



St. William the Abbot

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



July 20, 2025
Sixteenth 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 - 8:20am

Saturday: 3:45pm - 4:50pm

Adoration

Monday - Saturday: 7:15am - 8:20am

First Friday of the Month: 9am - 5pm

Private Prayer

Monday - Friday: 7:15am - 6pm

"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."
Luke 10:41-42

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 20th

7:30am: Kevin Paulson

9am: Augustine Colletti, Ralph Aherns,
Deacon Frank Gariboldi, Josephine Masone

10:30am: Marion A. Koemm

12n: Susan U. Mooers

Monday, July 21st

8:30am: Armando Cedrone

Tuesday, July 22nd

8:30am: Augustine Colletti, Michelle Rosetti,
Robert "Lion" Delaney, Charles Ackerman

Wednesday, July 23rd

8:30am: Augustine Colletti

Thursday, July 24th

8:30am: Marie Mackay, Joseph DiGennaro,
Charles Ackerman, Gloria McNeily

Friday, July 25th

8:30am: Rose Ippolito

Saturday, July 26th

8:30am: Purgatorial Society

5pm: Jack and Anne Kilkelly

Pray for the Sick

Beth O'Mara - Helen Buckley - Richard Fedyk - Jen Greico - Rosemary Averill - Michael D'Arpino - Barbara Geraghty
Charles Giardino, Jr. - Lisa Miola - Sal Lupo - Frances Speidell - Theresa Goldman - Robert Valerga

Pray for the Deceased

Kevin Doherty - Lucille Ferrigno - Anna Mandracchia

The Sanctuary Candle

has been donated in honor of
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Hospitality – You may be entertaining the Lord Himself

As we enter deeper into the month of July, the so-called “dog-days” of summer for sure are here! The heat wraps around us like a heavy blanket, the humidity slows our steps, and yet, the call of the water is louder than ever - whether it's a cannonball into the backyard pool, the boat gliding out into the Great South Bay, or the waves of the Atlantic gently rolling in at Jones Beach. These are the moments when families gather, when friends reconnect, and when memories are made. But let's not miss the opportunity to consecrate these sacred summer moments - offering them to God as time spent in gratitude, in togetherness, and in joy.

Today's Gospel from Luke 10:38-42 brings us right into the home of Martha and Mary - two sisters who remind us that even Jesus cherished time spent among loved ones. He wasn't preaching to crowds or calming storms - He was simply visiting friends. But even a simple visit invites preparation: a meal, a clean space, maybe a shower for the weary traveler. Martha gets busy with these tasks - and I think many of us can relate. When guests are coming over, the “to-do” list grows longer than the time we have! I've certainly had my Martha moments - wondering why no one is helping, who's got bathroom duty, did we get enough burgers and dogs? Is there enough propane in the tank? The grill is flaring up, the ice is melting in the cooler, and everyone else is just sitting around. For us Marthas out there, does this sound familiar?

But then there are the Marys - quiet, still, and attentively listening. Jesus tells us that “she has chosen the better part.” It's not that Martha's work was wrong - it was generous, loving, and necessary. But the reminder for all of us, especially in these long, hot days of summer, is that ‘balance’ is the key. Do not be afraid to work hard - clear the table, organize the cooler, wipe down the deck - but remember also to sit, to listen, and to be present to those we are blessed to be with in these wonderful days. Those family meals, long chats around the firepit and under the stars, and of course those legendary games in the pool (“Marco.... Polo!”) These are the sacred spaces where God dwells, too.

So, how do we consecrate summer? We do it by choosing to be present. We pray before meals, even the ones outside with burgers and corn on the cob. We tell the old family stories. We try that new grilled recipe and laugh if it flops – relax, and remember people pay extra at steak places to have the meat “charred”! We also take time to say “thank you” - to God, to one another, to the gift of just being together. Do not let these moments slip away in the rush of plans or the pursuit of perfection. The wine might run short, the meat might be overcooked - but the memories, the love, the presence of Our Lord among us, are those that matter most.

