

# St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



Welcome to St. William the Abbot

**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 29, 2021**



## PARISH INFORMATION

### RECTORY

Office: 516.785.1266  
2000 Jackson Avenue  
Seaford, NY 11783  
[stwilliam.org](http://stwilliam.org)

### RECTORY HOURS

**Monday - Friday**  
9 AM - 5 PM  
**Saturday**  
9 AM - 3 PM  
**Sunday**  
9 AM - 1 PM

## MASS TIMES

The presider schedule can be found on the parish website [stwilliam.org](http://stwilliam.org)

### DAILY MASS

**Monday - Friday**  
8:30 AM

### WEEKEND MASS

**Saturday**  
8:30 AM & 5 PM  
**Sunday**  
7:30 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM, & 12 PM

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, August 29, 2021

Margaret Gallagher  
Collective Intentions  
Kenneth Grof,  
Johnston Family,  
Valouch Family,  
Maliszewski Family  
Aldo Corsetti, Jr.  
Julien LeGoff (LIV)

### Wednesday, September 1, 2021

William Zorn, Jr.

### Thursday, September 2, 2021

Deborah Cundy

### Friday, September 3, 2021

Esther Stephan

### Monday, August 30, 2021

Nicholas F. Ortiz

### Saturday, September 4, 2021

Purgatorial Society  
Collective Intentions  
Tom Ward, Sr.,  
Robert Kandybowicz,  
Harry Haas,  
Haydee Mentryka

### Tuesday, August 31, 2021

Rosemarie Fiske

Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.  
- Mark 7 14:15

|                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| James T. Lang      | Lia R. Aurora         |
| Michael P. Smith   | Leila B. Billotti     |
| Cameron C. Cruz    | Madeleine E. DelGatto |
| Michael J. Killeen | Fiona A. O'Connell    |
| Fiona N. Alon      | Luca A. Shenocker     |
|                    | Samantha A. Schill    |

**Let us welcome those children who were  
Baptized this past weekend.**

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

### Pray for the Deceased

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Camille McMahon    | Walter J. Dermody |
| Arthur J. McCauley | Conor J. Cronin   |
| Ronal W. Scaglia   | John F. Searing   |
| Lillian Criscuola  |                   |

### Pray for the Sick

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| Walter Ostrowski   | Rosie Wolf          |
| John Stolfi        | Diane Zukaitis      |
| Joseph Agolia      | Michael Holian      |
| Mary Teresa Agolia | Arlene Marie Finlay |

The Wine & Host used at Mass this week have been donated in memory of

*Terri Dankenbrink*

From the Davison Family.

The Sanctuary Candles used at Mass this week have been donated in honor of the Birthday Celebrations of

*Julien Le Goff*

From loving family.

# What Really Matters

The past few weeks have put a real focus for me on the great gift of education, as we prepare to head back to school at St. William the Abbot school, the local school districts of Seaford, Wantagh, and Massapequa, as well as the dedicated teachers, administrators, and staff members who heroically live their faith in the world. I have also witnessed the return of many of our college and university students back to undergraduate and graduate studies. This also triggers memories of my own college experience - yes - the glory days! I have had a unique experience of being connected to wonderful priests who communicated a great message for families, especially families with college students in an end of the summer pastoral letter. I have consolidated the 'best of' in this one, thanks to Fr. Tom and Bishop Serratelli, and I hope that not only you would read this but to pass it on to family members or friends with kids heading to the University this fall.

I want to begin by congratulating you on embracing the opportunity to grow in knowledge and wisdom. For some of you, you may be the first in your family to be blessed to go on past high school. All education is a gift, and college education, will bring many of you – whether having been formed in public or catholic education -into unknown waters of thought and opinions. It is an exciting time as you navigate new subjects that can open your mind to truth and expand your worldview.

As I am sure you realized when your family left you on campus, or for those who are commuting, when you walk into that first class, your world has suddenly expanded just a little bit, and you are now trying figure out where you fit into this immense universe. Henry David Thoreau once said, "As a single footstep will not make a path on the earth, so a single thought will not make a pathway in the mind." Be patient, you will likely not master writing, organic chem, micro-economics, or US History from 1865 to the Present - in the first class. But know you are in the deep end now, and you will be bombarded with so much information to receive, process and discern in your search for Truth.

Be wise, there is a reason they call it "research" - for "searchers" like us, who desire to plum the mysteries of this Universe where so many new discoveries are brought to us for convenience and to ease burdens for humanity. Go just a bit deeper under the surface of what is being presented to you across the screens that we hold in our hands and on our desktops - which may challenge your foundational and traditional values. Isaac Asimov once said, "The saddest aspect of life right now is that science gathers knowledge faster than society gathers wisdom." Be aware that higher education is an arena of competing ideas and philosophies, and to know them is commendable. But to discern the truth in those ideas is what brings us to true wisdom.

