



# St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



## August 14, 2022 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 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 - 8:15am

Saturday: 3:45pm - 4:30pm

#### Adoration

Monday - Saturday: 7:30am - 8:15am

First Friday of the Month: 9am - 5pm

#### Private Prayer

Monday - Friday: 7:15am - 6pm

*Jesus said to his disciples, "I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed!"*

*Luke 12:49-50*

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, August 14, 2022

Mary M. Griffin

People of St. William's

#### Collective Intentions

Domenico D'Armi &

Roberto Giancaterino

Grazieta & Donato Marrone

Thomas Francis Quinn

Hannah Herson

John & Francesca Rutigliano

#### Monday, August 15, 2022

Dolores DeRita

Regis & Susan LeGoff (liv)

#### Tuesday, August 16, 2022

#### Collective Intentions

Michael Hayes (liv)

#### Tuesday continued...

James Beadle

Frank Raia

Joanne Louttit

#### Wed., August 17, 2022

Richard Carbone

#### Thurs., August 18, 2022

Thomas McHugh

#### Friday, August 19, 2022

Eugene McGrath

#### Sat., August 20, 2022

Purgatorial Society

Gilberte Charlot

### Pray for the Deceased

Joseph R. Kirby

Antoinette Pregno

Francesca Briante

Renate Walter

Louis T. Bianco

Nancy Beato

Paul Daniel Rabinski

### Pray for the Sick

Jeannine Tedeschi

Patricia Rogers

Keith Gorton

Michael D'Arpino

Salvatore DiBenedetto

Kenny Gallagher

Adrienne Harker

Ann Marie Canale

### Wine and Hosts

have been donated in loving memory of

Joyce Rollo

from The Mpazicos Family

### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Although the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year, the Feast Day Mass will be celebrated on Monday, August 15th at 5:00 PM.

### Altar Candles

have been donated in loving memory of

Bernard Kluender

from Dorothy Kluender

# The Blazing Fire of Faith

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"

Luke 12:49

This passage reveals two things to us. First, it reveals Jesus' intention to "set the earth on fire." Second, it reveals that He desires "it were already blazing."

What does it mean when Jesus says that He came to set the world on fire? Fire is a powerful image that offers much insight into the Christian life. First, fire consumes. So it is with Christ. He came to consume us. He came to transform our little lives into blazing fires. This reveals that there is much potential in each one of our lives. We have potential to become something totally new if we allow the spark of grace to ignite our souls.

Fire also has the potential to make a difference. Its heat keeps us warm, its light allows us to see in darkness and its energy produces power in various ways to help us in our daily lives. So it is with grace. God's grace transforms our cold hearts, leads us through the darkness of life and provides us with all we need to live productive lives.

It's interesting to note that Jesus did not only say that He came to set the world on fire; rather, He said that He wished it were already blazing. This desire of our Lord is an invitation to move out of a mediocre and lukewarm existence into a life of radical Christian living. We are not called to be partly transformed, or even mostly transformed. No, we are called to become blazing fires of faith, transformed by God to make a true difference in the world!

Reflect, today, upon the fire within your own soul. How brightly is that fire burning? You need to feed that fire on a daily basis, fanning it into flame with complete commitment. Seek to become that blazing fire that the Lord desires of you and you will be amazed at how fully you can become transformed by grace.

*Lord, set my heart on fire with the brightness of Your love and mercy. Help me to be open to the complete transformation of life that You desire of me. I give myself to You without reserve, dear Lord. Use me as You will. Jesus, I trust in You.*

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*I have come to set the earth on fire,  
and how I wish  
it were already blazing!*

## Wedding Banns

### Banns II

Kristina D'Amore, St. William the Abbot  
& Alexander Kees, St. Barnabas, Bellmore

### Banns III

Alexis Norcia, St. James, Seaford  
& Jonathan Dillon, St. William the Abbot

Jaclyn Cusumano, St. William the Abbot  
& Jonathan Sarezky, Queens, NY

## Pillar of Hospitality

This week pray for your brothers and sisters who do not know God. Ask God to forgive them and turn their hearts toward him.

