St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



Welcome to St. William the Abbot

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ **June 6. 2021**

PARISH INFORMATION

RECTORY

Office: 516.785.1266 2000 Jackson Avenue Seaford, NY 11783 stwilliam.org

Monday - Friday 9 AM - 5 PM Saturday 9 AM - 3 PM Sunday

9 AM - 1 PM

RECTORY HOURS

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. - Mark 14:22-26

MASS TIMES

The presider schedule can be found on the parish website stwilliam.org

DAILY MASS Monday - Friday 8:30 AM

WEEKEND MASS Saturday

8:30 AM & 5 PM Sunday 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM, & 12 PM

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 6, 2021 Vito Magrino Baby David George Skennion Helen M. Sheehy **Collective Intentions** Thomas Agolia, Dorothy Rohan, Anthony Albano, Kevin McCarthy, Gerry Cullinan

> Monday, June 7, 2021 Brian Cox

Tuesday, June 8, 2021 Alan C. Neubauer

Wednesday, June 9, 2021 Deceased Alumni of the 8:00 A.M. Mass

Thursday, June 10, 2021 **Collective Intentions** Donald Clark, Edward Waller, Anton Giese, Loretta Sullivan

Friday, June 11, 2021 Marie Carpenter

Saturday, June 12, 2021 **Purgatorial Society** George C. Cain

New Rectory Hours

The Rectory will be open Monday through Friday - 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Saturday - 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Sunday - 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Baptism

Ryan McDonald

Vincent M. Zafonte

Theodore Kampfer

Robert J. Raymond III

Let us welcome those children who were Baptized this past weekend.

The Sanctuary Candles used at mass this week have donated in loving memory of

Harriet & Bernard Phillips

from the Phillip's Family.

Pray for the Deceased

Anita Masciuli

Laura Prager

Antoinette Manno

Pray for the Sick

Emma Ustler

Laurie Wasserman

Arlene Finlay Michael Gelling

Mary Palleja Amila Palleja

Larry Weinroth **Dorothy Meinke**

Refilling the Beach Pail



Some of my greatest memories of life come from the summertime and being with family and friends, especially at the beach. I can think of the countless hours of walking backand-forth with a beach pail from the water to a hole I made in the sand. Constantly filling it and emptying it, back-and-forth from the cold Atlantic Ocean of the South Shore up to an opening in the hot beach sand. I could do it for hours, and the only thing that made it better was when I did with my dad. I often think about those summer days in the past when he would come to either the Breezy Point Surf Club when we lived in Brooklyn, or Cedar Beach at the town of Babylon. Those few days each summer of rest and recreation were able to fill up the "Beach Pail" of his heart - body surfing in the waves, building sandcastles, eating the packed lunch and snacks mom would bring each day. It was magical. There is no doubt this is what dad worked so hard during the year for, to spend those few days in the summer being refreshed, renewed, and refilled.

Although last weekend was Memorial Day and the official opening of summer, it was anything but summer-like. But even in the washout, it reminded me of the importance for all of us to refill our physical and spiritual "Beach Pails." As I think about this season we enter, of high school and 8th grade graduations, moving up ceremonies, and activities amping up, there is a longing for summer vacation - we all look to the rejuvenation that summer brings. What will it be like for you and your family? Will it be a beach? An East Coast amusement park? A cross-country road trip? Getting on the boat and heading to Zachs Bay to anchor down for the afternoon? Or just lounging in the backyard pool? We are so ready for good weather and family time!

In all of what is happening, God is with us – which is why it is so important for us in this time to take time and turn to the God of Creation and ask for wisdom for us to experience the re-creation that summertime allows. The past year has been extremely difficult for all of us, but the Lord has provided us with times of oasis moments, and during the challenges - God revealed himself. The scriptures remind us "all who are thirsty, come to the waters and drink," and so many of you have shared with me that St. William the Abbot has been a fountain of life-giving water this past year. Perhaps it was a homily from Fr. James, a music lyric from Father Collins, the morning time of adoration and quiet, or being able to come to the church and light a candle after work. In the next few weeks, you will notice that we priests will be attempting to refill our "Beach Pails" as we go on retreat, take a summer course, and attend a conference. These are all ways for us to grow in our personal and priestly lives so we can serve you better. Please remember us in your prayers.

Your prayers, presence and generosity have allowed us to provide so many opportunities to Encounter the Lord Jesus at St. William throughout the Pandemic and into these times of renewal and opening back up. As you all discern your summer plans, please be mindful that we hope to provide the same and even more opportunities throughout the summer. Our mission to enhance the sacramental experience, to form the faithful, and to reach out to the most vulnerable never takes a vacation. If you are able to continue with your weekly offering (or monthly online giving) throughout the summer, it is greatly appreciated, and necessary for us to thrive as a community of faith.

