# St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



Welcome to St. William the Abbot

## Twenty - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 30, 2020

## **Rectory Office Hours**

The Rectory will remain closed until further notice. If you need to contact the Rectory please email your request. information@stwilliam.org

### **Parish Information**

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Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. - Matthew 16:24-25

Need to contact one of the Priests? Need to schedule a Confession appointment? Have a prayer request?

priests@stwilliam.org

#### **Mass Intentions**

Sunday, August 30, 2020 People of St. William Erika Fuessler Diane Butler Collective Intentions Julien Le Goff (LIV), Sr. Janice Brewi, Michael Annunziata, Sean Byrne Mary James

**Tuesday, September 1, 2020** Claire Fredericks John Laresch Wednesday, September 2, 2020 Terry Mary Renck Richard Davis

Thursday, September 3, 2020 Esther Stephan

**Friday, September 4, 2020** Franklin Gwaltney Joan O'Brien

**Saturday, September 5, 2020** Purgatorial Society Ed Tomczyk

"The Mass Intentions are celebrated each day by a member of the Clergy, in either a public Mass or private Mass. Please be advised the current Mass schedule may not allow the family to be present for all Mass Intentions celebrated."

## Pray for the Sick

Pat Brady

**Anthony Ferraro** 

Margaret Whyte

Spencer Papageorge

#### Pray for the Deceased

**Agostino Pace** 

John F. Mileo

#### Mass

Daily Mass Monday - Friday 8:30am

Weekend Mass Saturday 5pm Sunday 8am, 10am, & 12pm (12pm Mass is live-streamed on stwilliam.org)

The Church will remain closed when Mass is not being celebrated.

#### Baptism

Jacqueline Serena Soriano

Antonio Aparo

Nathan Foseph Gillan

Anthony James Casella

Brynlee Teresa Debusk

Let us welcome those children who were baptized this past weekend.

#### For Saint Peter and Us, the Mission is to Move Forward

You really cannot blame Peter for his response to Jesus in this week's Gospel. I mean, he gave up everything to follow the Lord; he is credited with the 'profession of faith' that Jesus "is the Messiah," and he was somewhat happy in general with the way things were going. There was some order in the disorder of his life, and in his perception, he felt he could just ride things out. To go from town to town, synagogue to synagogue, Jesus would do his thing (preaching, healing, and teaching) – it was all a pretty comfortable life for Peter. But, in the spiritual journey, God calls the fisherman out of comfort into greatness – walking toward the Glory of the Cross. To serve and accompany the Lord means that we too are called to walk toward Jerusalem into personal growth and transformation.

In these next few weeks heading into the fall we will see a lot of movement and change for the SWA Family. Our children and grandchildren will head back to school or college and the regular rhythm of life/work/ministry is now adjusting to the post Corona Virus experience. We have asked our staff and ministries to adjust or change their meeting times and access to the Parish facilities. To be honest, this is disappointing and frustrating because we all desire to get back into a normal rhythm and ministry season kickoff. At the same time, this has allowed us to modify and reevaluate how best to safely and efficiently serve the needs of the parishioners and visitors. There is still so much unknown; and I ask for your continued patience as we postpone the start of so many ministries that have been so edifying and served you (and the parish) spiritually and personally.

In the Gospel Jesus remains focused on a clear mission – to move forward towards Jerusalem and the cross. For us too, our focus here at St. William's will be to strengthen the sacramental experience, the formation of the faithful, and outreach to the poor. As the staff and I discern how that will look, we are taking many factors into consideration. The recommendations coming from the Diocese and CDC are that the sick, the compromised, and the most vulnerable young and old minimize or eliminate contact. At the same time, we are seeing an increase in the needs of our parishioners who are missing personal contact and parish services. Whether it is our seniors or the many generations we are called to serve, we are trying to determine the safest way to implement that.

