

St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



Welcome to St. William the Abbot

**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
November 21, 2021**



So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king.* For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."- John 18:37

PARISH INFORMATION

RECTORY

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

RECTORY HOURS

Monday - Friday
9 AM - 5 PM
Saturday
9 AM - 3 PM
Sunday
9 AM - 1 PM

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, November 21, 2021

Edwina Von Runnen
Jack Haglund
Maria Wilson-Pooley
Collective Intentions
People of St. William's,
Jenny DuBartell, Larry DuBartell,
Emil Gerhard

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

Ed Tomczyk

Thursday, November 25, 2021

Collective Intentions
Alan C. Neubauer, Donald Clark,
Otto Norby Olesen,
Adele DiCocco

Monday, November 22, 2021

Joseph P. Jackson

Friday, November 26, 2021

Michael & Jackie Hayes (LIV)

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Emma Ustler

Saturday, November 27, 2021

Purgatorial Society
Richard Solecki

Temporary Christmas Rectory Hours

Monday - Thursday : 9am - 5pm
Friday : 9am - 12pm
Saturday : 9am - 3pm
Sunday : 9am - 1pm

Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated at 9am in the Church.



*This will be the only mass celebrated on this day. This mass will be live-streamed on the parish website stwilliam.org.

The Wine and host, Altar Candles and Sanctuary Candles used at Mass this week have been donated in Thanksgiving for her service throughout the years.

Rosemary Graziano

Love Kathy Cain.

Pray for the Sick

Mary Lanzone
Adrienne Harker

Paul Tuccillo
Tommy Gallagher



We Remember, We Celebrate, We Give Thanks!

Although still being cautious, I am confident that Thanksgiving 2021 will be a bit more traditional and familiar than we had last year. Socially distanced dining room tables, last minute cancelations, and outdoor seating assignments will be restored to traditional place settings, the usual in person famous family recipes, and of course I will spend one more year at the kid's table. But I am getting closer to finally graduating to the adult table! Even amid the challenges of the past 20 months, God has pierced through and shown us many graces and blessings. We live in a country that even at times when we face our differences, we unite in this season as "one nation under God." There are skeptics that try to dismiss the early influence of God and faith on our country's earliest leaders – but faith, the scriptures and our Christian values are interwoven into the fabric of the foundational documents that define who we are - the United States of America.

I want to wish you all a blessed and Happy Thanksgiving – with all the Turkey and fixing's; the apple, coconut custard, and pumpkin pies; the family stories and "discussions;" the football games, naps, and late-night turkey sandwiches – and most of all the freedom to give thanks to Almighty God. If you are able, join us at 9:00 AM for Mass here at St. William's and be sure to say a prayer of thanks before your meal – it is at the center of who we are as Catholics – and who we are as members of this great nation. I will leave you with the Letter of Proclamation that our first president George Washington wrote establishing Thanksgiving as a national holiday – to give thanks to God for our bounty and protection.

Peace, and God Bless You.



By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation.

Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor-- and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness.

Now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be-- That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks--for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country previous to their becoming a Nation--for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war--for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty, which we have since enjoyed--for the peaceable and rational manner, in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national One now lately instituted--for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed; and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions-- to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually--to render our national government a blessing to all the people, by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed--to protect and guide all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shewn kindness unto us) and to bless them with good government, peace, and concord--To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us--and generally to grant unto all Mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.

G. Washington



Rectory News

Wedding Banns III



Christopher E. Winn

SWA

&

Brittany E. Kickel

St. James, East Setauket

Christos M. Elias

New Hyde, New York

&

Tami Telford

SWA

Christopher Goodwin

St. Frances de Chantal Church

&

Stephanie Palmeri

SWA



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.

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

Emergency Line



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

Global Pandemic have your dog's social life looking "ruff"?



Take a walk with Father James and Kolbe! All dogs welcome!

Email priests@stwilliam.org to schedule a walk.

Private Prayer

The Church will be open for private prayer Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM – 6:00 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.