If you have actually read this far, I commend you. This letter was probably given to you by a family member - I would say most likely a grandparent, parent, or even a godparent. I recognize in our Catholic Church today, there is a vacuum in presence and participation of the youth, specifically from high school aged to the mid-20-year-olds. I often get a kick out of family members of yours who say, "It would be great if you or one of the other priests could speak to my kids or grandkids, - they would listen to you." And yet without a relationship it is hard to earn the right to be heard. In this letter I hope to give a balance of our rich Catholic tradition but also see how pagan and secular voices can influence our world and culture. I once read that Cicero said, "The authority of those who teach is often an obstacle to those who want to learn."

The Catholic Church has almost 2000 years of the most intelligent minds who have ever walked on this planet as our "experts." Yet many of our universities and colleges, and sadly some of them being Catholic by name only, have grasped onto many fleeting, 'progressive', modern ideas, and voices who have barely had the ink on their dissertations and thesis' dry. Sometimes these higher institutions of learning can be quick to reject the intellectual minds of the past - try not to be so dismissive of our Catholic history.

Although blessed to have studied on the college and post graduate level, I yield to the foundation of the great women and men who have gone before us, not only in their Catholic faith, but their intellectual and scientific minds as well. Young folks, I ask you, are you familiar with Edith Stein (a Carmelite nun) advancing philosophy and the spirituality of women, Nicolas Copernicus (a 3rd Order Dominican), proponent of the heliocentric model of the solar system, the Augustinian friar Gregor Mendel, the founder of the modern science of genetics, the layman Antoine Lavoisier, the father of modern chemistry and the Belgian priest Fr. George Lemaitre, founder of the Big Bang theory? These minds and many other were nourished and strengthened by the Eucharist, the Scriptures, and the practice of their Catholic faith!

Unfortunately, I have been part of conversations with parents and college students who write off these 4-7 years as experimental - and often put reason, values, and faith on the back burner opening the door to debauchery and sin. Do not let that be you! Look around campus for the sentinels of light and know that when you strive for the virtues of prudence, temperance, and chastity, you are not alone. The campus newspaper, university blog, or college Social Media campaigns may present a very different experience from the Church – but the university is a place for all views and perspectives to be expressed. Some of the views on campus may attempt to extinguish the flicker of your desire to learn and grow in your understanding of about your faith. Being a faithful, practicing, Catholic today will not get you many likes on your Instagram, or make you a Tik Tok sensation – but know that our Catholic Faith and Reason advanced science, the arts, and culture throughout our world's history. And yes, we are still talking about the 'Carpenter from Nazareth' while many universities have closed, leaders have fallen, and empires crumbled.

In Psalm 139 we hear: "Lord, you search me, you know me... you formed me and knit me in my mother's womb." Even when we forget who we are, the Heavenly Father sees you as His favored and beloved child. Stay authentic, and do not follow the crowd like a blind corpse. Bishop Fulton Sheen once said, "Dead bodies float downstream. It takes live bodies to resist the current." Stay alive in your faith, experience community, and be part of the solution of making Mass, and prayer, and Bible study come alive. There are 168 hours in a week, give God at least 2 hours of that; 1 hour on Sunday, and 10 minutes of prayer for the other 6 days. You will not be disappointed.

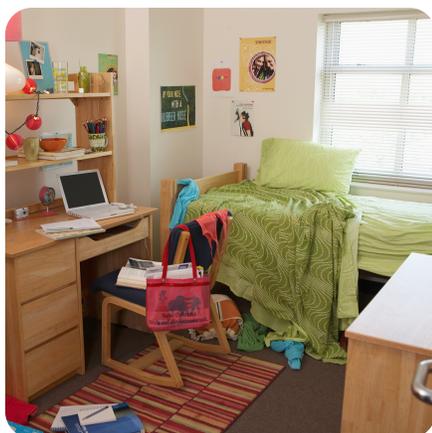
One of my favorite scenes from the Lion King movie is when Simba lost, flustered, and wounded encounters Mufasa after he has drifted far from home and his ancestral traditions. You too may find yourself feeling alone and empty on a random night this semester. You may have made a poor choice with your life, and be experiencing, doubt, fear, and shame as the young lion did in the movie. But remember it was through the encouragement and direction of the priest Rafiki to "Look Harder" and deeper to the core, where his truest identity is. For you too, have been blessed with family, grandparents, and long traditions that reach back generations with faith and connection to Christ and His Church. One of the great things about being Catholic is you can go Mass in Seaford, or upstate, or in a chapel, or in a dorm lounge, or a campus theater. God is not only waiting for you, but He is also pursuing you.

