a missionary church. USCMA works to create a culture of mission at every level of the Church. It does so by supporting Church leaders entrusted with animating the call to proclaim, serve, and witness to the reign of God's love. For more information visit: www.uscatholicmission.org. Next weekend's second collection will be for the US Catholic Mission Association.

WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

Luke 11:9

Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. The truth is that many of us need very little. However, we usually want so much more! Stewardship is simply being grateful for all that we are and all that we have been given, and generously sharing all of our God-given gifts with others. Generosity is a gift that opens doors to new relationships with others and with God.

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH



Next Meeting:

Wednesday September 7, 2022

6:00 p.m. Social ~ 6:30 p.m. Meeting

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL #7491



Next Meeting:

Wednesday, August 3, 2022 7:00 p.m.

Parking Lot vs. Parish Picnic

Plans have been made for our Annual Parish Picnic however due to the uncertainty of our Parking Lot project we have not been able to move forward on the Parish Picnic just yet. As a result the Parish Picnic usually held in August will be postponed until sometime in September. By then hopefully the parking lot will have been completed. Once dates have been determined for the Parking Lot a date will be set our annual Parish Picnic. Look for it to happen on a Sunday afternoon in September. Thank you for your patience!



2022 SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE HAPPENING NOW!

The Champion Area Churches are collecting school supplies for the upcoming school year. Financial and material donations are due **NEXT WEEK** for distribution on Saturday, August 6 at Champion Christian Church. Material donations can be dropped in the box located in the vestibule and financial contributions can be put in the Sunday collection. Deadline to drop off items is Sunday July 31. Items that are being collected are:

- Elmer's Glue sticks
- Pack of #2 Pencils (Ticonderoga or Dixon)
- Pencil Cap erasers
- One subject spiral notebook (wide ruled)
- Expo dry erase markers
- Zipper pouch
- Pack of Crayola markers
- 1 inch white binder with plastic sleeve
- Loose leaf paper (wide ruled)
- Scissors (Elementary students only)
- 24 pack of Crayola crayons (Elementary students only)
- Highlighter (Middle school students only)
- Index cards (Middle school students only)

Please note:

NO tissues, paper towels or sanitary wipe!

Thank you!

OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse

Teen Miles Morales becomes the Spider-Man of his universe, and must join with five spider-powered individuals from other dimensions to stop a threat for all realities. Rated: PG



Parishioners of all ages are invited to join us for an Outdoor Movie Night on Thursday, July 28.

7:00 p.m. – Dinner

8:00 p.m. – Games

9:00 p.m. – Movie

Hot Dogs, chips, ice cream, smores, popcorn, and snacks will be provided.

Please register by THIS SUNDAY

St. William Women's Guild - **CHANGE AUCTION**

Tuesday, October 11, 2022

The Women's Guild is in need of donations of Gift Cards and Lottery Tickets to complete the baskets/ wreath being made for the Change Auction October fundraiser.

- ~ donations may be placed in the box provided in the vestibule or dropped in the collection basket
- ~ please record your name on your donation in the event we may need to contact you

Thank you for your continued generosity and support to all Women's Guild Functions that benefit the church.

RUMMAGE SALE

August 4 & 5 ~ 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

August 6 ~ 8 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Set up begins August 1, 2, & 3



Help is needed for the Rummage Sale including unloading cars, setting up, reorganizing, packing treasures, cleaning up, etc. Look for sign-up sheets this weekend after all Masses or call Theresa Craiger at 330-889-9711 to let her know when you can help.

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

~Contact~

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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. & 10:30 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