St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



Welcome to St. William the Abbot

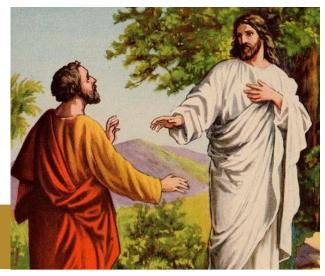
Twenty - First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 2020

Rectory Office Hours

The Rectory will remain closed until further notice. If you need to contact the Rectory please email your request. information@stwilliam.org

Parish Information

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Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Matthew:16 17-19

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 24, 2020

Betty Sarno

Sr. Anastasia & Sr. Stephanie

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

John Jay McGuigan, Jr.

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

Samantha Mielke

Ruth Lawlor

Thursday, August 27, 2020

Josephine Campbell

Friday, August 28, 2020

Collective Intentions

Nancy Alicia Humphrey,

Benjamin Holohan

Saturday, August 29, 2020

Purgatorial Society

Nicole Tedeschi

Sunday, August 30, 2020

People of St. William

Erika Fuessler

Diane Butler

Collective Intentions

Julien Le Goff (LIV),

Sr. Janice Brewi,

Michael Annunziata, Sean Byrne

Mary James

Need to contact one of the Priests?

Need to schedule a Confession appointment?

Have a prayer request?

priests@stwilliam.org

Mass

Daily Mass Monday - Friday 8:30am

> Weekend Mass Saturday 5pm

Sunday 8am, 10am, & 12pm

(12pm Mass is live-streamed on stwilliam.org)

The Church will remain closed when Mass is not being celebrated.

"The Mass Intentions are celebrated each day by a member of the Clergy, in either a public Mass or private Mass. Please be advised the current Mass schedule may not allow the family to be present for all Mass Intentions celebrated."

Pray for the Sick

Billy Kelly Genevieve Ireland

Pat Brady

Carol Calderazzo

Anthony Ferraro

Margaret Whyte

Spencer Papageorge

Pray for the Deceased

Josephine Romanelli

Baptism

Khloe Alexandria Martinez

Sophia Grace Rea

John David Nieves

Olivia Fames Hom

Let us welcome those children who were baptized this past weekend.

"Who do you say that Jesus is?"

The Gospel this weekend allows Peter to speak a bold and profound statement of faith about Jesus' identity. In this case, Peter really gets it right – as a follower and disciple – to recognize that Jesus is not "just" a really nice guy, or a wise guru, or a great philosopher, but is the Christ, the son of the living God. Because of that statement of faith, Peter is willing to leave everything in his past and follow Jesus, to evangelize and tell others about God's great love. We are called to do the same. In fact, that is the mission objective of our parish. It is why we exist – to witness to the truth that Jesus is Lord of this world and the next.

In order for us to fulfill that mission and consistently point to that the truth, we have and will continue to focus on the three objectives in this next season of our parish - the strengthening of the sacraments, the formation of education of the faithful, and outreach to the poor. These things have been our focus these past few months during the Pandemic and we have pruned and tweaked certain things in order to enhance our Worship experience. The hope is to continue to strengthen that for all of us who are currently worshiping here, and for those who will come in the future to encounter Jesus at Saint William the Abbot.

As you know, we have made a few adjustments and renovations to our campus in order to expand the mission and strengthen the opportunity to evangelize. We are now coming to the end of the summer and look to the new season of sacramental ministry, the formation of our school and Faith Formation children, and outreach to the needy in our community. I think it is important to identify some of the growth we have experienced at St. William the Abbot in order for us to expand our mission.

