

St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church

May 22, 2022 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Weekly Schedule

Daily Mass Monday - Saturday: 8:30 am

Weekend Masses Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am, 12 n

Live-Streamed Masses

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 12 n

Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday - Saturday: 7:15 am - 8:15 am Saturday: 3:45 pm - 4:30 pm

Adoration

Monday - Saturday: 7:30 am - 8:15am First Friday of the Month: 9am - 5pm

> **Private Prayer** Monday - Friday: 7:15 am - 6 pm



"Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them. and we will come to them and make our home with them. **John 14:23**

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 22, 2022 Ed Tomczyk Collective Intentions Perino Giancaterino Grazietta & Donato Marrone Margaret Eagan Barbara Leddy Joyce Jaffe Patricia Ruffino

Monday, May 23, 2022 May Walsleben

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 James & Theresa Maguire

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 Anthony Fuina Joseph Bishop

Thursday, May 26, 2022 The Ascension of the Lord Charles M. Corsito Collective Intentions People of St. William's Ann McConkey **Arthur Phelps** Michael & Jackie Hayes (liv) Eileen Flynn

> Friday, May 27, 2022 Gilbert Gelling

Saturday, May 28, 2022 Purgatorial Society George C. Cain

Prav for the Deceased Joseph A. Campo Lori A. Gelston Bambino Michael F. Ryan

Peter V. Burke Rosetta DeGillio

Baby Anne Dunleavy Keith Gorton Jeannine Tedeschi

Adrienne Harker Anne Canale **Richard Fedyk**

Let us welcome the following children who were baptized last weekend:

Patrick Bellew Violet Buckley Alexandra Daly Austin DeMayo

Anna Neenan **Finnian Norman** Abigail Zider

Altar Candles

have been donated in loving memory of Jerry Monk from Susie and Family

Wine and Hosts

have been donated in loving memory of Joyce Jaffe from the Zacharias Family

"We Will Come to You and Make Our Dwelling With You"

Today the readings bring us back to the night of the Last Supper when the Twelve Apostles gathered around the sacred table with Our Lord. Jesus' words are both mysterious and glorious. It is HIS last meal with his closest followers, and he desires to leave them a final gift. What is it? It is his greatest gift, and he wishes to give it to us as well - Peace. "Peace, I leave with you; my peace I give to you. BUT - not as the world gives do I give it to you." Jesus' peace is lasting, and it is an interior peace of heart, which overflows into peace in families, in communities and is also offered to the whole world.

The past few weeks have been challenging for us as a parish. We are in a time of transition and there is a bit of the unknown in front of us. Thank you for your continued prayers and well wishes for Fr. James and your kind reception of Fr. Pablo as he helps us in the month of May. I have never been more aware of the gift and blessing of the priesthood and priests than when we have recently faced this demand and shortage at the parish. I am grateful to the many priests who have generously come to assist our parish over the past few months – the summer will be a similar experience with priests stepping in to help. God will take care of us.

As I mentioned last week, the summer will bless us with some hopeful news as well - two seminarians will be assigned to St. William the Abbot - Patrick O'Brien and John Brusa. Patrick will be present with us to serve in the SWA parish ministries, and you will see him day-to-day. John on the other hand will be serving at a local hospital for special ministry Monday to Friday, and you will occasionally see him on the weekends. Both are inspiring young men of faith responding to God's call, and you will have the opportunity to hear from and read more about them soon.

In my humanity I struggle with Jesus' words today: "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid" – I want to say back to Him – "Don't you see all that is going on in the world? Ukraine and Russia? The Buffalo Shooting? My aging parents? The economy and gas prices? How every youth activity and sport supersedes going to Mass?" I almost want to say – "Are you watching the same thing I am watching? The world is a mess!" But then I am reminded, "Be at Peace!" Only because Christ has given us this peace, through His love, His mercy, and His mission is that peace made a reality. The world offers fleeting and passing satisfaction and pleasure – but Christ's peace is not vulnerable or weak because it's based on His love, His mercy, and His mission. And those are everlasting.

The challenge for us is to "make room" for the Lord in order for Him to come and make that dwelling within us. My prayer for all of us this week is that we will give the Lord permission to enter into the "busy"- ness and madness of our lives and schedules, and that PEACE He promises will truly reign. As always, I am so grateful for your presence and generosity to support the parish and our mission.

