



# St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" He said to them, "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. Luke 13:22-24

## August 21, 2022 Twenty-first 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

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, August 21, 2022

Rose Wolf

Joseph Vesce

People of St. William's

Therese Morse

#### Monday, August 22, 2022

##### Collective Intentions

Michael & Jackie Hayes  
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Frank Perniola

Christine Paulson

Robert Conroy

#### Thurs., August 25, 2022

John Marinello

#### Friday, August 26, 2022

##### Collective Intentions

Samantha Mielke

James Beadle

Frank Perniola

Marie Carpenter

#### Sat., August 27, 2022

Purgatorial Society

Eleanor Coppola

#### Tues., August 23, 2022

Eleanor Coppola

#### Wed, August 24, 2022

Mary Marinello

### Pray for the Deceased

Francisco Carbonara

Thomas Kelly

Salvatore DiBenedetto

Michael O'Toole

### Pray for the Sick

Kenny Gallagher

Adrienne Harker

Ann Marie Canale

Richard Fedyk

Linda Pirro

Patricia roger

Allen Tillis

Jeannine Tedeschi

Keith Gorton

Michael D'Arpino

### Baptism

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

Chase Brown

# The Narrow Gate

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“Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.”

Luke 13:24

What does this line tell us? It reveals that we cannot enter Heaven by our own will or through our own effort. Furthermore, it tells us that though some will try to get to Heaven through their own effort, this approach will not work. Upon meeting our Lord, after death, they will be surprised that they are not a member of His Kingdom.

This clear and somewhat shocking statement from our Lord should have the effect of causing you to step back and look at your life so as to sincerely and humbly examine the path you are on. Jesus' directness and clarity on this real experience that some will have should help to open your eyes so as to honestly examine if He is speaking about you.

It takes true humility to face the truth, at times, and to admit if we are trying to rely more upon ourselves than upon Christ. The “narrow gate” is that gate through which the humble enter. Pride and self-sufficiency lead us to attempt to make our own path to Heaven. But this path is never the correct one.

Entering the “narrow gate” also means that we listen to God. He, as the divine Shepherd, is always calling to us in a gentle way. Only when we are attentive to His voice will we know where He is leading us. Only then will we discover the way through the one and only narrow gate.

Reflect, today, upon that moment when you meet our Lord face to face. What will that encounter be like? Will it be one where He greets you with open arms saying, “Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into your reward.” Or will it be one in which He says, “I do not know you.” Now is the time to face your life of faith with honesty, striving to rely only upon the strength of our divine Lord.

*Lord, I do desire to enter the narrow gate. I choose to follow Your gentle voice, leading me to Heaven. Help me to remain humble in life, shedding all that leads me to rely upon myself. May I rely only upon You, dear Lord, and trust You in all things. Jesus, I trust in You.*

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## Wedding Banns

### Banns I

Andrea Fiore, St. William the Abbot  
& Matthew Galati, St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa

### Banns III

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

## 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. It is acceptable to bury or discard these items.

## Live-Streamed Masses

Join us online to view our live-streamed Masses on the parish website:

[stwilliam.org](http://stwilliam.org)

**Monday - Friday 8:30 AM**

**Saturday 5:00 PM**

**Sunday 12:00 PM**

## Pillar of Prayer

This week, practice a new form of prayer. Perhaps learn to pray the Rosary or the Divine Mercy Chaplet. If there is an Adoration Chapel nearby, go and spend an hour with the Lord.

