



St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



April 14, 2024
Third Sunday of Easter

Weekly Schedule

Daily Mass

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 12n

Live-Streamed Masses

Monday - Friday: 8:30am

Saturday: 5pm

Sunday: 12n

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday - Saturday: 7:15am - 8:20am

Saturday: 3:45pm - 4:50pm

Adoration

Monday - Saturday: 7:15am - 8:20am

First Friday of the Month: 9am - 5pm

Private Prayer

Monday - Friday: 7:15am - 6pm

He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Luke 24:46-48

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Patricia Hynes

James Jaronczyk

Robert Edward McGrath

Kristin Valerga-Goetze

Monday, April 15, 2024

Collective Intentions

Steven Hornacek, III

Giuseppe & Maria

Cacciato

Eneo Peggno

Antoinette Peggno

Kuang Hui Thoi

Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Frank Pittelli

Wed., April 17, 2024

Eileen, Arthur & Richard

Ford

Thurs., April 18, 2024

Harold Boening

Friday, April 19, 2024

Baby Liam Schwartz (liv)

Saturday, April 20, 2024

Purgatorial Society

Thomas Paradiso

Pray for the Sick

Lucas Arigiro

Laurie Yard

Keith Gorton

Christopher J. Weber, Sr.

Sal Lupo

Richard Fedyk

Pray for the Deceased

Brenda Kiffer

Virginia M. Lochner

Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle used at Mass this week has been donated in loving memory of Frank Pittelli from Marion and Family

Pillar of Service

As Catholics, we are called to spread the Good News. Perhaps this week you can invite a friend to say grace with you before a shared meal or to accompany you to Mass. Your invitation may be the catalyst for something great in their lives.

Wine & Hosts

The Wine and Hosts at Mass this week have been donated in honor of the Parishioners of St. William the Abbot

What a Week!

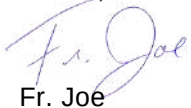
The past week has been filled with spiritual, natural, and cosmic wonders that have grabbed our attention. We began the weekend with a 4.8 magnitude earthquake shaking buildings, homes, and pictures off the wall and ended with a once-in-a-generation solar eclipse! As I reviewed the scriptures from Holy Week, I was reminded during the passion and crucifixion of our Lord that the “sky became dark, the earth quaked and rocks were split”. Here at St. William’s, we also experience the powerful effect of God’s love and mercy at our Divine Mercy service with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. The parish was blessed to have 18 Friars from Most Blessed Sacrament Friary in Newark, New Jersey come to celebrate two of our masses and offer a prayer service that focused on repentance from our sinfulness and the hope of God’s forgiveness. At 3 PM, “the Hour of Mercy”, Fr. Stephen Dufrene, CFR challenged and encouraged us to seek an encounter with the Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and to be prayed with and over by the CFR prayer teams that were present. Adoration, prayer, praise and worship music, and confessions continued until 7pm! The ground shook spiritually on Sunday!

During this Easter Season, the Church presents to us excerpts from the Apostles preaching and inviting the people of Israel to have faith in Jesus Christ, the Risen One. These early experiences of the Church were similar to what occurred here last Sunday. Like St. Peter, we have been called to conversion and forgiveness and to tell others about our own faith journey – to make the ground shake by our prayer. Jesus saves, He forgives, He restores us. Like in the upper room, Jesus is hungering for our souls to bring us peace. Confession gives us the opportunity to mend our ways and repent, to meet mercy, and to begin again. The disciples were scared and hid from the Jewish leadership, but also from the Lord. We too can do the same when we stumble in our sinfulness – we can be eclipsed by the darkness of our sin. Jesus offers us forgiveness - His mercy penetrates the darkness, and He introduces us to a “right” relationship with God and the community of the Church.