Peace,

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Wedding Banns

Banns I

Rosa Baez, Our Holy Redeemer Church, Uniondale & Rafael Rivera, Seaford

Corinn Piazza, St. William the Abbot & Ryan Devir, New York City

Gabrielle Dundas, St. Henry, Bayonne, NJ & Frank Serravalli, St. William the Abbot

Banns II

Katherine Burke, St. William the Abbot & Andrew Bonocore, St. Patrick, Huntington

Banns III

Michaela Weil, St. Barnabas the Apostle, Bellmore & Vincent Bellissimo, St. William the Abbot

Corinne Lettieri, St. Louis R.C. Church, Buffalo, NY & Christopher Guerra, St. Mary of the Angels, Olean, NY Look back to Easter Sunday. From Easter Sunday until now, how have you grown in your faith? Ask the Holy Spirit to make you aware of certain areas in your life that need improvement.

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.

www.stwilliam.org

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.

Please do not leave any food donations in the Church

Pray for Our Seminarians

Joseph Lettieri Herley Mendez Patrick O'Brien

Volunteer Drivers Needed

We are in need of volunteers who would be willing to drive Fr. Pablo and our new Seminarian, Patrick O'Brien locally as needed. If you are interested in assisting with this important service, please email your name and phone number to information@stwilliam.org. 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. jq 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

Pillar of Formation

Welcome Seminarian Patrick O'Brien



Hello Saint William's,

My name is Patrick O'Brien, and I am so excited to be your seminarian for the summer. I'm from Riverhead and grew up with my parents and two sisters. We always went to Catholic school, and I went to community college in Suffolk for two years before transferring to Franciscan University of Steubenville in Ohio where I received my bachelor's degree in Theology.

My seminary studies are at Catholic University in Washington DC, and I just completed my third year there, with four more to go! I have a deep love for our faith, the Eucharist, the Blessed Mother, and a passion for Youth Ministry and theatre. I also love to play games, meet new people, and share stories. I look forward to getting to know you as we help each other to become better disciples. God Bless you!

Come Holy Spirit!

We invite all adults who entered Full Communion or Confirmation through our RCIA Program to a special celebration on Pentecost Sunday, June 5th at the 10:30 Mass as we celebrate Adult Confirmation followed by fellowship in the Abbey.

We would love to see you and to share your stories about what RCIA meant for you and where you are in your faith journey today. No matter how long it has been, we would love you to join us!

> Please RSVP to rcia@stwilliam.org or to Jo-Ann Metzdorff at 516-783-2528 (Faith Formation Office) by May 30th.

Support Our Seminarians Vocation Assistance Dinner

On Sunday, June 12th from 3pm-7pm, Memorare Council Knights of Columbus in Seaford will again be holding a dinner to raise money for our seminarians.

Tickets are \$30 per person and includes dinner, dessert, beer, wine, soda, coffee, and dancing to the sounds and music of our own "DJ Bob" Moulder. We also will have raffles and a 50/50.

For information and tickets, or to donate a raffle prize, contact John Kaley at 516-826-0874



SATURDAY, JUNE 25TH

OUTDOOR MASS ON FRONT LAWN OF THE RECTORY 5 PM - 11 PM

FEAST BEHIND SCHOOL

FOOD MUSIC GAMES ACTIVITIES



The Catholic Ministries Appeal supports formation programs that prepare our priests, deacons, and lay leaders; train our religious education catechists and adult faith formation leaders who educate our youth and parish families; provide food and housing programs that serve our seniors, disadvantaged families, people with special needs, and those struggling with substance abuse; and promote the sanctity of life at all stages. Working together, we are all enriching the lives of our brothers and sisters on Long Island. Parishes that meet their Appeal goals receive rebates that can be used at their discretion. When donating to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, donors are giving to their parish and to others in need in our shared faith community.



Office of Faith Formation 516-783-2528



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

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

5/15, 5/22, 6/12 AFTER THE 9AM, 10:30AM, AND 12N MASSES 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.

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

St. William the Abbot School News

On Tuesday May 10, the Class of 2022 gathered at the Seminary of Immaculate Conception in Huntington for an 8th Grade Retreat. After celebrating Mass, the 8th Grade spent the day exploring the ways in which they seek God in their lives and the ways in which God is seeking them. Led by Tess Austin, the Director of Catholic Identity and Mission for the Diocese of Rockville Centre Department of Education, students were given the opportunity to participate in a discussion and reflection session that will surely resonate with each participant even as they leave SWS.













Eighth Grade Blessing!



May Crowning and Living Rosary















Parisb Social Ministry

Registration Open - Support for Caregivers

Are you caring for a loved one and in need of support? We are currently taking names of interested participants for a Caregivers Support Group. The group would provide an opportunity for sharing experiences, advice and understanding with people going through similar challenges and circumstances. If you are interested, please call our office as soon as possible to pre-register! Day/time information to be determined based upon registrant feedback.