I challenge you to grow in your faith and expand your understanding of Catholicism – you are doing the same in the disciplines of science, mathematics, and your other core subjects. You cannot stay in the same mindset you had when you were 13 years old and received your confirmation. Search for the answers, ask the hard questions, and use the resources and tools to help you – as if you were studying quantum physics or how to write a term paper. And when you do not know the answer or are backed into a corner about a subject, or teaching of the Church, search for a campus minister, the Newman Center, a Bible study, or the local parish. And if that fails, never hesitate to reach out any of us – Fr. Collins, Fr. James, and I – [priests@stwilliam.org](mailto:priests@stwilliam.org) .

Pope Benedict reminds us that "Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, or even a set of rules, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction."

To be a person of faith is not just about having answers to the hard questions, but to be at peace with waiting, grappling, and struggling in the pursuit of truth and finding it in Jesus. In our deepest soul we know the difference between right and wrong, good, and evil. We know the things that build us and others up and those that tear us down. Remain steadfast in your faith and focused on Christ and you will come to a deeper understanding of the meaning of life. Remember it was Jesus who said, I am the way, the truth, and the Life. Search for Him, and Remain in Him, and you will find JOY !

Peace,



# Rectory News

## Wedding Banns I

**Edward Bergin**  
St. Matthew's Church, Sidney MT

&

**Christina Romano**  
SWA

**Daniel Parsell**  
SWA

&

**Gina Forlani**  
SWA

## Wedding Banns III

**Andrew Kostyshyn-Gruber**  
Oceanside, NY

&

**Allison Ryan**  
SWA

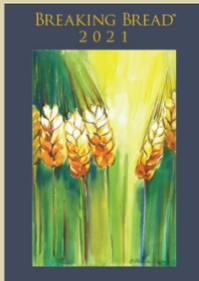


**Gregory Mitchell**  
Sacred Heart, Merrick

&

**Maggie Jacobsen**  
SWA

## Missals



At this time we are able to offer the sale of individual missals for \$10 per missal. Please bring a check for \$10 payable to St. William the Abbot or \$10 exact cash to the rectory. There will be no change for cash purchases. We have a limited number at this time, so it is a first come first served basis.

## Sacristy



For the safety of our Priests, we ask that parishioners refrain from entering the Sacristy. Please do not hand offering envelopes, letters etc. to the Priests. Please drop them off in the Rectory Mail Slot.

## Have a question for the priests?

Stump the Priest questions can be emailed to [priests@stwilliam.org](mailto:priests@stwilliam.org).



## Anointing of the Sick



Anyone going to the hospital or who has a serious illness can receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, which will be celebrated communally immediately following the 12:00 N Mass on Sunday, September 26th.



**LIFE TEEN**  
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

St. William the Abbot desires to partner with parents and young adults to reach the next generation for God's Glory. We have many Core volunteer opportunities, please email [priests@stwilliam.org](mailto:priests@stwilliam.org) if you wish to share your gifts with the youth of our community.

## Memorials Available

We are pleased to announce that the Sanctuary Candle and the Altar Candles that are used at Mass throughout the week are now available as memorials.

Anyone wishing to donate the Sanctuary Candle or the Altar Candles in memory of a loved one or on the occasion of an anniversary, birthday, etc., can make this request at the Rectory. Please call 516-785-1266. The offering for the Sanctuary Candle is \$15 and the offering for the Altar Candles is \$30. The name of the person will be announced in the bulletin for each week the candles are donated.

## 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**



## 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.

## Memorializing

The Rectory is issuing Mass Cards, enrollment in the Purgatorial Society, Memorializing the Wine, Host, Candles and Altar Flowers. Please call the Rectory for more information (516) 785-1266 or email [information@stwilliam.org](mailto:information@stwilliam.org)

## Safety & Mask Protocols

We do ask that everyone arrive early so that we can seat everyone before the start of Mass. We ask that all parishioners that are **NOT VACCINATED** wear their mask covering their nose and mouth at all times while inside the church.



## Global Pandemic have your dog's social life looking "ruff"?



Take a walk with Father James and Kolbe! All dogs welcome!

Email [priests@stwilliam.org](mailto:priests@stwilliam.org) to schedule a walk.

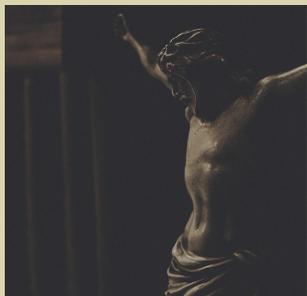
## Help Keep the Church Clean

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 discard these items or bury them.