## 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 -

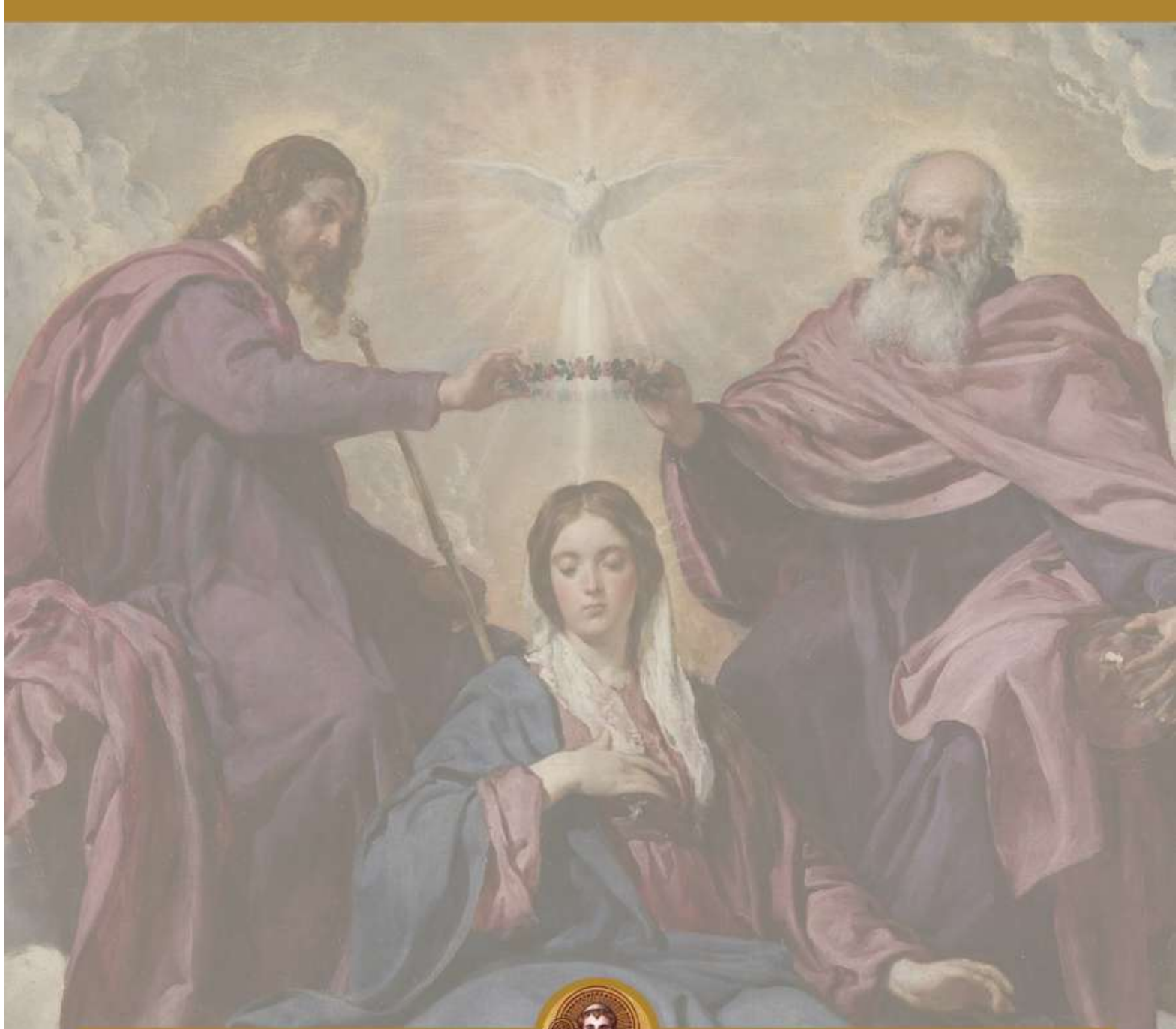
Lt. Joseph Fitzgerald  
Ryan Bayer, Ensign  
Rebecca Bayer, Ensign  
STS1 Thomas Kerley  
Lt. jg Michael O'Hara  
MMN2 Emily Partridge  
Commander Michael Sean Slatley  
Lt. jg Michael Napolitano

### 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  
WITH A PROCESSION IN CELEBRATION OF

# *The Queenship of Mary*

MONDAY, AUGUST 22ND AT 6:30PM

MEET IN FRONT OF ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT SCHOOL

BRING YOUR ROSARY



*St. William the Abbot*  
stwilliam.org

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



## August Donations

During the summer break, please remember our food pantry and the over 50 families we support in the area. Increased travel and vacations sometimes result in fewer food donations... but the need in our area remains the same! Even one item donated to our pantry makes a big impact to those concerned about feeding their family. Call our office for a drop off appointment, or simply stop by weekdays between 9:30am and 4pm. Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

## Pantry Needs

Macaroni & Cheese	Coffee
Pasta Sauce	Canned Beets
Bread Crumbs	Mayonnaise
Canned Mixed Vegetables	Jelly

## 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.

## Mark Your Calendar!

### Upcoming Medicare/Alzheimer's Info Sessions

We are pleased to announce that coming this Fall we will be hosting two information programs for our parishioners. First, 'The ABC's of Medicare' will be held on October 6th and November 3rd at 11am, and will guide participants through Medicare enrollment and options. Second, there will be a 3-week program on 'Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia' that will take place on Thursday evenings in October, from 6-7:30pm. Watch the bulletin for additional information or call our office with questions!

