



# St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church



## October 23, 2022 Thirtieth 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 - 8:15am

Saturday: 3:45pm - 4:30pm

#### Adoration

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

First Friday of the Month: 9am - 5pm

#### Private Prayer

Monday - Friday: 7:15am - 6pm

“But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’ ‘I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.’”

Luke 18:13-14

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022

Minnie Grillo

People of St. William's

Robert Greico

Leon Pawelczyk

#### Monday, Oct. 24, 2022

Pat McArdle

#### Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022

##### Collective Intentions

Francis X. Riggio

Marie & Frank Ramunni

Frances Telford

Rose Russo

#### Wed., Oct. 26, 2022

Patricia McArdle

#### Thursday, Oct. 27, 2022

##### Collective Intentions

Evelyn H. Finaldi

Charles Kiefer

Josephine Vessio

Frank Pittelli

#### Friday, Oct. 28, 2022

Robert John Jackson

#### Saturday, Oct. 29, 2022

Purgatorial Society

Irene Spelman

### Pray for the Deceased

Edward J. Deegan

Constance Rothfuss

Rosemarie Forte

Antonio Valdez, Jr.

### Pray for the Sick

Isabella Zafonte

Adrienne Harker

Ann Marie Canale

Joe Falgano

Nick Sequino

Robin Julian

Kristin Valerga-Goetze

Richard Swinderski

Eric Thomas Guzzo

Ariana Surrow

Lisa Miola

Brayden G. Centeno

John Finan

Richard Fedyk

Keith Gorton

### Wine and Hosts

The Wine and Hosts used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of William and Stella Power from the Mastrianni Family

## **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Two people went up to the temple to Pray**

We are drawn into this natural comparison between these two individuals. It may cause us to look at our own life, and where we are on our personal faith and prayer journey. Can we at times be like the Pharisee somewhat comparative in looking at others, and maybe even with a critical eye that we are a better Catholic, parishioner, or person? Do we look at the faults and struggles of others and be quick to point them out, but not our own? I know there have been seasons in my own life where I have been in that category of criticizer. An air of superiority and arrogance. But God is patient, and I too can return to the humble reliance on God - just like the tax collector reverently asking for forgiveness - "have mercy on me, Lord, a wounded sinner."

So here we are in the 30th Week of Ordinary Time, in anything but an ordinary time. We journey through our 95th year as a Parish community and we are once again looking at ways (new and old) to re-engage Seaford and the rest of the South Shore with the Gospel. For those of us who have remained faithful and been present at Mass week after week - God rejoices in us and sees us. But we will likely never return to business-as-usual pre-pandemic. And so, we ask the Lord, "What does the mission of the parish look like now, in 2022?" "How do our ministries expand beyond the sacraments?" "How do we serve the poor and needy?" "How do we grow in our understanding of the faith and teachings of the Church?"

There are many in our community who in some ways are like the tax collector, who stand off at a distance from God and the church because of all that has happened over the past few years. Sickness in the family, the priest abuse scandal, COVID quarantines, isolation, the political landscape, the culture of death and confusion, and just a general fatigue in their hearts, minds, and family. How does the hope of Jesus get to them? Are we quick to say as the Pharisee did, "Well, at least I am not like 'THEM'?" Do we point our fingers and say these words, "I have always been here, faithful, and generous to St. William unlike 'THEM'?"

My friends - the "they" out there in the community are our family members - some biological family and the rest our SWA Parish Faith Family. I ask myself each time I walk into the Church - what will a person see and experience when they encounter me today? Or, one of our ushers? The Altar Servers or EM's? How do they hear the scriptures read by our lectors and deacons? If you are like me, the Pharisee in the Gospel moves my heart to a place of discomfort - how can someone look at another person and be judgmental? But have I done that when someone takes my usual parking space? Or maybe takes a little more time lighting a candle at my favorite statue? Oh, and do not even think about sitting in my pew!!!

