

# July 7, 2024 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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**

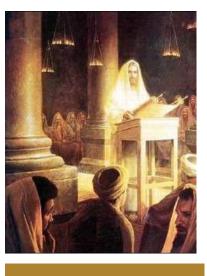
Monday - Saturday: 7:15am - 8:20am Saturday: 3:45pm - 4:50pm

#### Adoration

Monday - Saturday: 7:15am - 8:20am First Friday of the Month: 9am - 5pm

## **Private Prayer**

Monday - Friday: 7:15am - 6pm



Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home." He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. He was amazed at their lack of faith. Mark 6:4-6

# **Mass Intentions**

#### **Sunday, July 7, 2024**

Jay Callahan

Edward & Albert Wassmer

Collective Intentions

People of St. William's

Lorraine O'Neill

Dominic McNulty

Catherine Tucker

Catherine Koster

Bill O'Toole

Monday, July 8, 2024

Catherine Vertolomo

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

Kevin Leimeister

Wed., July 10, 2024

Deborah A. Camp

# Thursday, July 11, 2024

Collective Intentions

Frances Gauci

Joseph Camolli

Ida Bozzo

Michael Derosa

Jeanne Taylor

**Friday**, July 12, 2024

Wilma Brzousky

#### Saturday, July 13, 2024

Purgatorial Society Michael Dalessio

Sal Lupo Richard Fedyk

Jacqueline Denhard

Jen Greico Jerry Milbach Lesa Laurence

Michael J. Lisa, Jr.

Louis Jannotte

### Wine and Hosts

The Wine and Hosts used at Mass this week have been donated in Thanksgiving to the Lord from Victoria Reynolds

#### Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of Kevin Leimeister from Dean and Kathleen Wilson

## "For the sake of Christ; when I am weak, then I am strong" 2 Corinthians 12:10

The above scripture quote from Saint Paul is the great paradox of Christianity – when we surrender, when we turn over the power to God, it is then that we are strongest. Because He is in charge, He is Lord of our life, and Lord of all. Simply said, the grace of God is enough for us; we will be sufficiently covered, protected, and taken care of by God in our submission to Him. But the grace is strengthened when we cooperate with the movements and opportunities that God is placing before us to grow closer to Him. The Lord can subtly - and not so subtly - place experiences before us even when we are not necessarily looking for them in order for us to grow in our faith. Are we attentive and aware how the Lord is moving? Grace builds on nature.

The Fourth of July is a turning point in the summer here on Long Island and we are now in full swing – barbecues, fireworks, boating, beaches, slip and slides, cannonballs, diving boards, and hopefully a little time to relax. Many families are preparing for vacations and "stay-cations". A good friend mine always says, "why would you leave Long Island in the summer? There are not many better places to be on this planet!" And so, if you are heading to Fire Island, Montauk, the North Fork, Zach's Bay, Jones Beach, or Meadow Beach, know the Lord wants to be a part of it. And if it is Disney, or Europe, or the National Parks, or the cross-country camping tour, God wants in!

So many of us remember our childhood family road trips, summer sports tournaments, and trips upstate. Somehow or another our parents were able to 'miraculously' find a church and mass time for us to pray and thank God – and there was no internet or Google Maps! If you were like me, there may have been a little kicking and screaming and complaining (yes, the 'God-guy' just said that) but in the end, those moments are such an important part of the great family memories. Can I encourage you to make God a part of the Summer of 2024 as well in these few simple ways? Being sure you pray grace before meals? Maybe a rosary (or a decade of the rosary) while driving? An end of the night sharing of graces and gratitude to God as you look up at the stars around the campfire or fire pit? And of course, to get to Sunday mass. With masstimes.org you can literally find a church and mass time anywhere around the whole world! Only my Mom's Catholic 'Spidey-Sense' could do better!

If you are staying local know that we are still at full schedule, with a few added social and spiritual summer events to add to our faith and fun parish experience. If you are having family visit from afar, you can bring them to daily mass, adoration, or rosary in the mornings before running to the boat and beach later in the day. The Tuesday Night Summer Social Series will be fun, but also strong community builders to grow the spirit of fellowship and our SWA faith family. I also invite you to pray and discern if the St. William the Abbot 2025 Jubilee Pilgrimage to Italy next year with visits to Naples, Assisi, Montevergine, and Rome is the experience the Lord might be calling you to grow with Him!

No doubt the summer allows us to slow down, to recharge, and to rest, but not to derail our faith journey, the past year may have been difficult, and your heart may be worn and tired, but that is where God wants to enter in an even more profound way. When we rely more on the Lord in our weakness, it is there that we are the strongest. And when we surrender in faith together, as a parish community, then we grow stronger as disciples, evangelizers, and faithful Catholics to transform our world. Have a great week, and let us continue to pray for one another and our parish!

Jr. Jol





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# 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)

# Banns of Marriage



Danielle DeGrazia, St. William the Abbot & Robert Gray, III, St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh Julia Parisi, Church of the Ressurection, Rye, NY & Matthew Wendelken, St. William the Abbot

# Fune Offering

	2014	2019	2020*	2023	2024
Attendance	7978	6752	1594	5212	7645
<b>Total Collected</b>	\$ 75,676.00	\$ 84,386.00	\$ 92,683.00	\$ 111,200.00	\$ 114,377.00
Number of Sundays	4	4	4	5	5
Avg Weekly Collection	\$ 18,919.00	\$ 21,096.50	\$ 23,170.75	\$ 22,240.00	\$ 22,875.40
Avg Weekly Attendance	1995	1688	399	1042	1529

# Are You A Registered Parishioner?

Registering as parishioners allows us to have an accurate count of our families, which in turn helps us to plan liturgies, have the appropriate clergy coverage, and helps us to determine what enrichment programs and events may be beneficial.

