



St. William the Abbot

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



July 5, 2026
Fourteenth 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

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”

Matthew 11:28-29

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 5th

7:30am: Cheryl Dukes

9am: People of St. William's, Marie Arcidiacono, Carmela Fioro, Anthony Anemone

10:30am: Christina & Joseph Sica (liv)

12n: Edward & Albert Wassmer

Monday, July 6th

8:30am: Carol Puleo

Tuesday, July 7th

8:30am: Jay Callahan

Wednesday, July 8th

8:30am: Sheila Duranti, Marion Essig
Margaret Cantanno, Antoinette Migliano

Thursday, July 9th

8:30am: Ernst DeGraff

Friday, July 10th

8:30am: Gertrude Van Wagner

Saturday, July 11th

8:30am: Purgatorial Society

5pm: People of St. William's, Christine Hudak,
Edward B. Kranis, John Miro

Pray for the Sick

Mary Vanden Heuvel - Michael D'Arpino - Steve DeCillis - Thomas Stolfi - Charlie Herbert
Theo Brennan - Rosemary Averill - Frances Speidell - Kathleen Capozzi - Brendan Mannix

Pray for the Deceased

Matthew Joseph Smith

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Wine & Hosts

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“God Bless America, Land that I Love”

Happy 4th of July! With the excitement of the Knicks, of the World Cup matches, and as we celebrate the semiquincentennial (250th) anniversary of our nation's Independence – it is so awesome and amazing how Americans and our recent international visitors “love America” (and Ranch dressing, Costco, and air conditioning)! Thank you to all of our servicemen and women, public servants, first responders, and chaplains that have guided, guarded, strengthened, and protected our nation! This weekend, I will leave you with a few words about the United States of America I previously shared in the past from the soon-to-be-beatified Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen about why people still risk everything to come and be a part of the greatest nation on earth:

The essence of Americanism is not revolution, but the recognition of the sacredness of human personality and the inherent inalienable rights which every man possesses independently of the State. That is why, when our country began, our Founding Fathers were most anxious to find some basis for human rights, some foundation for human liberties, some guarantee of human personality which would be above the encroachment of tyranny and abuse.

But where find the basis for the right of a man to be his own master, captain of his own soul, free in his right to pursue his ultimate end with a free conscience? Where root and ground the right to own property as the extension of personality? Where find the rock of all liberties which would be strong enough to withstand governments and powers and states which would absorb them as the monarchies did, then, and as certain dictatorships do now?

For such a foundation the Fathers looked first to England... Parliament. Next they looked to France, where it was held that the liberties and rights of man are rooted in the will of the majority. The Fathers equally rejected this on the ground that if the rights of man are the gift of the majority, then the majority can take away the rights of the minority.

Where find the source of the liberties and the rights of man? On what stable foundation are they to be reared? What is their source? The answer they gave was the right one. They sought the foundations of man's rights and liberties in something so sacred and so inalienable that no State, no Parliament, no Dictator, no human power could ever take them away, and so they rooted them in God. Hence our Declaration of Independence reads: all men “are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights. . .among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.”

Note that the word used is “unalienable”; that means that these rights belong to the sacredness of human personality and are not the gift of the State or the Dictator, whether Fascist, Nazi, or Communist. In other words, man's right to own private property, man's right to educate his own family, man's right to adore God according to the dictates of his conscience, come not from the Constitution, the Government, Parliament, or the will of the majority, but from God.

Therefore no power on earth may take them away. This is the essence of Americanism. Now, if the essence of Americanism is the sacredness of human personality as created by God, who is doing most to preserve that Americanism? The schools that never mention His name? The universities and colleges that dissolve the Deity into the latest ultimate of physics or biology? The professors who adjust their ethics to suit unethical lives?