## Donation Spotlight - Seaford

### Memorare Knights of Columbus



A very special thank you to the Seaford Knights for their generous donations to our food pantry this week! The Knights donated multiple cases of cereal to our pantry consisting of 36 boxes of Raisin Bran and 20 bags of Corn Flakes, plus multiple boxes of cookies and snacks. We are so appreciative of the ongoing support we receive from the Seaford Memorare K of C, we could not do it without them!

## Looking to Donate Used Items?

We recently 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](http://www.stwilliam.org/social-ministry) for more information!

## 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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## **Seminary of the Immaculate Conception Annual Communion Breakfast September 18, 2022**

You are invited to attend the Annual Communion Breakfast at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception on Sunday, September 18, 2022. Msgr. Steven R. Camp, Seminary Rector and Pastor, Church of St. Patrick, Huntington, will be the Celebrant and Speaker. Mass will be held in the Seminary Chapel at 10:00 AM, and will be followed by Brunch and Msgr. Camp's presentation in the Refectory.

Reserve by September 11th - walk-in guests cannot be accommodated. The cost is \$50 per person, and you can reserve your spot on-line: [www.icseminary.edu](http://www.icseminary.edu). Please call 631-423-0483, ext. 102 for additional information, or email [bmalone@icseminary.edu](mailto:bmalone@icseminary.edu).



# 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 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.



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# Catholic Kids Bulletin

August 21, 2022  
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Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.



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

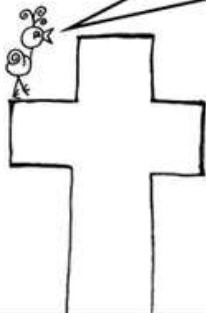
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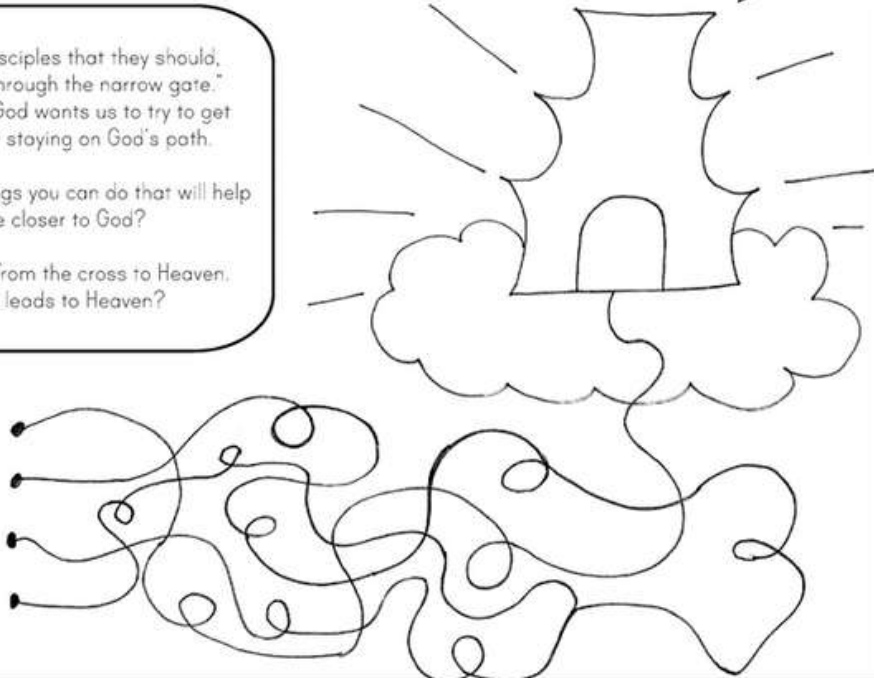
Jesus told his disciples that they should, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate." This means that God wants us to try to get closer to him by staying on God's path.

What are some things you can do that will help you to be closer to God?

Follow the paths from the cross to Heaven. Which one leads to Heaven?



A  
B  
C  
D



# Gospel

Jesus teaches that we must be strong in our faith!  
How can you be strong with God?

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