St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



Welcome to St. William the Abbot

May 1, 2022 Third Sunday of Easter

PARISH INFORMATION

RECTORY

Office: 516.785.1266 2000 Jackson Avenue Seaford, NY 11783 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

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, May 1, 2022

Donald DiBrita People of St. William's Catherine Murphy Claire R. Fredericks

Monday, May 2, 2022

Collective Intentions Peter Lagatta

Jeanne Laddomada

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Dure Kathleen Payami

Tuesday, May 3, 2022 Ernst DeGraaf

Wednesday, May 4, 2022 Rita Hillin

Thursday, May 5, 2022

Collective Intentions

Peter Puleo

William Blake Murray Anthony Scotto

Joseph DiLorenzo

Friday, May 6, 2022 Catherine Dredger

Saturday, May 7, 2022

Purgatorial Society Martin Staubach



Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. John 21:4-6

Pray for the Sick

Maria Wanger Jeannine Tedeschi Rosemarie Vane Adrienne Harker

Anna Canale Richard Fedyk Keith Gorton Baby Anne Dunleavy

Pray for the Deceased

Thomas Gattringer Vincent Thorn Carol A. O'Connell

William C. Bryant George O'Hagen Gloria Schreiber

Wine and Hosts

The Wine and Hosts used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of Patricia McArdle from Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Altar Candles

The Altar Candles used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of Sam and Dolores Marino from the Marino Family

Sanctuary Candles

The Sanctuary Candles used at Mass this week have been donated for the intentions of John and Karen Kirk from their loving grandchildren and children

Empty Jars and Empty Nets Become Full

In preparing for this week, I came across a commentary on John's Gospel that connected the first and last miracles that Jesus performed during his ministry. His first miracle occurred at Cana, in Galilee, at the wedding where he was able to fill the empty jars with water, and then change it into the vintage wine. This week he encounters the apostles from the shoreline while they are fishing and asks them how it has been going. We are told that although they have made attempts throughout the night - each time they have pulled in their nets – the nets have been empty. Once again Jesus gives the command and direction which leads to his final miraculous sign. "Cast your nets on the right side" - and sure enough the net is full almost to the point of breaking.

There are seasons in our lives that we experience empty jar or empty net moments. Our relationship with loved ones shifts, the loss of a family member, or a job; the need to downsize or move to a new location, or a family member or friend gets sick. We are human and our hearts and minds are affected by so much – and the Lord desires to be with us throughout those emotional and physical ups and downs. Are we willing and humble enough to allow Him? Or to invite him into those situations? The young couple at Cana did - they invited Jesus and His mother to their wedding. And those "professional fisherman" took the advice of the carpenter – and because they did, their lives were transformed forever.

It certainly helps to look back at our own lives, and the 95 years of life here at St. William's as a parish, to see those moments when the Lord was not only present but responded with action. We once again find ourselves in a challenging time, and there are certainly many options and ways to respond. I often think of the story in the Bible about when the Israelites were asked to make more bricks without being supplied straw, and the Pharaoh demanded the same amount of work to be completed. In those difficult moments, the Israelites called out to the Lord and our faithful God sent to them the help they were looking for.

For us too this is a time as a parish when we begin with prayer, first for Father James, but also to petition the Lord to fill up our jars and nets so we can continue to do great ministry for Him. We take solace in God's infinite wisdom and know that He can see beyond this flash point of our 95 years, which right now can seem to be so difficult and tough for all of us as a parish community. But if we look deeper to see how God is challenging all of us and inviting us to not only fill up the jars – as he asked the servants at the weeding, but also like he instructed the apostles to put the net on the other side of the boat. Both requests did not seem to make much sense initially – but the fruits and rewards were miraculous. We too must look at how God may be calling us to do things a little differently here in the parish as well – and to trust the result also will be miraculous.

I want to take a moment to welcome to Fr. Pablo Omamalin who will assist us with a sacramental and priestly presence for the next few weeks. If you have not done so already introduce yourself to him and read his bio in the bulletin. We will also be blessed with two seminarians staying with us over the summer – and in the next few weeks we will have their bios and introductions. God is good! In those moments that appear to be empty, He is moving and working. He sees us, knows us, loves us – and when we are most in need, HE fills us.

Thank you for your presence and generosity.