It is our solemn duty as Catholics, therefore, to be conscious of our duty to America, and to preserve its freedom by preserving its faith in God. . . .But as we talk about patriotism, it might be well to remind ourselves that in a crisis like this even devotion to the stars and stripes is not enough to save us. We must look beyond them to other stars and stripes, namely the stars and stripes of Christ, by Whose stars we are illuminated and by whose stripes we are healed!

Father Fulton Sheen: The Catholic Hour radio program on February 20, 1938

God Bless You and God Bless America!





One Nation UNDER GOD

WISHING YOU A HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY
AS WE CELEBRATE AMERICA'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY
WITH PRAYERFUL GRATITUDE TO ALL THOSE WHO
SERVED IN OUR ARMED FORCES

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Banns of Marriage

Banns II

Julie Salvatore; St. William the Abbot
& Jules Imkamp; Maria Regina, Seaford

Baptisms

Let us welcome the following children who were
baptized this past weekend:

Brielle Romero Tate Stack
Sophia Scalamandre Kathleen Weber

St. Peregrine Prayer Hour

The Saint Peregrine Prayer Hour will be held on Monday, July 6th from 2-3pm.

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 invited to come and pray.

Pray for Those in the Military

Lt. Ian Bayer (USN) - Lt. Rebecca Bayer (USN) - Lt. Ryan Bayer (USN) - Sgt. Craig Bianco (USA) - PFC Jake Cilento (USA) - LCPL Ryan Daly (USMC) - Lt. Col. Michael DiPietro (USA) - LCpl Daniel Dugan (USMC) - Capt. 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) - Major Philip Lettieri, MD (USA) - Lt. Cpl. Kevin Marshall (USMC) - Major Eamon G. McArdle (USA) - Tech. Sgt. Eric Meyers (USAF) - Pvt. Juliana Miller (USA) - Col. Sean Morrow, Ret (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)



Our printer has informed us that there may be a delay in printing the July/August Offertory Envelopes. If you have not received yours, you should be getting them shortly. In the meantime, please use the temporary envelopes in the church or a regular envelope for your donation, but please remember to write your parish ID number on it.

June Offertory

	2016	2019	2020	2025	2026
Attendance	6733	6752	1594	5941	6424
Total \$	\$91,678.00	\$84,386.00	\$92,683.00	\$96,663.00	\$ 98,826.00
Per Person	\$13.62	\$12.50	\$58.14	\$16.27	\$15.38
# Sundays	5	5	3	4	4
Avg/Sunday	\$16,877.20	\$16,877.20	\$30,894.33	\$24,165.75	\$ 24,706.50
Avg/Attendance	1350	1350	531	1485	1606

The years listed were chosen to represent an overall sample and include 10 years ago, the year before Covid/pastor transition, the year of the Covid shutdown, last year, and the current year

Catholic Ministries Appeal

	2016	2019	2020	2025	Year to Date
Goal	\$135,600.00	\$136,700.00	\$146,700.00	\$162,000.00	\$170,100
Pledged	\$173,412.008	\$142,360.00	\$121,048.00	\$93,963.00	\$78,742.00
# Donors	899	550	480	330	285
Avg Donation	\$192.89	\$258.84	\$252.18	\$284.74	\$276.29
Rebate to SWA	\$52,010.00	\$31,368.00	\$2,934.00	-	-

The Catholic Ministries Appeal begins every February. Funds donated help with vocation awareness and the Diocesan Seminarian program, social programs such as Meals on Wheels and outreach to the most vulnerable, and healthcare initiatives for those who cannot otherwise afford it or are most at risk. The parish receives a rebate once our Diocesan goal has been exceeded.



Happy 250th Birthday, America!



BLESSED IS THE
NATION WHOSE
GOD IS THE LORD



"FROM THE RISING OF THE SUN TO THE PLACE WHERE IT SETS, THE NAME OF THE LORD IS TO BE PRAISED."



