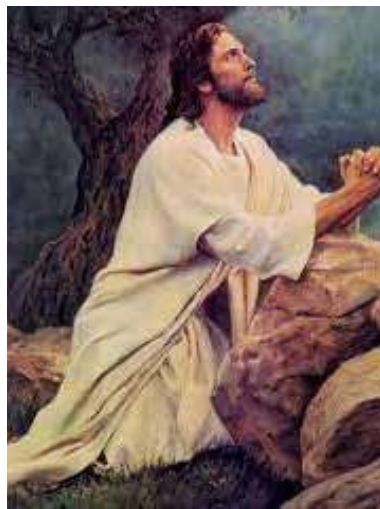




St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



May 12, 2024
Seventh 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

My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.

John 17:15-17

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 12, 2024

Kathleen Missilli

Nicole Tedeschi

Collective Intentions

Mother's Day

Deceased members of the Kaley & Varvaro Families

John Stolfi

Kathleen Missilli

Anne Russell

The Valdez-LeGoff Family

Monday, May 13, 2024

Mother's Day

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Mother's Day

Wed., May 15, 2024

Mother's Day

Thurs., May 16, 2024

Mother's Day

Friday, May 17, 2024

Collective Intentions

Mother's Day

Donato & Teresa DiLeo

James Farnochi

Deborah Camp

Michael Tudar

Saturday, May 18, 2024

Purgatorial Society

Mother's Day

Pray for the Sick

Jeanne Tedeschi

Keith Gorton

Sal Lupo

Richard Fedyk

Lisa Laurence

Michael Interrante

Vincent Casale

Pray for the Deceased

John Friel

Carol Ann George

Wine and Hosts

The Wine and Hosts used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of Marie, James & Asumpta Parisi from Nancy & Michael Haas

Altar Candles

The Altar Candles used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of John Friel from the Benson Family

May – The Month of Mary & The Month of Our Mothers

Happy Mother's Day! To all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, and any women who embody motherly attributes, both living and deceased, thank you for who you are and all you do for us. You make the world a joyful, loving place.

In the scriptures this weekend, Jesus says “when I was with them, I protected them in your name those you gave me, and I guarded them”. I think about the great gift when God entrusts children into a family. I have been so blessed to hear from my own mother and so many of you who have the understanding and perspective that children simply are a gift from God; temporarily entrusted into your hands in order to be returned at some point and given back to God. I believe that Our Lady understood that more than most - that Jesus had a mission on this earth and that mission was guided completely by God. She was called to guide, guard, and protect the Lord, but also allow Him to grow and develop to embrace His mission and vocation.

Once again, we acknowledge May as a time to rejoice over motherhood and to look at Our Lady and how she lived that vocation to the fullest. At her deepest identity, Mary's greatest role was bringing Christ into the world. Well, that is the vocation for all of us believers – to make Jesus come alive in the world in how we live and love. That has been evident over the past few weeks as families have come to celebrate First Holy Communions. The sacrament has allowed for so many families to gather with great joy, to remember and to strengthen their own faith, and to believe and hope in these children. When the children enter into the church we see them as vessels of holiness, prepared to bring Christ into the world. To become what they receive - to be Jesus. Our Lady pioneered that path.



May 2024 has been an opportunity for us as a parish to lift up and honor Mary, the Mother of God. What an incredible gift and challenge to be entrusted with bringing the Lord into the world, and then to nurture and raise Him. To so many of you ladies out there who have been so tender and caring for us in the rectory because of your kind words, smiles, affirming emails and messages, and of course the delicious food creations you have dropped off, thank you. You have blessed us. To all the ladies on the St. William the Abbot parish and school teams who have patiently guided, counseled, and cared for me and the priests who serve here in the model and example of Our Lady, again, we thank you. And, of course, to my own mother: thank you for your witness and example of faith and strength and how you lived your vocation in caring for dad. I would not be the man and priest I am without your love and encouragement in my life. I love you.

Mother Mary, we entrust our parish into your care and the protection of your mantle!

F. J. Joe

Banns of Marriage

Banns I

Amanda Duncklee, St. William the Abbot
& Gregorio Ferrando, St. William the Abbot

Banns II

Jennifer Lynde, Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
Lindenhurst
& Mark Palminteri, Our Lady of Grace, Babylon

Augustine Dimilta, Holy Trinity, Whitestone, NY
& Nicholas Quod, St. William the Abbot



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
Capt. Philip Lettieri, MD
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

Help Keep the Church Clean

We ask that those visiting the Church do not leave flowers, religious cards, holiday cards, bibles or religious artifacts in the Church, near the religious statues, or on the Sanctuary.

Pillar of Service

This week, we celebrated Ascension Thursday (an event we also remember during the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary). Throughout this week, remember the words of St. Teresa of Avila, "Christ has...no hands, no feet on earth, but yours." Be at service to your brothers and sisters and do it for our Lord.

Second Collection

Catholic Communications Campaign

This weekend our special collection supports the Catholic Communications Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the Internet, television, radio, and print media.

Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Rockville Centre to fund local communication effort. Your support helps spread the Gospel effort.

To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc

W I S H I N G Y O U A
H A P P Y & B L E S S E D

*Mother's
Day!*

THROUGHOUT THIS MONTH OF MAY, FLOWERS WILL BE PLACED AT THE BASE OF THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY IN THE CHURCH IN HONOR OF THE BLESSED MOTHER AND ALL THE MOTHERS OF OUR PARISH.

