



# St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



## June 23, 2024 Twelfth 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

A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?" He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.  
Mark 4:37-39

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, June 23, 2024

##### Collective Intentions

Father's Day

People of St. William's

Fred Kaestner

Brenda DeMarco

George McLaughlin

John Dwyer

Kenneth Troise

James Brennan

#### Tuesday, June 25, 2024

Kristell LeGoff (liv)

#### Wed., June 26, 2024

Marie Therese Buley

#### Thursday, June 27, 2024

Anne Kilkelly

#### Friday, June 28, 2024

John Mackay

#### Monday, June 24, 2024

##### Collective Intentions

Father's Day

Julia A. Hall

Kathleen McMurray

Mary Hotetz

Joan Darnaoud

#### Saturday, June 29, 2024

Purgatorial Society

##### Collective Intentions

Sue Kane

Martin & Agnes Spelman

Joseph Gaskin

Walter C. Breslin

Joseph Paul Vaccaro

### Pray for the Sick

Eileen Engelman

Thomas Lynch

Lesa Laurence

Louis Jannotte

Sal Lupo

Richard Fedyk

Jacqueline Denhard

### Pray for the Deceased

Pearl "Dolly" Farrell

### Wine and Hosts

The Wine and Hosts used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of Catherine and Lester Conlon from Barbara Conlon

### Altar Candles

The Altar Candles used at Mass this week have been donated in honor of Sr. Joan of Arc Spelman from Bill and Philomena Brennan

## HAPPY SAINT WILLIAM THE ABBOT DAY!

The Universal Church recognizes June 25th as the Feast Day of St. William the Abbot. St. William was born in Italy in the year 1085, and at a very early age had a deep connection with God and his Catholic faith. He was inspired to go on a few pilgrimages that took him to different parts of Europe, but what was the most deep in his heart was a journey to the Holy Land, to walk where Jesus walked. Along the journey to Israel, his plan was diverted by God's plan, and eventually he settled near Naples and began a community of monks at Monte Vergine. William desired to live more of a hermit-like existence, but his life of holiness drew other followers, and they created an Abbey that was a lighthouse of hope to the faithful peasants of that region and beyond. St. William was credited with miraculous stories of conversion, proclamation of the gospel, and the legendary story of the "Miracle of the Wolf". This year marks the 900th anniversary of this powerful story of the determined Abbot of Monte Virgine, and how the wolf assisted in the completion of the holy site.

On Wednesday, I too will celebrate an anniversary connected to St. William, my 5th anniversary as the pastor. Our church community is also approaching its 100th anniversary of existence, and we will begin a year of celebrations starting in the summer of 2026. The parish was officially dedicated in August of 1927, with about 50 total registered families. We now have close to 5000! This August we will also begin our 70th academic school year at St. William the Abbot School, which was founded by the Ursuline Sisters of Tildonk in 1954. So many of you have attended or your children and grandchildren are graduates and we are committed to keeping this legacy alive! Keep an eye out for upcoming events.

St. William the Abbot Day 2024 will be filled with spiritual and temporal food! We will gather as a parish to celebrate the 6pm mass in the church, followed by a parish barbeque in the back parking lot. We will have regular grilling items like hamburgers and hot dogs, cotton candy and popcorn, as well as activities and inflatables for the children. Please bring drinks and any extra snacks! I encourage you to arrive early with chairs and blankets to set up a space, and then come celebrate the mass to honor our patron.

I wanted you to be aware of a few other great opportunities involving me personally and the parish. I have been given the great honor to participate in two wonderful opportunities this summer. Most of you are familiar with the Seaford 9/11 Memorial at the High School which recognizes and remembers the five graduates who died on September 11, 2001. A scholarship fund and award was established to recognize graduating Seaford HS students who best exemplified the life and spirit of those heroic men who died during the attack on the World Trade Center. The Honorary Patriot Award is given to older community members, who to the best of their ability model those virtues. Many of our parishioners, leaders of ministries, and clergy from St. William have been nominated in the past, and this year I am blessed to be a part of that prestigious group.

