



St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



June 5, 2022 Pentecost Sunday

Weekly Schedule

Daily Mass

Monday - Saturday: 8:30 am

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am, 12 n

Live-Streamed Masses

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 12 n

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Saturday: 3:45 pm - 4:30 pm

Adoration

Monday - Saturday: 7:30 am - 8:15am

First Friday of the Month: 9am - 5pm

Private Prayer

Monday - Friday: 7:15 am - 6 pm

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

John 20:21-23

Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 5, 2022

Emma Ustler

People of St. William's

Collective Intentions

Margaret Wolynski

Dorothy Rohan

Grazietta & Donato Marrone

Barbara Leddy

Phyllis Sym Mitchell

Monday, June 6, 2022

Glen Clinton

Tuesday, June 7, 2022

Dale McNamara

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

Collective Intentions

Alan Neubauer

Rita Long

Jeremy Mendoza

Michael & Jackie Hayes (liv)

Thursday, June 9, 2022

Rachel Ann Schaedler

Friday, June 10, 2022

Eileen Dvorak

Saturday, June 11, 2022

Purgatorial Society

George C. Cain

Pray for the Deceased

John B. Lasher

Domemick Bellissimo

Pray for the Sick

Keith Gorton

Antonio Valdez, Jr.

Jeannine Tedeschi

Sonia Juanico

Adrienne Harker

Rev. John Whalen

Anne Canale

Baptism

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

Callie Barbara

Robert Hovanec

Luke McGuire

Luca Merritt

Claire Schneider

Altar Flowers

have been donated in loving memory of
Joseph J. Cannizzaro, Sr.
from James Grella and Allison Gibson

Wine and Hosts

have been donated in loving memory of
Patricia McArdle
from Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Sanctuary Candles

have been donated in loving memory of
Jerry Georgis
from Sandy Kandybowicz

Pentecost 2022

“Something has to be different in this world”

Each Pentecost Sunday we are reminded of the powerful image of the tongues of fire that hung over the first apostles' heads as they received the Holy Spirit. What this shows is how these common simple men were able to connect with so many cultures and languages, to truly bring forth the message of Jesus Christ to the whole world. To be Catholic in its truest identity means to be universal. The whole world was evangelized by these first disciples because the Holy Spirit, the Advocate moved them to go forth from the Upper Room, to come out from hiding, and to courageously proclaim the Gospel message. The Good News of forgiveness, of a love that can resurrect, of a new way to live that was so different then the direction the world was going at that time. It is really no different for us today, and after some of the events that have occurred these past few weeks and months, it has caused me to ask myself if anything has actually changed – in myself, the parish, and the world during this Easter season 2022.

When we come to this time of year, I think of it as the 'Confirmation season,' and perhaps you like me have been attending family and friends' Confirmation services and celebrations. The Church challenges these teenagers who are now expected to be treated and act as 'adults in the church' because they have received certain gifts from the Holy Spirit. The gifts of wisdom, understanding, courage, and a respectful fear of the Lord which they are supposed to share in order to better the world we live in. A challenging task in our current environment, no doubt. When I think back to what was going on in the world in 1986 (the year I was confirmed), and what is happening in our world today, is it much different? We had a global pandemic (AIDS), Russia was at war with a neighboring country (Afghanistan), there was unrest at the southern border due to migration from Central America (El Salvador) and there was instability in our economy with inflation and the Savings and Loan crisis. Come Holy Spirit – we need you now more than ever.

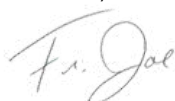
On June 9th I will celebrate my 15th year as a priest. I can tell you that I have never been happier in my life. There are challenges I face as my parents get older, as well as parish and personal responsibilities which become more challenging with greater expectations and fewer hands to help. But what has sustained and strengthened me through this time is a deep intimate prayer. As I sit in the gaze of the Heavenly Father and ask for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit for wisdom and guidance, most importantly, to walk with Jesus each day, I am able to navigate these odd and challenging times. The Lord is always present to us, but are we always aware of His presence? Do we go into isolation when it is time to make a decision? Or do we ask for the Holy Spirit's guidance? When conversations take a turn into gossip or negative talk, do we add fuel to the fire? Are we silent? Or do we inject God's goodness and truth? It is Pentecost, and today things must be different for us, and the Holy Spirit once again is being sent forth to renew the face of the earth.