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

Help Keep the Church Clean

We ask that those visiting the Church do not leave flowers, religious cards, holiday cards, bibles, or religious artifacts in the church, near the Religious Statues, or on the Sanctuary. It is acceptable to discard these items or bury them.

Please do not leave any food donations in the Church.

St. William the Abbot Thanksgiving Pie & Bread Fundraiser Pick-up

Tuesday, November 23rd

2:00 PM - 6:30 PM

in the Church Abbey.

Please bring shopping bags to carry your order

Volunteer Service Credit will be offered for this event to help fill orders.

Fellowship & Parish Events

Due to COVID regulations and food allergies, we ask that no food or drink be donated for social gatherings on campus. If you are interested in donating towards the cost of the Fellowship Tent refreshments. Please email information@stwilliam.org

Fellowship New Location

We will continue to extend the opportunity to come together after selected Masses each weekend just as the Israelites did with a Fellowship Meeting Tent. The Fellowship after the selected Masses will take place in the Abbey at two selected Masses each weekend. The selected Masses will be announced in future bulletins and our social media. Each week the tent will feature refreshments.

**Fellowship will be located in the Abbey
Sunday - 11/28 - 9am**

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.

2021 Advent Challenge



Dear Saint William the Abbot Family,

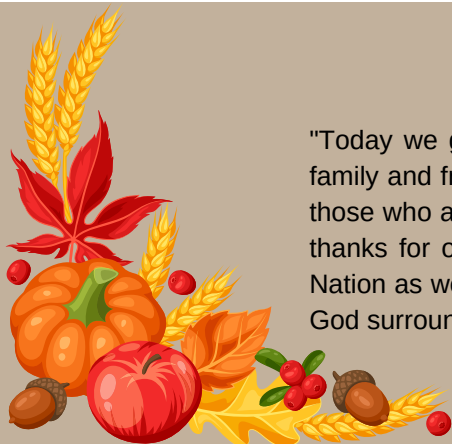
It is hard to believe that next week begins the Season of Advent – a time to reflect on and prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus in Bethlehem. I know there is much going on in all our lives and our families as we prepare for Thanksgiving and Christmas, shopping, ordering online, running the kids/grandkids to countless activities. This movement and activity can overwhelm and distract us from how God is trying to gently enter into our lives. Advent can be overshadowed by excess and bigness - but I thought maybe as we head into Advent, which begins November 28th, we can intentionally look at the spiritual journey for those upcoming four weeks leading into Christmas.

I want to lay down a 2021 Spiritual Exercise and Challenge to prepare for Christmas. A few possibilities may be for you and your family to purchase an Advent Calendar and do the activities, open the scriptures and do the daily readings for Mass during Advent: <https://bible.usccb.org> – or attend one more Mass a week besides on Sunday. We have 8:30 AM Mass Monday through Saturday. Maybe for you it is entering into the quiet and calm of morning Holy Hour at home or in the Church at 7:30 AM. Perhaps it is keeping with the penitential spirit of Advent and fasting from screens (Netflix binging, or social media scrolling), or dessert, or gossip and/or complaining, sarcasm, meat on Wednesday or Friday, or unnecessary buying. We are all on a journey towards holiness and heaven and as a community of faith, let us try to do that together. Encourage your spouse, kids, grandkids, SWA pew mates, to join you – maybe pick a day for confession – and make this the best Advent ever. Know I am praying for you and your families. Have a blessed and Happy Advent Season. Prepare the Way of the Lord.

Would you and your family be willing to light the Advent wreath at Mass? Contact us at information@stwilliam.org to sign your family up.

St. William the Abbot Thanksgiving Prayer 2021

"Today we give thanks for our many blessings as we pray for those in need. We give thanks for our family and friends as we pray for those who are lonely. We give thanks for our freedoms as we pray for those who are oppressed. We give thanks for our good health as we pray for those who are ill. We give thanks for our comfort and prosperity as we share our blessings with others. We give thanks for our Nation as we pray for those who selflessly defend it. On this day of Thanksgiving 2021, may the love of God surround us, the peace of God dwell within us, and the joy of God inspire us. Amen."