We have a great opportunity as we draw closer to All Souls, Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas to be more aware to - 1. Invite others to attend Mass or one of our parish faith experiences, and 2. When someone arrives that we may not know or have not seen in a while to make them feel welcome and at home. Maybe we can invite them to ENDOW, or Fr. Pat Griffin's Adult Faith Formation series on Tuesday, regular Sunday Mass next week, the All-Souls' Mass, First Friday Adoration, Bible Study, or to drop off needed items at Parish Social Ministry, to go to Confession, or simply come in on an afternoon and light a candle. We are called to be disciples and missionaries.


This weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday, and the generosity of our second collection will assist those dedicated souls in foreign lands who bring the message of Jesus' love to the ends of the earth. The Latin word *missio* means to be sent. It is where the root of the word Mass comes from - that we are called into action from the altar at St. William's out into the world to BE CHRIST!!

We are to bring Him to others in how we live, speak, and love. This role and action is not reserved just for foreign missionaries, religious sisters and brothers, deacons, and priests - it is for all the baptized. My encouragement and challenge to us all this week is to be like that humble tax collector who simply petitioned God for help in the midst of his daily challenges. Jesus points him out and uses him as an example of both the missionary and the disciple, to give other sinners like you and I hope that God sees us and acknowledges us even in our weaknesses and greater need for him. But he also needs us to go and tell others, to invite them into a deeper friendship and relationship with him and the church.

So, my friends, who is it this week in our family, friend group, or community that we can reach out to tell the story of hope, of redemption, of reconciliation, that Jesus has to offer? Let us pray for the courage to think of that one person and then invite them back home, here to Saint William the Abbot where they can come to meet, and know, and love the Lord!

Thank you for your presence and incredible generosity.

Peace,



## ***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, October 30th.

## ***Pillar of Hospitality***

As Catholic stewards of the faith, we should be hospitable to all whom we come across. By doing so, when our time comes we can say, "I have competed well. I have finished the race."

## ***Baptism***

Let us welcome those children who were baptized this past weekend:

Kieran Cronin  
Lucy Del Giacco  
Anthony Fox  
Kennedy Meyer  
Sienna Meyer  
Brennan Miller  
Gabriella Philbin  
Olivia Vonfricken-Valente

## ***Pray for Those in the Military***

### **USMC -**

First Lt. Dana Duggan  
L.Cpl. John Mosier

### **US Army -**

Capt. Caitlin M. Lee  
CW2 Brian Kirby  
Major Eamon G. McArdle  
Spc. Brian Reip  
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  
Michael Vietri

### **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

## ***Wedding Banns***

### **Banns I**

Christina Farrell, St. William the Abbot  
& Steven Cotsalas, St. Thomas More, Hauppauge

Krystin White, St. Raphael, East Meadow  
& Richard Pagnotta, St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh

### **Banns II**

Danielle Murphy, St. William the Abbot  
& Richard DiPuma, Jr., Maria Regina, Seaford

### **Banns III**

Jennifer Valveri, Maria Regina, Seaford  
& Matthew Masiello, St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa

Virginia Fung, San Francisco, CA  
& Steven Sunseri, St. Cecelia, San Francisco

## ***Live Stream Masses***

Join us online to view our live-streamed Masses  
on the parish website - [stwilliam.org](http://stwilliam.org)

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM

Saturday - 5:00 PM

Sunday 12:00 PM

## ***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. It is acceptable to discard these items or bury them.

Please do not leave any food donations in the Church.





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ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES:

# AN INTRODUCTION TO ST. PAUL



WITH FR. PATRICK GRIFFIN, CM

Fr. Patrick J. Griffin, CM, a Brooklyn native, was ordained a Vincentian priest in 1979. Afterwards, he pursued a degree in Biblical Studies, taught at various universities and seminaries, and ministered in Rome and Paris for the Vincentian community. In 2014, Fr. Griffin returned to St. John's University in NY as the Executive Director for the Vincentian Center for Church and Society.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH - 7PM  
IN THE CHURCH

ALL ADULTS WELCOME - NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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## *Feast of All Saints and All Souls*



**Tuesday, November 1st** is the Feast of All Saints. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated on Monday, October 31st at 7:00 PM and Tuesday, November 1st at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

**Wednesday, November 2nd** is the Feast of All Souls. There will be a special Mass at 7:00 PM in which the people whose funerals were held at St. William the Abbot this past year will be remembered. All are invited to attend this special Mass.