As I look out in the world and read once again about another school shooting, about how the talks between Russia, Ukraine, and the rest of the world have been strained because of the egos and selfishness, and the constant attack on children in the womb, it is apparent that these desperate times call for significant change. Pope Francis recently spoke to the Church by saying we are in desperate need of a “new Pentecost.” We must go out to the world and proclaim the Good News of hope, life, and love. But first we must do it within our own families, our own homes, and especially our own hearts.

My friends, are we really ready and willing to have the Holy Spirit enter into us? So, we can have a generous heart - to give to the poor, that we can be gentle with self-control to our aging parents or teenage children and grandchildren? Are we showing patience with our spouses, especially when we think “my husband should be attentive to my thoughts” or “doesn't my wife know I can only handle one project at a time” – as if you become mind readers because you are married to the other person? We, or at least I know I can be so quick to look out at the world and our country and see division and break down - Russia Probes, pro-gun vs gun control, democrat vs republican, immigrant vs natural born, but let's face it if we cannot be attentive and try to bring Christ's love and unity to those closest to us first, how can we be instruments of change on the global scale?

Pentecost must be different this year - and we must be part of the change! Let us pray for a Spirit of a new Pentecost to enkindle a fire of faith, hope and love in ourselves - so that we can be an instrument of change and light in a darkened world. Let us pray for healing and hope – yes – in Russia and Ukraine, in the political climate here in United States, for those families who are suffering in Buffalo and Texas and other communities around the country, but most importantly within our own hearts and homes. Heavenly Father Send forth your spirit and to renew the face of the Earth.

Peace,



Wedding Banns

Banns II

Kira Golden, St. William the Abbot
& Anthony Scalamandre, St. William the Abbot

Banns III

Rosa Baez, Our Holy Redeemer Church, Uniondale
& Rafael Rivera, Seaford

Corinn Piazza, St. William the Abbot
& Ryan Devir, New York City

Gabrielle Dundas, St. Henry, Bayonne, NJ
& Frank Serravalli, St. William the Abbot

Father's Day Novena



Our Father's Day Novena of Masses will begin on Father's Day, June 19th. Cards and envelopes for the Father's Day Novena of Masses are available at the doors of the Church and in the Rectory.

If you would like to have your living father remembered, kindly take a donation envelope and card. If you would like to have your deceased father remembered, please use a donation envelope only.

Pray for Our Seminarians

Joseph Lettieri
Herley Mendez
Patrick O'Brien
John Brusa

Patrick O'Brien's Seminarian Snippet: Acknowledging God's Presence

Dear Saint William's Family,

Happy June to you and your families! In the Church, June is the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Through our faith, Jesus reaches out to us. He desires to give us His Heart, and this is seen most powerfully as we receive Him in the Eucharist at Mass! God dwells in the tabernacle waiting for us!

Saint Maximilian Kolbe, a Franciscan priest who gave his life at Auschwitz so another prisoner could live, once said that when we kneel before God, we should "do it in such a way that others may be able to recognize before whom you kneel." Sometimes it can be a temptation for us to come into the Church and genuflect halfway, or very quickly, or make the sign of the Cross very quickly also. We do not genuflect when enter the Church solely because we were

taught to, but because Jesus is truly here! We were created to be good, and our bodies are good, but sometimes, because of knee or back problems, it can be hard to fully genuflect, or maybe we find ourselves rushing into the Church at times.