As It Gets Warmer...Donation Reminder!

As the weather gets warmer, please do not leave perishables in the Social Ministry outdoor food bin. Exposure to warm temperatures and the increased insects that come with the season could make it unsafe for us to re-distribute your donation. If you cannot make it to our office to donate during business hours, feel free to call us for an evening or Sunday drop off appointment.

Pantry Needs

Canned Fruit Sugar Decaf Tea Mayonnaise Jello/Gelatin Cookies

Child/Teen Volunteer Opportunities: 5/28 and 6/4



Long Island National Cemetery is looking for volunteers for Memorial Day flag placement on Saturday, May 28th beginning at 7 am, and for flag removal

on Saturday June 4th beginning at 8 am. These are great opportunity for kids or teens of the Parish in need of community service hours. If your child needs a form signed to verify service hours, they should bring it with them to be signed at the event. In addition, everyone is welcome to attend LINC's Memorial Day Ceremony on Sunday, May 29th at 1:30pm.

Infant Formula Shortage - A Message from Catholic Charities

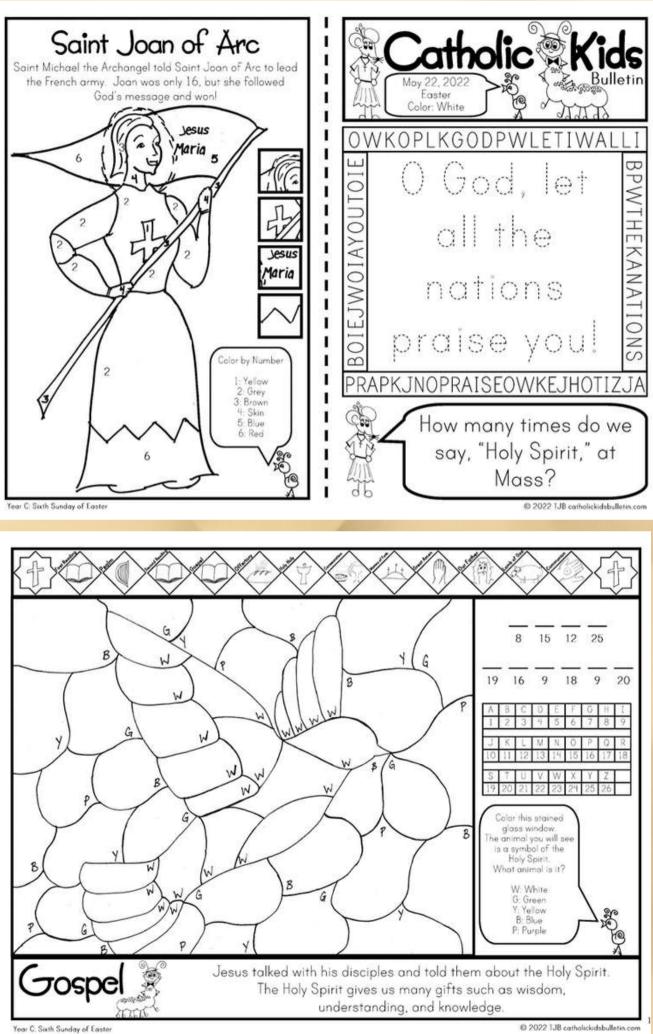


The recent news of an infant formula shortage has resulted in many different approaches as people try to help parents in need of supplies. The Director of Nutrition and Maternity Services at Catholic Charities, Amy Agiato, has released their suggested advice. In summary, they are recommending that people NOT start formula collections, in order to avoid making the situation worse. She states "if formula is sparse and someone who has no need for it purchases it to donate, it removes the formula from the shelves for the mom who has been searching store to store for the food her baby needs. While it sounds like a nice thing to do, it actually just makes it harder for families to find infant formula. Only buy the product if you have a need or know someone who does, otherwise leave the cans on the shelf for the next parents who are shopping." Catholic Charities is actively working to help pair excess formula with families in need. Call us if you need assistance and we will liaise with them to try and help!

Donation Spotlight – The Seaford Memorare Columbiettes



We would like to thank the Columbiettes of Seaford Memorare Council for their generous donation to the Parish Social Ministry office. President Kathy LoFrese and the Columbiettes are ongoing supporters of our outreach programs. They frequently deliver food donations for our pantry, and they have helped us to sponsor special events such as a lunch for emergency room nurses during the COVID crisis. Most recently, the Columbiettes dropped off a large monetary donation for us to use to help the local families we support. Thank you Columbiettes, we could not do it without your generosity!



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