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#### June 4, 2023 ~ The Most Holy Trinity



# "To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever near!"

Blessed Trinity Sunday,

I am writing to you today to highlight the significance of Trinity Sunday, a momentous occasion in the liturgical calendar of the Catholic Church. Trinity Sunday falls on the first Sunday after Pentecost and serves as a time to honor and reflect upon the central mystery of our faith—the Holy Trinity. On this day, we celebrate the profound unity and indivisible nature of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The concept of the Holy Trinity can be challenging to grasp fully, as it encompasses the mystery of God's three distinct persons in one divine essence. Trinity Sunday invites us to contemplate this divine mystery and deepen our understanding of the interplay between the Father, who created and sustains all things; the Son, Jesus Christ, who redeemed us through his sacrifice on the cross; and the Holy Spirit, who guides and empowers us in our spiritual journey.

As we gather together on Trinity Sunday, let us embrace the beauty of this mystery and seek to deepen our relationship with each person of the Holy Trinity. Through prayer, reflection, and participation in the liturgy, may we grow in our love and knowledge of God, and may the grace of the Holy Trinity accompany us on our path of



faith. Let us open our hearts to the infinite love and wisdom of the Father, the boundless mercy and salvation of the Son, and the comforting presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

May Trinity Sunday be a joyous and transformative day for all of us, as we give praise to the Triune God and endeavor to live out our faith in unity, love, and service.

*Have a great week!* ~ *Fr. Ryan* 

Mass for the Intentions of Week ~ June 4-11, 2023 ~ The Most Holy Trinity
JUNE 4, 2023
Sat 4:00 p.m. † CAROL & ADRIAN HOVANIC/ Frank Fordeley Sun 10:30 a.m. † MURPH GELET/ Ted Bogan
Mon 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE Tues 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE
Wed 8:30 a.m. <b>† BOB &amp; ANGIE MUSIL</b> /Kathy Rogel Thur 8:30 a.m. <b>† COMMUNION SERVICE</b>
Fri 8:30 a.m. † BILL CRAIGER/ Theresa Craiger
JUNE 11, 2023
Sat 4:00 p.m. ♥ DRAPER & THERESA ELTMAN/ 59 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sun 10:30 a.m. † DARLENE & ANTHONY MARANDO/
Kathy Tsilimos

†= In Memoriam  $\tilde{V}$ = Special Intention ♥=Birthday/Anniversary/Celebration

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ June 11, 2023 ~ The Body and Blood of Christ

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16

Moses said to the people: "Remember how for forty years now the LORD, your God, has directed all your journeying in the desert...

**<u>1 Corinthians 10:16-17</u>** 

Brothers and sisters, The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break...

<u>John 6:51-58</u>

Jesus said to the Jewish crowds: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever...

# LITURGICAL MINISTRY

June 11, 2023 ~ The Body & Blood of Christ Lectors 4:00 p.m. Theresa Petrosky, Viviane Watson 10:30 a.m. Erin Lee, Melanie Shoaf Servers 4:00 p.m. John Barco 10:30 a.m. Nathan Goldner Eucharistic Ministers 4:00 p.m. Carla Gilronan, Ron Gilronan, Felicia Mooney, Nola Tunnicliff 10:30 a.m. Barb Bickford, Dave Bickford, Karen Daugherty, Patty Heib

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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ May 28, 2023 (WK 48)				
		LAST WK		YTD
Sunday Collection	\$	7,560.00*	\$	342,102.00*
Amount Needed	\$	7,269.00	\$	348,912.00
Difference	\$	291.00	\$	(6,810.00)
Performance		104%		98%
* Includes MyEoffering: \$ 625.00 LAST WK — \$ 36,688.00 YTD				
Envelopes ~ 177 out of 50				

Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 3.00 (3 out of 41)

**POT-OF-GOLD** #220 drawn on 5/31/2023 !!NO WINNER!! Amount: \$152.00



### MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

Mass attendance last weekend was:

**137** 4:00 p.m. **199** 10:30 a.m.

Last week's attendance: **336** 

Average: 168

### CHURCH AT HOME COMBINED COLLECTION

This weekend is the annual Church at Home combined collection. This three-in-one collection supports the national and local work of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, the Catholic Communications Campaign, and the Catholic University of America/Newman Campus Ministries. Thank you for your generosity.

# 2023-2024 PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Parish Organizations are reminded the deadline to turn in their calendar of events for July 2023-June 2024 is June 30. Please return your completed calendar to the Parish Office as soon as possible so the Parish Master Calendar can be completed. Thank you!

# NAIM CLUB

NAIM club will meet at Outback Steakhouse on Thursday June 8 at 12:30 p.m. Questions? Call Barbara at 330-847-8375

# SAVE THE DATE!

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the installation of Father Furlong as the  $10^{th}$  pastor of Saint William Parish. Saturday, July 8, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. Mass. Look for information in next week's bulletin.

# PARKING LOT UPDATE

The parking lot project concluded this week with the final coat of asphalt, installation of lighting, and new striping. A big thank you to everyone that helped make this project a success!

#### WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS The Most Holy Trinity

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son... "JOHN 3:16* 

Is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love and forgiveness? Are you generous with your time, skills, money and possessions? If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you "fit it in" when it's convenient for you? God desires a personal relationship with us so much that He gave us His Son, unconditionally! Pray for a grateful and generous heart.

