



St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



July 21, 2024 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

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

Mark 6:34

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 21, 2024

People of St. William's
Tim Guinness
Roslyn Jones

Thursday, July 25, 2024

Emanuel & Marguerite
Pietroforte

Monday, July 22, 2024

James Brennan

Friday, July 26, 2024

Collective Intentions

John Bingham
Thomas Fitzgerald

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

Bernadette Zimmerman

John Doherty

Christine Pittelli

Wed., July 24, 2024

Angelo Leto

Saturday, July 27, 2024

Purgatorial Society
People of St. William's

Pray for the Sick

Lesa Laurence
Sal Frosina
Patricia DeCato

Richard Fedyk
Sal Lupo

Pray for the Deceased

Thomas P. Mahoney
Vincent Casale

Christopher J. Carini
Richard D. Colton

Wine and Hosts

The Wine and Hosts used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of
John Friel
from Josephine DiPalermo

Pillar of Prayer

Jesus wants to have a relationship with us. He loves us and wants to communicate with us (this means we listen as well as talk). This week, make a point to pray an extra five minutes, or read a Scripture verse every day. Build upon your relationship with the Lord.

Altar Candles

The Altar Candles used at Mass this week have been donated in
Thanksgiving for God's Blessings
from Victoria Reynolds

Zeal and Determination

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. Mark 6:34

Both Jesus and the Twelve Apostles had been working very hard. The Twelve had been out on mission to many of the neighboring towns preaching, healing the sick and casting out demons. Upon the completion of their mission, they returned to Jesus and reported all that they had done. Jesus, in turn, invited them to “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” But the crowds heard about their departure by boat and quickly went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee so that they would arrive before Jesus and the Twelve.

The passage quoted above reveals the internal reaction that Jesus had toward the crowds as He and the Twelve disembarked from the boat. Though they had attempted to go away together to a quiet place for rest, the crowds were intent on being with them. Jesus, of course, was not upset that the crowds had spoiled His attempt to find some quiet time with the Twelve. Instead, His heart was moved with compassion. He could see that the people were hungry for more and were “like sheep without a shepherd.” For that reason, Jesus immediately began to feed them with His teachings.

A helpful point to ponder in this passage is that the people who gathered were described as a “vast crowd.” From the subsequent passage in Mark’s Gospel, we learn that when Jesus finished teaching them many things, He performed the miracle of the multiplication of fish and bread and fed 5,000 men, not counting the women and children. Given the fact that the estimated ratio at that time of adult men to women and children was at least 5:1, the crowd could have been as large as 25,000 people. For a spontaneous gathering of people in a remote area by the Sea of Galilee, that is a huge number. This is especially the case, since it is estimated that there were only about 1,500 people living in Capernaum at that time. People had flocked to our Lord from very far away.

This vast and spontaneous gathering reveals to us the hunger that Jesus instilled in the hearts of very many people. Some of these people had already heard Jesus speak and had witnessed His miracles. Others were those to whom the Twelve had just preached in the surrounding villages. The Twelve had spoken clearly and convincingly by the power of the Holy Spirit about Jesus, and many people responded, wanting to know more about our Lord.

As you ponder the enthusiasm of so many people, try to compare that with your own enthusiasm for Jesus. Are you driven to seek Him out with the same passion and zeal that consumed these first followers? Or do you find that your zeal and enthusiasm are lacking at times? This vast crowd, with their zeal and determination to seek out our Lord, should be a source of inspiration and self-examination for us all.

Reflect, today, upon this vast crowd. Try to see yourself joining them. Ponder yourself being so moved by the preaching of the Apostles that you become single-focused in your determination to be fed by Jesus’ holy teaching. If it is hard to imagine yourself acting this way, then humbly acknowledge that you may need more zeal for Jesus in your life. Pray that these holy desires become stirred up within you, and do all that you can to foster such zeal.

My compassionate Lord, the vast crowds sought You out to listen to You and to be fed by Your holy Word. They burned with a desire to be with You, and You responded to them with great mercy. Please fill my heart with the same zeal and desire for You. Teach me, Lord, feed me and draw me close to You. Jesus, I trust in You.