I am so grateful for the CFRs for the generosity of time and sharing their gifts and talents with our parish last weekend. So many of you have contacted me throughout the week also thanking them and desiring to possibly send a note in gratitude, to share a grace, or to support their powerful mission. The focus and charism of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal is to radically love and serve the materially poor, most especially the destitute and homeless. Each Friar leads a life of prayer, fraternal community, and assists in the proclamation of the Gospel, but they are also personally and directly involved in hands-on work with the poor. Fr. Stephen said the Friars would welcome a note of encouragement or thanks if they particularly moved you by the Divine Mercy experience this past weekend, at the mass, in adoration or personal prayer, or during the Sacrament. You can contact them or help to support their mission here:

Most Blessed Sacrament Friary
375 13th Ave.
Newark, NJ 07103-2124
973-622-6622
NewarkFriary.org

Peace,



Fr. Joe



Banns of Marriage

Banns I

Caitlin Laquidara, St. William the Abbot
& Matthew Scorce, St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa



Light a Prayer Candle

Lighting candles has long been a sacred ritual in all traditions, creating precious moments in our own and other people's lives where we pray for loved ones, friends, and ask for or give support.



Our Mother's Day Novena of Masses will begin on Mother's Day, May 12th. Cards and envelopes for the Mother's Day Novena of Masses are

available at the doors of the Church and in the Rectory. If you would like to have your living mother remembered, kindly take a donation envelope and card. If you would like to have your deceased mother remembered, please use a donation envelope only. Please place all donation envelopes in the collection basket or return them to the Rectory.

Pray for Those in the Military

US Air Force -

Capt. Matthew B. Frasse
Tech. Sgt. Eric Meyers
Airman Carlos Rosado
Major Thomas F. Shields

US Army -

Capt. Caitlin M. Lee
CW2 Brian Kirby
Major Eamon G. McArdle
Spc. Brian Reip
Sgt. Donald Rogers
Lt. Col. Christopher James
Ustler

USMC -

First Lt. Dana Duggan
Danny Dugan

US Navy -

Lt. Joseph Fitzgerald
Jr. Lt. Ryan Bayer
Jr. Lt. Rebecca Bayer
Jr. Lt. Ian Bayer
STSC (SS) Thomas Kerley
Lt. Michael O'Hara
MMN2 Emily Partridge
Commander Michael Sean Slatley
Lt. Michael Napolitano
Michael Vietri

US Coast Guard -

LT Commander James Knudsen
Daniel Timpanaro
Commander Katherine Ustler-
Lodispoto

US Army -

Sgt. Craig Bianco
Capt. Michael DiPietro
Capt. Michael Fitzgerald
Capt. Christopher J. Frasse
Capt. Logan Lee
Lt. Col. John Kallo

Are You A Registered Parishioner?

Registering as parishioners allows us to have an accurate count of our families, which in turn helps us to plan liturgies, have the appropriate clergy coverage, and helps us to determine what enrichment programs and events may be beneficial.

Parish registration is also needed should you be asked to serve as a godparent or Confirmation sponsor.

Moreover, it is a great way for you to plant your family's roots in our community!

To register, please scan the QR code, visit our website, or stop by the Rectory Office or Welcome Desk in the front vestibule of the Church.





St. William the Abbot School

The Solar Eclipse took center stage in our classes this week! Students learned about the eclipse in creative ways incorporating art, and even cookies. Even Mrs. Bricker got in on the action!



Our students recently collected over \$3,000 for the family of fallen NYPD Officer Jonathan Diller and showed their support by wearing blue.

We continue to pray for the Diller family and all first responders!

SCHEDULE A TOUR OF OUR NURSERY - 8TH GRADE PROGRAMS TODAY (516-785-6784)

Parish Social Ministry

Pantry Needs

Cereal
Apple Juice
Mac & Cheese
Canned Spinach
Raisins
Paper Towels

Volunteer Opportunities

The Long Island Coalition for the Homeless is offering volunteer opportunities in their Community Garden on Wednesdays from 4pm-7pm at their Amityville location. Volunteers will do basic gardening such as weeding, watering, and planting in their organic vegetable garden. Opportunities are available from April through October, and service hours are available! For more information contact the Social Ministry office.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting Tuesday

The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will be on Tuesday April 16 at 10am in the Abbey. This ministry knits and crochets lap robes, blankets, hats, scarves, and other items for the sick and needy of our community. Yarn is provided, and new members at any skill level are always welcome!



