

St. William Parish

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April 23, 2023 ~ Third Sunday of Easter



“The Son has arisen for all!”

This weekend we hear the familiar story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. Cleopas and his companion pose a profound question after their encounter with the risen Christ: *“were not our hearts burning within us?”* The two disciples feel the flames of faith within their very being as they walk and talk with Jesus along the road to Emmaus. Their experience reminds us that discipleship is meant to be a full body experience. Following Christ attunes our various senses to the holy in everyday life. When was the last time you felt your heart burn within you? The Easter season gifts us with fifty days to reflect on our calling to be disciples of the risen Christ. Discipleship is best lived out in community. Jesus sends us out to share the good news together. Cleopas and his companion debate and discuss all that has taken place over the last few days. They bounce ideas off each other until they encounter Jesus and recognize him in the breaking of the bread. With that their eyes are opened! This Easter encounter is a beloved story, and with good reason. It transitions us from the disciples’ encounters with the risen Christ to our ongoing encounters with Christ in the Mass. In one respect, the Emmaus story provides an outline to our weekly celebration of Mass. Their hearts burn within them as he speaks to them about Scripture, a forerunner to our Liturgy of the Word, when we hear scripture opened for us and meet Jesus alive and speaking to us. Then they recognize him in

the breaking of the bread, which is how he will remain with them and us long beyond his ascension into heaven. For us, Mass serves as point of encounter with Jesus in the midst of our lifelong journey. Jesus chooses to be and walk with us, and while we might not always recognize him, we are never alone. We may be tempted to think of the disciples as extremely privileged to have encountered the Risen Christ so immediately. They certainly are, but so are we! Today we are reminded that we encounter Jesus at every Mass as he humbly comes to be with us, fully and completely, in the Scriptures and Eucharist we hear and receive each week. How blessed and privileged we are!



Purse Bingo 2023 is officially “in the bag!”

Make it a great week! ~ Fr. Balash

~ April 23-30, 2023 ~
Third Sunday of Easter

APRIL 23, 2023

Sat 5:00 p.m. † GRACE BENNETT/ Brian & Andrea Kochunas
Sun 8:30 a.m. † JANE DUDA/ Theresa & Steve Craiger
Sun 11:00 a.m. † BARB BAILEY/ Women's Guild

Mon 8:30 a.m. COMMUNION SERVICE
Tues 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE
Wed 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE
Thur 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE
Fri 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE

APRIL 30, 2023

Sat 5:00 p.m. † MURPH GELET/ Carl & Gloria Karafa
Sun 8:30 a.m. † ALBERT FRANEK/ Judy Franek
Sun 11:00 a.m. † REBECCA BAYUK/ John & Cindy Salerno

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

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ April 30, 2023 ~
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 36-41

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "Let the whole house..."

1 Peter 2:20-25

Beloved: If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God...

JOHN 10:1-10

Jesus said: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate..."

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

April 30, 2023 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter

Lectors

5:00 p.m. Tim Timko, Tom Shepker
8:30 a.m. Nancy Lucanski, Treva Pytlik
11:00 a.m. Eddie Kuhn, Margie McCummins

Servers

5:00 p.m. Alexa Szykulski
8:30 a.m. Melanie Zappia
11:00 a.m. Collin Lee

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 p.m. Carla Gilronan, Ron Gilronan,
Bob Hardman, Karen Hardman
8:30 a.m. Penny Hudak, Pamela Kuebler,
Frank Pytlik, Linda Trunick
11:00 a.m. Barb Bickford, Dave Bickford,
Dan Gelet, Jeannette Jaskiewicz



OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ April 19, 2023 (WK 42)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 7,820.00*	\$ 298,681.00*
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 305,298.00
Difference	\$ 551.00	\$ (6,616.00)
Performance	108%	98%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 725.00 LASTWK — \$ 32,313.00 YTD
Envelopes ~ 199 out of 510
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 7.00 (7 out of 41)
Easter: \$5,439.00

POT-OF-GOLD

#228 drawn on 4/19/2023

!!NO WINNER!!

Amount: \$1,831.00



MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

Mass attendance last weekend was:

101

5:00 p.m.

91

8:30 a.m.

114

11:00 a.m.

Last week's attendance: 306

Average: 102

Congratulations to:

Lily Johnson and Brooke Schwartz
who received their First Holy Communion
this weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Congratulations to:

DarLena Tuttle

who was Received into the Church, Confirmed, and
Received First Eucharist this weekend!

JOIN US!

Consolation and Hope Ministry is hosting Cake and Consolation on Tuesday, April 25 at 6:30. This is an opportunity to share memories of loved ones and offer comfort to each other over cake and coffee. All are invited to attend, and you are encouraged to bring a friend with you.



MARIAN DEVOTION BANQUET
AND "CAKE WALK"

Sunday, May 7 at 11:30 a.m.

A Marian Devotion Prayer Service will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the Worship Area followed by a luncheon and cake walk in the social hall. Sign up sheets are available on the bulletin board in the vestibule beginning this weekend. Deadline to sign-up is next weekend.