## Email List

If you are not currently on our email list and would like to receive email updates on parish news and the bulletin, in your inbox please register on the parish website. [stwilliam.org](http://stwilliam.org)

## Save the Date



Calling all the Youth of the St. William the Abbot Parish and the Parish Community to join us on Sunday, September 19, 2021, at 5:00 PM for our Family and Youth Mass.

## Private Prayer

The Church will be open for private prayer Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM. If there is something taking place in the church such as a funeral, wedding, class, parent meetings, RCIA, etc., parishioners should understand that they should not remain in church during these activities.

## Fellowship Tent

Due to COVID regulations and food allergies, we ask that no food or drink be donated for social gatherings on campus. If you are interested in donating towards the cost of the Fellowship Tent refreshments. Please email [information@stwilliam.org](mailto:information@stwilliam.org)

## Low Gluten Hosts Available at Mass

For those who must avoid gluten in their diet, the parish has low-gluten hosts available for Holy Communion. If you wish to receive such a host, please arrive prior to Mass and inform the priest and he will place your host in a oyx.

## Staying Connected

With St. William the Abbot visit us at [stwilliam.org](http://stwilliam.org) to view our bulletin online, presider schedule, and see other parish information.

Facebook: Find us at:

**stwilliamabbot**

Instagram: Follow us:

**@stwilliamabbot**

YouTube: Find us at:

**YouTube.com — St. William the Abbot Church**

If you are a registered parishioner who has received the sacrament of confirmation and have a desire to serve God in this way, we would love to have you inquire on how to become a Eucharistic Minister. All interested parties are encouraged to email us at [priests@stwilliam.org](mailto:priests@stwilliam.org) to learn more.

## Fellowship Tent of Meeting



In Exodus 33:7-11, the intimate prayer of Moses with God is described. A designated place for prayer, a "tent of meeting," was set up outside of the Israelite camp. As Moses would enter this tent, a "column of cloud" would descend upon it, signaling the presence of the Lord, to whom Moses would then speak "face to face, as one man speaks to another." With their intercessor standing before God, the Israelites would then begin to pray "at the entrance of their own tents."

We will begin to extend the opportunity to come together after selected Masses each weekend just as the Israelites did with a Fellowship Meeting Tent. The Fellowship Meeting Tent will take place at two selected Masses each weekend. The selected Masses will be announced in future bulletins and our social media. Each week the tent will feature refreshments.

## Fellowship Tent of Meeting Schedule

**Sunday, September 12 - 10:30am Mass**

**Sunday, September 12 - Noon Mass**

# Faith Formation

“One who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord”. That is what we hear today. God wants us to show that we love him through our actions and by being the best person that we can. We can believe in God, but it is how we act and treat others that proves how we truly love God. When Jesus was speaking and teaching about God there were some Pharisees and teachers of the Law who were present, and they were listening and also studying of what Jesus’ disciples were doing. They saw that when it came time to eat, the disciples did not wash their hands and back then you were taught to follow the old church rules, so not only did they wash their hands, but they had to wash all the way up to their elbow before they could touch any food. The Pharisees and teachers of the Law saw that this was not done, and they questioned Jesus. Jesus told them that people become unclean because of their hearts not being clean, not their hands. People should really try to keep their hearts close to God, and you can, by going to Church, praying, and if you have either treated someone unkind or have done something wrong, say you are sorry, and you can also go to confession to become closer to God. No one is perfect, but we must all try our best to be that child of God. Be kind, caring, and loving to one another. You’ll see it becomes a chain reaction. Peace...

Faith Formation - Registration for Religion is now closed. For those who have registered for Religion, the Faith Formation classes will begin the week of October 4th. As soon as your child is registered into our System, you will receive a Calendar.

# Purgatorial Society

Marcello Ficarra, Timothy Harrigan, Carol Piscitelli, Rosemarie Liosi, Maryann Peduzzi, Matthew Elder, Nicholas J. Ortiz, Peter A. Puleo.

Anthony Brennan, Mary Burns, Anthony Ciraldo, Wilma F. Diehl, Robert T. Hogan, Susana M. Iannucci, Maritza Miranda-Klee, Virginia Lehoe, Catherine Motley, Rose J. Pottanat, Peter A. Puleo, Joan Rice, Anthony C. Sorrentino, Richard T. Ledbetter, Jean Claude Lucas, Richard Emeran, John Augner, Charles Kane.

Nugent Cantileno, Vierge Odette Geneve, Alexandra Carriero, Salvatore Conti, Helen Critelli, Laura Prager, Mildred Schifano, Karen Harris, Francisco Gonzalez, Giuseppe Carnevale, Emma Ustler, D. P. Woulfe, Girardin Mondesir, James M. Gallagher, Michael P. Keenan.