Purgatorial Society

Dorothy Meinke, Joan Kane, Kathryn & Robert Nesi, Dorothy L. Costa, Nelson A. Moret, George Jantzen, III, John M. Stolfi, Walter Ostrowski, Sebastian Panesci, Anthony Nicholas Diomede, II, Thomas Fitzgerald, Andrea Browne, Frank Alongi, John Kilgus, Tiddy Susi, Robert Charles Harter.

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Elfriede Bennett, Carol George, Virginia M Lochner, Salvatore J. Comigliaro, Patrick Garland, Jason Nolin, William R. Sohmer, Helen Calame, Jacqueline Godek, Keith Gorton, John Hager, John Sheridan, William Francis, Ezio Traina, John Viggiano, Linda Wempe, Patricia Lee Frank, Nicholas Anthony Sicoli.

Patricia Overs, So Keung, Jackie Denhard, Anthony Toro.

Pray for Those in the Military

Jr. Lt. Ian Bayer (USN) - Jr. Lt. Rebecca Bayer (USN) - Jr. Lt. Ryan Bayer (USN) - Sgt. Craig Bianco (USA) - Capt. Michael DiPietro (USA) - 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) - Major Eamon G. McArdle (USA) - Tech. Sgt. Eric Meyers (USAF) - 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) - Major Thomas F. Shields (USAF) - Lt. Col. Michelle Simpson (USAF) - Commander Michael S. Slatley (USN) - Daniel Timpanaro (USCG) - Lt. Col. Christopher J. Ustler (USA) - Cdr. Katherine Ustler-Lodispoto (USCG) - Michael Vietri (USN)

The Holy Games & Summer Olympics

Please keep Fr. Joe and his mission on behalf of the USCCB to the Holy Games and Summer Olympics in your prayers and pray for a safe experience for the athletes and their families as they celebrate their sport and "Glorify God with their bodies!" 1 Corinthians 6:20



Baptisms

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

Avery Battista
Anthony Episcopio

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 28, 2024.

Family Field Night

We had a blast at Family Field Night and everyone was declared a winner and treated to ice cream just before the rain came!

These mini-SWA Olympics were the perfect sendoff for Fr. Joe as he prepared to leave for his mission to the Holy Games and the Olympics. We ended the evening in prayer for his trip and for the people he will serve.





St. William the Abbot
**SUMMER NIGHTS
SOCIAL SERIES**

ADULT TRIVIA NIGHT

Create a team of adults or we'll match you up for a few rounds of trivia.

Bring snacks and drinks.

Please register on our website.

TUESDAY
JULY 23rd 6:30pm

FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT

Decode riddles and find spots around campus for your team to take a photo with, then meet up and celebrate the winning teams!

Please register on our website.

TUESDAY
JULY 30th 6:30pm

stwilliam.org/summer24



— THE FEAST OF STS. JOACHIM AND ANNE —

GRANDPARENTS' Day

WE INVITE ALL GRANDPARENTS TO JOIN US WITH THEIR GRANDCHILDREN
FOR 8:30AM MASS AND FELLOWSHIP & FUN ON THE FRONT LAWN

FRIDAY, JULY 26TH

2024-2025 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

For Children Entering 1st - 8th Grade



ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

- All families must be registered parishioners of St. William the Abbot before we can assign a class time
- Sacramental preparation are two-year programs: children must complete Levels 1 and 2 before receiving First Holy Communion and Levels 7 and 8 before receiving Confirmation
- Program discount is available for parent volunteers
- All children are required to attend Sunday Masses

NEW/TRANSFER FAMILIES

- All new/transfer students must provide their baptismal certificate
- Students who previously attended another program must have a transfer letter sent to the Office of Faith Formation by their former parish