SWA Church: The Commemorative Donor Thank You Plaques Installed, Altar/Tabernacle Renovation, Updated Socially Distanced Confessionals, Security Cameras, Live Streaming of Mass (WIFI, Tech Programs, Sound, Equipment, etc.) Pending Sound System Update, Interior Painting of Church and Stations, Organ Project, Sacristy Roof Repaired, HVAC Circulation Updates, Corona Virus PPE and Additional Deep Cleaning Service

SWA School: Security Cameras and Electronic Locking System, Dead Tree Removal and Landscaping, Gym/Theater AC Unit Replacement, Technology Update and Enhancement, Perimeter Fencing, Roof Repair

<u>SWA Ursuline/Dominican Sisters Convent/Outreach Center</u>: Roof Repair, Outreach Pantry moved upstairs, Finalizing Security Cameras, Interior Renovations for the Sisters Personal and Community Living Quarters

<u>SWA Rectory</u>: Technology Update and System Update, Roof Tiles and Gutters Replaced, Kitchen, Dining Room, and Laundry Room Repaired and Painted after leak, Guest Bedroom updated in anticipation of future Seminarians and Visiting Priests, Security Cameras Installed

Faith Formation: Recommended Faith Formation Hybrid Program

It is because of your great faith and your commitment to the mission of the Gospel that we were able not only survive, but to thrive during the Global Pandemic. As a parish community, we have lived that bold statement of Saint Peter and responded as faithful disciples. At St. William the Abbot, serving Christ and His Church is not something that you "do" on the weekends for an hour, but it is the core and center of your lives and family.

As always, thank you for your presence and generosity.

Peace,



The St. William the Abbot Church Renovation Campaign 2005 Memorial Plagues were installed in the church this past week. There will be a recognition given by Fr. Joe at the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, August 23rd.

An official blessing and acknowledgment of all donors will be held at a later date. We thank you for your continued presence and generosity.



Introducing the newest member of the St. William the Abbot team, Director of Maintenance, Mike Lorio. Mike joined us in the midst of this pandemic. He quickly got to work with making improvements around the parish. When you see Mike walking around St. Williams, introduce yourself! We are so blessed to have him! Welcome, Mike, to St. William the Abbot Parish.





Banns of Marriage III

Thomas Gorman Our Lady of Lourdes, West Islip

Jennifer Krzyminski

Fohn Bella

St. Anthony's, Oceanside

Glynnis Budde

Christopher Derwin

St. Thomas Beckett

Fennifer Cacace

Food Donations

The food donations bins will no longer be located in the Church.

Please bring all donations directly to Parish Social Ministry Office.

The Social Ministry office is located South of the Church.

Monday - Friday 9:30am-4:00pm Sunday 9:00am -12:00pm

Please do not place any other items in the food bin other than food donations. We are not requesting clothes, household items or religious statues for donations.

To contact the office of Parish Social Ministry please email socialministry@stwilliam.org or contact the office at (516) 679-8532

Baptisms

Baptisms have resumed and can be scheduled until Sunday, September 27. Please email priests@stwilliam.org for more information.

Food Pantry

Tomato Puree Potatoes Brown Gravy Canned Fruit Corn Mixed Vegetables Chick Peas Salad Dressing Paper Towels Napkins

Back to School Supplies

With the new format and combination of in-person and virtual learning, we are adjusting our Annual Back to School Supplies Drive. This year we are asking if you would be so kind and donate gift cards for TARGET or WALMART or even a Visa Card. This will allow us to give the cards to our families and they can purchase specific school supply items requested by their teachers. Perhaps we will also be able to give gift cards for a few new clothing items.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements should be made six months prior to your wedding. If you need to make changes to your current date please contact the Rectory. Please email priests@stwilliam.org.