Summer Sunset Raffle

TO SUPPORT PARISH MINISTRIES AS WE CELEBRATE OUR 99TH ANNIVERSARY

SINGLE ENTRY	FIVE ENTRIES
\$35	\$135

PURCHASE
ENTRIES
HERE:

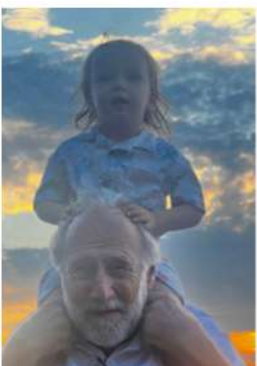


WINNER WILL BE
ANNOUNCED ON
LABOR DAY

— The Feast of St. William the Abbot —



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Women's Summer Bible Study

FAITH & FRICTION: WHAT DOES SCRIPTURE TELL US?

Prayer

Anxiety

Inner Strength

Comparison

Self-Doubt

Peace

Purpose

Perfectionism

THURSDAYS JULY 9 - 30 FROM 7PM TO 8:30PM IN THE ABBEY

Please bring your Bible | All adult women welcome



Are you ready to take the next step in your spiritual journey?

The OCIA process is designed to help adults discern, learn, and prepare to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Whether you are exploring faith for the first time or completing your sacraments, we would love to walk with you.

Join us on Monday, July 13th and/or Monday, August 10th at 7:30pm in The Abbey (Lower Church) to learn more about the program and meet our team! Inquirers are welcome to bring their spouse or a friend!

Our Catholic Community on Long Island

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Fr. Francis Mary Walsh, CFR



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Fr. Sebastian M. Bonfield, CFR



Fr. Bob Garrett, OP

This Weekend's Music Selections for Pentecost Sunday

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

Entrance Hymn: "Gather Your People" - #310

Offertory Hymn: "Come to Me" - #538

Communion Hymn: "Taste and See" - #337

Communion Meditation: "You Alone"

Recessional Hymn: "God Bless America"

Our Adult and Children's Choirs will resume in the fall!

"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 Needs

This week the pantry is collecting items not covered by SNAP (food stamps) such as toiletries, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, tissues and other paper products.

Yarn Donations Needed

The Social Ministry is now collecting yarn donations for the Prayer Shawl Ministry. This ministry is looking for full skein yarn, worsted weight, and multiple skeins of the same color (used to make single blankets). Donations can be dropped off at the Social Ministry Office in the Convent Monday through Friday, 9:30am until 4pm or by appointment. Donate your excess or unused yarn to a very worthy cause! All yarn is used to make items for those in need within our parish community.

Family Counseling Available

Family and Children's Association is offering a new program called 'Families Healing Together' that provides free short term counseling for youth and families in Nassau County. The objective of this program is to break the cycle caused by stressful experiences and provide individuals with coping skills to ensure future success. The program applies to families that have a history of trauma or a history/risk of substance use. Youth eligibility is between 7 and 21 years of age. For more information, contact csorensen@fcali.org or call 516-746-0350 extension 5215.

Free Legal Services Available

Legal Services of Long Island is the region's largest non-profit provider of free civil legal assistance. This organization fights for Long Island's most vulnerable neighbors in their local justice systems, and advocates for individuals and families where they need it most. For more information or to receive assistance, visit www.legalservicesli.org or call 516-292-8100.

Long Island Fatherhood Initiative

The Long Island Fatherhood Initiative provides free assistance for fathers that may be down on their luck and looking to get their life back on track. Their goal is to empower men for responsible fatherhood through skill building and coaching, so that they can meaningfully connect with their partners and children. Services offered include employment assistance, parenting and healthy relationship education, case management, transportation assistance, gift cards and referrals to other resources. For more information, call 631-761-8518 or visit www.greatfathers.org.

Free Summer Concerts for Seniors

Nassau County is hosting free noontime concerts this summer on Wednesdays from 12pm to 2pm at Eisenhower Park Field 1, weather permitting. These concerts are free to the public; attendees just need to bring their own blankets and chairs. For more information on the scheduled performers, call 516-572-0200.



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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

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