SCHEDULE

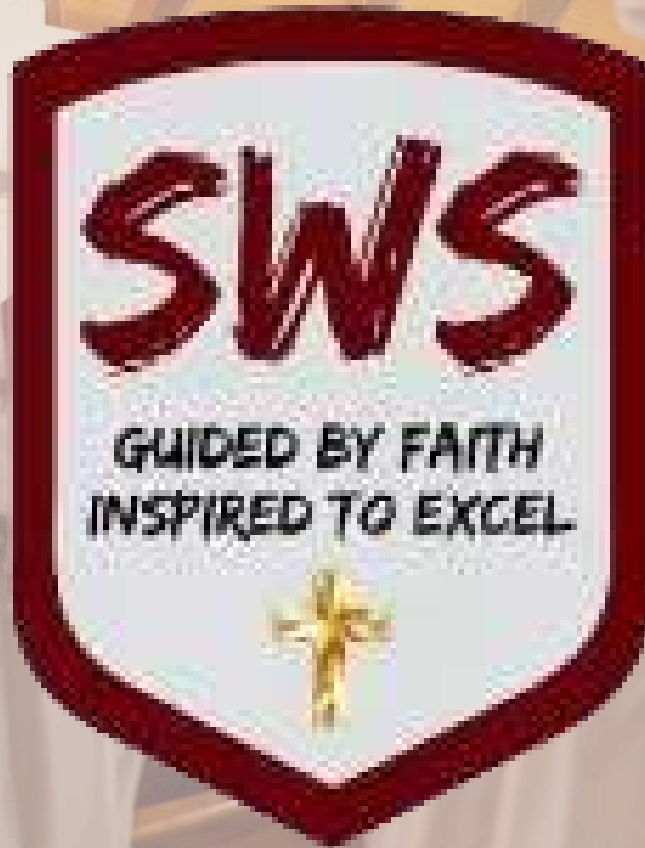
- Level 1: Parent-Lead at Home
- Levels 2-6: Meet Weekly In-Person at SWS
- Levels 7-8: Meet Bi-Weekly In-Person in The Abbey

HOW TO REGISTER

Visit: stwilliam.org/faith-formation



faithformation@stwilliam.org
516-783-2528



CALLING ALL GRADUATES OF ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT SCHOOL

WE'RE CREATING AN ALUMNI DATABASE AND
WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU AS WE
PREPARE FOR OUR 70TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR!



SCAN THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE THE CONTACT FORM

Parish Social Ministry

Fall 2024 Bereavement Registration

If you or someone you know has 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 will begin in early October and will be held at 11am on Wednesdays for seven weeks. Space is limited, register early! For more information about these sessions call us at 516-679-8532.

Pantry List

Cookies
Bath Soap
Napkins
Dish Soap
General Cleaning Spray or
Wipes

HEAP Cooling Assistance Available

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) helps people pay the cost of heating and cooling their homes. You can now apply for cooling assistance to buy and install an air conditioner or a fan for your home. To qualify you must have a documented medical condition that is aggravated by heat, and you must meet certain income guidelines. To see the full list of eligibility guidelines and to apply, visit <https://www.ny.gov/services/apply-heating-and-cooling-assistance-heap>.

Friendly Visitors are Available!

Are you homebound and lonely, or do you know someone that is? Contact the Social Ministry office to become part of the Friendly Visitor Program! Our volunteers will visit with those that are in need of friendly company to talk, pray, play cards or games, and bring news of Parish events. Friendly Visitors may visit weekly for up to an hour each visit. To request a visitor, call us at 679-8532.

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, Walmart and Staples 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!



Gardens that Give Back

This month's warm weather has neighborhood gardens flourishing! 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, so are a welcome treat for the families we serve. Thank you for your support!