## With Sincerest and Heartfelt Thanks!

Words will never begin to completely express my thanks and gratitude for your kind and thoughtful celebration last weekend for my 15 years as pastor! I was overwhelmed and humbled by your sincere wishes and appreciation and I cannot begin to adequately thank you for all your kindness, support, and best wishes. I was totally stunned by actually having a seafood buffet and open bar! Thank you to the Women's Guild and Knights of Columbus for providing such wonderful and surprising refreshments and food!

As I mentioned in my homily last week, the Spirit is alive and present among us. I see Saint William Parish filled and rooted in the presence of the Holy Spirit. We are a parish that is excited and active, a community that lives and spreads the Gospel message. I am most grateful for all that we have been able to accomplish and hopeful for all that lies ahead. It has been absolutely wonderful to be with you for the past 15 years. From the day I arrived it has been a pleasure, honor, and privilege to be your pastor. I have appreciated and am profoundly grateful for all your confidence, trust, and faith placed in me, especially in the many times you have complimented my homilies. I have always believed that the Sunday homily is one of the most important tasks I have as a priest and your kind words and compliments about them affirms that in me.

In addition to the Women's Guild, Knights of Columbus, and all the other parish groups, I also offer a word of thanks to the parish staff. They are the ones that have seen me at my worst, have put up with my moods and idiosyncrasies, and have helped me in so many ways. And finally to all of you...you have let me share in the joys of your family Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmation, and Weddings. You have let me help in times of sorrow and loss, and you have allowed me to be part of graduations, birthdays, and milestones. YOU have made me feel part of Saint William Parish from the very first day I arrived. For that and all the past years, I am most thankful and appreciative. In the words of my favorite pop singer, Tina Turner, let me say thank you for everything and for making the past 15 years "Simply the Best!"

> With prayers, best wishes and love, Fr. Balash

# **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.

# PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Call the parish office at 330-847-8677 or email parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org



# THE PARISH CALENDAR

June 5 ~ Small Christian Communities 9:30 a.m.

- June 5 ~ Small Christian Communities 6:30 p.m.
- June 6 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
- June 7 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.
- June 8 ~ Naim Club 12:30 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

### WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM

#### Next Meeting:

Meeting: September 6, 2023 6:00 p.m. Social ~ 6:30 p.m. Meeting



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.

All committees are looking for volunteers to join their teams to help lighten the load. Please consider becoming an active member at WG meetings, programs, or special events. Call or text Theresa Craiger at 330-442-1024 to add your name to volunteer or for more information.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491



Next Meeting:

Wednesday, June 7, 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

# **GOLDEN AGERS**

The Golden Agers will meet Tuesday, June 13 at 12:30 p.m. in room 103. Last



meeting until September. This is our annual cookout. Bring your favorite dessert or side dish. Hot dogs will be provided. Hope to see everyone there.

### SUMMER BOOK DISCUSSION

Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the St. William Courtyard

*Did Ye Hear Mammy Died?* by *Seamus O'Reilly* is a book about an Irish Catholic family of loud, argumentative, musical, sarcastic, grief-stricken siblings shepherded into adulthood by their widowed father.



Seamas O'Reilly Did Ye Hear Mammy Died?

Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

- ~Sign up in the vestibule
- ~Bring a lawn chair in case the weather is favorable
- ~Please bring a snack to share and your own beverage
- ~Pizza will be provided
- ...All are welcome!

# **2023 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL** *Closing In on Our Parish Goal!*



THANK YOU to everyone who has made a gift to the 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal – One in Hope, One in Mission. To date, 133 parishioners have made a contribution to the appeal totaling

\$38,486.00 (83%.) Our parish portion of the \$4,000,000 diocesan goal is \$46,200.00. Our parish is truly blessed as we share the Word of God and the nourishment of the Eucharist. As we celebrate the Most Holy Trinity, we, like the first disciples, are called to go out and witness to our faith. Part of that witness is how we help support the incredible work of Catholic Charities and the many ministries of the Church through support of the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Once again, thank you to those who have made a gift, and thank you to everyone prayerfully considering how they may be able to respond in support of all these worth-while activities in the Church. Pledge cards are Parish Office or available after Mass the or at visit www.doy.org/appeal to make a gift.

### FIRST STEP FOR CHANGE

Catholic Charities will hold its annual First Step for Change campaign from Mother's Day through Father's Day, honoring the faith, humility and love it takes to raise a child, and recognizing that many parents lack adequate financial resources for their children. Funds raised through this campaign assist low-income pregnant women and families with food,



formula, clothing, diapers and other items essential to a child's health, safety and well-being. Each family interested in participating in this pro-life effort is asked to pick up a FIRST STEP PACKET after Mass. Take the FIRST STEP PACKET home, learn about the program, complete the participation card and return it to our parish by June 30. All money collected by our parish will help to meet the need in our own community. Thank you for your support of families!

# St. William Parish Community Membership Form

Name	-
Addre	ss:
City/Z	Zip: Phone:
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Check	x One:
Ι	am interested in membership, please send registration form
	loving out of the parish
C	hange of address / phone number

# Drop this form in the collection basket, USPS mail, or send us an email!

#### ~Contact~

#### Church Office

330-847-8677

www.stwilliamchampion.org parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org Church Building 330-847-7026

Rev. Ryan Furlong, 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 - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. Wednesday & Friday Holydays - Check weekly bulletin Liturgy of the Word Service -

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 a.m.

#### Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:00 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 ~ 9:00 - 10:15 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