

St. William the Abbot

Roman Catholic Church

October 30, 2022 Thirty-first 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



'Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Luke 19:9-10

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Oct. 30, 2022 Paul Hoertz Michael Francis Maher People of St. William's

Joyce Jaffe

Monday, Oct. 31, 2022 Franklin Gwaltney Steven Hornacek, III

Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022

Ginny Alford Collective Intentions People of St. William's Toni Ellsa Sulzbach Joseph Dwyer Jr. Joseph Dwyer, Sr. Robert Rao

Mary Spiess & Cathy Barra Joseph Andrew Byrne, Sr.

Wed., Nov. 2, 2022

Collective Intentions

All Souls

Ursuline Sister's Prayer Card **Enrollment Intentions** Joanna Wilson Baby Christy Marie Kelly

Thursday, Nov. 3, 2022 All Souls

Friday, Nov. 4, 2022 All Souls

Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022 **Purgatorial Society** All Souls

Christian E. Bekmessian

Ann Frances Aberle

Pray for the Sick

Adrienne Harker Ann Marie Canale Joe Falgano Nick Seguino Robin Julian

Kristin Valerga-Goetze Brayden Centeno Richard Swinderski Eric T. Guzzo Adriana Surrow Lisa Miola

John Finan Richard Fedyk Keith Gorton

Altar Candles

The Altar Candles used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of Louise and Edward Anton Pannenborg from the LeGoff Family

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of Anna and Leonard Marino from the Marino Family

Wine and Hosts

The Wine and Hosts used at Mass this week have been donated in loving memory of Joyce Jaffe from the Zacharias Family

The Sanctuary Candle used at Mass this week has been donated with birthday prayers for Laura Coronel (liv) from the LeGoff Family

Overcoming Obstacles

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." Luke 19:5

Zacchaeus was up a tree. Why? Practically speaking, he was up a tree because he was short and he wanted to see Jesus as Jesus passed by. But the symbolism reveals far greater meaning.

The first thing we must note is that Zacchaeus was a wealthy and well respected man. In the eyes of the world he was successful. But despite his wealth, it appears there was something missing. He heard about Jesus and desired to know Him. This passage is fascinating because it must have been an unusual sight to see a wealthy and successful man climbing a tree in the presence of a large crowd. In fact, it was so unusual that Jesus immediately noticed it.

Jesus also noticed Zacchaeus because of something far more significant than a grown man climbing a tree. Zacchaeus was noticed by Jesus primarily because Jesus was able to perceive the desire and openness of his heart. Zacchaeus, this wealthy and successful man, was missing something and he was zealous to obtain it. He longed for Jesus and this desire is fulfilled by the compassion of our Lord.

Regardless of whether or not you are "successful" from a worldly point of view, it's essential that you, too, recognize the unfulfilled desire of your heart. That "unfulfilled desire" refers to any way that God is not fully the center of your life. Some people try to fulfill this desire in many worldly ways. But those who are like Zacchaeus will realize that Jesus is the answer. And when someone recognizes this fact, they will go to any length necessary to see Him and be with Him.

Reflect, today, upon a simple question: How far am I willing to go to see Jesus? Are you willing to do anything you have to so as to see Him, hear Him and be with Him? It may take an act of humility and you may have to act in a radical way. Doing so will call out to the heart of our Lord and He will respond to you with much generosity just as He did to Zacchaeus.

Lord, I desire to choose You above all things. May I never be drawn to the things of this world more than I am drawn to You. Increase my desire for You and give me the courage I need to be faithful to You always. I love You, dear Lord. Please increase my love. Jesus, I trust in You.



Baptism

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

Benjamin Magistro

Pillar of Service

Let us learn from Zacchaeus and realize that we are called to help those less fortunate than us.

Wedding Banns

Banns II

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 III

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

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. jq 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

Adult Faith Formation Series



Thank you to Fr. Patrick Griffin, CM for joining us this week for an "Introduction to Paul"!

Our next Adult Faith Formation Night will be on Tuesday, November 29th. Bishop Richard Henning will be our guest speaker.

Military Services Collection

The collection for Military Services will be taken the weekend of November 5-6. This special collection is taken once every three years to help support the Catholic Archdiocese for Military Services to provide care for over 1.5 million Catholics on ships, in combat, on bases and in 153 VA hospitals.