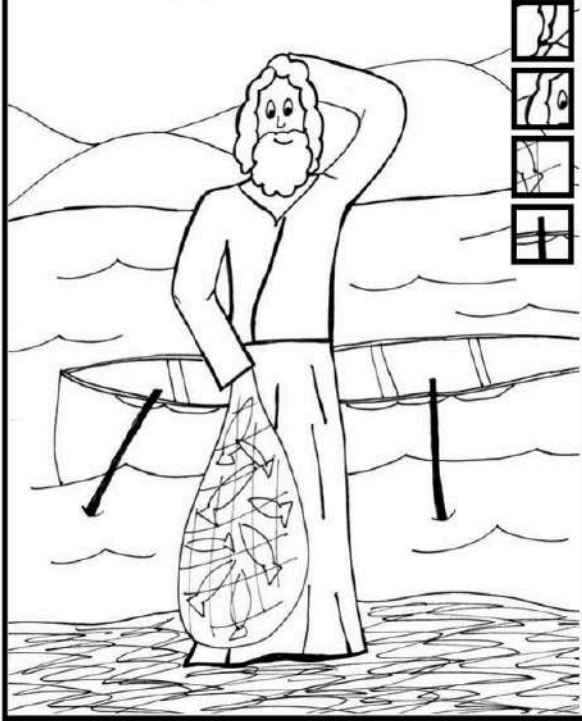


Did You Know?

Did you know that there is free legal assistance available for low income and disabled Long Islanders? Nassau Suffolk Law Services is a non-profit community based law program that provides free legal assistance in civil matters. They are experienced in poverty law, housing rights, and have special project teams for topics such as Foreclosure Prevention, Mental Health Law and Senior Citizen Law. For more information visit www.nslawservices.org or call their Nassau County office at 516-292-8100

Saint James

Saint James loved being a fisherman and when Jesus asked him to leave his boat and become a "Fisher of Men," Saint James said, "Yes!" He followed Jesus and taught people about God.



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Catholic Kids Bulletin
 July 21, 2024
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B K W A N T I E I S O D K P K

The Lord is my shepherd;
 there is nothing I shall want.

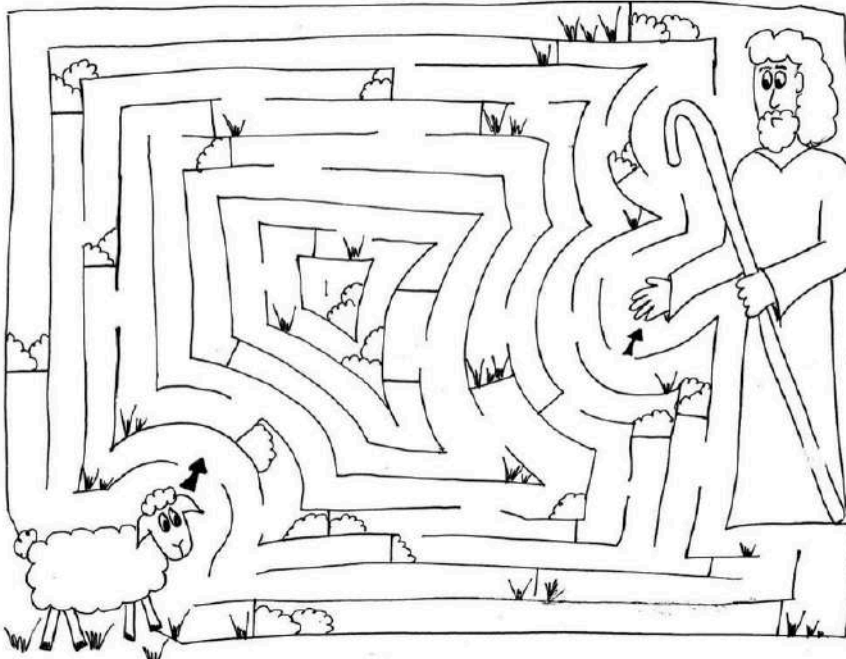
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Listen for the words 'mercy' and 'forgiveness' during Mass.

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Jesus is the...

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Gospel



People followed Jesus everywhere. He said that they were sheep looking for a shepherd.

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If there is an emergency where someone is critically ill or injured and needs a priest outside of office hours, please call 516-312-7361

St. William the Abbot School



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Principal

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A Legacy of Excellence - Nursery through 8th Grade

Our Seminarian

Herley Mendez
SWA Parishioner

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

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Baptisms & Weddings at St. William the Abbot
stwilliam.org/sacraments

Register as a St. William the Abbot Parishioner
stwilliam.org/i-am-new

Catholic High Schools of Long Island
chsee.org

Diocese of Rockville Centre
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Formed: The Catholic Faith. On Demand
formed.org

Tomorrow's Hope Foundation: Financial Aid for Catholic Schools
tomorrowshopefoundation.org

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