In that patriotic spirit, Bishop Barres has also asked me to attend the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris to observe the spiritual presence at the Games. In the summer of 2028, the United States of America will host the Olympics in Los Angeles. The US Catholic Bishops are attempting to have a spiritual presence for the athletes and those who come to watch the Olympics four years from now. The Archdiocese of Paris has organized a number of events and activities for this summer, and Bishop Barres thought it best for me to go and experience it firsthand and bring back a report. Go USA!

Finally, you will also see an advertisement for an upcoming pilgrimage to Italy and the homeland of our patron, St. William the Abbot. When I first arrived here five years ago, I had a wonderful conversation with Father Bill (now Bishop Bill) and he encouraged me at some point to either make a personal visit to Monte Vergine, or to lead a pilgrimage there. The seed was planted in my heart, but unfortunately a global pandemic threw everything off. After a great deal of prayer and discernment, I thought what better than this year with so many high point anniversaries for our parish, our patron, and the Jubilee Year (2025)?! The pilgrimage will bring us to Naples, to the real "Abbey", to Assisi, and then of course to end in Rome with an audience with the Pope. I encourage you to pray about it and see if you would like to join me on this trip.



## ***Peter's Pence Collection***

Next weekend we will take the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous! For more information, please visit:

[www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html)

## ***Pillar of Formation***

Trust in God - turn to Him and let Him heal you.  
Have faith and grow that faith through prayer.

## ***Banns of Marriage***

### **Banns I**

Danielle DeGrazia, St. William the Abbot  
& Robert Gray, III, St. Frances de Chantal,  
Wantagh

Julia Parisi, Church of the Resurrection, Rye, NY  
& Matthew Wendelken, St. William the Abbot

### **Banns III**

Gabriela Caputo, St. William the Abbot  
& Glen Carey, Our Lady of Lourdes

## ***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) - Commander Michael S. Slatley (USN) - Daniel Timpanaro (USCG) - Lt. Col. Christopher J. Ustler (USA) - Cdr. Katherine Ustler-Lodispoto (USCG) - Michael Vietri (USN)



## ***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, June 30, 2024.

## ***Purgatorial Society***

Lois Anusiak, Teresa Angelastro, Walter C. Breslin, Thomas P. Calautti, Deborah A. D'Amore, Dean Gregorio, Chris Helgasen, Doris Mulcahy, Vincent J. Pernice, Thomas Reilly, Hildegard Robinson, Carl Scogmanillo, Kristin A. Valerga-Goetze, Margaret Burke, Patricia Baisley, Howard Batsford, Andrew Bricht, Dorothy Meinke, Edward Bolinger, Kelly Mooney Cordero, Catherine Koster.

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.

John Battiste, Marie Cosgrove, Joseph DePieiro, Thomas V. Fitzgerald, Jr., Mary Horne, Sal Locrotondo, Carol Locrotondo, Michael Maltese, Jr., Lydia Medina, Carla Jean Powell, Adele Riordan, Caroline Sivert, Kathy Abrescia, Donald Clark, Diane Gaskin, Richard McKenna.

Clifford Grohs, Daisy Martinez, Catherine Donoghue, Bobby Torressen, Steven Danko, Anna Clark, Andrew Bartolozzi, Eva Gerard, Gilda Russo, William Perez, Jr.

Carmela Farari, Lucy Rondazzo, Christine Pittelli, Ann M. Schaefer

Robert Russo, Stephen L. Kirtyan, Susan Darowski

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.