### **STAY CONNECTED!**

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to sign up for our email list  
and follow us on  
Facebook and Instagram  
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### All Souls Envelopes

St. William's is preparing for its All Souls Masses. In the month of November, 9 Masses will be offered for the All Souls Intentions. If you wish to have a deceased loved one remembered in these Masses, please fill out one of the All Souls envelopes and return it to the Rectory, or place it in the Sunday collection basket. This is an excellent way to pray and offer a sacrifice for those who have gone before us in faith.

## **F A L L   B I B L E   S T U D Y**

Fr. Joe's Bible Study on The Psalms continues every Monday in October following the 8:30am Mass. All are welcome – please bring your Bible and a notebook. We also post a video of each week's study on Tuesday on our Facebook page!



## **FAMILY SUNDAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH**

JOIN US AFTER THE 12PM MASS IN THE ABBEY AS FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO MAKE THANKSGIVING CARDS AND CRAFTS FOR OUR PARISH HOMEBOUND, VETERANS, RETIRED RELIGIOUS, AND SEMINARIANS

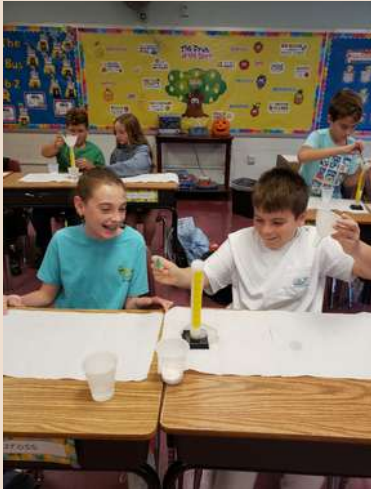


## St. William the Abbot School

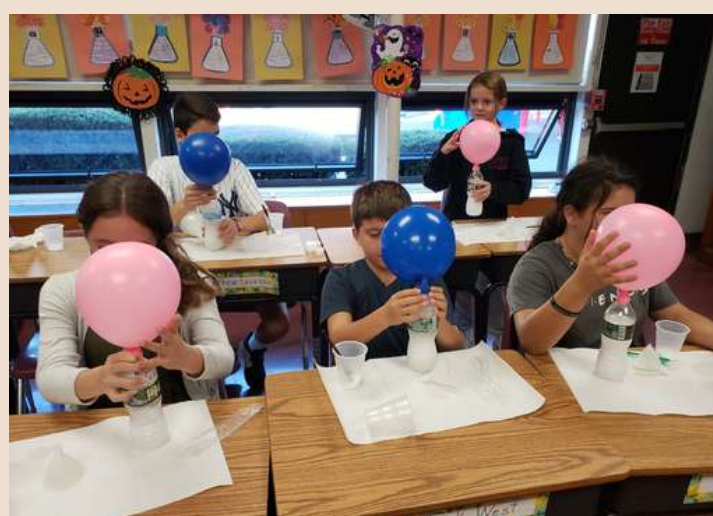
Fifth and sixth grade science students are learning how to measure the mass of matter by using the triple beam balance. They are also learning how math skills are so important in science class.



Fifth graders had a fun time mixing substances together to observe chemical reactions. They noticed color and temperature changes but the best part was when the substances kept bubbling over! Science can be messy at times but it is always FUN!



Mrs. Frank's sixth grade science students are learning about chemical changes in matter. To help them understand how a new substance forms, they conducted an experiment mixing a solid with a liquid to create a gas. Students were amazed as their balloon inflated as they created carbon dioxide by mixing vinegar and baking soda. Lastly, they observed evidence of a chemical change as bubbles formed and the temperature changed inside the bottle. These are sure signs of a chemical change!





