

St. William Parish

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DECEMBER 10, 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Dear friends,

As we continue our Advent journey to Bethlehem, and the promised “peace on Earth” of which the angels sing, it might be helpful to consider the 3- part recipe for peace suggested by the prophet Micah. First- we need to “do justly,” then add a “love of mercy,” and finish it all by “walking humbly with God” (Micah 6.8).

To do justly means that we should speak truthfully, expect only what we deserve, and certainly treat others equitably and as they deserve to be treated. To love mercy means seeking to be good and kind to others, even when they don’t deserve our goodness and kindness; it invites us to be lenient, instead of simply “going by the book.” And finally, to walk humbly with God means to be submissive and accept who we are and who God calls us to be.

Luckily for us, Jesus loves mercy, and was even willing to humble himself so far as to be treated unkindly and unmercifully for our sakes. As we move towards Christmas, perhaps we should slow down long enough to consider how we might imitate his actions this sacred season. Imagine the gift, of that peace that passes all understanding, we could begin to share with others, even as we embrace it for ourselves. Pass it on.



~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 great Advent week,
Fr. Ryan

~ December 10-17, 2023 ~
Second Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 10, 2023

Sat 4:00 p.m. † MARY ANNE JACKSON/ Sisters
Sun 10:30 a.m. † JOSEPH BABNIK/ Ann Sprague

Mon 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE
Tue 8:30 a.m. † SPECIAL INTENTION/ Jane & Tim Johns
Wed 8:30 a.m. † KRISTEN LARSON/Baniak Family
Thur 8:30 a.m. † ROSE MAKOSKY/ Makosky Family
Fri 8:30 a.m. † COMMUNION SERVICE

DECEMBER 17, 2023

Sat 4:00 p.m. † RONALD MOONEY/ Felicia Mooney
Sun 10:30 a.m. † NANCY MERCANDINO/ Roy & Ann Plant

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

Scripture that will be proclaimed next weekend:

~ December 17, 2023 ~
Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor...

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus...

John 1:6-8, 19-28

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

December 17, 2023

Lectors

4:00 p.m. Kathy Rogel, Viviane Watson
10:30 a.m. Woody Pealer, Treva Pytlik

Servers

4:00 p.m. Eric Sitch
10:30 a.m. Milania Shaker

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 p.m. Carole Baniak, Judy Jaskiewicz,
Pam Kuebler, Theresa Petrosky
10:30 a.m. Penny Hudak, Jeanette Jaskiewicz,
Frank Pytlik, Jamie Taneri



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

www.stwilliamchampion.org

OFFERTORY SUMMARY ~ December 3, 2023 (WK 23)

	LAST WK	YTD
Sunday Collection	\$ 10,103.00*	\$ 164,209.00
Amount Needed	\$ 7,269.00	\$ 167,187.00
Difference	\$ 2,834.00	\$ (2,978.00)
Performance	139%	98%

*Includes MyEoffering: \$ 1,190.00 LAST WK — \$ 16,818.00 YTD
Envelopes ~ 220 out of 507
Children's Envelopes ~ \$ 14.00 (9 out of 51)

POT-OF-GOLD

527 drawn on 12/6/2023

!!NO WINNER!!

Amount: \$457.00



MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

Mass attendance last weekend was:

97
4:00 p.m.

201
10:30 a.m.

Last week's attendance: **298** Average: **149**

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

A communal penance service will be held at St Thomas for all of Trumbull North Catholic Community on Monday, December 18 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

REMINDER

If your family has requested a weekend Mass intention and you are present at the Mass, we invite you to bring up the offertory gifts. Please inform an usher before Mass begins.



PAINT & SIP FUNDRAISER

Sunday, December 17, 2:00 p.m. St. Thomas Parish Center. Support the TNCC Young Adult Ministry while enjoying festive drinks and a guided paint tutorial led by a local artist. The cost is \$35 per person and sign up is required by December 14. Payment and name(s) of registrants can be dropped off at the parish office.



WEEKLY BIBLE REFLECTIONS
Second Sunday of Advent

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - MARK 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. How are you helping others get to Heaven?

†† RECENT DEATHS ††

Our Sincere Sympathy

In your prayers for the departed, please remember

Cecil Lucci

Brother-in-law of Gloria Karafa

and

Richard Sember

Stepfather of Carol Timko

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

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Boxed sets of offertory envelopes are ready for pickup here at St. William. Throughout the month of December the box sets of envelopes are available for pickup from counter in the Adult Meeting Room. If you need any assistance, please call the parish office.



