

St. William Parish

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January 29, 2023 ~ Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time



“O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God!”

We continue this brief interlude of Ordinary Time between Christmas and the start of Lent with another episode of Jesus preaching and teaching. Today we hear the familiar passage of the Beatitudes from the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus names many types of blessed people in today’s gospel and we are reminded of the many “blessed” who fall into each category –those in mourning, the advocates thirsting for justice, the persecuted throughout the world and so on. In doing so we bring life to the teachings of Jesus. The Beatitudes are not meant just to be read or spoken but rather they are meant to be lived. If we were to summarize the Beatitudes into one word, perhaps the most fitting would be “humility.” Humility is a theme threading through today’s readings. Zephaniah implores the humble of the earth to “seek justice, seek humility.” Saint Paul proclaims that God “chose the weak of the world,” and Jesus blesses the meek and humble. What does it look like to take on a posture of humility in today’s world? The call to act humbly challenges us to trust in God’s power and compassion. We might consider this week the Beatitudes and how they are a part of our lives, of how God might be challenging us to a greater sense of humility, service, and openness to others.

This weekend we celebrate the Anointing of the Sick. We pray for total healing – physical, emotional, and spiritual – of the person through this sacrament. By the anointing of the sick, the whole person is helped through the grace of the Holy Spirit. This sacrament enables us to participate, in a deeper way, in the Paschal Mystery, and so to live and accept our life circumstances in the light of the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Please remember in prayer all those who suffer in any way, that God will manifest His healing power upon them.



Finally, our annual Fish Dinners are rapidly approaching. My thanks to the members of the Fish Dinner Committee for their hard and continuing work. Please be sure to attend the Fish Dinner Volunteer Meeting on Thursday, February 8, 2023. Finally, remember to sign up in Church to volunteer for the dinners. If you have not yet signed up, please do as soon as possible.

Make it a great week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ January 29-February 5, 2023 ~
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JANUARY 29, 2023

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **ROBERT ROGEL/** Brian & Andrea Kochunas
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **JIM MCNEILL/** Runyan Family
Sun 11:00 a.m. † **SUZIE MINTUS/** Family

Mon 8:30 a.m. **COMMUNION SERVICE**
Tues 8:30 a.m. † **JANET & JERRY OTT/**Ann & Roy Plant
Wed 8:30 a.m. † **JEANNE WISNIEWSKI/** Women's Guild
Thur 8:30 a.m. † **TIM PARK/** Church Ladies
Fri 8:30 a.m. † **DR. FRANK VARGO/** Butcher Family

FEBRUARY 5, 2023

Sat 5:00 p.m. † **BRIANNA HEIB/** Kochunas Family
Sun 8:30 a.m. † **CAROL DRABEK/** Bob & Marcia Kane
Sun 11:00 a.m. † **DARLENE MARANDO/** Marando Family

†= In Memoriam √= Special Intention ♥= Birthday/Anniversary/Celebration

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ February 5, 2023 ~
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 58:7-10

Thus says the LORD: Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them...

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom...

Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned?..."

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

February 5, 2023

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Theresa Petrosky, Viviane Watson
8:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Ed Runyan
11:00 a.m. Margie McCummins, Melanie Shoaf

Servers

5:00 p.m. Nola Tunnicliff
8:30 a.m. Joe DePascale
11:00 a.m. Dan Gelet

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Judy Jaskiewicz, Felicia Mooney,
Carol Timko, Bob Mintus
8:30 a.m. Michele Jeffers, Gloria Mintus,
Frank Pytlik, Bob Mintus
11:00 a.m. Patty Heib, Christina Pacurar,
Regina Speaker, Bob Mintus



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ January 22, 2023 (WK 30)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,185.00*	\$ 213,213.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 218,070.00
Difference	\$ (1,084.00)	\$ (4,857.00)
Performance	85%	98%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 641.00 LAST WK — \$ 23,251.00 YTD

Envelopes ~ 178 out of 511

Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 22.00 (14 out of 41)

POT-OF-GOLD

#581 drawn on 1/25/2023

!!WINNER!! Ed and Andrea Runyan

Amount: \$153.00



MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

Mass attendance last weekend was:

90

5:00 p.m.

71

8:30 a.m.

120

11:00 a.m.

Last week's attendance: **281**

Average: **94**

MASS FOR WORLD DAY OF CONSECRATED LIFE

The World Day of Consecrated Life Mass will be held on Sunday, February 5, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. at Saint Columba Cathedral. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life.

THANK YOU ~ CHURCH OVERSEAS COMBINED COLLECTION

Last weekend was the Church Overseas Combined Collection for ministries of the Church around the globe including Catholic Relief Services (CRS); Holy Father/Peter's Pence; the Church in Central and Eastern Europe; and the Church in Latin America. Thank you for your generous support. If you did not respond last weekend, there is still time to contribute to this combined collection.

IT'S A BOY!!

Matthew Edward Lenhart, the newborn son of Brian and Susan Lenhart, and big sister Eliana, was born on January 24, 2023. Congratulations!