Superstorm Sandy -10 Years Later

As we mark the 10th Anniversary of the devastation of Superstorm Sandy on our area, we pray for all those who endured suffering and for those who helped rebuild our communities.



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.

FALL BIBLE STUDY

A Bible Study on the Psalms: A Conversation with God "The Prayers of Jesus"

Please bring your Bible and a notebook

Last session is this Monday following the 8:30am Mass in the Abbey

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.

THE EVOLUTION OF THE MASS

From Apostolic Times Through Today with Deacon Tony

Monday, November 7th and Monday, November 21st Following the 8:30am Mass in the Abbey



FAMILY SUNDAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH

FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO MAKE THANKSGIVING CARDS AND CRAFTS FOR OUR PARISH HOMEBOUND, VETERANS, RETIRED RELIGIOUS, AND SEMINARIANS

AFTER THE 12N MASS IN THE ABBEY

The Truth About **Abortion**en's lives. & **Women's Health**

Abortion does not save women's lives.

Abortion is the **direct** and **intentional** killing of a child in the womb.

Abortion is never medically necessary. It does not treat or solve any pregnancy-related complication.

Outlawing abortion will not affect treatment for miscarriage.

Treatment for miscarriage and abortion is not the same thing.

There is a complete moral and legal difference between losing a child through miscarriage and intentionally taking the life of a child.

In the tragic case of miscarriage, surgery may be necessary—and is an ethical treatment—to remove the remains of an unborn child who has *already died*.

While the same surgery is done to perform an abortion, abortions impose this procedure on a *living* child with the **intention** of ending his or her life.

Women can get the lifesaving treatments they need—without abortion.

In rare cases, and in the absence of better alternatives, life-threatening maternal health conditions may require interventions that **indirectly** and **unintentionally** lead to the death of an unborn child. **Abortion restrictions will not prevent women from receiving these treatments.**

When the lives of mother and child are in immediate danger, the goal is to fight to save both patients. Effective treatments exist that seek to save the life of the mother and never to intentionally harm her unborn child.

When a woman's life is at risk in pregnancy, preterm delivery may be used as a lifesaving medical intervention to preserve the life of both mother and child.¹

Ectopic pregnancies

result when an embryo implants outside the uterus—often in the fallopian tube. Sadly, such embryos cannot survive and this condition can pose serious risks to the mother. While ectopic pregnancies sometimes resolve naturally, interventions are often necessary.

When done ethically, treatment for an ectopic pregnancy is not abortion. Ethical interventions include the removal of the damaged fallopian tube containing the embryo or, if embryo death has already occurred, medication can be used to resolve the ectopic pregnancy.

Bottom line: Abortion restrictions never prevent women from receiving life-saving treatment.²

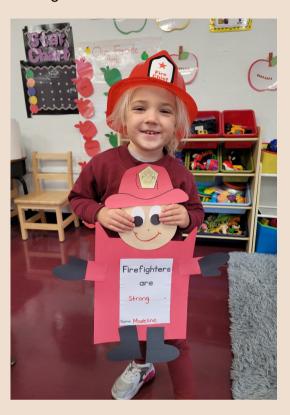
If you or someone you know is struggling after involvement in an abortion, the Church offers confidential, compassionate help through Project Rachel Ministry. Visit www.hopeafterabortion.org for more information.

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1 Buskmiller, C. 2018. "The ethics of interstitial and cesarean scar ectopic pregnancies: four case studies and a review of the literature". The Linacre Quarterly 85(3): 252-269.
2 For further information on these topics, reference: [1] National Catholic Bioethics Center, "Medical Interventions During Pregnancy in Light of Dobbs," https://www.ncbcenter.org/ncbc-news/bioethics-public-policy-report-august-12-2022-ezgx2. [2] American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists, "Myth vs. Fact: Correcting Misinformation on Maternal Medical Care," https://aaplog.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/AAPLOG-Myth-v-Fact v5.pdf.

St. William the Abbot School

October is fire prevention month. In honor of this, Ms. Walsh's Nursery class was introduced to fire safety and the importance of firefighters. The students were taught how to stop, drop, and roll, and made a special firefighter craft!



