**PRIESTLY
ORDINATION OF
JOSEPH LETTIERI &
DENNIS GANNON**

SATURDAY, JUNE 8TH | 11AM
ST. AGNES CATHEDRAL



**FIRST MASS
AND
PARISH RECEPTION
OF SWA PARISHIONER
JOSEPH LETTIERI**

SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH | 2PM
ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT



The Memorare Council Knights of Columbus held a Vocations Assistance Dinner last week to honor and financially support the Seminarians of the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

We thank the Knights for hosting this wonderful event, attended by almost 300 people, and ask that you remember each of these young men in your prayers.

**THE FEAST DAY
OF
ST. WILLIAM
THE ABBOT**

TUESDAY, JUNE 25TH

... more details to come!



St. William the Abbot School

Students - and staff - showed off their incredible God-given talents during this year's Variety Show!



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



*Living Rosary
and Parish May Crowning*

**TUESDAY, MAY 21ST
6PM
FRONT LAWN OF THE SCHOOL**

Please bring your Rosary Beads

**THIS YEAR'S FIRST COMMUNICANTS
ARE ENCOURAGED TO WEAR
THEIR COMMUNION OUTFITS**

*God Bless last week's
First Communicants!*



ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT SCHOOL *Field of Honor*

Each year, to celebrate Memorial Day, our school honors veterans and active military personnel with a "Field of Honor." The field consists of 3x5' flags mounted on 8' poles and placed in precision rows on the front lawn of the school.

Flags will be flown May 18th - June 15th

Cost is \$25



Each flag comes with a ribbon that can be personalized to honor a specific Veteran



Please keep all of the children receiving this sacrament in your prayers!

WE'RE PARTNERING WITH THE TOMORROW'S HOPE FOUNDATION TO SPONSOR A STUDENT TO ATTEND ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT SCHOOL NEXT YEAR!

To donate to our community STAR (Student Tuition Assistance Relationship) Program, please use the QR code or send a check with "St. William the Abbot Community STAR" in the memo to:
Tomorrow's Hope
50 Charles Lindbergh Blvd; Ste 500
Uniondale, NY 11553



All donations will be used for tuition assistance for students of St. William the Abbot School!

We invite you to come and see what makes
**ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT
SCHOOL**
so special . . .

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION
AND TO SET UP A TOUR
WWW.STWILLIAMTHEABBOT.NET

The mission of Tomorrow's Hope Foundation is to ensure the excellence as well as the continuance of Catholic schools on Long Island by increasing awareness and by providing scholarship and program funding for the needs of students and schools.

Visit www.tomorrowshopefoundation.org for more information.



Parish Social Ministry

For the Pantry...

Memorial Day is right around the corner! If you're donating to the pantry over the next two weeks, think about bringing something for a Memorial Day meal such as hotdogs, hamburgers, buns, BBQ sauce, chips or salad dressing. We will be distributing these types of items the week before the holiday to ensure our parishioners in need can have a special meal on Memorial Day. Thank you for your generosity!

Memory Café May 17

Nassau County will host a session of the Memory Café on Friday May 17 in Freeport. 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.

Donation Spotlight - St. William the Abbot HSA

The St. William the Abbot Home School Association (HSA) included the Social Ministry in its Spring plant sale, and we are so grateful! The HSA offered plant sale participants the opportunity to purchase a plant for a homebound parishioner, which resulted in 17 beautiful planters being donated to us! Planters were delivered to the homebound, sick, or needy within our community. Thank you to the St. William's HSA for including us in their plant sale again this year, and thank you to all the purchasers that donated plants! Your gifts brought joy to those in need in your Parish community.



Vet Fest May 18th - Farmingdale



Veteran services and resources will be available at the Farmingdale Village Green on Saturday, May 18 from 10am to 2pm. Resources such as Veteran Benefit Agencies, Health Screenings, Mental Health Resources, Financial Advisory Services, and Housing, Employment and Legal Resources will be available. Free entry, no need to register. Food and drink will be available! Farmingdale Village Green is located at 361 Main Street in Farmingdale. Rain date May 19.

Donation Spotlight - Ferrara Family Girl Scouts

Last week Girl Scouts Samantha and Olivia Ferrara donated over 12 cases of Girl Scout cookies to the food pantry. As the girls sold cookies during the annual fundraiser, they offered customers the option to buy cookies for a family in need. What a response they received! We are so grateful to the Ferrara girls for their kindness, and for showing such generosity to their Parish community. They are a great example of living the Girl Scout promise 'to help people at all times.' Thank you, Samantha and Olivia!

Where Can I Donate Clothing?

"The Boutique" in Amityville is run by the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless. This special distribution center allows people in need to come and pick out clothes and other essential items, all for free! Donations of new and used clothing are accepted Tuesday through Thursday, 10am to 3pm at their 600 Albany Avenue location, or by appointment. To contact The Boutique, call 631-464-4314.



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Scan here to make a one-time donation by Credit Card, Apple Pay, Google Pay, or CashApp



Or visit
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Baptisms & Weddings at St. William the Abbot
stwilliam.org/sacraments

Register as a St. William the Abbot Parishioner
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Catholic High Schools of Long Island
chsee.org

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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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