Reminder - Bereavement Meeting

The Spring Bereavement Group will meet on Wednesday, April 17 at 11am in the Abbey. This session is for registered participants only and will be the fourth session in the Spring series. For questions or inquiries, contact the Social Ministry office.

Looking to Donate Used Items?

We have updated the Parish Social Ministry section of the St. William the Abbot Parish website. We list multiple donation resources locally for your furniture, clothing, housewares and more! Check us out at www.stwilliam.org/social-ministry for more information!

Memory Café - April 19

Nassau County will host a session of the Memory Café on Friday April 19 in Bethpage. This is a free early-stage social engagement program that offers a fun and comfortable way for people with early-stage Alzheimer's disease/dementia and their caregivers to get out, get active and connect with one another. The event is from 12p-2pm, and there will be live entertainment and lunch provided! Reservations are required, please call 516-571-9910 if interested.

Senior Care Through the Office for the Aging



Did you know that the Nassau County Office for the Aging offers case managers for seniors? Their case management program provides the support for older adults to remain in their homes for as long as possible. They assist in providing in-home services for seniors through the Expanded In-home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP). There are two types of in-home services offered, Level 1 which is housekeeping and chore services, and Level II which adds on personal care assistance such as bathing, dressing, toileting, grooming and feeding. For more information about services and eligibility, call NY Connects at 516-227-8900 or visit the website <https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1438/Aging>.



For Volunteers in the Diocese of Rockville Centre

A person wishing to volunteer in any parish or organization in the Diocese of Rockville Centre must first complete three requirements:

1. Attend Protecting God's Children (Virtus)
2. Sign the Codes of Conduct
3. Complete a background screening application.

(Background screening is conducted on all volunteers and employees every 5 years.)

Directions to Complete the 3 Requirements:

1. Sign up to attend a Protecting God's Children class: www.Virtus.org

When you log on to the Virtus website, you will create a Virtus account.


- a. If you have not attended a Virtus class, you are a first time registrant.
- b. The first screen will ask the name of your organization-from the drop down list select Rockville Centre-Safe Environment.
- c. Follow all directions on the next screens.
- d. One screen will have the **Codes of Conduct**. Please acknowledge the Codes of Conduct.
- e. Continue with the registration process and select the class you will attend.
- f. After selecting the class, you will be instructed to complete the background screening application.

2. Background Screening Application:

- a. Sterling Volunteers is the company providing the background screening.
- b. Follow all the directions to complete the background screening application. **DO NOT STOP ONCE YOU BEGIN THE APPLICATION!** If you stop-you are locked out of the process due to security procedures.
- c. You will need to provide your Social Security #; if you do not provide a Social Security # you will be charged a fee.
- d. After completing the application, hit the 'Submit Button'

Congratulations! You have now:

Registered to attend a Virtus class ~ signed the Codes of Conduct ~
Completed the Background Screening.



Consider Automated Giving

Automated giving provides a steady stream of support. It is a great way to manage your Sunday Offerings without the worry of missing a payment and the worry of forgetting your weekly envelope.

We are able to offer the ability of having Sunday Offerings deposited directly from your checking or savings account into the St. William's account. This would apply only to weekly collections, not to any second collections, such as Holy Days, Catholic Relief Services, etc.

The form to begin this process can be printed, filled out and mailed to the Rectory. Please be sure to attached a voided check.

Authorization Agreement for Automated Giving

I, _____, hereby authorize the R. C. Church of St. William the Abbot, 2000 Jackson Avenue, Seaford, NY 11783 to initiate debit entries to my Checking () Savings () account indicated below and the depository named below to debit the same such amount.

Amount \$ _____ Monthly on the fifteenth of the month.