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# SUMMER

## 50/50 RAFFLE

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WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED  
AT FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

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TUESDAY, JUNE 25TH

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PURCHASE ONLINE OR  
RETURN THE BELOW FORM  
TO THE RECTORY

[STWILLIAM.ORG/FEAST2024](http://STWILLIAM.ORG/FEAST2024)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Entries:    \_\_\_ Single Entry (\$25)        \_\_\_ Five Entries (\$100)

Please make checks payable to St. William the Abbot

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE

FEAST DAY OF  
ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT



BEGINNING WITH 6PM MASS

PARISH BBQ TO FOLLOW MASS

**FOOD • MUSIC • ACTIVITIES**

BURGERS/HOT DOGS & TREATS PROVIDED

PLEASE BRING DRINKS & ANYTHING ELSE YOU'D LIKE TO ENJOY

**TUESDAY, JUNE 25TH**

\*\*\*\*\* BRING CHAIRS/PICNIC BLANKETS \*\*\*\*\*



VISIT [STWILLIAM.ORG/FEAST2024](http://STWILLIAM.ORG/FEAST2024) TO VOLUNTEER



# St. William the Abbot School

The week was full of energy at St. William the Abbot School, as Nursery, Pre-Kindergarten, and Kindergarten students celebrated their Moving Up ceremonies. Our 8th Graders began the week with a heartfelt blessing from Fr. Joe during morning Mass, followed by a delightful breakfast shared with their parents. The 8th Graders and their parents were surprised by their Kinder buddies singing "I Am A Promise." Consistent with SWS legacy, the week culminated in a beautiful Graduation Mass and Commencement Ceremony honoring the 8th Graders. Congratulations to all!



**SCHEDULE A TOUR OF OUR NURSERY - 8TH GRADE PROGRAMS TODAY (516-785-6784)**

# 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

## HOW TO REGISTER

Visit [stwilliam.org/faith-formation](http://stwilliam.org/faith-formation)



## 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

## CONTACT THE OFFICE OF CHILDHOOD FAITH FORMATION

[faithformation@stwilliam.org](mailto:faithformation@stwilliam.org)  
516-783-2528



## Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Classic Italy



Spiritual Director:  
**Fr. Joe Fitzgerald**

### Your Pilgrimage Includes:

- Round-trip airfare
- 9 nights accommodation at centrally located first class hotels
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- Wine and mineral water with dinners
- Assistance of a professional local Catholic guide
- Transfers as per itinerary
- And More!

**February 17 - 27, 2025**

**\$6,149 per person**  
from New York (JFK)

*All prices based on double occupancy.  
Pricing available from any airport:  
[www.206tours.com/airports](http://www.206tours.com/airports)*

# ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT CYO

## FOR BOYS & GIRLS GRADES 4-8

OPEN REGISTRATION:  
6/23-7/14



SWA PARISHIONERS & SWS STUDENTS  
REGISTRATION FEE:  
\$200

**GIRLS SEASON:**  
September-February  
**BOYS SEASON:**  
October-March

ST. WILLIAM'S CYO IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS WHO WILL INSPIRE THE YOUTH OF THE PARISH TO KNOW GOD, TO LOVE GOD, AND TO SERVE GOD THROUGH ATHLETICS. THOSE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING SHOULD ALSO REGISTER ON THE WEBSITE.

COACHES WITH CHILDREN IN THE PROGRAM WILL RECEIVE A PARTIAL REIMBURSEMENT ON REGISTRATION FEES.

### Our Catholic Community on Long Island

FOR STUDENTS ENTERING 9TH-12TH GRADE

# QUO VADIS

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

Saturday  
**JULY 27, 2024**

St. Anthony's High School  
275 Wolf Hill Road  
South Huntington, NY 11747

 CAMPQUOVADIS@DRVC.ORG  
CAMPQUOVADIS.COM

## CAMP CHRIST

Long Island's Catholic  
Summer Camp



July 1st - 3rd @ Farmingdale State College

- For Boys & Girls 13 -17 years old
- Choose from baseball, softball, or basketball programs
- No fee to attend

register today at [www.campchrist.org](http://www.campchrist.org)

Our mission is simple: We seek to provide a free and unique baseball, softball, and basketball camp experience where kids will be able to work with the best trainers on Long Island - all under a backdrop of conveying a deeper understanding of the Catholic faith and how the athletes might draw upon that faith during life's trials and tribulations.