Thank you for your commitment to the Mission of the Gospel and the Parish Family of St. William.

Peace.



Rectory News

Wedding Banns II

Joseph Devito Our Lady of Mercy, Hicksville

&

Rebecca Wright St. Catherine of Sienna, Franklin Square

Wedding Banns III

Gregory Griffing Riverhead, NY

&

Melissa Crabb Riverhead, NY



St. William the Abbot desires to partner with parents and young adults to reach the next generation for God's Glory. We have many Core volunteer opportunities, please email **priests@stwilliam.org** if you wish to share your gifts with the youth of our community.



Father's Day Novena

Our Father's Day Novena of Masses will begin on Father's Day, June 20th. 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.



Missals

At this time we are able to offer the sale of individual missals for \$10 per missal. Please bring a check for \$10 payable to St. William the Abbot or \$10 exact cash to the rectory. There will be no change for cash purchases. We have a limited number at this time, so it is a first come first served basis.



Take a walk with Father James and Kolbe! All dogs welcome! Email priests@stwilliam.org to schedule a walk.

Extraordinary Ministers

There will be an important meeting of all our Extraordinary Ministers who would like to continue with the ministry, and those who desire to participate in bringing the Eucharist to the homebound on Wednesday, June 16th at 7:00 PM in the Church. For those who cannot attend this meeting, there will be another meeting scheduled on a Saturday morning after Mass at a later date.

Please know that you will not be able to resume Eucharistic Minister activities until you have attended one of these meetings.

Private Prayer

The Church will be open for private prayer Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM. If there is something taking place in the church such as a funeral, wedding, class, parent meetings, RCIA, etc., parishioners should understand that they should not remain in church during these activities.

Low Gluten Hosts Available at Mass

For those who must avoid gluten in their diet, the parish has lowgluten hosts available for Holy Communion. If you wish to receive such a host, please arrive prior to Mass and inform the priest and he will place your host in a oyx.

DON'T FORGET YOUR BABY BOTTLE!



On the weekend of June 5 & 6, St. William the Abbot Parish will be hosting a baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit The Life Center of Long Island.

The Life Center is a pregnancy help center that consults women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy.

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer on the bottle. The prayer attached to the bottle will enable the consultants at The Life Center to say just the right words a mother or father may need to hear. It especially opens a mother's heart to accept the truth. We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to call The Life center in the first place.

We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it up with your donation. (Make checks out to the Life Center of L.I.)

Please return the bottles on June 19th & 20th

Memorials Available

We are pleased to announce that the Sanctuary Candle and the Altar Candles that are used at Mass throughout the week are now available as memorials.

Anyone wishing to donate the Sanctuary Candle or the Altar Candles in memory of a loved one or on the occasion of an anniversary, birthday, etc., can make this request at the Rectory. Please call 516-785-1266. The offering for the Sanctuary Candle is \$15 and the offering for the Altar Candles is \$30. The name of the person will be announced in the bulletin for each week the candles are donated.

Dispensation from Mass

As a reminder, the dispensation from the requirement to attend Sunday Mass remains in effect. Those who are most vulnerable and at a greater risk (due to age, preexisting health conditions or being in close proximity to vulnerable people) are encouraged to remain home at this time.

If a person shows any symptoms of illness, they are asked to please not come to church. We encourage you to join us for Mass online on the parish website stwilliam.org



Sacristy

For the safety of our Priests, we ask that parishioners refrain from entering the Sacristy. Please do not hand offering envelopes, letters etc. to the Priests. Please drop them off in the Rectory Mail Slot.

Arrive Early & Wear Your Mask



We do ask that everyone arrive early so that we can seat everyone before the start of Mass. We ask that all parishioners wear their mask covering their nose and mouth at all times while inside the church.

Holy Communion

Because of concerns regarding the coronavirus, we request that those who choose to receive on the tongue wait at the end of the line. Please present themselves to the priest only to receive Holy Communion, and are asked to open their mouth and extend their tongue so the host can be placed on it without the priest's hand making contact with the recipient.

If you choose to receive in the hand, please place your hand out very straight and flat to allow the priest or minister to place the Eucharist safely in order to avoid contact with your hand. We also kindly remind everyone to please remove your mask before receiving Holy Communion, whether you choose to receive on the tongue or in the hand. Please put it back on after you have consumed the host.