Depository: Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Banking Transit ABA # _____
(always nine digits)

Bank Account Number _____

(Attach to this form a voided check if checking account debit or a pre-printed savings deposit ticket if savings account).

This authorization is to remain in full force effect until the R. C. Church of St. William the Abbot has received written notification at least five business days in advance of the desired termination date.

(Authorized signature for above account)

(Print Name)

Date: _____

If second signature is required:

(Authorized signature for above account)

(Print Name)

Date: _____

Diocese of Rockville Centre Young Adult Ministry

Church of St. Patrick
400 Main Street Huntington, NY

Young Adult Holy Hours

January 25

February 22

April 25

May 23

June 27

Adoration with live music 7:30 PM
Fellowship with food provided 8:30 PM

Ages 21-39



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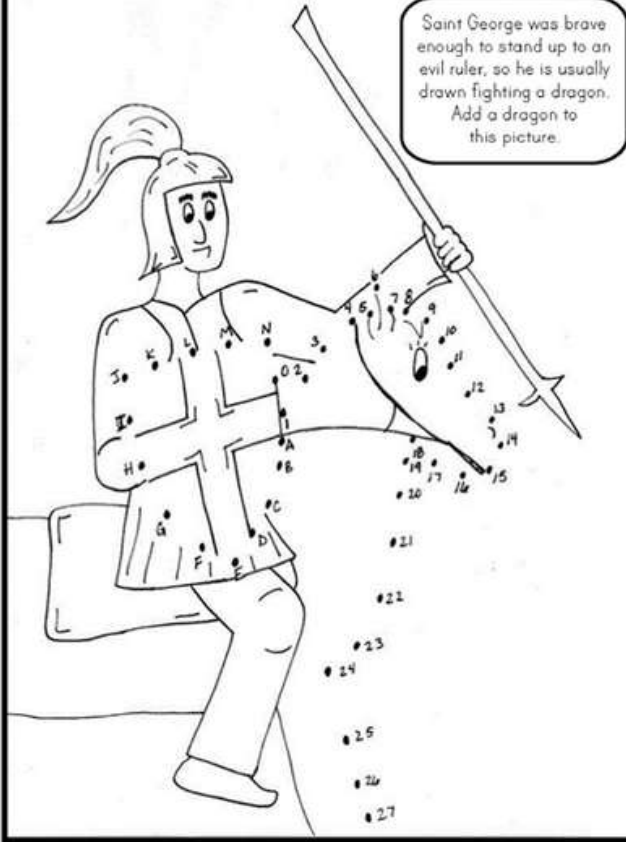
50 Charles Lindbergh Blvd., Suite 500
Uniondale, NY 11553

TODAY'S CHILDREN ARE TOMORROW'S HOPE!



Saint George

Saint George was a brave soldier in the Roman army. The Emperor, Diocletian, hated Christians! Saint George stood up to him and told Diocletian that he was wrong.



Saint George was brave enough to stand up to an evil ruler, so he is usually drawn fighting a dragon. Add a dragon to this picture.

Year B: Third Sunday of Easter



April 14, 2024
Easter
Color: White


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BAWONEPAUSIEKCE

Lord, let
your face
shine on us.

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BAFACEOBKSHINEOWKSODIHANE



We pray the Gloria during the Easter season. Pray it with the Congregation. Listen for everyone to say, "...and peace to His people on earth."

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Peace be with you.



Gospel Two disciples spoke of all the wonderful things they had seen during Easter. As they rested, Jesus walked toward them and said, 'Peace be with you.' They were afraid and thought Jesus was a ghost but He ate with them and showed that He was

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Please pray for our Seminarians and all those discerning the priesthood and religious life

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stwilliam.org/sacraments

Register as a St. William the Abbot Parishioner
stwilliam.org/i-am-new

Catholic High Schools of Long Island
chsee.org

Diocese of Rockville Centre
drvc.org

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formed.org

Tomorrow's Hope Foundation: Financial Aid for Catholic Schools
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If there is an emergency where someone is critically ill or injured and needs a priest outside of office hours, please call 516-312-7361

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