

# St. William Parish

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August 6, 2023 ~ Transfiguration of the Lord



*“I Sing the Mighty Power of God!”*

Dear St. William Parishioners,

August, for me, is a month of anniversaries. August 4 was my forty-first rotation around the Sun. August 8 will be my third anniversary as a priest. August 15 will be fourth months as your pastor. Where does the time go and why does it seem to pick up speed? This is a question I often ask myself and I am sure it is a question that all of you ask yourselves, especially as we get older. I've learned several new things as a priest in these few short years. The first is that the people I minister to are awesome! These past three years have been the best years of my life and all of you are a big part of that.

I have been so blessed the past four months in getting to know the people of St. William. In my brief time here, I realize that the staff and the parishioners have shown me such caring and love that I truly feel right at home. That is an amazing gift, thank you! The second thing I have come to realize is that I love being a priest. I am truly blessed! Last, but certainly not least, I have learned to enjoy and live today to the fullest. No shortcuts! I believe that on our paths to becoming a saint, we need to *Love God*

and *Love Our Neighbor* the best we can one day at a time. The good people of St. William have met that challenge and for that I thank you!



## *~Trumbull North~* MASS TIMES

### SATURDAY

- ◆ St. William ~ 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ St. Thomas ~ 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ St. Robert ~ 6:00 p.m.

### SUNDAY

- ◆ 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

*Have a good week,*  
Fr. Ryan

~ August 6-13, 2023 ~  
Transfiguration of the Lord

**AUGUST 6, 2023**

Sat 4:00 p.m. † MURPH GELET/ Gloria & Carl Karafa  
Sun 10:30 a.m. † FR. MIKE SMAR/ Mary Pytlik

Mon 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE  
Tues 8:30 a.m. † HAZEL DOUGHERTY/ Theresa Craiger  
Wed 8:30 a.m. ♥ JOHN ROBINSON/ 80th Birthday  
Thur 8:30 a.m. † JAMES DANVER FAMILY/ Tim & Jane Johns  
Fri 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE

**AUGUST 13, 2023**

Sat 4:00 p.m. † STEVEN TOMKO/ Tomko Family  
Sun 10:30 a.m. † DR. GERALD TERLEP/ Cathy Stocz

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

*Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:*

~ August 13, 2023 ~  
**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1 Kings 19:9,11-13**

*At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him...*

**Romans 9:1-5**

*Brothers and sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit...*

**Matthew 14:22-33**

*After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds...*

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY**

August 13, 2023

**Lectors**

4:00 p.m. Judy Makosky, Melanie Zappia  
10:30 a.m. Linda Horm, Woody Pealer

**Servers**

4:00 p.m. Nola Tunnicliff  
10:30 a.m. Brian Wilson

**Eucharistic Ministers**

4:00 p.m. Judy Jaskiewicz, Donna Runtas,  
Linda Turnick, Mike Trunick  
10:30 a.m. Michele Jeffers, Jennifer Kusmierek,  
Frank Pytlik, Treva Pytlik



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

[www.stwilliamchampion.org](http://www.stwilliamchampion.org)

**OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ July 30, 2023 (WK 4)**

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 6,427.00*	\$ 28,215.00
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 29,076.00
Difference	\$ (842.00)	\$ (861.00)
Performance	88%	97%

\*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 885.00 LAST WK — \$ 3,485.00 YTD

Envelopes ~ 164 out of 507

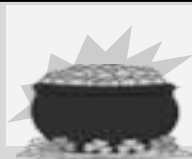
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 4.00 (4 out of 41)

**POT-OF-GOLD**

# 575 drawn on 8/2/2023

!!!NO WINNER!!!

Amount: \$148.00



**MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND**

Mass attendance last weekend was:

**104**

4:00 p.m.

**186**

10:30 a.m.

Last week's attendance: **290** Average: **145**

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

All music ministry please meet at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, August 13 for a short rehearsal for 10:30 a.m. Mass. Cantors please mark your calendars for our next practice Tuesday, August 29 at 7:00 p.m.



**NAIM CLUB**

The NAIM club will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday August 10 at Enzo's Restaurant for their monthly gathering.