## Baptism

Let us welcome the following child who was  
baptized this past weekend:

Carmela Cadolino

Jaxon Dethwick

Leo McIntyre

Brody Siler

## 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.

## Pray for Our Seminarians



John Brusa  
Summer 2022



Joseph Lettieri



Herley Mendez



Patrick O'Brien  
Summer 2022

## Pray for Those in the Military

### USMC -

First Lt. Dana Duggan  
L.Cpl. John Mosier

### US Army -

Capt. Caitlin M. Lee  
CW2 Brian Kirby  
Major Eamon G. McArdle  
Sgt. Donald Rogers  
Major Christopher James Ustler  
Major Kurtis Unger

### US Air Force -

Capt. Matthew B. Frasse  
Tech. Sgt. Eric Meyers  
AIC William Hughes  
Major Thomas F. Shields

### US Navy -

Lt. Joseph Fitzgerald  
Ryan Bayer, Ensign  
Rebecca Bayer, Ensign  
STS1 Thomas Kerley  
Lt. jg Michael O'Hara  
MMN2 Emily Partridge  
Commander Michael Sean Slatley  
Lt. jg Michael Napolitano

### US Coast Guard -

Lt. James Knudsen  
Daniel Timpanaro  
LT. Commander Katherine Ustler  
Frank Pristera

### US Army -

Sgt. Craig Bianco  
SPC Anthony Caputo  
Capt. Michael DiPietro  
Capt. Michael Fitzgerald  
Capt. Christopher J. Frasse  
Capt. Logan Lee  
Lt. Col. John Kallo  
Capt. Caitlin M. Lee



JOIN US AS WE RECONSECRATE THE PARISH GROUNDS IN CELEBRATION OF

# *The Queenship of Mary*

MONDAY, AUGUST 22ND AT 6:30PM

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW



*St. William the Abbot*  
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Office of Faith Formation  
516-783-2528



# 2022-2023 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

**FAMILIES CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN OUR PROGRAM WILL HAVE THE  
REGISTRATION MATERIALS EMAILED TO THEM**

**NEW FAMILIES AND THOSE WITH CHILDREN ENTERING 1ST GRADE (LEVEL 1)  
ARE ASKED TO REGISTER IN PERSON BY VISITING THE FAITH FORMATION  
OFFICE IN THE CONVENT CENTER ON THE CORNER OF  
JACKSON AVE & MAPLE STREET (BLACK GATE)  
PLEASE CALL 516-783-2528 BEFORE ARRIVING**

**ALL FAMILIES MUST BE REGISTERED PARISHIONERS OF ST. WILLIAM THE  
ABBOT AND NEW FAMILIES MUST LIVE WITHIN THE PARISH BOUNDARIES**

**PAYMENT BY CHECK IS DUE AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION**

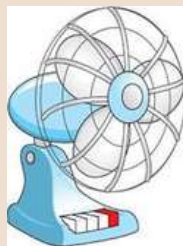
Please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if you are new to the program. If you are transferring from another parish, you must provide an official letter of transfer from your previous parish stating the child's formation and sacramental information.

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**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION IS A TWO-YEAR  
PROGRAM. CHILDREN MUST ATTEND LEVELS 1 AND 2 BEFORE THEY  
CAN RECEIVE FIRST COMMUNION.**

# Parish Social Ministry

## Cooling Assistance Available



Applications for HEAP Cooling Assistance are now being accepted. HEAP is the Home Energy Assistance Program, which helps low-income individuals and families pay for the cost of heating or cooling their homes. You can

apply for cooling assistance in order to buy and install an air conditioner or fan for your home, max price \$800 with installation. To be eligible you must have a documented medical condition that is aggravated by heat, and you must meet certain income guidelines. For more information, or to apply visit:

<https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>  
or call 1-800-342-3009.

## Pantry Needs

Applesauce	Cookies
Canned Chicken	Pasta
Canned Spinach	Rice A Roni
Canned Tuna	Disposable Razors

## Fall 2022 Bereavement Registration

If you or someone you know would be interested in attending our Fall Bereavement Group, please call the office to register. Sessions will begin September 28th and space is limited! For more information about these sessions call us at 516-679-8532.

## NYS Utility Bill Forgiveness Program



The utility arrears forgiveness program is open! Customers in PSEG's Household Assistance Program are eligible to have their utility bill arrears from May 1 and older forgiven. Customers that meet low-income eligibility requirements can apply for relief through this year end.

For PSEG, apply to their Household Assistance Program at:

<https://www.psegliny.com/myaccount/customersupport/financialassistance/householdassistance>.

For National Grid's Energy Affordability Program, please call their Energy Affordability Team at 1-866-305-1915.



## Assistance is Available

Are you or someone you know in need of assistance? Your Parish Social Ministry offers confidential support and

advice regarding hardships experienced by adults and seniors who may be struggling with sensitive issues. We have access to relevant state, local and charity-based programs that may help, and we offer other services such as client advocacy and regular use of our food pantry. Partnering with our St. Vincent de Paul conference, we help with budgeting, expense management and building financial independence. For more information call the Parish Social Ministry office 516-679-8532.