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. For more information call Maria at 330-360-1568.



OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, February 3.

**WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
~MATTHEW 5:3

The phrase "poor in spirit" can be confusing. Think of it in this sense – poor in spirit means depending on God's providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthly things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT – FEBRUARY CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPE

We were recently notified by our supplier of our weekly Church Envelopes that due to supply chain issues and the inability to add employees at the rate necessary to fulfill obligations there has been a slowdown on the production and shipping of Church envelopes in recent months. We are aware of recent delays in the offering envelope mailings. We have been assured that both these issues have been resolved, however the current “catchup” is jeopardizing long term delivery. As a result, and in an effort to get back to expected levels of timely deliveries, the envelope company has been forced to suspend the production of the remaining supply of February 2023 envelopes. Offering envelopes will resume and be delivered by the first Sunday in March. Therefore, there will be no mailing of February contribution envelopes or Pot-of-Gold envelopes. In the mail this week you will receive a letter also explaining this circumstance with substitute envelopes for your Sunday Offering and the Pot-of-Gold. You are asked to make your weekly contributions for February as you normally would using the envelopes provided or your own. **Please be sure to include your NAME and ENVELOPE NUMBER (if you know it) and DATE each week especially if you participate in the Pot-of-Gold.** Thank you for your kind cooperation, patience and understanding.

FISH DINNER NEWS!



3 Weeks and Counting Until Our
“FABULOUS FISH DINNERS”
RETURN!!!

Worker Sign-Up Sheets Available
THIS WEEKEND!

Fish Dinners begin on Friday, February 17, 2023

~Mark Your Calendar~

Fish Dinner Worker Meeting

Wednesday, February 8, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.

“New This Year!”

New Times for Dinners: 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

New Price: \$13.00 (First price increase since 2019. Our price of fish alone increased over \$30.00 per case this year.)

New Desserts: Desserts needed only for Weeks 1, 3, 5, & 7. On Weeks 2, 4, & 6 sheet cake will be the dessert. Also monetary donations for desserts will be accepted every Sunday during Fish Dinners. Just drop your donation in the weekly collection basket marked “FISH DINNER DESSERTS”

COFFEE & DONUTS

Next Sunday
after the 8:30 and the 11:00 Masses.



THE PARISH CALENDAR

Jan 30 ~ Little Rock Scripture Study 9:30 a.m.
Jan 30 ~ Little Rock Scripture Study 6:30 p.m.
Jan 31 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Jan 31 ~ Welcome Ministry 6:30 p.m.
Jan 31 ~ Adult Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.
Feb 1 ~ WG Purse Bingo Meeting 5:00 p.m.
Feb 1 ~ Women’s Guild 6:00 p.m.
Feb 1 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.
Feb 5 ~ Adult Choir 8:30 a.m.
Feb 5 ~ Confirmation Session 9:30 a.m.
Feb 5 ~ PSR 9:30 a.m.
Feb 5 ~ Youth Ministry 9:30 a.m.
Feb 5 ~ Folk Group 9:45 a.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

WOMEN’S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:

Meeting: February 1, 2023

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

Un-birthday Celebration Game following meeting.

Bring a wrapped gift worth \$10 to participate.

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, February 1, 2023 @ 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



CHANGING PHONE NUMBERS???

Has your phone number changed recently? Eliminated your land line? If so, please let us know your new contact or primary phone number so that we can keep our parish record and **your registration record** up to date! Call or email the Parish Office at parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org

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.

SUPER CASH BONANZA RAFFLE UPDATE

~TOMORROW (Monday) IS THE DAY!

Someone will win \$250.00 in our last Early Bird Raffle!

~We continue to inch towards the 400 tickets sold mark! Remember if we hit 400 sold tickets the Prize Pool jumps to \$32,000.00 in prizes!

~Exclusive Seller's Raffle: Sell 3 tickets to be entered in the exclusive Seller's Raffle. 57 people have already qualified for this drawing!



"Super Cash Bonanza Raffle Summary"

Tickets Sold	322	100-399 tickets sold Grand Prize - \$10,000.00 2 nd Prize - \$3,000.00 3 rd Prize - \$2,000.00 4 th Prize - \$1,000.00 Four Prizes - \$500.00 ea. Seller Prize - \$1,000.00
Seller Entries	60	
Total Collected	\$79,825.00	
Tier 1 Prize Level	<u>\$19,000.00</u>	
Total (applied to Loan)	\$60,825.00	

COME TO THE TABLE

How does Jesus Christ, present in the Eucharist, transform you? What responsibility do believers bear for one another as members of the eucharistic community? These are a few of the questions that we will discuss as we set time apart for ourselves and for God during the parish retreat, Come to the Table! on Saturday, February 11, 2023. Check-in begins at 10:45am and the day will conclude with the celebration of Mass at 5:00pm. Lunch will be provided.



Registration after Mass through February 5. Cost: \$20.00.

Come to the Table! ~Saint William Parish Retreat
Saturday, February 11, 2023 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

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.



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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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.

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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