Faith Formation

Our Childhood Faith Formation classes are in full swing!

Last week, our Level 8 students learned about the 4 Marks of the Church as they prepare for their Confirmation this Spring.

Meanwhile, our Level 3 students were learning about gathering for Mass every week.



THANKS GIVING FOOD DRIVE OCTOBER 29TH & 30TH



Visit the Church Vestibule after Masses this weekend to pick-up a Thanksgiving bag or pantry leaf with donation requests

Donations can be returned to the donation bin at Social Ministry by November 10th

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Featuring some of the Best Pies in America, Delicious Breads, Unique Cookie Pies & More from White Post Farms Bakery

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Please contact Renee Frawley at stwilliampiesale@gmail.com with any questions.

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

Diapers size 3
Cooking Oil
Pasta Sauce

Hearty Beef Soups Brown Mustard Beef Gravv

Sign Up Now! Medicare Info Session Nov. 7tb

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!

"A is for Apple" School Food Drive

St. William the Abbot School dropped off donations beginning with the letter 'A' last week, specifically Apple Juice and Applesauce. These are essential pantry staples that almost every family can use, and we are so grateful for their generous donations. Great job St. William School families, you have made a tremendous impact on our ability to serve our neighbors!



Seaford Library's "Great Give Back"

Thank you to the Seaford Library for hosting the "Great Give Back" food drive to benefit the St. William the Abbot Parish Social Ministry! The many food donations collected will go a long way toward helping our families in need, especially during this time of high inflation. Thank you, Seaford Library staff and patrons, for your generosity! A special thank you to Jacqueline Lopez and Kristen Jording for coordinating the event. We could not do it without your support!

Thank You Seaford Knights!

The Seaford Knights of Columbus Memorare Council generously donated two cases of winter coats to us last week. These coats will be wonderful early Christmas gifts for the children and teens we support! The Seaford Knights are always a generous supporter of our work in the community. Thank you for allowing us to keep children warm during the coming winter months! God bless the Seaford Knights!



Personal Notes for the Homebound

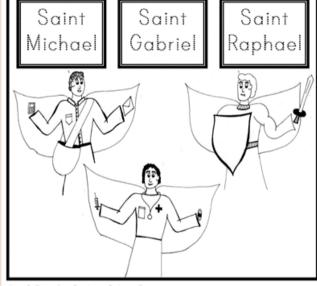
The Social Ministry is looking for handwritten, homemade cards to send to our homebound parishioners. These cards should be personally written with a simple note of greeting, prayerful encouragement and good wishes for our parishioners that can no longer attend Mass in person. Addressed 'Dear Friend' and signed with your name or as a friend from the parish, these cards

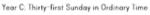
bring so much joy to those that are missing their parish community! Students completing cards can earn service hours. Please do not seal completed cards! Call the Social Ministry office with questions.

The Archangels Michael, Raphael, and Gabriel

Archangels are very special Angels that all have different jobs. Saint Michael is a warrior, Saint Raphael is a healer, and Saint Gabriel is a messenger.

Draw a line to connect the Archangel to his name.

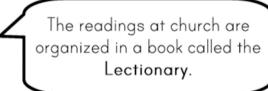




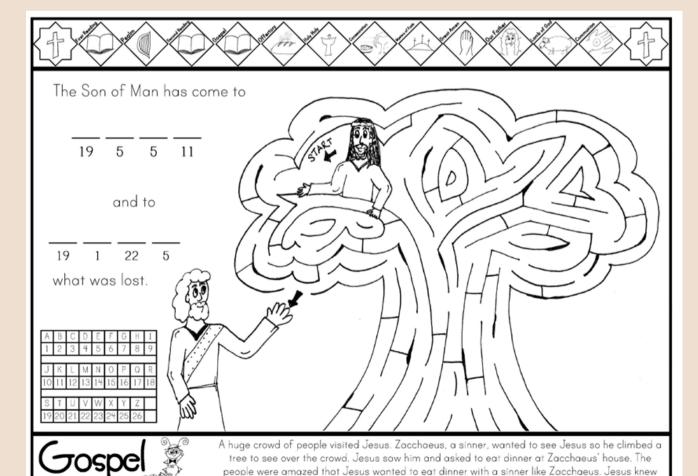


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Herley Mendez

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

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