

St. William Parish

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October 23, 2022 ~ Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring!”

This week’s readings build upon the call to persistent prayer from last week. As we have seen over the last several weeks, salvation in Christ is not found in the typical norms or structures of this world. Instead, salvation in Christ is the ultimate reversal of traditional models of power. The hungry are fed. The lowly are raised. The dead live. However, Jesus does not fault the Pharisee in today’s gospel for his good works. Fasting, tithing, and honesty are all important. With this, we must remember that the gospel does not condemn pious practices. Instead, it invites us to consider our own interior dispositions to prayer. While we certainly bring our entire selves to prayer, we do not pray to boost our own self-esteem or tell God about how great we are. Instead, like the tax collector, we come humbly before God, aware of our own shortfalls and inadequacies. We name these realities and place our trust in the God of mercy. In our own pride we can sometimes fall into the trap of comparing ourselves to others. It is easy for us to become frustrated when our worldly understandings of success and failures are not necessarily the same as God’s.



The setting for today’s parable is the public temple. From beginning to end, Jesus draws a sharp contrast between the two who go there to pray. The Pharisee, a pious lay leader, stood and prayed about himself. Exalted in his own eyes, the Pharisee looks down on others. His tithing and fasting are beyond what was required, but his boasting gives the lie to his claim to virtue. As believers, it might be rather shocking, but sobering, to stand with the Pharisee, rather than the tax collector, and look into our own hearts. How dependent on God do we acknowledge ourselves to be? How satisfied are we about the depth of our faith? Are we dismissive of or mean-spirited about those who are on the margins of society? How do such attitudes and judgments affect our relationship to God and our prayer life? The love of God can so easily turn into idolatrous self-love especially when we regard God’s gift as our possession. Our prayer can easily become distorted into boasting by comparisons with and judgment of others. And so, in response, we would do well to consider the words of the author of Sirach: *“the Lord is a God of justice, who knows no favorites. Through not unduly partial toward the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed.”* May the words of Sirach provide us with the energy and will to face the coming week in a spirit of gratitude and thanks for all that God continues to bestow on us.

Make it a great week! ~ Fr. Balash



~ October 23-30, 2022 ~

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OCTOBER 23, 2022

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **BOB & ANGIE MUSIL** / Kathy Rogel
- Sun 8:30 a.m. † **JIM MCNEILL**/ Gloria Mintus
- 11:00 a.m. † **CAROL DRABEK**/ Cathy & Chuck Poponak
- Mon 8:30 a.m. **COMMUNION SERVICE**
- Tues 8:30 a.m. † **MURPH GELET**/ Ted Bogan
- Wed 8:30 a.m. † **EUGENE PETROSKY**/ Mary Pytlik
- Thur 8:30 a.m. † **JOHN Y'BARBO**/ Helen Snyder
- Fri 8:30 a.m. † **GREGORY ALBANI**/ A Friend

OCTOBER 30, 2022

- Sat 5:00 p.m. † **GLORIA JEAN HUDAK** / Joe & Pat Maciejewski
 - Sun 8:30 a.m. † **HARRY J. NIDEL**/ Family
 - 11:00 a.m. † **JAMES MCNEILL**/ Carl & Gloria Karafa
- †= In Memoriam √= Special Intention ♥= Birthday/Anniversary/Celebration

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ October 30, 2022 ~

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 11: 22 - 12: 2

Before the LORD the whole universe is as a grain from a balance or a drop of morning dew come down upon the earth...

2 Thessalonians 1: 11 - 2: 2

Brothers and sisters: We always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and powerfully bring to fulfillment...