Peace,

Rectory News

Wedding Banns

Banns II

Kaitlin Bucola, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Brooklyn & Michael Cunningham, St. Patrick's, Brooklyn

Memorializing

The Rectory is issuing Mass Cards, enrollment in the Purgatorial Society, Memorializing the Wine and Hosts, Altar Candles, Sanctuary Candle and Altar Flowers. Please call the Rectory for more information - 516-785-1266.

LIVE-STREAMED MASSES

Join us online to view our live-streamed masses on the parish website **stwilliam.org**. **Monday - Friday 8:30 AM**

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Email List

Please register on the parish website if you are not currently on our email list and would like to receive the weekly bulletin and email updates on parish news.

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We welcome Fr. Pablo Painagan Omamalin

I am from the region of Bohol in the Philippines, the youngest of nine children - a family with three Catholic priests. I was born on June 30, 1986, and was baptized on the very same day, the feast of Saints Peter and Paul. Because of that, I was named Pablo. I was ordained to the priesthood on December 3, 2014 and served in different parish and special ministry assignments.

My last assignment was to replace the associate pastor at Saint Boniface Parish in Elmont, who happened to be from my diocese in the Philippines. However, the pandemic delayed my entry to the Diocese of Rockville Centre. While waiting for the US Embassy in our country to open, I served in the Parish of the Holy Child Parish Ubay, Bohol Philippines. As soon as the US Embassy opened and my R1 Visa was approved, I reported to my assignment as associate pastor at Saint Boniface Parish Elmont and was asked by Bishop Barres to temporarily serve here at St. William the Abbot. I look forward to my time here and to work with you all and Fr. Joe. My hobbies are songwriting, singing, playing tennis, and strumming the guitar.





Our Mother's Day Novena of Masses will begin on Mother's Day, May 8th.

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 livina have vour mother remembered, kindly take a donation envelope and card. If you would like 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.

Pillar of Prayer

Jesus came to His Apostles after He resurrected from the dead. He met with Peter and instructed him to tend His sheep. This Easter season, be silent in your prayer and listen to what God is asking of you.

Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration

Reconciliation will be held in the Church Monday through Saturday from 7:15 AM - 8:15 AM and on Saturday from 3:45 PM - 4:45 PM.

Eucharistic Adoration will be held in the Church from 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM Monday through Saturday.



SATURDAY, JUNE 25TH

4 PM
OUTDOOR MASS ON
FRONT LAWN OF THE RECTORY

5 PM - 11 PM FEAST BEHIND SCHOOL

FOOD MUSIC GAMES ACTIVITIES

More Details to Follow!

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St. Peregrine Prayer Hour

On Monday afternoon, May 2nd, the St. Peregrine Prayer Hour will be held from 2:00 - 3:00 PM in the Church. St. Peregrine is the patron saint of those suffering from cancer. Future prayer hours will be held on the first Monday of each month. Cancer victims, families, and their care-givers are all are invited to come and pray.

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.

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.

Please do not leave any food donations in the Church.



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.

PARKING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD



Please be considerate of our neighbors. Please do not block any driveways. Try to arrive early and allow time to find parking. Keep in mind that there is a parking lot behind the school. Thank you!

Pray for those in the Military

USMC -

Lt. Kevin J. Butler 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



Music at St. William's School

Here is a sampling of Nursery through Grade 8 music to the tune of "My Favorite Things" Beethoven, xylophones, Weird Al Yankovic, glockenspiels, quarter notes, hymns, polyphonic, Do Re Mi, Scott Joplin, plagiarism, Recorders, Mozart and Janis Joplin Oklahoma, NYSSMA, Mozart "Let the River Run" These are the things we do in music class, Together we have.....much fun!

NYSSMA Festival

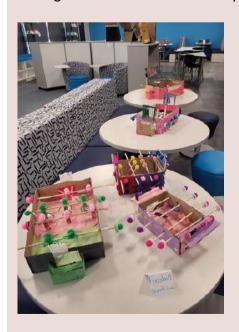
The following students from St. William the Abbot School participated in this year's NYSSMA festival with scores of Outstanding and Excellent:

<u>Percussion</u>	Voice/Alto	<u>Piano</u>
Jack Rodgers	Hayley Calcano	Sarah Karchinski
	Bryn McDonnell	Leo Perret
	Voice/Soprano	Wesley Perret
	Olivia Gallagher	Brigid Reilly
	Anna Macomber	
	Olivia Schneider	



Innovation Center

It's been a successful first year in the Innovation Center so far! It's hard to only pick a few to highlight. Eighth graders 3D printed graduation caps or keychains. They also designed and built working Plinko boards. Seventh graders built playable Foosball tables. Sixth graders built working Newton's Cradles. Fifth graders built boxes that open and close using air pressure.