*Share your blessings by giving back to our Parish neighbors in need!*



**THANKS  
GIVING  
FOOD DRIVE  
OCTOBER 29TH & 30TH**

How to Help

Next weekend, visit the Church lobby after Mass  
Pick-up a Thanksgiving bag or pantry leaf with donation requests  
Return your donations to Social Ministry by November 10th

*Items will be used to prepare Thanksgiving baskets for families in need  
and to replenish our food pantry*

Thank you for your support of our ministry!

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# Parish Social Ministry

## HEAP Opens November 1st

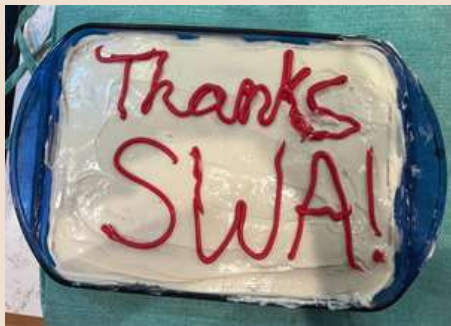
Applications for 2022-2023 HEAP will be accepted beginning November 1st! HEAP is the Home Energy Assistance Program, which helps low-income individuals and families pay for the cost of heating their homes. Eligibility and benefits are based on multiple criteria such as income, household size and heating source. If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year. You could also be eligible for emergency HEAP benefits if you are in danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off. For more information or to apply, visit <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>

## Pantry Needs

Sugar	Dish Soap
Ketchup	Toilet Paper
Mayonnaise	Napkins
Lentil or Vegetable Soup	Pretzels
Women's Razors	Juice Boxes

## Sign Up Now! Medicare Info Session Nov. 7th

We will be hosting an educational seminar covering "The A, B, C and D's of Medicare." The session will take place at 6pm on Monday November 7th in the Abbey. We will address the big question "What happens when I turn 65?" It will specifically cover Medicare Advantage Plans, Supplement Policies, Prescription Drug Plans, and what General and Special Election Periods mean to the Medicare recipient. Please call the Social Ministry office to sign up at 679-8532. All are welcome to attend!



## Thank You Pantry Donors!

This week, our office received a different type of thank you from one of the families we serve... they sent us a picture of the cake they made using items they received from our pantry! And their dessert contained a message for our parishioners – "Thanks SWA!" Our food pantry is 100% donation based and filled by our generous parishioners each week. So, to all our food pantry donors, thank you from our neighbors in need! They are so grateful! We would not be able to do it without your generosity.

## Donation Spotlight - Girl Scout Troop 3332

Thank you, Girl Scout Troop 3332, for conducting a food drive last week to benefit the Parish Social Ministry food pantry. Your efforts resulted in so many bags of food, which will greatly help to support our families in need during this time of high inflation. You are truly living the Girl Scout mission to make the world a better place!



## Greeting Cards Needed



The Social Ministry is looking for seasonal cards to mail to our homebound parishioners. At this time, cards for Thanksgiving would be appreciated. These cards can be store-bought or handmade, and are a simple note of greeting, prayerful encouragement and good wishes for our parishioners that can no longer attend Mass in person. Addressed simply "Dear Friend," and signed with your name or as a friend from the parish, these cards bring so much joy to those that are missing their parish community! Students completing cards can earn service hours! Call the Social Ministry office with questions.



# Saint Jude

Can you find all the symbols of Saint Jude?

Saint Jude is the patron saint of lost causes. He helps out when nothing else seems to work. Pray to Saint Jude when you have a bad day.



Year C. Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

**Catholic Kids** Bulletin

October 23, 2022  
Ordinary Time  
Color: Green

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The Lord  
hears the  
cry of the  
poor.

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How many times do you say, 'Amen,' during Mass today?

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# Gospel

Jesus talks about two men praying. One man stands up and tells God about his own greatness. The other man bows his head and asks God for help and prays about God's greatness. The second man is being humble. Jesus asks us to be humble.

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Joseph Lettieri



Herley Mendez

Please pray for the Seminarians from our Parish and for all those discerning religious life

## - Other Resources -

Bible in a Year Podcast  
[ascensionpress.com](http://ascensionpress.com)

Formed: The Catholic Faith. On Demand  
[formed.org](http://formed.org)

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