Luke 19: 1-10

At that time, Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

October 30, 2022

Lectors

- 5:00 p.m. Deanna Barco, Tom Shepher
- 8:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Rachael Zigarovich
- 11:00 a.m. Margie McCummins, Renita Mintus

Servers

- 5:00 p.m. Marianne Babnik
- 8:30 a.m. Joe DePascale
- 11:00 a.m. Brian Wilson

Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00 p.m. Ted Bogan, Ruth Bubba, Judy Jaskiewicz, Nola Tunnlicliff
- 8:30 a.m. Penny Hudak, Michele Jeffers, Gloria Mintus, Pamela Kuebler
- 11:00 a.m. Barb Bickford, Dave Bickford, Jeanette Jaskiewicz, Eddie Kuhn



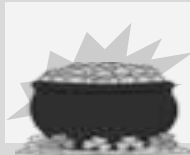
OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ October 16, 2022 (WK 16)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,701.00*	\$ 111,744.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 116,304.00
Difference	\$ (568.00)	\$ (4,560.00)
Performance	92%	96%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 886.00 LAST WK — \$ 13,954.00 YTD
 Envelopes ~ 176 out of 511
 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 10.00 (9 out of 35)

POT-OF-GOLD

#163 drawn on 10/19/2022
 !!!NO WINNER!!
 Amount: \$308.00



MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

Mass attendance last weekend was:

100

5:00 p.m.

93

8:30 a.m.

99

11:00 a.m.

Last week's attendance: **292**

Average: **97**

JUST A REMINDER...

Next Sunday ~ All Souls Day Remembrance

Special Remembrance at All Masses for all Deceased Loved Ones who have embraced Eternal Life in the past year.

During the month of November, we remember all those who have embraced eternal life, especially in the past year. At Mass NEXT WEEKEND we will remember in a special way all our loved ones who have passed away and whose departing we continue to mourn and grieve. **Today is the last chance** to write the names of loved ones in our All Soul's Day Book of Remembrance located in the vestibule. All who have entered eternal life will be remembered throughout the entire month of November.

All Saints Day ~ Tuesday ~ November 1

Tuesday, November 1 is the Feast of All Saints. Mass for the holy day will be celebrated at **6:30 p.m.**
 (Note: New Time)

All Souls Day ~ Wednesday ~ November 2

Mass on Wednesday, All Souls Day, will be offered at 8:30 a.m. in special remembrance of all our dearly departed loved ones and especially those inscribed in our Book of Remembrance.

All Souls Day Envelopes

The All Souls' Envelope in your packet is a special offering for deceased loved ones. Remember to write your intentions on the front of the envelope. These will be placed near our Book of Remembrance for the entire month of November and your intentions will be included at all Masses throughout the month.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

November 1, 2022

All Saints Day

Lectors

- 6:30 p.m. Melanie Zappia, Deanna Barco

Servers

- 6:30 p.m. Therese Tuttle, Therese Craiger

Eucharistic Ministers

- 6:30 p.m. _____, _____
- _____ , _____



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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

We are once again taking part in the Thanksgiving Food Drive with local area churches and Champion Schools. The box for unexpired, nonperishable food items is located in the vestibule. Ex: peanut butter, soups, tuna, boxed potatoes, pasta and sauce, cereal, etc.



Monetary donations for Sparkle gift certificates can be dropped in the collection basket, dropped at the parish office, or given to Darlene Frantz. Checks should be made to St. William Parish.

MISSION SUNDAY TODAY

Today is Mission Sunday. The second collection is for all those serving in the Missions. This collection provides for the Propagation of the Faith to support missionaries throughout the world and Catholic Home Missions to help dioceses in the U.S. that are unable to provide basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service. Thank you for your generosity.

PSR NEWS

PSR is still in need of Secret Prayer Partners. Forms can be found on the ledge in the vestibule or contact Carol Timko.

NEW MEMBERS

Edwards Family

Charles & Gloria

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



WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Luke 18:14

Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable or your talent is better than anyone else or your money gives you status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Pride is the opposite of humility. Remember, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.