Emergency

If there is an emergency in which you need to contact a priest immediately, please call the Priest Emergency telephone - 516-312-7361.

LIVE-STREAMED MASSES

Join us online to view our live-streamed masses on the parish website stwilliam.org. Monday - Friday 8:30 AM Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 12:00 PM

Have a question for the priests?



Stump the Priest questions can be emailed to priests@stwilliam.org.

Light a Prayer Candle



Lighting candles has long been a sacred ritual in all traditions, creating precious moments in our own and other people's lives where we pray for loved ones, friends, and ask for or give support.

Memorializing

The Rectory is issuing Mass Cards, enrollment in the Purgatorial Society, Memorializing the Wine, Host, Candles and Altar Flowers. Please call the Rectory for more information (516) 785-1266 or email information@stwilliam.org



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Stump the Priest



IS WANTING A NEW CAR THE SAME AS COVETING?

Covetousness is the excessive desire for the goods of others. Paragraph 2535 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church reads:

"The sensitive appetite leads us to desire pleasant things we do not have, e.g., the desire to eat when we are hungry or to warm ourselves when we are cold. These desires are good in themselves; but often they exceed the limits of reason and drive us to covet unjustly what is not ours and belongs to another..."

This quote gives the understanding that covetousness has that aspect of having the desire to possess what belongs to the other; and that it can be so excessive as to lead into theft, robbery, fraud and the like.

As human beings our natural inclinations lead us to desire things that are deemed beneficial for our existence and wellbeing. For this reason, we acquire property and all other goods that facilitate our convenient existence. Wanting a car is an example of this natural inclination because we need it for our easy, fast and convenient movements in our day –today affairs. We cannot therefore conclusively say that wanting a new car amounts to covetousness.

The circumstances that might lead a person to want a new car can be numerous and subjective to an individual's particular situation, preferences and choices. However, the use of the adjective "new" in the question brings in some other considerations. As Christians we need to know and understand that we have principles, values and standards to live by especially with regard to the use of material possessions like a car. Christ our Lord teaches us poverty of spirit and moderation in our acquisition of material things. So if wanting the new car is just for a show off, then we are advised against it.

WHAT DISTINGUISHES ENVY FROM ADMIRATION?

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, envy refers to the sadness at the sight of another's goods and the immoderate desire to acquire them for one self, even unjustly. (CCC 2539)

Also, Rev. Peter V. Armenio, the author of Our Moral Life in Christ (p.369) defines envy as the wrongful desire for things possessed by another or the unhappiness at another's good fortune. He further adds that envy leads directly to hatred and the sinful desire to acquire the desired goods by whatever means available.

Admiration, on the other hand, is being delighted and therefore holding a good opinion about someone or something on account of a special quality that they possess.

Therefore the inference we can make from these definitions is that the one who admires exhibits the positive attitudes of praise, encouragement, well wishes and the one who envies exhibits the negative attitudes of sadness, bitterness, and even hatred.

Seminarian Greg Marino's Corner



Hello, this is Greg Marino and I am the seminarian here for this summer until late July of 2021. I was asked to do some research on Saint William the Abbot, both on the man himself and on this Parish here in Seaford, NY. The next four weekends, I will be presenting some fun facts about St. William and the Parish, and then during the four weekends in July, I will acknowledge all (or as many as I can find) of the vocations that have come from this parish, including priests, deacons, and men and women religious. This week's theme is St. William the Abbot's life, and next week will be about his famous. I hope you learn a little bit about this great Saint, the namesake of this wonderful Parish!

• William of Vercelli was born in 1085 in Vercelli, Italy to a noble family.

- Both of his parents died in his infancy and his was raised by his extended family.
- At the age of 14, he left home barefoot to go on a pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela and then the Holy Land, and upon his return, decided to become a hermit.
- As a hermit, he settled in Southern Italy between Nola and Benevento, living a life of strict penance and mortification.

• He attracted so many people to himself that he founded a monastery named Montevergine, named after Our Lady, and established a rule based on the Rule of St. Benedict for the monks to follow.

• He is remembered as a Saint because he established several monasteries and lived a life

of devoted prayer, discipline, and fasting, serving as a great example for other monks.

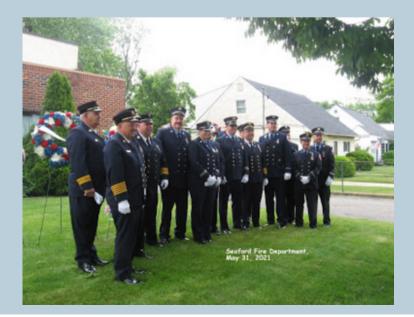
• He died on June 25th, 1142 at the age of 57 from natural causes. Sources say he foresaw he death by "special revelation."