Pray for those in the Military

USMC -

Lt. Kevin J. Butler
2nd Lt. Dana Duggan
L.Cpl. John Mosier

US Air Force -

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

US Coast Guard -

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

US Army -

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

US Navy -

Lt. Joseph Fitzgerald
Ryan Bayer, Ensign
Rebecca Bayer, Ensign
MMN2 Emily Partridge
Commander Michael Sean Slatley
Lt. jg Michael Napolitano

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



SARAH
KROGER



THE LIGHT HAS COME

CHRISTMAS TOUR

CHRISTMAS TOUR WITH SARAH KROGER. SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER, DOM QUAGLIA
A NIGHT OF SONGS, PRAYERFUL REFLECTION AND HOPE. BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13
7PM IN THE CHURCH

\$20 EACH TICKET - FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE



Name: _____ Ticket Amount: _____

Contact Number: _____ Email: _____

Check/Cash Total: _____ Optional Donation: _____

Please return this form to the Rectory with payment by mail or to the drop-box.
Tickets will be sold on a first-come first serve basis.

ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT



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CHRISTMAS FAIR

ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT SCHOOL
MSGR. THOMAS G. LEAVEY AUDITORIUM
2001 JACKSON AVE. SEAFORD, NY

DECEMBER 4TH & DECEMBER 5TH

10AM - 4PM

MORE THAN 75 ARTISANS FOR YOUR SHOPPING
PLEASURE, FOOD, FRESH EVERGREEN WREATHS, BAKED
GOODS, RAFFLE BASKETS, GRAND 50/50, AND OF
COURSE, A VISIT FROM SANTA CLAUS!

NEW YEAR EVE

Ball Drop Raffle



How it works:

When you enter the raffle you'll be assigned a numbered golfball (entries are \$100 each) and you'll receive an email with your number once your entry has been processed.

On New Year's Eve all the numbered golfballs will be dropped from a height at the same time trying to hit one target.

We'll measure to determine 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place and we'll announce the winners on the live stream and on our socials.

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY 12/29!

Join us on the parish website stwilliam.org at 4pm on New Year's eve to watch!

New Year's Eve Ball Drop Entry Form

Name: _____

Email: _____

Number of Entries: _____ Check/Cash Amount: _____

**Please return cash or check to the Rectory drop box or by mail.
Due to the limited number of entries, number requests can not be honored.**

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

Thank You St. Williams CYO!

We want to thank the CYO Swim and Basketball teams for their Thanksgiving donations to the Social Ministry office. The CYO Swim team made laminated placemats for our homebound parishioners, and gave a generous cash donation for the families that we support. The CYO basketball organization did a food drive that yielded 28 bags of food, and hundreds of dollars in grocery store gift cards! Thank you CYO for giving back to your Parish in such a generous way, and for the wonderful example you set in our community!



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) 746-8250 or visit www.svdpli.org.

Christmas Adopt-a-Family Program

Our Adopt-a-Family Program has officially begun! Please see the flyer in this week's bulletin for instructions on how to access the website. Not all of our families have submitted their wish lists so far...so if you don't see what you're looking for initially, continue to check the website for additions!

In addition to the Adopt-a-Family Program, we are always in need of Target, Walmart, and Visa gift cards. Gift cards are helpful for families with teenagers that like to do their own shopping, and for parents to be able to purchase the exact gift their child has requested. All donations should be dropped off during Social Ministry business hours (Monday thru Friday, 9:30am-4pm), or by appointment (call 679-8532). Kindly do not leave gifts or gift cards in the food bin. Thank you!

Christmas Adopt-A-Family Program

The Parish Social Ministry is happy to offer the Christmas Adopt-A-Family Program! We serve over 60 families in the Seaford, Wantagh and Massapequa areas. Each year we help these families with Christmas gifts as an act of being Christ to others in the true meaning of the Advent season.