So, to all of the Marthas out there (including me) - let us not be anxious about many things this summer, but choose the one thing that is necessary, the most important thing. Let's be sure to be present to God and be present to those we love. God is not only in the pew on Sunday morning - He is also on the deck for the backyard barbecue, the dockside conversations, the quiet swing of the hammock, and the tidying up as we prepare the house for our guests. Make this summer holy by how you live it - gratefully, joyfully, together in the Lord.

Thank you for your presence and your generosity.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fr. Joe".

Banns of Marriage

Banns III

Samantha Leavey, St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh
& Edward Duncklee, St. William the Abbot

Renee Savino, St. William the Abbot
& Corey Gentile, St. William the Abbot

Pillar of Service

As Catholics we are called to serve others. Identify some people in your neighborhood or family that you can serve this week.

Baptism

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

Carmine Catalano
Cecilia Deliso
Brandon Parke
Eliana Pastor
Harper Sullivan



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, July 27, 2025.

Pray for Those in the Military

Lt. Ian Bayer (USN) - Lt. Rebecca Bayer (USN) - Lt. Ryan Bayer (USN) - Sgt. Craig Bianco (USA) - Lt. Col. Michael DiPietro (USA) - LCpl Daniel Dugan (USMC) - First Lt. Dana Duggan (USMC) - Lt. Joseph Fitzgerald (USN) - Capt. Michael Fitzgerald (USA) - Capt. Christopher J. Frasse (USA) - Capt. Matthew B. Frasse (USAF) - Lt. Col. John Kallo (USA) - STSC (SS) Thomas Kerley (USN) - CW2 Brian Kirby (USA) - Lt. Commander James Knudsen (USCG) - Capt. Caitlin Lee (USA) - Lt. Col Logan Lee (USA) - Capt. Philip Lettieri, MD (USA) - Lt. Cpl. Kevin Marshall (USMC) - Major Eamon G. McArdle (USA) - Tech. Sgt. Eric Meyers (USAF) - Col. Sean Morrow (USA) - Lt. Michael Napolitano (USN) - Lt. Michael O'Hara (USN) - MMN2 Emily Partridge (USN) - Spc. Brian Reip (USA) - Sgt. Donald Rogers (USA) - Airman Carlos Rosado (USAF) - Lt. Col. Thomas F. Shields (USAF) - Lt. Col. Michelle Simpson (USAF) - Commander Michael S. Slatley (USN) - SR Ella Tietz (USCG) - Daniel Timpanaro (USCG) - Lt. Col. Christopher J. Ustler (USA) - Cdr. Katherine Ustler-Lodispoto (USCG) - Michael Vietri (USN) - 2nd Lt. John Whidden (USMC) - Lt. Joseph Yahner (USA) - Pvt. Philip Zanardi (USAR)

Purgatorial Society

Rene Romaro, Dorothy Karas

Alfred Olsen, Joy Overton Tierney, Edward Vincent Murphy, Carol LoMastro

Dorothy Lee Erickson, Ellen Cain, Joan Sadler, Donald Gordon, Robert Medic, Janet McCloskey, Joseph Bass, Domenico Assalone, Brandon Roehrig

James Chiofolo, Darlene Cusumano, John Dunne, George Jones, Howard Kelly, Kenneth Albert Krug, Kevin Maher, George McLaughlin, Richard Olsen, John F. Santora, Mitchell Seidler, Edwin A. Smith, Robert Sullivan, Anthony Verde, John E. Ferris, John Calandra, Vincent Casoria, Carl Riccobono, Ivan Koren, Joseph DeFazio, Donald Heffernan, Thomas C. Cox, Carolyn Tindell, Michelle Rossetti, Jennifer Cappellano, Matthew Brolly.

Rosario Agnello, Matthew Brolly, John Calandra, Pasquale Cocuzzo, Richard Grein, Lorraine Macomb, Maiorano Family, Patricia Mascuzzio, Josephine Masone, Douglas Meinhofer, Lucy Roberti, Vincent Salerno, Maria Santos, Fred T. Schmidt, Ben Ward, Kathleen M. Egan Wright, Patricia Masterson, Vito Marcone, Catherine Barry, Thomas Broderick, Ned McCormack.