• His feast day is June 25th - St. William the Abbot, pray for us!





The pandemic cancelled Seaford's Memorial Day parade in 2021, but the Seaford American Legion Post on Penatiquit Avenue hosted a ceremony at 11 a.m. Former Congressman Peter King addressed an audience of more than a hundred people. Fr. Joseph Fitzgerald offered an invocation and Post Chaplain Charles Wroblewski the benediction. Commander Bill Hoehn described our reliance on those who served our country and died for it. At the end, the assemblage sang God Bless America with vigor.



Faith Formation

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever". This is what is said in the Gospel today. When we think about it Jesus gives us his body and blood as a sign for us to know how he lived, died, and resurrected for us. He wants to give us life in Heaven. We can receive Jesus everyday by receiving Communion. Communion lets us become united by the Spirit of Jesus. By receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus it is saying how we believe in Jesus and how we will have eternal life because of our belief in the Body and Blood of Jesus. We need to remember what Jesus has done for us in order for us to have an everlasting life with him in Heaven for he is always good to us.

Congratulations to our 8th Grade Students who made their Confirmation. May the Holy Spirit be their guidance to be good followers of Jesus!



Parish Social Ministry

Food Donations

The food donations bins will no longer be located in the Church. Please bring all donations directly to Parish Social Ministry Office, the church no longer has donation bins. The Social Ministry office is located South of the Church.

Monday - Friday 9:30am - 4:00pm Sunday By Appointment Only

Food Pantry

Egg noodles Dish soap Conditioner Apples Oranges ILLY Regular coffee Sugar Mayonnaise Canned fruit Raisins

Parish Contact Information

CONTACT THE PRIESTS

Please send your email to priests@stwilliam.org to contact Fr. Joe, Fr. James or Fr. Collins directly.

CONTACT THE PASTORAL COUNCIL Please send your email to pastoralcouncil@stwilliam.org.

QUESTIONS FOR COMMUNICATIONS

Please send your email to igomez@stwilliam.org.

QUESTIONS FOR THE RECTORY

Please send your email to information@stwilliam.org.

CONTACT THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Please send your email to jgoldman@stwilliam.org.

CONTACT FAITH FORMATION

Please send your email to faithformation@stwilliam.org or contact the office directly at (516) 783-2528.

CONTACT SOCIAL MINISTRY

Please send your email to socialministry@stwilliam.org or contact the office directly at (516) 679-8532.

CONTACT THE SCHOOL St. William the Abbot School



Office: 516.785.1266 2001 Jackson Avenue Seaford, NY 11783 stwilliamtheabbot.net (516) 785-6784

Yarn Donations

We are currently taking yarn donations for the Prayer Shawl Ministry. This ministry knits and crochets lap robes and blankets for parishioners that are sick or in the hospital.



They also create hats, scarves and gloves for the homeless of Long Island. If you have extra yarn please put it to good use and donate it to this ministry! Drop offs accepted at the Parish Social Ministry office Monday through Friday, 9:30am until 4pm.

What to do with furniture donations?

Our parish is blessed to host a St. Vincent de Paul Conference, which offers a variety of extra assistance for the families we serve. One example of this is our ability to refer families to St. Vincent de Paul for their furniture needs. If you have gently used furniture that you donate to St. Vincent de Paul, you may be directly helping one of our Social Ministry families! If you are interested in scheduling a furniture pickup, call (516) 822-3132 or visit www.svdpli.org.

COVID vaccine help available

Nassau County Department of Health will help eligible seniors and veterans to schedule their COVID vaccines! Seniors (including the homebound) can call 516-227-9590. Veterans can call 516-572-6565.

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

This year, the deadline for heating assistance applications was extended through August 31, 2021. HEAP helps eligible households meet the cost of heating their homes. The benefit can pay for fuel, your utility source, heating equipment replacement and repairs. The benefit is paid either directly to the heating vendor or utility company. You can apply for HEAP every year when the program is open.

The 2020-2021 Cooling Assistance benefit opened on May 3, 2021. If you are eligible, you may receive one Cooling Assistance benefit per applicant household for the purchase and installation of an air conditioner or a fan to help your home stay cool.

To review your eligibility and apply for these programs, please visit https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap or call the social ministry office for assistance.