May I offer an alternative if genuflecting is not possible: to take a moment to bow your head, or your torso, however you are able. We take that moment to genuflect or bow before entering our pew to acknowledge that the Lord is here with us! This moment can inspire others, because the way we live can show others what we believe, namely, that God dwells here with us. God Bless you!



Pray for those in the Military

USMC -

Lt. Kevin J. Butler
First Lt. Dana Duggan
L.Cpl. John Mosier

US Army -

Capt. Caitlin M. Lee
CW2 Brian Kirby
Major Eamon G. McArdle
Sgt. Donald Rogers
Major Christopher James Ustler
Major Kurtis Unger

US Air Force -

Capt. Matthew B. Frasse
Tech. Sgt. Eric Meyers
AIC William Hughes
Major Thomas F. Shields

US Navy -

Lt. Joseph Fitzgerald
Ryan Bayer, Ensign
Rebecca Bayer, Ensign
STS1 Thomas Kerley
Lt. jg Michael O'Hara
MMN2 Emily Partridge
Commander Michael Sean Slatley
Lt. jg Michael Napolitano

US Coast Guard -

Lt. James Knudsen
Daniel Timpanaro
LT. Commander Katherine Ustler
Frank Pristera

US Army -

Sgt. Craig Bianco
SPC Anthony Caputo
Capt. Michael DiPietro
Capt. Michael Fitzgerald
Capt. Christopher J. Frasse
Capt. Logan Lee
Lt. Col. John Kallo
Capt. Caitlin M. Lee

Welcome Seminarian John Brusa



Hey everyone! My name is John Brusa and I am a seminarian from the Diocese of Syracuse, NY. This summer I'm living at St. William's while I participate in the Clinical Pastoral Education program at Catholic Health here on Long Island.

I was born and raised in Syracuse and am the oldest of five children. My initial childhood dream was to be a meteorologist, and so after high school I entered the meteorology program at SUNY Oswego. The summer before I began college, the Lord placed a desire in my heart for the priesthood which I could not ignore. So after one year at SUNY Oswego, I transferred into the College Seminary in Douglaston, Queens, taking classes at St. John's University. Currently, I study at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in historic Emmitsburg, MD.

Some of my hobbies include fishing and hiking. I am so looking forward to getting to know the community here at St. William's!



St. Peregrine Prayer Hour

On Monday afternoon, June 6th, the St. Peregrine Prayer Hour will be held from 2:00 - 3:00 PM in the Church.

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.

CYO Girls Summer Basketball Registration for 5th, 6th and 7th Grades

St. William's CYO will be entering CYO summer basketball teams for girls who will be entering 5th, 6th and 7th Grades this September.

The girls' summer basketball season runs from July 6th through August 26th. To register for these teams please go to the web site:

st-williams-cyo.sportssignup.com.

The fee for summer basketball is \$80 and the registration will end on Saturday, June 11th.

*Join Us to Celebrate the
15th Anniversary of Fr. Joe's Ordination*

THURSDAY, JUNE 9TH

HOLY HOUR INSIDE CHURCH

CELEBRATION ON RECTORY LAWN

6PM

7PM



**FEAST OF
ST. WILLIAM
THE ABBOT
SATURDAY, JUNE 25TH**

**4 PM
OUTDOOR MASS ON
FRONT LAWN OF THE RECTORY**

**5 PM - 11 PM
FEAST BEHIND
SCHOOL**

FOOD · MUSIC · GAMES · ACTIVITIES

Please consider volunteering for this event:

Name: _____

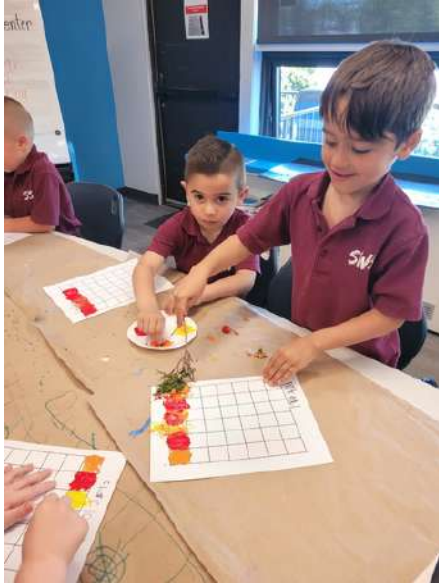
Telephone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Area of Interest: Set-Up/Break-Down Food Activities General Volunteer