Peter is challenged to deny himself, to take up his cross, and to follow Jesus. We are invited to do the same. In these next few weeks and months, there are certain things we want to do mostly because we have always done them that way. The Corona Virus has forced us to change that, or do things significantly different. Some of us (myself included), have struggled with these adjustments and changes, and at times have dug our feet in as we did when we were kids. Not much different than Peter who wanted to experience Jesus the way he wanted him to be, but not necessarily how God wanted it. My hope is that while walking together we will navigate the waters of these strange times as a community united in Christ and in the mission.

There is no doubt we are walking towards the cross – but remember, we are also walking toward the hope of the Empty Tomb and the Resurrection. We do not have a crystal ball to see what things will be like in October, or at Thanksgiving, or Christmas – there is still so much unknown. The one thing I do know about St. William the Abbot Parish is we will respond with grace, strength, and dignity. We will be mindful of the poor, of the lonely, of those who are most in need in our community. We will walk with them, to and through the crosses of their lives to see the hope and Face of God.

As always thank you for your presence and generosity.

Peace,

Fr. Joe

#### **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 Social Ministry office is located South of the Church.

#### Monday - Friday 9:30am-4:00pm Sunday 9:00am -12:00pm

Please do not place any other items in the food bin other than food donations. We are not requesting clothes, household items or religious statues for donations.

To contact the office of Parish Social Ministry please email socialministry@stwilliam.org or contact the office at (516) 679-8532

#### **Baptisms**

Baptisms have resumed and can be scheduled until Sunday, September 27. Please email priests@stwilliam.org for more information.

#### **Food Pantry**

Canned Peas Stove Top Stuffing Apple Juice Shampoo & Conditioner Brown & White Rice Mayonnaise Syrup Coffee Canned Corn

#### **Back to School Supplies**

With the new format and combination of in-person and virtual learning, we are adjusting our Annual Back to School Supplies Drive. This year we are asking if you would be so kind and donate gift cards for TARGET or WALMART or even a Visa Card. This will allow us to give the cards to our families and they can purchase specific school supply items requested by their teachers. Perhaps we will also be able to give gift cards for a few new clothing items.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements should be made six months prior to your wedding. If you need to make changes to your current date please contact the Rectory. Please email priests@stwilliam.org.

#### **Purgatorial Society**

Leonard Beck, Herb Reimann, Julia Paragham, Lisa Weber, Gloria Naclerio, John Maiorino, James H. Enright, John J. Skinnon, Jr., Mary Conklin, Barbara Randazzo.

Martin Paragham, Anthony Ammirati, Edward Nunziato, Louis Thomas Albertini, Robert Mammen, Joseph Maggio, Anthony Christodulou, Joseph C. Minio, Sr., Michele Aufiero

Lorraine A. Andrews, Rosemary Arietta, Elaine Barone, Regis V. Benevelle,, Irene Berg, James Clarke, Joyce Doughergy, Frank Hujber, Karen Jennerich, Erin Kearns, Angelina Licari, Joseph Losinno, Michael Leo Macklin, Helen M. Matera, Sandra L. McIntyre, Patricia Ronga, James Michael "Mike" Ross, Bernard L. Sprague, Michael Macklin, Geraldine Clark, Patrick H. McDermott, Cornelius (Neil) O'Conner, Susan Monahan, Mrs. Human, John Anselmo, Richard Carden, Aldo DiChiara, William Carroll, Marie Carroll, Frances Mestranderea, Mary James, Michael W. Kane, Peggy O'Connor, Fr. William Cleary, John & Jennie Giannone, Julia & Joseph LeBarr, Troy William Jobin, Tara Josephine Hofmann.

Rose DiFonzo, Carmine Vitale, Clare A. Hanley, Phyllis Pellegrino, Michael & Mary Crehan-Hynes, Timothy Sullivan, Michael Stephen Hynes, Michael DeLuca, Carol Brennan, Gerard Rogers, Sien Kee Tan, Geraldine Epp, Virginia M. Baierle, Kathleen Kern, Bridget J. Cronin, Teresa D. Amaya, Mary Surico.