A Word from SWS Students



THE BEST MOMENT I EXPERIENCED IN THE CLASSROOM THIS YEAR WAS ...

picking our class name, F.R.O.G. (friends reaching our goals). It was really fun and now we're all frogs. Ava 5-1

seeing my friends after a long time. Eva 2-1

talking with Ms. Bentley at lunch. Ella 6-2

walking back in the school building again and seeing everyone in person. Natalie 2-2 when we had caterpillars in our class and they grew into butterflies. James 3-1

when Mr. Harth sat next to my friends and me and played a game we made up. Anthony 7-2

the time that I made my first friend, Bobby. Matthew 2-2

meeting 19 new friends! Mariano 1-2

the 50th Day of School celebration when I wore my dad's sunglasses! Luke K-1

DURING THIS SCHOOL YEAR, I AM MOST GRATEFUL FOR ...

being in the classroom instead of being online. Just making memories before I leave for high school. Samantha 8-2

my friends, my teacher, and the principal. Kaia 3-1

- my teachers who always try their hardest to make school fun for us. Olivia 7-2
- the opportunity to learn in person and see my friends. Even though the year was not ordinary, I am grateful to have had some normalcy back. Allison 7-2 being a part of this class because we did many fun and cool things. Ms. Bongermino and all the

other cool teachers made this learning experience fun for me. Jack 5-1

my teacher, friends, and my principal. Hannah 5-1

the virtual field trips and activities. Shannon 6-2

SOMETHING THAT MADE ME HAPPY TO BE IN SCHOOL THIS YEAR WAS ...

to be in school this year and surrounded by friends and teachers instead of being online. Desmond 6-2 Ms. Milteer's auctions. I really enjoyed them, they were a lot of fun! Wesley 2-1 sitting next to my BBF! Brooke 1-2 using magic markers for my pictures. Walker K-1 even though it was different than normal, I was happy to be in school. Every day has been new and exciting. Amanda 8-2 being able to still go outside for gym and recess. Brody 5-1 all the times I shared a laugh with my friends. Gianna 6-2 my class's positivity this school year. Westen 5-1 when our class earned our Wacky Tacky Day! Enya 1-2 **A POSITIVE EXPERIENCE DURING THIS SCHOOL YEAR WAS . . .** Iearning science (I love it!) Ryder 3-1

when I returned to school from being online; I understood the lessons and received better grades. Brooke 7-2

Mr. Field was nice enough to stay after class for extra help. Michael 5-2

receiving my First Holy Communion! Susan 2-1

learning to read! Allegria K-2

watching the chicks grow and eating "chips and salsa!" Andrew K-1

all the celebrations that we were able to have . . . the Olympics, Adventure Park, and Ring Day Ava 8-2

the first day of school and not being on the computer anymore. Daniel K-1



JOIN US FOR THE 5PM MASS.

THEN STAY FOR THE CELEBRATION AT 6PM ON THE SCHOOL CAMPUS

FOOD TRUCKS

CARNIVAL GAMES

ENTERTAINMENT

PLEASE MAIL OR DROP OFF THIS REGISTRATION FORM TO THE RECTORY OFFICE. You can also register online on the parish website stwilliam.org. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis until spots are filled.

| NAME: | _ CONTACT NUMBER: |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| EMAIL ADDRESS: | |
| AMOUNT OF PEOPLE ATTENDING: | • EVENT ENDS AT 9PM |
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Consider Automated Giving

Automated giving provides a steady stream of support. It is a great way to manage your Sunday Offerings without the worry of missing a payment and the worry of forgetting your weekly envelope.

We are able to offer the ability of having Sunday Offerings deposited directly from your checking or savings account into the St. William's account. This would apply only to weekly collections, not to any second collections, such as Holy Days, Catholic Relief Services, etc.

The form to begin this process can be printed, filled out and mailed to the Rectory. Please be sure to attached a voided check.

Authorization Agreement for Automated Giving

, hereby authorize the R. C. Church of St. I. William the Abbot, 2000 Jackson Avenue, Seaford, NY 11783 to initiate debit entries to my Checking () Savings () account indicated below and the depository named below to debit the same such amount.

Amount \$ Monthly on the fifteenth of the month.

| Depository: | Name | |
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| Depository: | Name | |

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| City, State, 2 | Zip |
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Banking Transit ABA #______(always nine digits)

Bank Account Number

(Attach to this form a voided check if checking account debit or a pre-printed savings deposit ticket if savings account).

This authorization is to remain in full force effect until the R. C. Church of St. William the Abbot has received written notification at least five business days in advance of the desired termination date.

(Authorized signature for above account)

(Print Name)

Date:

If second signature is required:

(Authorized signature for above account)

(Print Name)

Date:

