St. William Parish

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January 1, 2023 ~ New Year's Day



"Happy New Year!"

Our Christmas season unfolds in our midst as we continue to celebrate our Lord and Savior coming into our world and await His coming in glory at the end of time. May 2023 be filled with many blessings and good things for you, your family, and our parish! With Christmas and New Year's falling on a Sunday this year, a unique occurrence is that some of our traditional church feast days of the Christmas season are moved to weekdays. For instance, in most years the first Sunday after Christmas is the Feast of the Holy Family, however, this year because today is New Year's Day, the Feast of the Holy Family was celebrated this past Friday, December 30. The same will also be true for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Usually, this feast is celebrated on Sunday following Epiphany, however, this year it will be celebrated the day after Epiphany on Monday, January 9. Don't worry all these feast days return next year when Christmas and New Year's will be on Monday.

As we embark on a new year, let us pause to reflect on the many blessings God has bestowed upon us this past year. How did God bless you? When did you feel the warmth of the Lord's face shining upon you? When did you experience the Lord's graciousness, kindness, and peace? Strengthened by these memories may we enter this new year with renewed hope and promise.

It goes without saying that many "thanks" need to be expressed to all who helped with, planned, participated, and made joyful and beautiful our Christmas celebrations last weekend. Thank you to all who



donated to our Christmas Flower Fund, to all liturgical ministers, to our music ministry, to our parish liturgy committee, and to all who helped in any way to bring our celebrations together. I would also like to offer my sincerest and grateful thanks to you for making Christmas at Saint William Parish such a wonderful time. My thanks to all who sent cards and best wishes to me and the staff during this holiday season and to all of you who continue to give and support the parish and our many activities through your time, talent, and treasure so generously.

May this New Year be filled with many blessings and may it be a time of great joy and happiness for you and our parish!

Happy New Year!! ~ Fr. Balash



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JANUARY 1, 2023

Sat 5:00 p.m. † PEOPLE OF ST. WILLIAM Sat 10:00 p.m. † PEOPLE OF ST. WILLIAM Sun 10:00 a.m. † PEOPLE OF ST. WILLIAM

Mon 8:30 a.m. NO SERVICE

Tues 8:30 a.m. † RON MOONEY/ Jerry & Marilyn Kolar Wed 8:30 a.m. † KAREN BANIC/ Donna & Ron Runtas

Thur 8:30 a.m. † ANDREA GABRIELSON/ John & Sharon Bradburn

8:30 a.m. † JANET & JERRY OTT/ Ann & Roy Plant

JANUARY 8, 2023

5:00 p.m. † ELIZABETH DRAPCHO/ Kochunas Family

Sat 10:00 p.m. † **TED PYTLIK**/ Mary Pytlik

Sun 10:00 a.m. † CAROL DRABEK/ Women's Guild

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ January 8, 2023 ~ The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60 1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth...

Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit...

Matthew 2: 1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

January 8, 2023

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Donna Runtas, Viviane Watson 8:30 a.m. Christine DePascale, Nancy Lucanski

10:00 a.m. Erin Lee, Cathy Poponak

Servers

5:00 p.m. John Barco 8:30 a.m. Joe DePascale

10:00 a.m. Sophia Garito, Dan Gelet, Taylor Kuhn, Brian Wilson

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Deanna Barco, Carla Gilronan,

Ron Gilronan, Bob Mintus

8:30 a.m. Carole Baniak, Dave Lucanski, Laurie Sitch, Bob Mintus

10:00 a.m. Renita Mintus, Chuck Poponak, Bob Mintus

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ December 25, 2022 (WK 26)

LAST WK YTD **Sunday Collection** \$ 7,464.00* \$ 185,233.00* \$ **Amount Needed** 188,994.00 7,269.00 (3,761.00)Difference \$ 195.00 \$ Performance 103% 98%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,026.00 LAST WK — \$ 20,002.00 YTD

Envelopes ~ 134 out of 508

Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 19.00 (10 out of 41)

Christmas Collection YTD: \$8,237.00

POT-OF-GOLD

#71 drawn on 12/28/2022 !!NO WINNER!! Amount: \$135.00



MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

Mass attendance last weekend was:

5:00 p.m.

106 8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Last week's attendance: 301

Average: 100

BISHOP BONNAR TO VISIT NEXT SUNDAY!

Bishop Bonnar will visit Saint William Parish next Sunday, January 8, 2023 and celebrate the Feast of Epiphany with us. Bishop Bonnar will preside at 11:00 a.m. Mass and there will be a light reception after Mass. Plan to join us and meet the Bishop!



NEW AND SPECIAL SECOND **COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND**

Next weekend there will be a special new second collection for Diocesan Communications. This yearly collection will support Diocesan Communications efforts including the new Catholic Echo magazine what will be published beginning this Spring and will be sent to every Catholic household free of charge. support next weekend is greatly appreciated.