Vincent Franco, John Kilgus, Joseph Longhway, George Jennerich, Micheline Giacalone
Giuseppa Carollo, Louise LaBella, Thomas Pignetti, Vincent Franco, Robert Egan, Paul Tuccillo, Paul Weston, Veronica M. Fields, Nancy Zimmerman

Victor Letellier, Jr., Elvira Moore

BEHOLD

THE SACRED VESSELS

As devout Roman Catholics, the Eucharist - the true presence of Jesus Christ - Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity - deserves only the most sacred and dignified places of repose. Throughout the Church's tradition, we have reserved the Blessed Sacrament in vessels crafted with reverence and beauty: the gold chalice holds His Precious Blood during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass; the ciborium stores the consecrated hosts; the monstrance displays the Eucharist for adoration and benediction; and the tabernacle, often ornate and centrally placed, is the resting place of Christ in our churches.



CHALICE

Some may question why we use such elaborate materials, recalling Christ's humble life as a carpenter - but within the liturgy, we offer our very best, knowing that we are not honoring a man from Nazareth alone, but the Risen Lord, the King of Kings.



CIBORIUM

In a deeper sense, each of us is called to become a living tabernacle. At every Mass we are invited to receive Jesus into our very selves. Just as the sacred vessels are kept pure, clean, and set apart for a holy purpose, so too must our souls be prepared to welcome the Lord. Are we truly worthy to receive Him? None of us are by our own merits - but through confession, prayer, humility, and a sincere desire to be in communion with God, we are made ready.



MONSTRANCE

Let us never forget that Christ desires to dwell within us, and we must do our part to become vessels that reflect His glory with reverence, simplicity, and love!



TABERNACLE



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

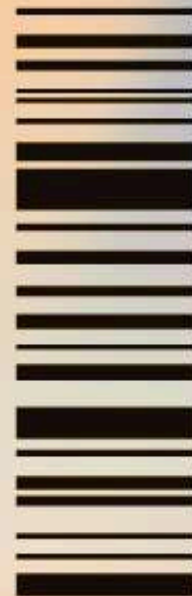
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COOLERS,
AND YOUR
FRIENDS!

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IN JULY
AT 7PM

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EVENT OF
RAIN, WE'LL
MOVE TO THE
ABBEY



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Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

We were blessed to celebrate more baptisms, First Holy Communions, Confirmations, and convalidations for candidates in our OCIA program last weekend! OCIA is a faith formation program which prepares adults for sacraments. Some of our candidates may have received some of their sacraments as children, and others receive all at once as adults. If you are interested in learning more about the program, please email ocia@stwilliam.org.

We also want to thank our OCIA team for their faith-filled work!



**FRIDAY
AUGUST 1ST**

SOUTH SHORE CATHOLIC
YOUNG ADULT
*Mass & Wiffle Ball Game
at St. William the Abbot*

**MASS WITH FR. JOHN -
5:45PM**

GAME - 6:30PM

**SOCIAL AT LOCAL
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**SOUTHSHORECATHOLICYA@GMAIL.COM
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The faithful of Long Island can
attain this Plenary Indulgence
by making a pilgrimage to

THE CATHEDRAL *of* ST. AGNES

and praying at the

2025 JUBILEE YEAR CROSS

*enshrined at the Cathedral and installed
by Bishop John O. Barres.*



This Weekend's Music Selections

We invite you to participate by using the song numbers below and the missals found in the pews.

Entrance Hymn: "Gather the People" (Schutte) - #305

Offertory Hymn: "Healed in Christ" (Hart) - #662

Communion Hymn: "Vine and Branches" (Thomson) - #340

Communion Meditation: "Here I Am to Worship" (Hughes)

Recessional Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation" (Stone) - #446

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing." Psalm 100:1-2

Parish Social Ministry

Pantry List

Juice Boxes
Pancake Mix
Napkins
Toilet Paper
Tissues

Gardens That Give Back

Has your summer garden started to bloom? If you find you have many fresh vegetables ripening at one time, our Parish Food Pantry will gladly accept donations of your surplus harvest. Fresh fruits and vegetables are rare for a food pantry to have in stock and are a welcome treat for the families we serve. Thank you for your support!

Free Summer Meals for Children

To supplement the loss of free school meals during the summer break, children age 18 and under can get free, nutritious meals at nearby places like parks, community centers and libraries thanks to Hunger Solutions New York. All meals include nutritious food such as fruits, vegetables, grains and protein. Many sites offer fun activities, too! There is no need to sign up, just show up! To find the location nearest to you, visit www.summermealsNY.org.