Please return to the Rectory Drop Box or email information@stwilliam.org

St. William the Abbot School News

Kindergarteners wrapped up their exciting first year in the Innovation Center with a lesson on balance and creating paintings with items found in nature!



It's been a busy end of year in STREAM! First Graders discussed animal adaptations that help animals survive and thrive in nature. Each First Grader picked an animal and then designed a creature power costume piece using cardboard that when activated with imagination will give them the powers of the animal they picked. Second Graders designed their own personal islands highlighting landforms they learned about. Third Graders made animal life cycle mobiles that not only showed the different stages of each animal, but also balanced when hung.





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2022-2023 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

FAMILIES CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN OUR PROGRAM WILL HAVE THE
REGISTRATION MATERIALS EMAILED TO THEM

NEW FAMILIES AND THOSE WITH CHILDREN ENTERING 1ST GRADE
(LEVEL 1) ARE ASKED TO REGISTER IN PERSON

ALL FAMILIES MUST BE REGISTERED PARISHIONERS OF ST. WILLIAM THE
ABBOT AND NEW FAMILIES MUST LIVE WITHIN THE PARISH BOUNDARIES

PAYMENT BY CHECK IS DUE AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION

IN PERSON REGISTRATION IN CHURCH VESTIBULE

5/15, 5/22, 6/12

AFTER THE 9AM, 10:30AM, AND 12N MASSES

Please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if you are new to the program. If you are transferring from another parish, you must provide an official letter of transfer from your previous parish stating the child's formation and sacramental information.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION IS A TWO-YEAR PROGRAM. CHILDREN MUST ATTEND LEVELS 1 AND 2 BEFORE THEY CAN RECEIVE FIRST COMMUNION.

Parish Social Ministry

Cooling Assistance - Program Open!



Applications for HEAP Cooling Assistance are now being accepted. HEAP is the Home Energy Assistance Program, which helps low-income individuals and families pay for the cost of heating or cooling their homes. You can apply for cooling assistance in order to buy and install an air conditioner or fan for your home, max price \$800 with installation. To be eligible you must have a documented medical condition that is aggravated by heat, and you must meet certain income guidelines. For more information or to apply, visit <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/> or call 1-800-342-3009.

Pantry Needs

Granola Bars
Laundry Detergent
Cooking Oil

Coffee
Juice Boxes
Shampoo & Conditioner

Alzheimer's Support

There are free support groups available for those impacted by Alzheimer's. Sharing your experiences with others who understand can help everyone that participates. Topics covered include understanding Alzheimer's, legal and financial planning, caregiver support, effective communication, and healthy living for both victims and caregivers. Consultations are available from the LI Alzheimer's Association at 800-272-3900 or call the Social Ministry office for more information.

Teen Service Hours Opportunity!



The Social Ministry is looking for handmade cards crafted by students that can be mailed to our homebound parishioners this summer. Cards can be done on folded construction paper and should be colorful and cheerful! Cards may be addressed 'Dear friend' and contain a positive message, greeting or prayer for the parishioner. One service hour earned for every 5 cards submitted (service letter provided at drop-off). For questions, please call our office at 516-679-8532.

As It Gets Warmer...Donation Reminder!

As the weather gets warmer, please do not leave perishables in the Social Ministry outdoor food bin. Exposure to warm temperatures and the increased insects that come with the season could make it unsafe for us to re-distribute your donation.