Gregory J. Unruh, Annette Ruggiero, Peggy Tambasco, Salvatore Mesuraca, Louis J. Fairchild, Bertram Holmes, Madeline Kenny, Grazietta Marrone, Elsa DeCicco.

# Pray for those in the Military

## US Army -

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

## USMC -

Lt. Kevin J. Butler  
2nd Lt. Dana Duggan  
Corporal Frank A. Finochio  
L.Cpl. John Mosier

## 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

## US Air Force -

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

## US Navy -

Lt. Joseph Fitzgerald  
Ian Bayer, Ensign  
Rebecca Bayer, Ensign  
MMN2 Emily Partridge  
Commander Michael Sean Slatley  
Lt. jg Michael Napolitano

WELCOME BACK, WELCOME BACK, WELCOME BACK

# ALTAR SERVERS



## Calling back our Altar Servers that have served before!

St. William's is excited to welcome back Altar Servers from Grades 6 - 12 to begin serving at Masses. We ask all those interested in Altar Serving again to please attend one of the following three meetings: **September 8, at 2:45pm** , **September 9, at 7pm**, or **September 10, at 7pm**. The meetings will take place in the **Church**. Please complete the bottom portion of this form and return the following information at the meeting.

\*At this time we will not be offering training sessions for new Altar Servers. Please stay tuned for future announcements.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School & Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Contact Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are there siblings who are Altar Servers ?** \_\_\_\_\_

**If yes, do they need to be scheduled at the same Masses?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Any there any Mass assignment restrictions we need to consider?** \_\_\_\_\_



# Parish Social Ministry

## 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 church no longer has donation bins. The Social Ministry office is located South of the Church.

**Monday - Friday**

**9:30am - 4:00pm**

**Sunday**

**By Appointment Only**

## Food Pantry

**Hearty chicken soups**

**Cooking oil**

**Egg noodles**

**Oatmeal (packets)**

**Men's deodorant**

## Parish Contact Information

### CONTACT THE PRIESTS

Please send your email to [priests@stwilliam.org](mailto:priests@stwilliam.org) to contact Fr. Joe, Fr. James or Fr. Collins directly.

### CONTACT THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please send your email to [pastoralcouncil@stwilliam.org](mailto:pastoralcouncil@stwilliam.org).

### QUESTIONS FOR COMMUNICATIONS

Please send your email to [igomez@stwilliam.org](mailto:igomez@stwilliam.org).

### QUESTIONS FOR THE RECTORY

Please send your email to [information@stwilliam.org](mailto:information@stwilliam.org).

### CONTACT THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Please send your email to [jgoldman@stwilliam.org](mailto:jgoldman@stwilliam.org).

### CONTACT FAITH FORMATION

Please send your email to [faithformation@stwilliam.org](mailto:faithformation@stwilliam.org) or contact the office directly at (516) 783-2528.

### CONTACT SOCIAL MINISTRY

Please send your email to [socialministry@stwilliam.org](mailto:socialministry@stwilliam.org) or contact the office directly at (516) 679-8532.

### CONTACT THE SCHOOL St. William the Abbot School



Office: 516.785-6784  
2001 Jackson Avenue  
Seaford, NY 11783  
[stwilliamtheabbot.net](http://stwilliamtheabbot.net)

## Sign-Up for the St. Williams Bereavement Group

We are now taking names for our bereavement group sessions to begin in October. If you have experienced the loss of a loved one and would be interested in attending a small group session for support, please call the Social Ministry office. Sessions may fill up quickly, please call today!

## Additional Bereavement Resources

St. Bernard's Parish Social Ministry (Levittown) will be offering two targeted bereavement groups in September. One group will counsel parents that have lost a child, and the second will counsel those that have lost a loved one to suicide. Interested individuals should contact Sister Christine Sammons at 516-731-6074. There is a \$25 registration fee.

## Project Hope – Coping with COVID

Are you having trouble understanding your emotions and reactions during COVID? Are you struggling with economic hardship and/or behavioral health issues from the pandemic NY Project Hope has crisis counselors that understand what you are going through. They will give you self-help tips and a plan to help you become your own advocate. Project Hope has many resources available and offers free, confidential and anonymous counseling. They also offer weekly group sessions via Google Meet to discuss how to manage stress during COVID. Call 855-818-HOPE or visit [www.nhcc.us](http://www.nhcc.us) for more information.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry begins Tuesday, October 5th

The first meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will take place on Tuesday, October 5th. Meetings will take place on the first and third Tuesdays of the month from 10am to 12pm in the Abbey. This ministry crochets and knits beautiful items for those in need such as lap robes and shawls for the sick, and hats and scarves for the homeless. Interested in joining this worthwhile ministry? Call the Social Ministry office at 679-8532 for more information.