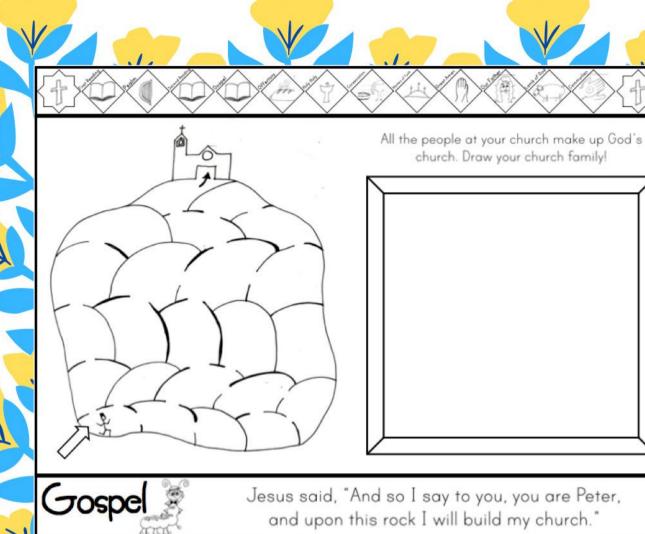
Faith Formation

We are happy to inform you that we are now accepting registration forms for the upcoming school year. Registration forms can be found on our parish website. Anyone can access these forms by following these directions. First visit our parish website **stwilliam.org** and then click onto the ministries tab. After clicking onto ministries, you will then go to the faith formation tab and after scrolling down, you will see the registration form. Please complete the form and send it back to us. If your child is entering first grade or you are new to the parish, you will also need to send us a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. You can contact the Faith Formation Office by email at: **faithformation@stwilliam.org** or by phone at: **516-679-9558**, if you have any questions regarding the registration process.

We are very excited about our family-based program which is designed to engage today's children in an age appropriate manner. The "Alive in Christ" series was intentionally planned to focus on the life, mission and saving work of Jesus Christ. The staff at St. William's will be companioning parents in their primary vocation of passing on the faith to their children. We will be providing the necessary tools, education, and support to accompany entire families on their journey of faith. Parents will be asked to come to church every other month for prayer, faith enrichment, and catechesis. These parent sessions will be beneficial for parents. Not only will they enrich the parent's faith-life but will serve as a valuable tool to guide their children in the faith. The following month parents will be asked to bring their children up to church for prayer and an activity. This family-based catechesis will enable the parish to share its vision of laying a foundation for families to develop a lifelong relationship with Jesus Christ.

We will be encouraging families to come to Mass, and to frequently receive the sacraments. Monthly activities and questions will be provided for parents and students. These activities and thought-provoking questions will assist families in making a connection between what they are learning in their faith to their life experience. These discussions will aid families in recognizing and applying their new-found knowledge to the many ways they live, worship, pray and serve together as Catholics.

We are still working on a monthly schedule for parents to come up to church which alternates with a parent/child session. We will notify everyone as soon as it is finalized. The development of this family model for Faith Formation came about due to our current situation of the COVID virus. It has been developed, not to lay additional burdens upon families, but to provide ways and suggestions to enrich a family's prayer life and to encourage a life-long relationship with God. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Walsh with any questions or concerns you may have. May God surround your family with his peace!



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Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

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There are many liturgical ministers that help during Mass. How are people serving at Mass?

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Saint Maximilian Kolbe was a martyr.

A martyr is a person who dies for God.

Saint Maximilian
Kolbe was
captured and
held in a prison.
He knew that
someone was
going to be killed
so he sacrificed
himself to let
another man live.





WELCOME HOME



THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE ATTENDING MASS

Dispensed from attending Sunday Mass

As per Bishop Barres' directive, we are still dispensed from attending Sunday Mass.



Health Check

If you are not feeling well or have been around someone with Covid within the last 14 days.

Have a cough or fever.

Have been diagnosed with Covid-19 Coronavirus.

For the health and safety of yourself and our community, we ask that you stay home and not attend Mass.

Social Distancing



6ft



Please practice social distancing while on the church grounds. Please remain 6ft apart from other parishioners while entering the church, during Mass, and while exiting to your vehicles. For the health and safety of yourself and our community, we ask that you not gather while on church grounds.



Must be worn at all times.

For your safety and others, please wear your mask properly covering your nose and mouth.



Sanitize

Please bring hand sanitizer. When entering the Church please grab an antibacterial wipe to clean your area before and after Mass.

Arrival and Exiting

- The main church doors located on Jackson Avenue will be the only entrance used for Mass.
- Kindly follow the seating directions of the Task Force, this will allow us to practice social distancing seating and maximize the pew space.
 - -To limit the areas in the church that are disinfected after each use, we ask that you stand or sit during the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Communion will be given at the end of Mass.

Please remain in your seat until a member of the Task Force advises you to exit your pew to recieve or exit the church.