## Back-to-School Supplies Drive!

Our office is now gathering school supplies to help families send their children back to school with everything they need this Fall! School supplies donated will benefit children served by our Parish Social Ministry and our Parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference. Some items requested are listed here, or gift card donations to Target are accepted to allow families to do some of their own shopping!

- ★ Markers
- ★ Colored Pencils
- ★ Number 2 Pencils
- ★ Crayons (24 ct.)
- ★ Highlighters
- ★ Glue Sticks
- ★ Marble Notebooks
- ★ Folders, 2 pocket
- ★ Pencil Cases
- ★ Fine Point Sharpies
- ★ Binders ( 1 and 2 inch)
- ★ Post-Its (3x3)



## CYO Basketball Registration

Registration for CYO Basketball for boys and girls in grades 4-8 will run from Sunday August 14 through Saturday August 27.

St Williams CYO is using a new website for registrations this year. To register please go to [stwilliamcyo.sportngin.com](http://stwilliamcyo.sportngin.com) to set up an account.

From your account you will be able to register for CYO basketball. Those interested in volunteering for basketball should also register on this website. There is no cost for volunteer registrations.

St William's CYO is looking for new volunteers who will inspire the youth of St Williams to know God, to love God and to serve God through athletics. If interested please contact Bryan Mackay at 516-781-0718.



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# BLESSING OF THE Backpacks

Students of all ages, teachers, and educational staff are encouraged to bring their backpacks or work bags to all Masses on August 27th & 28th for a special blessing as the new school year begins



## BLOOD DRIVE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24TH  
1PM - 7PM IN THE ABBEY

PLEASE MAKE AN APPOINTMENT BY  
VISITING [NYBC.ORG](http://NYBC.ORG) OR  
CALLING 1-800-933-BLOOD

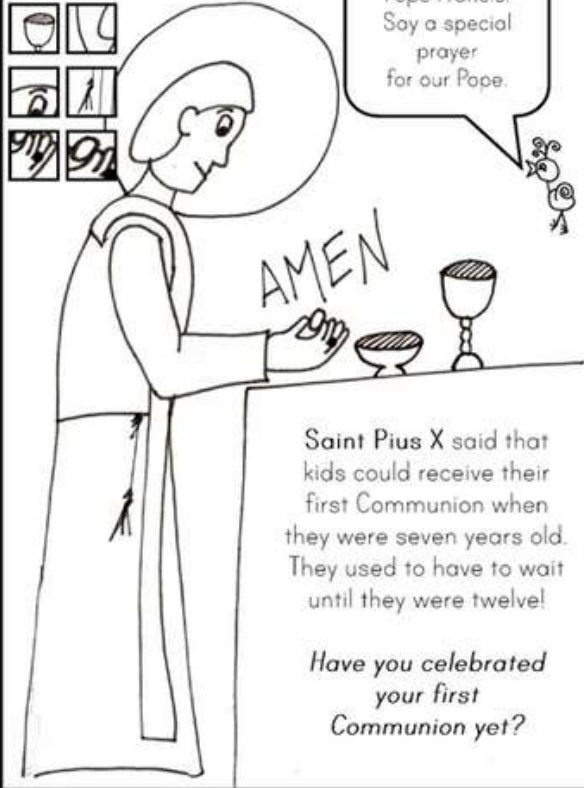


*YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.  
THERE IS NO OTHER COMMANDMENT GREATER THAN THESE.*

MARK 12:31



# Saint Pope Pius X



Our current Pope is Pope Francis. Say a special prayer for our Pope.

Saint Pius X said that kids could receive their first Communion when they were seven years old. They used to have to wait until they were twelve!

*Have you celebrated your first Communion yet?*

**Catholic Kids Bulletin**  
 August 14, 2022  
 Ordinary Time  
 Color: Green

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WPZKBOCOMEPWKA

Lord,  
 come to  
 my aid!

WPAPTOQPMYBIWOLZKJSOIEOAS



Watch as people receive communion and pray for them as they receive Jesus.



# Gospel

Jesus teaches us some hard things! God asks us to believe everything the Church teaches. Sometimes people fight and argue about what they believe. If you don't know what to say about your beliefs, talk to your priest or family so they can help you learn the Catholic Church's teachings. We learn about our faith by reading the Bible and a book called the Catechism.

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If there is an emergency in which you need to contact a priest immediately, please call  
516-312-7361

### - Faith Formation -

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