## Last Chance to File for HEAP!

This year, the deadline for heating assistance applications was extended through August 31, 2021. HEAP helps eligible households meet the cost of heating their homes. The benefit can pay for fuel, your utility source, heating equipment replacement and repairs. The benefit is paid either directly to the heating vendor or utility company. You can apply for HEAP every year when the program is open. To review your eligibility and apply for this program, please visit <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap>.

# RESERVATIONS

**SOLD** Title Sponsor - *Charles G. Schmitt*  
Funeral Home

\$5,000 Event Co-Sponsors

**SOLD** Pastor Sponsor - *Camp Christ*

\$3,500 Lunch Sponsor

\$3,000 Golf Cart Sponsor

\$2,500 SWA Sponsor

\$2,000 Eagle Sponsor

\$1,500 Birdie Sponsor

\$1,000 Par Sponsor

\$350 Pin Flag

\$250 Tee Sign

\$225 Individual Golfer

\$225 Sponsor a Priest/Seminarian

\$100 Cocktail Reception &

Awards Dinner

I am unable to attend,  
enclosed please find my  
donation

\*List name as it is to appear on event materials

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE AND MAIL TO:**

St. William the Abbot RC Church,

Att: Golf Outing

2000 Jackson Avenue, Seaford NY 11783

# EVENT SCHEDULE

11:30 AM - Registration & Lunch

1 PM - Shot Gun Start

5:30 PM Reception & Dinner



# St. William the Abbot



# GOLF OUTING

Honoring Msgr. Robert L. Hayden



# Eisenhower Golf Course

1899 Hempstead Turnpike, East Meadow NY

# October 18, 2021

LIST THE NAMES OF THE GOLFERS:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Questions/Concerns please contact -  
Don (516) 802-3191 & Mike (516) 330-9976



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# SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

**SOLD**

**Charles G. Schmitt  
Funeral Home**

## TITLE SPONSOR

- Two foursomes including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception, & dinner
- One table at the reception & dinner with six additional guests
- Company logo included on all Golf Gift Bags
- Four Tee Signs
- Company logo included in program, full page AD
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Logo recognition in one social media post
- Pin Flag

## CO-EVENT SPONSORS \$5,000

- One foursome including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception, & dinner
- One table at the reception & dinner with six additional guests
- Two Tee Signs
- Company logo included in program, full page AD
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Logo recognition in one social media post
- Pin Flag

**SOLD**

**Camp Christ**

## PASTOR SPONSOR

- One foursome including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception, & dinner
- One table at the reception & dinner with four additional guests
- Logo recognition in one Social Media post
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Company logo included in program, full page AD
- Pin flag
- One Tee Sign

## LUNCH SPONSOR \$3,500

- One foursome including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception, & dinner
- One table at the reception & dinner with four additional guests
- One Tee Sign
- Company logo included in program, half page AD
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Logo recognition in one social media post

## GOLF CART SPONSOR \$3,000

- One foursome including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception, & dinner
- One table at the reception & dinner with four additional guests
- Company logo included on golf carts
- Logo recognition in one Social Media post
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Company logo included in program, half page AD
- Pin flag

## SWA SPONSOR \$2,500

- One foursome including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception, & dinner
- One table at the reception & dinner with four additional guests
- Logo recognition as the **St. William the Abbot** Sponsor on all bracelets given to golfers participating
- Logo recognition in one Social Media post
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Company logo included in program, half page AD
- Pin flag

## EAGLE SPONSOR \$2,000

- One foursome including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception & dinner
- Table at the reception & dinner with two additional guests
- Logo recognition in one Social Media post
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Company logo included in program, half page AD
- One Tee Sign

## BIRDIE SPONSOR \$1,500

- Two Golfers including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception, & dinner
- Table at the reception & dinner with two additional guests
- Logo recognition in one Social Media post
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Company logo included in program, quarter page AD
- One Tee Sign

## PAR SPONSOR \$1,000

- One Golfer including a Golf Gift Bag for each, lunch, cocktail reception, & dinner
- Table at the reception & dinner with two additional guests
- Logo recognition in one Social Media post
- Logo recognition on the SWA event page website
- Company logo included in program, quarter page AD

## PIN FLAG \$350

- Company name on Pin Flag, displayed on the course during the event. Keepsake pin Flag will be returned to your company

## TEE SIGN \$250

- One Tee Sign to include your company name and displayed at the "Tee Box" during the event.