Call Barbara at 330-847-8375 with any questions.



**CHANGE OF PERSONAL STATUS**

Have you changed your telephone number? Has your personal status changed? Please notify the parish office and help us keep our records current.

**WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS**

**Transfiguration of the Lord**

*"...then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.'"*

~Matthew 17:5

When Peter, James and John heard this they immediately fell prostrate to the ground and they "were very much afraid." We, too, may respond the same way when we hear God's voice. How many times do you become fearful when invited to participate more fully in the life of the Church? Or, when someone says something negative about the Church, are you afraid to respond? Remember, we too, are beloved sons and daughters of God; Jesus is there to help us, but we need to listen.

†† RECENT DEATHS ††

**Our Sincere Sympathy**

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

**Nancy Mercandino**

**Victor Kress**

Brother-in-law of Joseph and Karen Kusmierek

**Ronald Clark**

Husband of MaryGrace Clark

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

## 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 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!

## SAVE THE DATE

### Friends of the Poor Walk/Run

Join St. Vincent de Paul on September 16 for a day of fun and fellowship as we raise awareness and funds for those living in poverty in Trumbull County. Register by September 8 to secure your t-shirt! \$15 for Adults/\$10 for Students includes event t-shirt, lunch, SVdP Swag Bag and Live Music! Register Now at [www.SVdPTrumbull.org](http://www.SVdPTrumbull.org).



## THE PARISH CALENDAR

- Aug 8 ~ Election Day!
- Aug 8 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
- Aug 10 ~ NAIM Club 12:30 p.m. at Enzo's
- Aug 13 ~ Folk Group/AC/Cantor Rehearsal 9:30 a.m.
- Aug 13 ~ Parish 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 of age or older who are practicing Catholics. If interested in joining, please visit our web site at [www.knights7491.org](http://www.knights7491.org)

## REMINDER

Remember that Tuesday, August 8, 2023 is an election day and St. William Social Hall is an official polling location. If you need to visit the St. William Office please be mindful of the increased traffic in and out of the building and parking lot. Thank you!



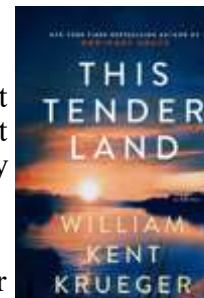
## NEWS FROM ST. THOMAS

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 [Vseaborn965@gmail.com](mailto:Vseaborn965@gmail.com). We are looking forward to meeting our Christian sisters!

## 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!

## PARISH PICNIC

The St. William Parish Picnic will take place NEXT weekend on Sunday, August 13 at 11:30 a.m., an Animal Show at 12:45 p.m., and Games & Activities at 1:30 p.m. Come and join us for hotdogs, hamburgers, corn-on-the-cob, baked beans, watermelon, chips, ice cream, and beverages. **This is the last weekend to sign up in the vestibule!**



## 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.

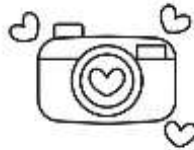
~ donations may be placed in the box provided in the vestibule or dropped in the collection basket

~ 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 60<sup>th</sup> 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!



## JFK CATHOLIC SCHOOL HOUSE BILL 33 NEWS

John F. Kennedy Catholic School is pleased to announce that ALL K-12 students in Ohio are now eligible for an EdChoice Scholarship that can be used toward Catholic school tuition beginning with the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. This includes currently enrolled children as well as any new student beginning their Catholic school experience this fall. The EdChoice Scholarship will cover a portion, or in some cases, the full cost of a family's Catholic school tuition.

Our promise to you from John F. Kennedy Catholic School is excellence in every aspect of our students' experience from the classroom to the playing field, on stage, and in our community. Our Eagles are ready to soar with the lessons they learn, ready to take on the future. Apply today at [www.warrenjfk.com](http://www.warrenjfk.com) or call Judi Sadler LaPolla, Director of Admissions at 330-369-1804. Limited space available in most grade levels, call today!

## 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

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

## ~Contact~

**Church Office** 330-847-8677

[www.stwilliamchampion.org](http://www.stwilliamchampion.org)  
[parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org](mailto: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](http://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.