Back-to-School Donations Needed



Our office is now gathering donations to help families send their children back to school with everything they need this fall. Please consider donating a gift card so that families can shop for the specific items their children need for school. Gift cards to local stores such as Target or Walmart are popular for back-to-school shopping. Donating early gives Parish families more time to shop! Donations benefit children served by our Parish Social Ministry and St. Vincent de Paul Conference. Thank you in advance for your support!

Cooling Centers

If you need to beat the heat, cooling centers are available in Nassau County at the following locations:

- Cantiague Park Administration Office - 480 W John St, Hicksville - Open 8am - 6pm
- Wantagh Administration Building - 1 King Rd, Wantagh - Open 8am - 6pm
- Mitchel Field Administration Building - 1 Charles Lindbergh Blvd, Uniondale - Open 24 hours

Nassau Senior Center Open Houses Tuesday, July 22

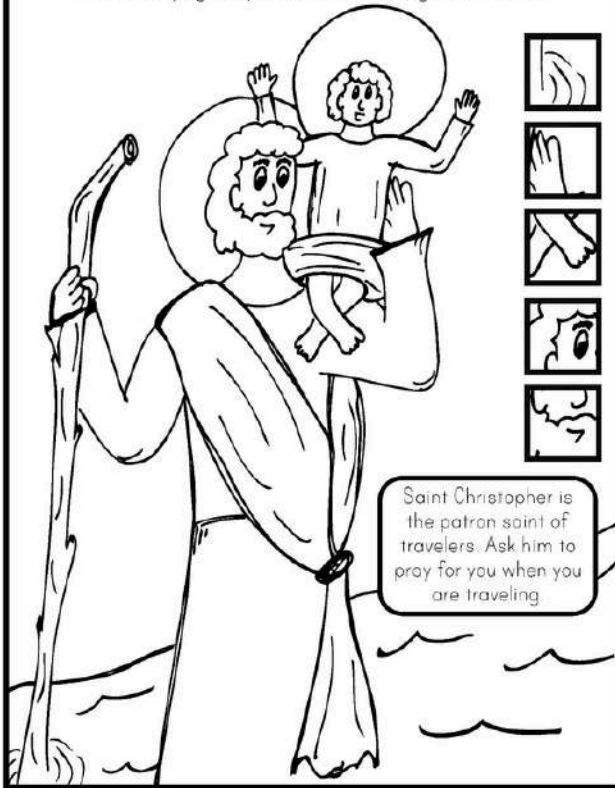
Did you know that there are sixteen senior centers in Nassau County? These senior centers will be hosting open houses and lunch on Tuesday, July 22. Call your local center for reservations and directions, and bring a friend! The nearest senior center to our Parish is at St. Jude's Church in Wantagh. They can be reached by calling 516-797-5357. There is a suggested contribution of \$3 for lunch.

Parish Social Ministry Office

Our office is located in the Convent Center (the building next to the Rectory - 2020 Jackson Avenue). Food donations can be dropped off between 9:30 and 4pm Monday through Friday or left in the drop box outside the office. Please do not leave donations in the church or rectory. For more information on the services offered or a list of resources for clothing and household good donations, please visit stwilliam.org/social-ministry.

Saint Christopher

Saint Christopher was a VERY strong man who carried people across a scary river. One day, a young boy that he was carrying grew heavier and heavier. Finally, Saint Christopher realized that he was carrying baby Jesus and the weight of the world.



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Catholic Kids

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He who does
justice will live
in the presence
of the Lord.

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After the priest says, "The Lord
be with you," we respond,
"And with your spirit."

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Jesus visited Lazarus' sisters, Mary and Martha. Mary sat with Jesus and listened to him teach, while Martha cooked and served Jesus. Martha was jealous that Mary got to spend time listening, so she complained to Jesus! What was Jesus' answer? How can you spend time with Jesus?

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and needs a priest outside of office hours, please call 516-312-7361*

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Herley Mendez
SWA Parishioner

*Please pray for our Seminarians and all those
discerning the priesthood and religious life*

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