If you cannot make it to our office to donate during business hours, feel free to call us for an evening or Sunday drop off appointment.



Gardens that Give Back!

As you are planning and planting your vegetable gardens, please remember the Food Pantry. We will gladly accept donations of your surplus harvest! Fresh vegetables are a blessing for the families we serve.

Coming Soon...NYS Utilities Arrears Forgiveness Program

A new utility arrears forgiveness program will be coming from NYS this summer. Customers who are on the PSEG or National Grid reduced rate programs will qualify! If you need help with your utility bills, please ensure you have applied for reduced rate programs with your providers so that you are eligible for this new summer program. For PSEG, apply to their Household Assistance Program at:

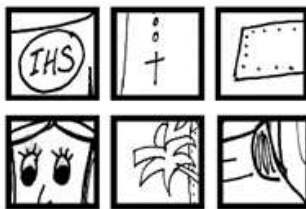
<https://www.psegliny.com/myaccount/customersupport/financialassistance/householdassistance>.

For National Grid's Energy Affordability Program, please call their Energy Affordability Team at 1-866-305-1915.

Saint Juliana Falconieri

Saint Juliana started a group of nuns called the Servite Tertiaries. They worked with people who were sick and did other works of mercy.

When Juliana got older, she was sick and couldn't receive Holy Communion. She asked the priest to place the Host over her heart. Miraculously, the Host disappeared!



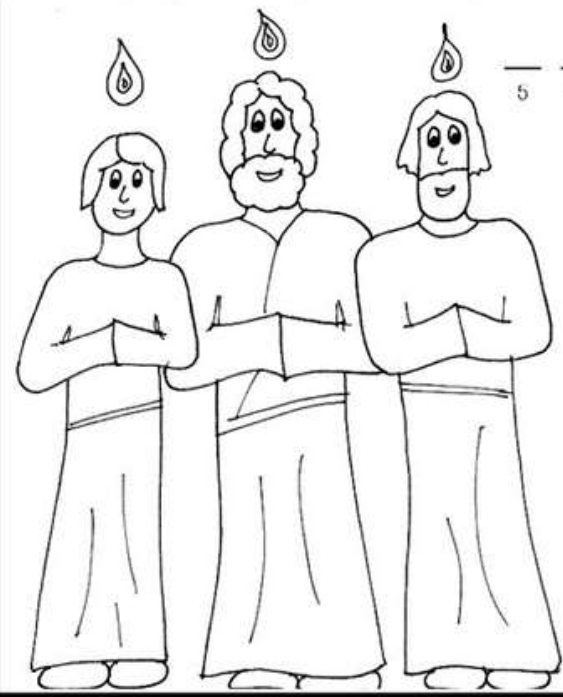
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Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.
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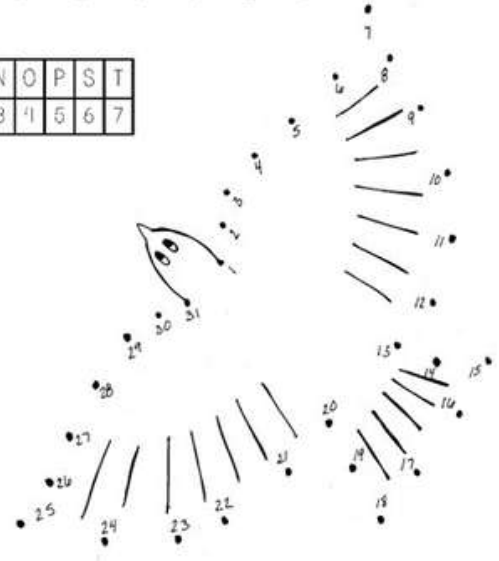


Today is Pentecost. What color is the priest wearing today?



5 2 3 7 2 1 4 6 7

C	E	N	O	P	S	T
1	2	3	4	5	6	7



Gospel

Today is Pentecost when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit. Listen for the words, "Holy Spirit," during Mass.

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