SECURITY MEASURES

The Safety Committee, in conjunction with Diocese of Youngstown safety standards, has been reviewing best practices for the safety and security of our parishioners and property. The first safety protocol to be instituted this weekend will be the monitoring of the front doors. Ushers will be on-hand to monitor entrance to the church before and after Mass. They will lock the doors 10 minutes after Mass begins. Note: doors can be locked to limit outside access however they are ALWAYS unlocked from the inside. If you have any questions or concerns please see Father Furlong.

BULLETIN DEADLINES

Beginning January 7, the bulletin will now be printed by LPi and shipped to the church weekly. As a result the deadline for submitting materials to the bulletin will change. The new deadline for submitting materials will now be Thursday at 12:00 noon the week before the material is to be printed. For example, if you want something printed in the January 7 bulletin, it must be turned in to the office no later than December 28 or if you want something in the January 14 bulletin the deadline is January 4 (that is a full 10 days!) If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

ONLINE GIVING

myEoffering is an easy and safe way to give your weekly financial gift to the church, sign up today. Questions??? Call the Parish Office.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

Dec 11 ~ Caregiver Meeting 12:00 p.m.
Dec 12 ~ Quilters 9:00 a.m.
Dec 12 ~ Working Liturgy Meeting 5:30 p.m.
Dec 12 ~ Cantor Practice 7:00 p.m.
Dec 13 ~ Folk Group Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
Dec 14 ~ Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
Dec 16 ~ Youth Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m.
Dec 17 ~ PSR 9:00 a.m.
Dec 17 ~ YM Bowling Champion Lanes 1:00 p.m.
Dec 17 ~ Christmas Instrument Rehearsal 2:00 p.m.

Check out the Parish Calendar on our website for more events

WOMEN'S GUILD OF ST. WILLIAM PARISH

Next Meeting:

Meeting: January 3, 2024
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:

Thursday, December 20, 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

PARISH FAMILY DINNER



It was wonderful to see all the parishioners together, visiting with others while sharing a great meal and enjoying Santa's visit. Thank you for bringing much needed items for Harriet's Cupboard!

Wishing you and your family a blessed Christmas Season. *The Women's Guild Parish Dinner Committee.*

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Weekend ~ December 23-24-25

Saturday, December 23 - Fourth Sunday of Advent:

4:00 p.m. ONLY St. William and St. Thomas ~ 6:00 p.m. ONLY St. Robert

Sunday, December 24 – Christmas Eve:

4:00 p.m. St. William and St. Thomas and St. Robert ~ 10:00 p.m. St. Robert

Monday, December 25 – Christmas Day:

8:30 a.m. St. Robert ~ 10:30 a.m. St. William and St. Thomas

New Year Weekend ~ December 30-December 31-January 1

Saturday, December 30 - Feast of the Holy Family:

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

Sunday, December 31 – Feast of the Holy Family:

8:30 a.m. St. Robert ~ 10:30 a.m. St. William and St. Thomas

Monday, January 1 – Solemnity of Mary:

8:30 a.m. St. Robert ~ 10:30 a.m. St. William and St. Thomas



SECRET PRAYER PARTNERS

- ◆ PLEASE make sure to put your number on the cards for your secret prayer partners. I have a few cards without numbers and do not know to whom they go.
- ◆ Remember, if you put your card in an envelope, DO NOT seal the envelope. I have to read EVERYTHING before I give it to the children and I read everything before I forward it to you.
- ◆ If you are sending your prayer partner a gift, WHICH IS NOT NECESSARY, please make sure I can open it and see what you are giving them.
- ◆ If you have any questions, or you do not remember if you numbered your cards, please contact Carol Timko.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS???

Out of Town? Temporarily? Seasonally? Are you a Snowbird? Remember to let the Parish Office know ahead of time. We can send mail directly to a temporary or seasonal address. Mail returned to us incurs a hefty charge. Help keep our costs down by letting us know your address changes!

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 fall. 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: _____

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
parishoffice@stwilliamchampion.org
Rev. Ryan Furlong, Pastor
Very Rev. Michael Balash,
Sacramental Minister
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
Linda Horm, Receptionist/Secretary
Jackie Loges, Receptionist/Finance
Chuck Poponak, Maintenance Manager

~Celebrate~

Mass Times

Saturday – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday – 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. T, W, & Th

Holydays - Check weekly bulletin

Liturgy of the Word Service – 8:30 a.m. M & F

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.