All gifts should be delivered unwrapped to the Social Ministry office by December 15th to allow enough time for distribution. Drop off is at St. William the Abbot Parish Social Ministry at 2020 Jackson Avenue. We are open weekdays between 9:30am and 4pm, or by appointment. For security reasons please do not leave gifts in the food bin.

Simply log on via the below website and browse for the item(s) that you would like to donate!



Go to website: signupgenius.com

Click the magnifying glass (upper right corner) to search

Select "search for signup by creator email" and enter socialministry@stwilliam.org

Click on "2021 Christmas Adopt a Family" and then select the items you would like to donate!



Christmas Decor Memorialization Form

Please indicate the quantity of the item selected.

1 Needed - 10'-11' Frasier Fir Trees (Sanctuary) \$450 each: Quantity _____

1 Needed - 12' Wreaths for outside doors of church \$50 each: Quantity _____

42 Needed - Red poinsettias 6" for Sanctuary/Shrines \$25 each: Quantity _____

26 Needed - White poinsettias 6" for Sanctuary \$25 each: Quantity _____

4 Needed - White Orchid Cyclamen 6" for Creche \$25 each: Quantity _____

43 Needed - White Calandiva 4 ½" for Sanctuary \$20 each: Quantity _____

Name: _____

Name for Memorialization: _____

Contact Number: _____ Email: _____

Check/Cash Total: _____

Please return this form to the Rectory with payment by mail or to the drop-box.
All Memorializations will be on a first-come first serve basis.



Charlie Wroblewski, Peace Poster Chairman of the Seaford Lions Club and longtime St. William the Abbot parishioner, along with Mrs. Elizabeth Bricker, principal of SWS, and Mrs. Pattie Calcano, Art teacher, proudly posed with the winners of this year's contest.

From left to right, Alexis Archigra, 2nd place, Lonnie O'Brien, 1st place and Hayley Calcano, 3rd place.



Thank you to the SWS community for donating over 600 pounds of candy in support of Operation Gratitude. Our students are pictured here with some of the donations. Thank you to Mrs. Lisa Walsh for coordinating this service project.

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The Lord is
king; he is
robed in
majesty.

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Next Sunday is the
beginning of a new season.
What is that season called?

Saint Cecilia

Saint Cecilia is the patron
saint of musicians. Saint Cecilia sang songs of
love for Jesus. Listen to the music in church
today. Do any of the songs sing about love?
When you sing, pray to God and
tell Him that you love Him!



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First Reading

Psalm

Second Reading

Gospel

Offering

Holy Gifts

Communion

Words of Life

Great Amen

Our Father

Lamb of God

Compline

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of the Jews.

Gospel



Today we celebrate that Jesus is the King of the Universe.
He rules over Heaven and earth!

Staying Connected

With St. William the Abbot visit us at stwilliam.org to view our bulletin online, presider schedule, and see other parish information.

Facebook: Find us at:
stwilliamabbot

Instagram: Follow us:
@stwilliamabbot

YouTube: Find us at:
YouTube.com — St. William the Abbot Church

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If you are not currently on our email list and would like to receive email updates on parish news and the bulletin, in your inbox please register on the parish website stwilliam.org.



Parish Contact Information

CONTACT THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Please send your email to pastoralcouncil@stwilliam.org.

QUESTIONS FOR OPERATIONS



Iris Gomez
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Please send your email to igomez@stwilliam.org.

QUESTIONS FOR THE RECTORY



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Office Manager

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QUESTIONS FOR MUSIC MINISTRY



Elizabeth Woods
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QUESTIONS FOR FAITH FORMATION



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

QUESTIONS FOR SOCIAL MINISTRY



Allison Marro
Director of Social Ministry

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or contact the office directly at (516) 679-8532.

CONTACT THE PRIESTS



Fr. Joseph H. Fitzgerald
Pastor



Fr. James Hansen
Associate Pastor



Fr. Collins Yeboah
Associate Pastor

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

CONTACT THE BUSINESS MANAGER



Judy Goldman
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CONTACT THE SCHOOL



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Christine Bendish
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