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August 13, 2023 ~ Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Let your heart be free!"

It is hard to believe that summer is quickly winding down. In the coming weeks we are looking forward to resuming many of the groups and activities that have been enjoying the summer months. This fall season is going to be a busy time! In a few weeks our Religious Education programs will be resuming along SATURDAY with many of the different meetings of ministry groups. I hope you will take advantage of the many opportunities to grow and enhance your faith. This happens mostly through our continued presence at Mass but also through the different offerings available at our parish. I ask you to consider joining any of our many different groups and organizations. Every group and/or organization will welcome SUNDAY your presence, talents, and gifts. In the meantime, however, continue to enjoy these last few days of summer!

One very important and significant program is RCIA – the <u>**R**</u>ite of <u>**C**</u>hristian Initiation of Adults. The RCIA is a process that provides an opportunity to learn more about the Catholic faith and the Church for those who are interested. If you know of anyone who has ever expressed a desire to learn more about the Catholic faith, please extend an invitation for them to join us. RCIA explores possibilities with no commitment, no obligation or pressure. Rather, it provides an opportunity to search and discover God's path in our life. If you are interested or know of someone who would benefit from exploring RCIA, please call the parish office.



Last but not lease, I would like to thank everyone for the kind words and wishes from so many of you last week for the celebration of my birthday and this week for the third anniversary of

my ordination. I am humbled by your caring and generosity. I truly love every one of you and I consider myself to be very lucky to be part of this parish.

> Have a good week, Fr. Ryan

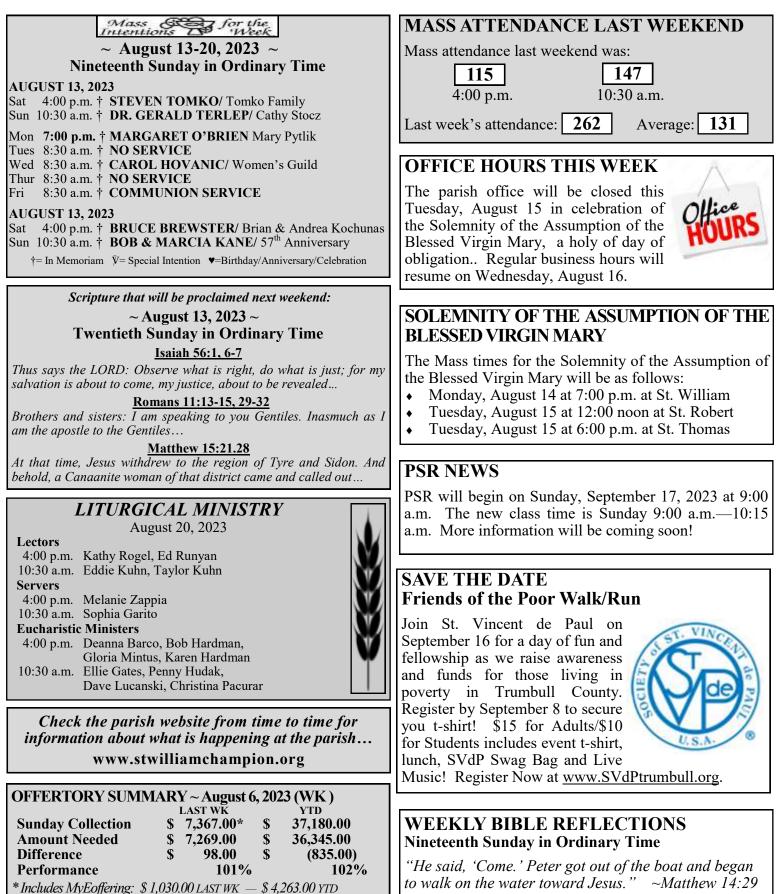
~Trumbull North~ MASS TIMES

Light to

- St. William ~ 4:00 p.m.
- St. Thomas ~ 4:00 p.m.
- St. Robert ~ 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ St. William ~ 10:30 a.m.
- St. Thomas ~ 10:30 a.m.
- St. Robert ~ 8:30 a.m.

WEEKDAYS

- ♦ St. William 8:30 a.m. ~ T, W, & Th
- St. Thomas 8:30 a.m. ~ T & F 6:00 p.m. ~ Th
- St. Robert 8:30 a.m. ~ M, W, & F



* Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,030.00 LAST WK — \$ 4,263.00 Y Envelopes ~ 187 out of 507 Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 4.00 (4 out of 41)

POT-OF-GOLD # 36 drawn on 8/9/2023 !!NO WINNER!! Amount: \$299.00



for you.

When you hear Jesus calling, do you responded

immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say "yes" to

Jesus, we feel the power of his presence in our lives. We

can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen how Jesus is

calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended

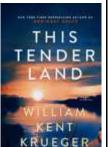
SO CLOSE! – LET'S KEEP THE STREAK GOING!