## SPONSOR A PRIEST/SEMINARIAN \$225

- One Golfer including a Golf Gift Bag, lunch, cocktail reception & dinner

## INDIVIDUAL GOLFER \$225

- One Golfer including a Golf Gift Bag, lunch, cocktail reception & dinner

## COCKTAIL RECEPTION & DINNER \$100



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## ***Background Screening Update***

### ***The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People:***

The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People (The Charter) promulgated by the Bishops of the United States in 2002 outlines specific practices and guidelines providing standards of safety in parishes and dioceses throughout the United States. As directed in The Charter, the Diocese of Rockville Centre requires all employees, clergy, and volunteers to complete three requirements within thirty days of employment or volunteering:

1. Attend **Protecting God's Children Program (Virtus)**
2. Sign the Codes of Conduct;
3. Complete a background screen application. The Diocese requires all those who remain in active ministry be rescreened at 5 yr. intervals.  
volunteers/employees.

### **A Word on Background Screening of Volunteers:**

The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People (OFPCYP) has streamlined the volunteer application process enabling volunteers to complete the three safe environment requirements in one step. Individuals wishing to volunteer in a parish or school:

1. Register to attend a Protecting God's Children class and create a Virtus account on the Virtus website: [www.Virtus.org](http://www.Virtus.org)
2. Electronically acknowledge the Diocesan Code of Conduct- provided during the Virtus registration process.
3. Follow the instructions to complete the Sterling Volunteers background screening application background offered during the Virtus registration process.

### **Active Volunteers:**

If you are active in a parish ministry, have already attended Virtus and have been background screened you may be at – or beyond- the **5yr. rescreening requirement**. If this is the case, you will receive an email from **Sterling Volunteers** asking you to complete the background screening application on-line. You may access the background screening application by following the prompt in the email or logging into your Virtus account. **Please be aware-this is not a scam nor has your e-mail been hacked**. The OFPCYP has been working with your parish to update the Safe Environment records and noted it is time for you to be rescreened. You may also be prompted to electronically resign the Code of Conduct when you log into your Virtus account.

### **Edit Your Virtus Account:**

To access your Virtus account: [www.Virtus.org](http://www.Virtus.org) You will need your Username and Password. If you need assistance, please contact Virtus: 1-888-847-8870 or [helpdesk@virtus.org](mailto:helpdesk@virtus.org). Once in your account, review your account information-particularly your e-mail address. If your account requires updating, please hit the TOOLBOX tab at the top of the screen. On the left side of your screen in the green column click "Update My Account" You will be able to make the necessary changes-please remember to hit the SAVE button at the bottom of the screen.

Questions or concerns: [mmcmahon@drvc.org](mailto:mmcmahon@drvc.org); [amendoza-cantos@drvc.org](mailto:amendoza-cantos@drvc.org); [jwinter@drvc.org](mailto:jwinter@drvc.org);  
[pditomasso@drvc.org](mailto:pditomasso@drvc.org)

Thank you to all who continue to serve in a ministry during these extremely challenging days.

# Stump the Priest



**THE LAST REFERENCE TO JESUS' EARTHLY FATHER SEEMS TO BE AT THE WEDDING FEAST. WHY DOES IT STOP THERE AND NO MENTION IS MADE OF HIM IN THE NEW TESTAMENT? HOW AND WHEN DID HE DIE? WE ALSO DON'T SEEM TO PRAY TO HIM FOR FATHERLY GUIDANCE.**

Yes, it is a true observation that for someone, like Joseph, who had a very important role in the life of Jesus, there is surprisingly little information available about him in the entire Bible. There are not many mentions of Joseph except a few recordings of him in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke.

We should understand, however, the authors of the Bible had their primary focus on Jesus as the main character of the stories they were telling. Hence they probably didn't find it really necessary devoting more chapters or scenes to him. We know that in a drama some characters come in for some few scenes and then disappear when their roles are done. The recordings of the life of Saint Joseph could be understood in this sense.

Perhaps the authors found it enough to record that he was the ancestor from the family line of David through whom God's promise to David, and for that matter to God's chosen people Israel, was fulfilled; that he was a chaste, humble, obedient, devout, and hard-working man who cooperated with God's plan to use him as the foster father of Jesus; and that he executed his role perfectly in forming Jesus together with Mary until Jesus was old enough to assume his public ministry. With his work done perhaps it was enough to turn the cameras off him to the main character who had taken the center stage. This is just by way of trying to think for the authors of the books of the Bible.

For this reason, the circumstances of Joseph's death are not known. However, it is likely that he died before Jesus's ministry began, and that would mean he, most probably, was dead before the Crucifixion. This explains why Jesus had to leave his mother in the hands of the disciple whom he loved. (John 19:26-27).

The Church gives Joseph the due recognition, devotion and reverence he deserves as the foster father of Jesus. He was declared patron of the universal church by Pope Pius IX, and in 1955 Pope Pius XII established May 1 as the "Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker" to counter the Communists' May Day. March 19 is also a day set aside every year as a day of celebrating Saint Joseph in a most solemn way. He is given a special mention in the Eucharistic Prayers used in the Mass and the celebration of Holy Family Solemnity within the Christmas Octave celebrates him as well.