Santa Testani, Jennifer Dunne, Ronald MacLachlan, Maria Frandy, Clau Kwok-Chue, Frank Faraci, Antoinette Santillo, Mary Simonetti, Christine Reid, Frank Kubicki, George Tocci, Maureen Kenlon, Olga Maffei, Theodore Wett.

Timothy Farrell, Michael Connolly, Michael Cerasali, Guillermo Rolan, Paul A. Muhs, Lucille Bussetti, Vito M. Ameruoso, Bea Carlson, Eileen Shaw, Loretta Moen, Helen Franzese, Rose Santagata, Antoinette Gentile, Erika Fuessler, John Malone, Marcella Geigle, Bruno Anzola.

Lilla May Ackermann, Robert T. Bonomo, Ruth M. Brower, Rose Camizzi, Judith Ann Canzoneri, George J. Cavaliere, Claudio Facchini, Gary Gruber, Joseph Horodecki, Mary Surico, Vito Tripi, John F. Tynan, Karen J. Urrutia, Patricia K. Vogel, Patricia Morris, John Solice, Marion Dellisanti, Josephine A. Diehl, Limbania Martinez, James Brennan, Dilia DaSilva, Matthew Frank "Dezy" DiStefano, Jean Marie, Laura Godek, William Connors, Edward Anderson, Barbara Hunter, Pat Conroy, John & Mary Marinello, John McFadden, James Sternkopf.

Joseph Carra, Patricia Conroy, Rebecca Dela Cruz, Rose C. Cuva, Josephine Diehl, Santo M. Forlani, Celeste Gouono, John and Mary Marinello, Marcella Miller, Howard Minami, Mary E. Nacci, Lloyd Newell, Lawrence T. Paretta, Donna Richter, Louise Rozzo, John Rurney, Joseph Vallone, Thomas Phillip Smith, Ronald Cabrijan, Christine Glouster, Thomas Larkin, Pat Barbera, Barbara McShane, Angela Zottola, Joseph Ippoliti, Anne M. Bahnken.



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Danielle Riçe

Seaford, NY

Brian Bivona

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Keleigh Wilson

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#### **Marriage Banns I**

Sean Bartlett

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Brianna Pumilio

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Kenneth Lutz SWA

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Christie Roell

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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?



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: JO-ANN METZDORFF AT RCIA@STWILLIAM.ORG

## **Faith Formation**

On August 22, 2020, our parish celebrated the Queenship of Mary after the 5:00 PM Mass. We honored the Blessed Mother by carrying a large statue of her as we processed around the neighborhood. As we walked, we prayed the glorious mysteries of the rosary, sang Marian hymns, and stopped along the way at five different altars set up by our parishioners. Several of our First Communicants from Faith Formation and SWS joined us in the procession. They learned that not only does Mary always point the way to her Son, Jesus, but by their witness and participation, they too were leading others to our Lord. It was a beautiful evening and we are so proud of our young students and their families.

As we continue to get ready to go back to school and to begin another year of Faith Formation, we have been prayerfully looking at our parish families who will share their faith with their children. The family is the place where we first learn about the love of God. We are reminded not only to look to Mary for guidance, but to each member of the Holy Family, as they give witness in Scripture to this first community of love.

As we hold up the Holy Family as a model for our families, we tend to focus only on the perfection we see. We need to remember that they were a family who had their share of struggles. St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother raised Jesus with prayerfulness and humility. They shared their faith with Jesus, taught him to pray, and helped to shape who he became by doing everyday small things that were hidden from the public, but seen by God. We want to affirm to each of you that your family is holy. The staff at St. William's is privileged to accompany you on your journey of faith.

Please send in your registration forms as soon as possible as it is helpful for us to have a general idea of the size of our program so we can further prepare to journey with you. Please contact Mrs. Walsh at lwalsh@stwilliam.org or call the office at 515-679-9558, if you have any questions or concerns.





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