†† RECENT DEATH ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Adrian Hovanic

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

THE PARISH CALENDAR

Oct 24 ~ Little Rock Scripture Study 9:30 a.m.
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Oct 25 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Oct 25 ~ Bereavement Minister Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Oct 26 ~ Folk Group Practice 7:00 p.m.
Oct 27 ~ Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
Oct 30 ~ PSR 9:30 a.m.
Oct 30 ~ Youth Ministry 6:00 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:

Meeting: November 2, 2022

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

We will be playing a friendly game of Bingo after the meeting!
Come join the fun and we hope to hear you yell BINGO!



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, November 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



SUPER CASH BONANZA RAFFLE

~ 130 TICKETS SOLD!!

We are up to 130 tickets sold and have reached the Tier 1 Prize Level...but let's not stop selling!!! The Grand Prize now stands at \$10,000.00! WE CAN DO BETTER!!! We need to reach 400 sold tickets for the second tier Prize Level with the goal of 500 sold tickets for the top tier!!! The Super Cash Bonanza Raffle will be on March 4, 2023 with over \$45,000.00 in potential prizes if we SELL 500 tickets! 100% of all proceeds will go towards our parking lot loan. Tickets can be purchased at any time and monthly payments can be made. As soon as you have a ticket committed to a buyer, please turn the stub with any payment into the Parish Office so the ticket can be counted among the 500. Payments for the ticket can be made at any time. All purchased tickets paid in FULL or are 50% paid (\$125.00) by November 30, 2022 are eligible for the first Early Bird Raffle. Also remember for every 3 tickets you sell, you are entered in the exclusive Seller's Raffle for \$2000.00!!!! **Note:** Because of the Super Cash Bonanza Raffle the annual Christmas Cash Raffle will not take place this year



PARKING LOT PROJECT – UPDATE

This past Tuesday the Parish Council, Finance Committee and Parish Staff met to discuss the status of the Parking Lot Project. Given recent developments from ODOT and the need to have new drawings made along with the time of year, it was recommended that the project be delayed until springtime. The feeling was it would not be in our best interest to have new asphalt put down now with the upcoming winter coming and impending snowplowing season upon us. It also gives time to closely look at the redrawn proposal, review costs, and explore other options regarding the ODOT decision. We have been in contact with Miller-Yount paving to insure we are put on the schedule in early 2023 (late April/early May) and continue to work with the architect and civil engineer to explore other options and possibilities. Even though the project will be delayed until next Spring, it is important to remember that the funding for this project has already been secured. As a result we continue to move forward with our “Super Cash Bonanza Raffle” as planned to address our current debt. All proceeds from the raffle will be used towards our loan for the parking lot and if the original cost projections change, any additional proceeds from the raffle will be applied to our building loan. While these developments are not part of our original plan, it is the thought of the Parish Council, Finance Committee and Parish Staff that this is the most prudent and beneficial way to proceed to insure the best results for the parish with this important and essential project. Thank you for your patience, understanding and support. Further updates will be provided as they happen.



PARISH PRAYER WALL

Our Parish Prayer Wall sponsored by our PSR Students is located in the main hall. You are invited to write your intentions and/or a short prayer on the posted note. Roll it making sure the sticky side holds it closed and place it any hole on the wall. Your intentions will be remembered and you are asked to include the intentions of others on the wall in your daily prayers.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Advent Lessons and Carols will be Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m. We are in need of 7 scripture readers, 7 candle bearers, and a few Youth to serve as greeters. Sign up in the vestibule.

COME TO THE TABLE!

Saint William Parish Retreat
Saturday, November 12, 2022
11:30am – 6:00pm

What does the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist mean? How would you help someone struggling with Catholic faith in the Eucharist?



These are a few of the questions that we will connect with as we set time apart for ourselves and for God during the parish retreat, *Come to the Table!* on Saturday, November 12, 2022. Check-in begins at 11:15am and the day will conclude with the celebration of Mass at 5:00pm. Lunch will be provided. Register for *Come to the Table!* after Mass through October. The retreat fee of \$20.00 can be made payable to Saint William Parish.

~Contact~

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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