## CATHOLIC SPORTS CAMP FOR CHILDREN 5-12

CHOOSE FROM ARTS & CRAFTS, BASKETBALL, DANCE,  
VOLLEYBALL, CHESS, OR SOCCER

JUNE 24 - 28; JULY 1 - 5 AT ST. WILLIAM'S

CONTACT  
CATHOLICSPORTSCAMP@GMAIL.COM  
FOR MORE INFORMATION





## *Parish Social Ministry*

### ***Yarn Donation Needed***

The Social Ministry is now collecting yarn donations for the Prayer Shawl Ministry. Donations can be dropped off at our office at 2020 Jackson Avenue 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.



### ***Pantry List***

Raisin Bran Cereal  
Saltine Crackers  
Hearty Beef or Vegetable Soup  
Cake or Cookie Mix

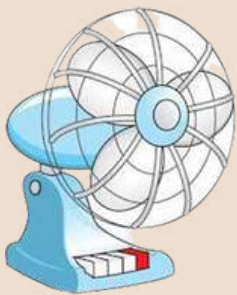
### ***Summer Food Donations***

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.

### ***PSEG Assistance Available***

PSEG offers multiple programs to help customers facing financial hardship. They offer the Household Assistance Program (HAP) which can provide a \$40 monthly credit to your bill. If you already receive assistance such as HEAP, SNAP or SSI, or if you are on Medicaid, you may already qualify for HAP! In addition, PSEG offers the Residential Energy Affordability Partnership (REAP) where a technician will perform a free home energy survey to find opportunities for energy efficiency improvements intended to lower your energy costs. You will receive a \$50 bill credit just for completing the in-person home energy survey! For more information call 1-800-263-6786 or apply online at [PSEGLINY.com/assistance](https://www.pseg.com/assistance).

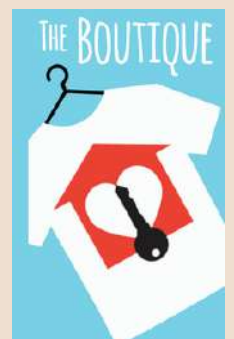
### ***HEAP Cooling Assistance Open!***



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>.

### ***Where Can I Donate Clothing?***

Did you know that used clothing can be donated locally to be re-used by those in need? "The Boutique" in Amityville is run by the Long Island Coalition for the Homeless. This special distribution center allows people in need to come and pick out clothes and other essential items, all for free! Donations of new and used clothing are accepted Tuesday through Thursday, 10am to 3pm at their 600 Albany Avenue location, or by appointment. By helping The Boutique, you also help our Parish families in need, because we can send referrals for our families to shop there! To contact The Boutique, call 631-464-4314.





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  @stwilliamabbot

Scan here to make a one-time donation by Credit Card, Apple Pay, Google Pay, or CashApp

Or visit  
stwilliam.org/ways-to-give



**Rev. Joseph H. Fitzgerald**  
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*Associate Pastor*

Rev. John Crozier  
*In Residence*

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**St. William the Abbot School**



Elizabeth Bricker  
*Principal*

Ryan Fedak  
*Assistant Principal*

516-785-6784

stwilliamtheabbot.net

*A Legacy of Excellence - Nursery through 8th Grade*

**Deacons**

Dcn. Anthony Cedrone  
Dcn. Michael Metzdorff

Dcn. John Lynch

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**Our Seminarian**

Herley Mendez  
SWA Parishioner

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

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stwilliam.org/faith-formation

**Resources**

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)  
rcia@stwilliam.org | stwilliam.org/rcia

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  
drvc.org

Formed: The Catholic Faith. On Demand  
formed.org

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

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Friday: 9am - 12n  
Saturday: 9am - 12:30pm, 1pm - 3pm

*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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*Fifth Bishop of Rockville Centre*

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Most Rev. John C. Dunne (Retired)  
*Auxiliary Bishops of Rockville Centre*

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