We are so close to reaching our Diocesan Appeal Goal this year...just \$6,449.00 away! If you have not yet offered your gift to this year's Diocesan Appeal please do so as soon as possible so that we can reach our parish goal! Our 15 year streak is on the line! To date 149 parishioners have pledged and donated \$39,751.00 to this year's Appeal. Won't you help Catholic Charities continue the good work of reaching out to those less fortunate and in need? Please make your donation today and brighten the hearts of those who struggle and help us reach our parish goal for the 16th year in a row! Thank you for your generous spirit.

SUMMER BOOK DISCUSSION

Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the St. William Courtyard

This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger is a magnificent novel about four orphans on a life-changing odyssey during the Great Depression.



~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!

NEWS FROM ST. THOMAS

You are invited to join the St. Thomas Women's Guild meeting for fellowship and food. Let's get to know our Christian sisters on Sunday, September 17, 2023 after 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center. Please sign up by September 5 on the sheet in your parish vestibule beginning next weekend. Or you can email <u>Vseaborn965@gmail.com</u>. We are looking forward to meeting our Christian sisters!

PSR NEEDS YOUR HELP!

PSR needs a parishioner to help in our classrooms. We are in need of an assistant in grades 4-5-6. Please contact Carol Timko at 330-847-8677 or ctimko@stwilliamchampion.org.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Saint Robert Church in Cortland is looking for one parttime office receptionist and two part-time maintenance engineers. Schedules are flexible. If you or someone you know is interested in applying please call Dan Robinson at the parish office 330-847-8677 or stop by Saint Robert Church for an application.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

Aug 14 ~ Assumption Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m.

Aug 15 ~ Office Closed

Aug $15 \sim$ Quilters 9:00 a.m.

Aug 16 ~ Summer Book Club 6:00 p.m.

Aug 16 ~ Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.

Aug 20 ~ K of C Council Picnic 11:30 a.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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #7491

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, August 16, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years

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

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

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

R(ite) of C(hristian) I(nitiation) of A(dults)

It is not too late to consider joining RCIA this coming year! The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults seeking answers in their



by which adults seeking answers in their **Accord** lives are brought into full union with our parish community and the Catholic Church. The RCIA provides a spiritual opportunity to learn and discuss various aspects of the Catholic faith and its practices. If you or someone you know has:

- ... been worshipping with us but never officially took the step to become Catholic?
- ... been away from the Church... and now have returned but want to know more?
- ...yet to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or Eucharist?
- ... joined us from a different background and would like to find out more about the Catholic Church?
- ...felt God leading you and want to find out where that might be?

If any of the above applies to you, or if you know of anyone who could answer YES to any of these questions, we would love to help you on your journey! If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more, please contact Fr. Furlong at the Parish Office for more information. RCIA begins in September!

WOMEN'S GUILD ~ CHANCE AUCTION

St. William Social Hall Tuesday, October 10, 2023

The Women's Guild is in need of donations of Gift Cards and Lottery Tickets to complete the baskets/wreath being made for the Chance Auction October fundraiser. Donations are due by October 1.

 \sim donations may be placed in the box provided in the vestibule or dropped in the collection basket

~ please be sure to record your name on your donation

Thank you for your continued generosity and support to all Women's Guild Functions that benefit the church.

GUESS WHAT?!?!?!

Lights! Cameras! Action! Its' time to have your picture taken for the 60th Anniversary edition of the Parish Directory. This coming October, Universal



Church Directories will be here to take pictures of you and your family. Please consider being part of this very special and important historical document. It just won't be the same without you!

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 such as a birthday, anniversary or other special moments. 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 during the summer. 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.

> St. William Parish Community Membership Form

Name:

Address: _____

City/Zip: Phone:

Check One:

I am interested in membership, please send registration form

Moving out of the parish

Change of address / phone number

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

e-Mail Address:

~Contact~

Church Office

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www.stwilliamchampion.org parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org Rev. Ryan Furlong, Pastor

Rev. Chad Johnson, Parochial Vicar

Robert Mintus, Deacon

Tina McCue, Pastoral Associate Patricia Maciejewski, Music Director Carol Timko, Religious Education Bernadette Sartor, Young Adult & Family Ministry **Therese Tuttle,** Business Manager Dan Robinson, Office Manager

Jackie Loges, Receptionist

Chuck Poponak, Maintenance Manager

~Celebrate~

Mass Times

Saturday – 4:00 p.m. Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Weekdays - 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday Holydays - Check weekly bulletin Liturgy of the Word Service -

Monday, Friday 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 Evening Gr. 9-12 ~ 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sunday Mornings ~ 9:00-10:15 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.