Parish Social Ministry

COOLING ASSISTANCE Opens May 2nd!

Applications for HEAP Cooling Assistance may be filed beginning on May 2nd. 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.



Gardens that Give Back!

As you are planning and planting your vegetable gardens this Spring, please remember the Food Pantry.

We will gladly accept donations of your surplus harvest! Fresh vegetables are a blessing for the families we serve.

Pantry Needs

Plain Cheerios Canned Black Beans Canned Kidney Beans Italian Dressing Mustard Cooking Oil

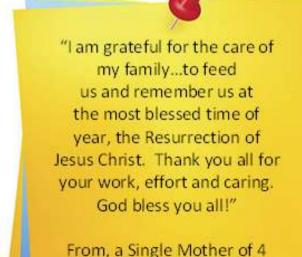
Home Improvement Programs for Seniors and the Physically Challenged

The Town of Hempstead and the Town of Oyster Bay will provide interest-free loans to make home improvements to qualified senior those that citizens and are physically challenged. Loans require repayment when the home is sold or the title transferred. For more information and applications, please call: Town of Hempstead Department of Planning and Economic Development: 516-539-7100 of Oyster Town Bay Department of Intergovernmental Affairs, Community Development: 516-624-6177

Easter Notes of Gratitude

Please enjoy these excerpts from the thank you letters we received for Easter distributions. It has been your generosity and support that made it all possible. We are truly grateful!







JOIN US FOR SUMMER FUN AT THE CATHOLIC SPORTS CAMP

St. Williams - Seaford June 27- July 1

St. Williams - Seaford July 4- July 8

Maria Regina - Seaford July 18- July 22

Maria Regina - Seaford July 25- July 29

- Camp runs Monday through Friday 9:00am to 1:00pm
- Cost is \$160.00
- Tuition includes CSC T-shirt and daily snack
- Available for children ages 5-12
- Arts & Crafts, Basketball, Soccer, Dance,
 & Volleyball Fundamentals
- SOCCER IS NOT AVAILABLE AT MARIA REGINA!

Kasey Grasso (Directors) Tom Hirten 516-524-7892 CatholicSportsCamp@gmail.com



Blessed Imelda Lambertini

Blessed Imelda I ambertini wanted to receive Holy Eucharist, but she was too young. She knelt by the tabernacle and prayed that God would let her receive communion. The Eucharist miraculously floated out of the tabernacle for her First Communion!

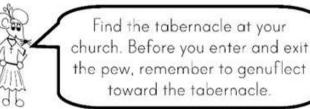


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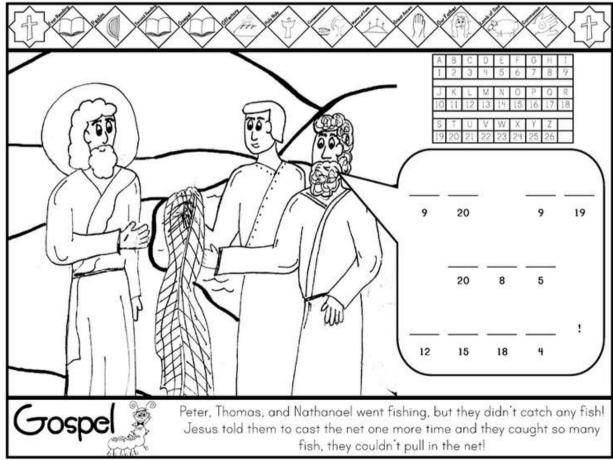


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PRIESTS

Fr. Joseph H. Fitzgerald Pastor

Please send your email to priests@stwilliam.org to contact Fr. Joe directly.

DEACONS

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Dcn. John Lynch
Dcn. Michael Metzdorff
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SOCIAL MINISTRY

Allison Marro

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SCHOOL

Elizabeth Bricker Principal Christine Bendish Assistant Principal

St. William the Abbot School



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PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please send your email to pastoralcouncil@stwilliam.org.

Staying Connected

Visit us at 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:

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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.



Emergency Line



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