Parish registration is also needed should you be asked to serve as a godparent or Confirmation sponsor.

Moreover, it is a great way for you to plant your family's roots in our community!

To register, please use the link below, visit our website, or drop by the Rectory Office or Welcome Desk in the front vestibule.





Visit the parish Facebook and Instagram (@stwilliamabbot) every Tuesday and Thursday for our video series explaining elements of our faith and our church!

If you have a topic you'd like explained, email priests@stwilliam.org



# 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



faithformationestwilliam.org 516-783-2528

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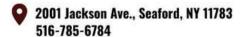
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- m Drama Club
- After School Enrichment Clubs Grades K-8
- Field Trips in support of Curriculum
- Parent Involvement Home School Association, School Board, Father's Club

"Sending our daughter to St. William's is a decision my husband and I can feel good about every day. We know that from the moment we drop her off to the moment she comes back home, she is loved, safe, supported, and challenged. We have been welcomed with open arms into a community that shares our values. We know that sending our daughter to SWS will set her up for success—academically, socially, and spiritually-for the rest of her life. It's the best gift we can give her."

~ The DeBardelaben Family











TUESDAY

JULY 9th

6:30pm

**Outdoor Serenade** 

Bring your lawn chairs, snacks, and drinks and enjoy an adult evening of music and fellowship behind the church.

TUESDAY

JULY 16th

6:30pm

Family Field Night

An evening of games and activities for the whole family. Bring snacks and drinks.

Please register on our website.

TUESDAY

JULY 23rd

6:30pm

Trivia Night

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

Please register on our website.

TUESDAY

JULY 30th

6:30pm

Family Scavenger Hunt

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

Please register on our website.

stwilliam.org/summer24



# 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

Canned Green Peas
Cooking Oil
Ketchup
Cookies
Dry Cat Food

# **Summer Food Donations**

During the summer break please remember our food pantry, and the more than 50 families we support in the area. Increased travel and vacations sometimes result in fewer food donations, but the need in our area remains the same! Even one item donated to our pantry makes a big impact on those concerned about feeding their family. Call our office for a drop off appointment, or simply stop by weekdays between 9:30am and 4pm. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

# Senior Care Through the Office for the Aging

Did you know that the Nassau County Office for the Aging offers case managers for seniors? Their case management program provides the support for older adults to remain in their homes for as long as possible. They assist in providing in-home services for seniors through the Expanded In-home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP). There are two types of in-home services offered, Level 1 which is housekeeping and chore services, and Level II which adds on personal care assistance such as bathing, dressing, toileting, grooming and feeding. For more information about services and eligibility, call NY Connects at 516-227-8900 or visit the website https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1438/Aging.

# 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.

# **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 8am 6pm

### 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

# Background Screening Update The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People:

The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People (The Charter) promulgated by the Bishops of the United States in 2002 outlines specific practices and guidelines providing standards of safety in parishes and dioceses throughout the United States. As directed in The Charter, the Diocese of Rockville Centre requires all employees, clergy, and volunteers to complete three requirements within thirty days of employment or volunteering:

- 1. Attend Protecting God's Children Program (Virtus)
- 2. Sign the Codes of Conduct;
- Complete a background screen application. The Diocese requires all those who remain in active ministry be rescreened at 5 yr. intervals. volunteers/employees.

#### A Word on Background Screening of Volunteers:

The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People (OFPCYP) has streamlined the volunteer application process enabling volunteers to complete the three safe environment requirements in one step. Individuals wishing to volunteer in a parish or school:

- Register to attend a Protecting God's Children class and create a Virtus account on the Virtus website: www.Virtus.org
- Electronically acknowledge the Diocesan Code of Conduct- provided during the Virtus registration process.
- Follow the instructions to complete the Sterling Volunteers background screening application background offered during the Virtus registration process.

#### **Active Volunteers:**

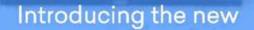
If you are active in a parish ministry, have already attended Virtus and have been background screened you may be at – or beyond- the *5yr. rescreening requirement*. If this is the case, you will receive an email from *Sterling Volunteers* asking you to complete the background screening application on-line. You may access the background screening application by following the prompt in the email or logging into your Virtus account. *Please be aware-this is not a scam nor has your e-mail been hacked.* The OFPCYP has been working with your parish to update the Safe Environment records and noted it is time for you to be rescreened. You may also be prompted to electronically resign the Code of Conduct when you log into your Virtus account.

#### **Edit Your Virtus Account:**

To access your Virtus account: <a href="www.Virtus.org">www.Virtus.org</a> You will need your Username and Password. If you need assistance, please contact Virtus: 1-888-847-8870 or <a href="helpdesk@virtus.org">helpdesk@virtus.org</a>. Once in your account, review your account information-particularly your e-mail address. If your account requires updating, please hit the TOOLBOX tab at the top of the screen. On the left side of your screen in the green column click "Update My Account" You will be able to make the necessary changes-please remember to hit the SAVE button at the bottom of the screen.

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Thank you to all who continue to serve in a ministry during these extremely challenging days.



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