2023 PARISH CALENDARS

2023 Parish Calendars are now Thank You! Many thanks to Mr. available. Peter Rossi, Jr. of Peter Rossi & Son Memorial Chapel for providing our parish calendars once again this year.

WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS **Solemnity of Mary**

"And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart." LUKE 2:19

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. She heard God's message, and immediately said "yes." Mary teaches us to live with joy and gratitude for the many blessings God has given us. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world. We do this through lives of gratitude and generosity.

** RECENT DEATH **

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Brianna Heib

Daughter of John & Patty Heib

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

IT'S ALMOST FISH DINNER TIME.... IN CASE YOU ARE WONDERING....

Fish Dinners begin on:

Friday, February 17, 2023
Fish Dinner Worker Meeting on:
Thursday, February 8 – 6:30 p.m.

Mark Your Calendars Now!
Interested in helping with this year's dinners? Call the Parish Office to get on the list.

PSR / YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

PSR and Youth Ministry sessions resume next Sunday at their regular time.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF EASTER

Know, dear faithful, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Savior.

On the twenty-second of February will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the ninth day of April we will celebrate with joy Easter Sunday, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the twenty-first day of May, will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ,

On the twenty-eighth of May, the feast of Pentecost.

On the eleventh day of June, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

On the third day of December, the First Sunday of Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

2022 Contribution Tax Statements

If you are in need of a copy of your 2022 Contributions *for itemizing deductions on your tax return*, please fill out the following coupon and return it to the Parish Office.

Name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
Email:		

Statements will be available in the vestibule.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

Jan 2 ~ Office Closed

Jan 3 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.

Jan 4 ~ Women's Guild 6:00 p.m.

Jan 4 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.

Jan 7 ~ Confirmation Retreat 10:00 a.m.

Jan $8 \sim PSR 9:30 a.m.$

Jan 8 ~ Bishop Bonnar at Mass 11:00 a.m.

Jan 8 ~ Youth Ministry at Blessed Sacrament 6:30 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:

Meeting: January 4, 2022

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

Start the year off with an evening of fun and laughter with Game Night at the Women's Guild Meeting on January 4, 2023. Hope to see you there!

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO

Women's Guild is now taking reservations for Designer Purse Bingo on Thursday, April 20, 2023. Each ticket includes dinner and 10 rounds of bingo.



Door Prizes, Basket Raffles, and 50/50. information call Maria at 330-360-1568.

For more

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL #7491

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, December 21, 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

FIRST FRIDAY CLUB OF GREATER YOUNGSTOWN

The next First Friday meeting is January 5, 2022. We will carpool from Saint William promptly at 10:45 a.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. followed by the speaker at 12:00 Noon and ending at 1:00 p.m. Please register by Wednesday, December 21. Cost is \$18.00. Please makes checks payable to St. William Parish.

PARISH HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 2.

GOLD, FRANKINCENSE & MYRRH

Gold reveals that the babe in the manger is actually a king; frankincense tells us that HE is God incarnate; myrrh tells us that he has come to die. That someone would redeem God's people through suffering and death was foretold by Isaiah.

SUPER CASH BONANZA RAFFLE UPDATE

~Next Drawing!

The next Early Bird Raffle Drawing will be on January 30, 2023 for all tickets paid in FULL or are 75% paid (\$200.00). Win \$250.00



<u>-JUST 100 TICKETS AWAY!</u>

We are just 100 tickets away from Tier 2 Prize Level and jumping from \$19,000 in prizes to \$32,000 in prize!! We need to reach **400** sold tickets for the Tier 2 Prize Level. Our goal is **500** sold tickets for the top tier!!!

~Exclusive Seller's Raffle

Don't FORGET ~ every 3 tickets you sell, you are entered in the exclusive Seller's Raffle for \$2000.00!!!! 54 people have already qualified for this drawing!

~Remember!

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.

"Super Cash Bonanza Raffle Summary"

Tickets Sold 301 Seller Entries 56

 Total Collected
 \$74,150.00

 Tier 1 Prize Level
 \$19,000.00

Total (applied to Loan) \$55,150.00

100-399 tickets sold

Grand Prize - \$10,000.00 2nd Prize - \$3,000.00 3rd Prize - \$2,000.00 4th Prize - \$1,000.00

Four Prizes - \$500.00 ea. Seller Prize - \$1,000.00

ST. WILLIAM PARISH CAREGIVING MINISTRY

"For I was ill and you cared for me. Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."

~Matthew 25: 35-36, 40



Saint William Caregiving Ministry is seeking volunteers to pray with and bring Eucharist to those who are sick and homebound. Those who feel called to this ministry are invited to a formation meeting in room 103 on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Felicia Mooney at 330-638-4586, or Tina McCue at 330-883-2044 if you have any questions.

St. William Parish Community Membership Form

Membership 1 orm
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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Very 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

~Celebrate~

Chuck Poponak, Maintenance Manager

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 \sim 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday Afternoon Gr. 9-12 \sim 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