NEW MASS TIMES BEGIN MAY 6-7, 2023

4:00 p.m. Saturday // 10:30 a.m. Sunday

WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS

Third Sunday of Easter

"Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?"
~LUKE 24:32

How often do you take the time to discern what Jesus is calling you to do with your life? Are your prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for you? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time, in silence, to listen to what Jesus is asking of you today.

2023 DIOCESAN APPEAL *One in Hope, One in Mission*

This Sunday, we find ourselves on the road to Emmaus with Jesus and two of his disciples. We hear that once they understood it was He who was walking in their midst, and opening the Scriptures to them, that their hearts were burning within them. As we continue this Easter journey, can we say the same thing? Are our hearts burning within us as we encounter the Word of God and seek ways to give flesh to the Good News? Through the **Annual Diocesan Appeal: One in Hope, One in Mission**, we are called to become Christ for one another. If you have not yet made a prayerful response to the Appeal, please take some time to reflect on your ability to participate using either a pledge card available at our Church or by visiting www.doy.org and clicking on the *Diocesan Appeal* button. To date, the members of our parish have pledged \$33,911.00 toward our parish goal of **\$46,200.00**. *Remember! All donation about our parish goal are rebated 100% to the parish!* On behalf of Bishop Bonnar and all who are served by the Annual Diocesan Appeal – **THANK YOU!**



FISH DINNER VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION!



SAVE THE DATE!
FISH DINNER VOLUNTEER
APPRECIATION GATHERING!
May 5, 2023 ~ 6:30 p.m. ~ Cinco de
Mayo Celebration!!!

JOIN THE PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

Anyone interested in joining our group of parishioners dedicated to praying for the intentions and concerns of our church family, friends, and community, can do so by contacting the parish office at 330-847-8677 or by emailing parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org. Prayer requests can be made by calling or emailing the parish office.



SAVE THE DATES ...FAREWELLS AND NEW BEGINNINGS

Farewell Weekend May 27 - 28

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend "farewell weekend with Father Balash." In true Saint William spirit, we come together to wish Father Balash all the best as he answers God's call to serve the Catholic Diocese of Youngstown. Celebrate Mass with Father Balash on May 27 - 28 followed by a farewell reception after each Mass.

Welcome Weekend May 20 - 21

Welcome our new pastor, Father Ryan Furlong, on May 20 - 21. There will be a light reception after each Mass.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

Apr 25 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Apr 25 ~ Cake and Consolation 6:30 p.m.
Apr 26 ~ Folk Group 7:00 p.m.
Apr 27 ~ Adult Choir 7:00 p.m.
Apr 29 ~ Class of 2023 Dinner 6:00 p.m.
Apr 30 ~ Adult Choir 8:30 a.m.
Apr 30 ~ Last PSR 9:30 a.m.
Apr 30 ~ Folk Group 11:00 a.m.
Apr 30 ~ Youth Ministry 6:00 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM

Next Meeting: May 3, 2023
Installation of Officers at
Enzo's Restaurant 6:00 p.m.



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, May 3, 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

Thank You! From Rita DeSalvo:
Thank you for the many prayers, cards, and get well wishes, which truly helped me through surgery and recovery.

MUSIC MINISTRY

We will honor our Blessed Mother, Sunday, May 7 at 11:30 a.m. in the church with a prayer service. All the youth of the parish are asked to bring a spring flower(s) - possibly from your yard - to be placed in a small vase at the altar during the entrance procession. Questions? Please see Mrs. Pat M.



Reminder to Music Ministry for rehearsals this coming week: Folk Group/Wednesday, April 26 and Adult Choir Thursday, April 27 both 7 - 8:30 p.m. Rehearsal will include preparation for both May 14 weekend Masses. Please pick up your choir folder this weekend!

Easter Season Music Insert has several songs we will be singing at mass through Pentecost. A single number on the music board would be the page number of the song on the insert. Thank you for your kind attention!

NEW VOCATIONS COLLECTION

Beginning this year, the Diocese has added a special collection for Vocations and Seminarians. With the number of vocations and ordinations this year, we are in the midst of a good problem, however there is also an increase in education expenses and opportunities to participate in important ministry experiences. Your generosity to this special collection will help ensure that our future priests receive the very best formation and education. This year, through the gracious support of Catholic Extension, every dollar will be matched on a 1:1 basis up to \$32,500 - so your donation will go even farther to support our seminarians! Thank you for your prayers and support of seminarians and please continue to pray for an increase of all vocations. For more information about seminarians visit <https://doj.org/vocations/seminarians/> This collection will take place next weekend, April 29-30, 2023.

MASS INTENTIONS

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. 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. 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.



PARISH APP

Stay up to date on parish news, updates, cancellations and information. Download our FREE Parish APP for smartphones. Simply text **APP** to **88202**. Download **myParish APP** and select our parish. Follow the easy instructions or visit our website for more information. This is the **BEST** way to stay in touch, get updates, and remain informed about parish news and events.

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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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
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