Furthermore, with the Apostolic Letter "Patris corde," issued on December 8, 2020, Pope Francis convoked a Year of Saint Joseph to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. There are numerous devotional prayers to Saint Joseph; the biggest of them all being the recently published "Consecration to Saint Joseph". Numerous churches, schools, hospitals, faith centers and even a religious congregation are named after him.

So with these we can say that Saint Joseph is given the recognition he deserves in the Bible and in the Church for his special role in the life of Jesus. The little that is said about him speaks volumes and it is to be believed that calm and quiet as he was, he would prefer little said or portrayed about him.

**ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW CONSIDERING COMING INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH,  
OR ARE YOU ALREADY BAPTIZED AND WISH TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS OF EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION?**

**BECOME CATHOLIC**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: JO-ANN METZDORFF AT [RCIA@STWILLIAM.ORG](mailto:RCIA@STWILLIAM.ORG)**

# Consider Automated Giving

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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.

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## 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.

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(Authorized signature for above account)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If second signature is required:

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(Authorized signature for above account)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Catholic Kids

Bulletin

August 29, 2021  
Ordinary Time  
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One who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

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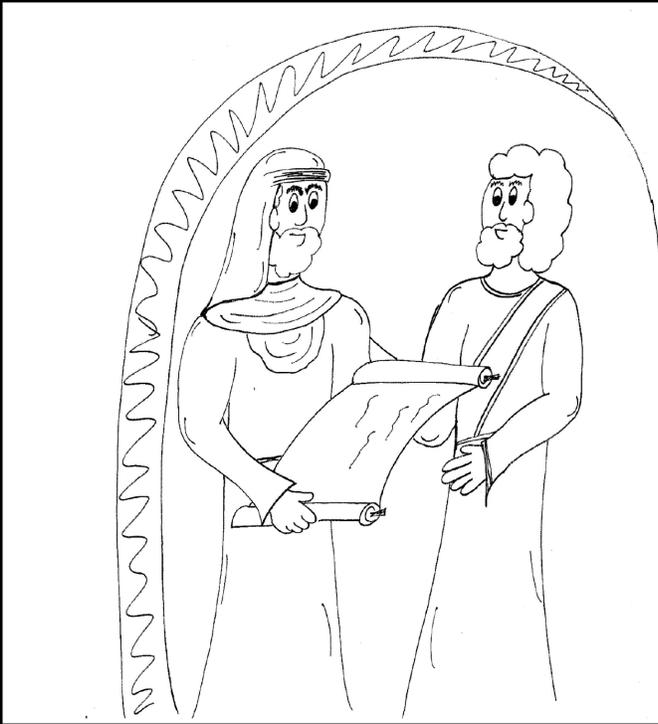
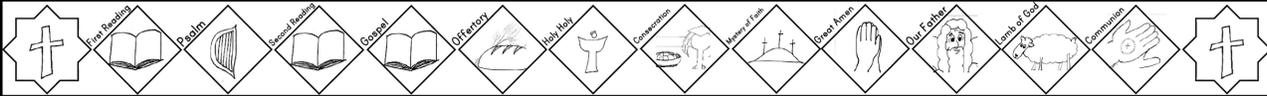
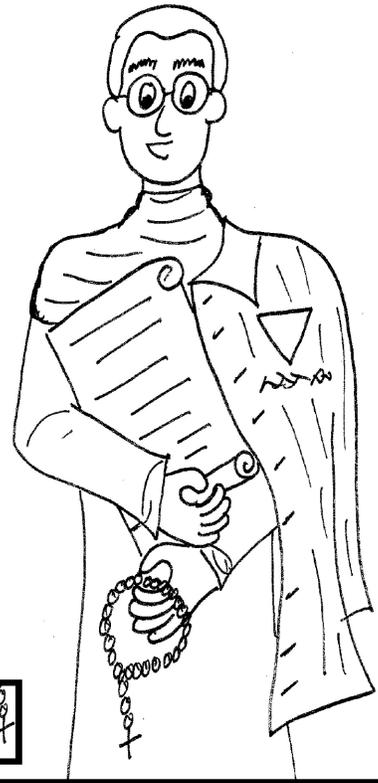
There are many liturgical ministers that help during Mass. How are people serving at Mass?

## 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.



Follow the alphabet to connect the heart to Jesus!



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## Gospel



The Pharisees asked Jesus why the disciples didn't follow the old church rules about washing their hands. Jesus told them that people become unclean because of dirtiness in their hearts, not on their hands. People should try to keep their hearts close to Jesus.