



✠ **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** ✠
August 29, 2010



**The Week of
 August 30th –
 September 5th**



Monday	7:30 a.m.	Sr. Roberta Di Franco †
	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of the Hirata Family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Walter Noonan †
	9:00 a.m.	Franklin DeFelice †
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Jim Bever
	6:30 p.m.	Bro. Edward Cannon FSC †
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Sr. Fulvia Frangione †
	9:00 a.m.	Joseph Loftus †
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Rafaela Marenco †
	6:30 p.m.	Sr. Eliodora Maria D'Ovidio †
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Maxime Dancause †
	5:00 p.m.	Victoria Foster
	7:00 p.m.	Ian Smith-Christmas †
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Vernon Brinks †
	9:00 a.m.	People of St. William of York
	10:30 a.m.	Layne & Laura Goble Anniversary
	12:15 p.m.	Eileen & Michael Cosgrove †

† **Confession Schedule** †
**August 30th –
 September 4th**

Tuesday:	9:30 a.m.
Thursday:	9:30 a.m.
Saturday:	9:30 a.m.
Saturday:	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.*
Saturday:	6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

(*The penitent in the confessional at 4:30 p.m. will be the last confession heard.)

**Sunday Collection for
 8/22/10**

Offertory:	\$13,265.00
Debt:	\$ <u>4,525.00</u>
Total:	\$17,790.00

Thank you and may God bless you for your continued support and generosity.

Steady as we go!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The sight of our sanctuary takes my breath away every time I go down the aisle for Sunday Mass. Recently I was speaking with the principal donor of our renovation who was marveling at how much we have been able to do with the money that was given us. In response, I said simply that I was being as careful with our financial assets as I could. Making the best use of our assets, especially when those assets are people, is an important part of my pastoral administration of whatever parish is entrusted to my care.

When I wrote to you last spring, I related to you my own observation of the *fluctuating* patterns of Mass attendance our parish experiences. Attendance this summer can only and most aptly be described as *steady*. That *stability* has been one of the factors prompting the decision I have made *not* to bring the 5:00 p.m. Mass back in September as I had intended to do when I suspended it in June. Several reasons have driven me to this decision, and in an earlier draft of this letter I outlined them all over the course of two pages. But the bottom line, when all is said and done, is my own honest assessment that I simply can't keep up the same pace I've been maintaining here at St. William of York over the last two years. I want my ministry here to be an enduring one, not one that's hard to endure.

I am fully aware that some people may be disappointed with this decision, and I am not happy about that. At the same time, I reached my decision only recently and after a great deal of personal deliberation and consultation with others. I believe it is the right thing to do.

Our CYO meetings, parish suppers, and CCD classes will continue on Sunday evenings at their regularly scheduled times. Start up dates for these activities will be published in the bulletin and announced before Mass.

With kindest regards, I remain always

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Father Robert J. DeMartino,
 Pastor

Religious Education

Office hours are Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

RE Classes will begin on September 19th.

Registrations are now being accepted for the 2010-2011 school year. Please drop off your registration at the RE Office.

St. Raphael Ministry

Pastoral Care/Health & Wellness Outreach

September Calendar

Liturgy of the Hours Prayer Group meets every Wednesday following the 9 a.m. Mass in the Brent Room. A "thank you" to Deacon Richard Smith who has been leading our weekly prayer group the past 2 months.

On Pilgrimage with the Franciscans / Franciscan Lay Associate Program with Sr. Mary Lou resumes on Wednesday, September 15th following the Liturgy of the Hours Prayer in the Brent Room. There will be a special anticipatory presentation on September 17th for the Feast of the Stigmata of St. Francis.

Health & Wellness Clinic resumes on Thursday, September 16th. New open-clinic hours are 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Come by weekly and have your vital signs monitored according to your health needs.

Full health and wellness assessments can be done with private appointments as well by Sr. Mary Lou (i.e. ... blood pressure, pulse, blood sugar/pulse oxygen checks and more. Secure on-going vital health information from St. Raphael Ministry to bring to your family physician for more comprehensive and favorable management of your health concerns.

Needlepoint/Knitting for the Needy resumes on Thursday, September 23rd in the Brent Room from 1-2 p.m.

All Aboard the Senior Brain Train resumes in the Brent Room Tuesday, September 28th from 1-3 p.m. Come join us for some mind stimulating games and social time together. A "thank you" to both Rita Hagans and Kathleen Hannon for hosting this event at Rita's home of over the summer break.

**Pastoral Care/Health & Wellness visitations to our home bound seniors/sick and nursing home parishioners will resume full time in St. Raphael Ministry after Labor Day with Sr. Mary Lou's return.

Senior OKTOBERFEST Luncheon plans will be in progress. Watch the bulletin for more information.

St. William of York Catholic School

Part-Time Position: St. William of York School is looking to hire someone who will enjoy spending time with and working with our students in our Extended Care Program. Interested persons should be available to work Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. Please contact the school office at (540) 659-5207 if you are interested in more information.

Volleyball Tryouts: St. William of York School Volleyball Tryouts will be held on Tuesday August 31st and Thursday September 2nd from 3:15 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. in the school gym. Tryouts are open to all St. William of York parish middle school girls. Please come out to help make this season a fun, and successful one!!! For more information, contact the school office or stop in to pick up a flyer. All girls participating must bring a signed permission form.

Volunteers Needed: St William of York Catholic School Athletic Department is looking for volunteers! If you're looking for an opportunity to volunteer we have two openings to fill for this coming school year (2010-2011): (1) Concessions Coordinator - we need someone to manage the concessions at the home volleyball and basketball games, (2) Girl's Varsity Basketball Coach - the basketball season starts in December and runs through early February. Interested volunteers should contact the Athletic Director (Tony Greco) at grecoathome@verizon.net or 703-675-9061.

Preschool: Saint William of York Preschool offers a variety of full and part time programs, convenient to you and your child's individual schedule. We use a developmental approach to teaching, which is a planned environment to help stimulate the whole learning approach of each child in the areas of emotional, social, cognitive, physical, spiritual and creative growth. The preschool works closely with the kindergarten at Saint William of York to prepare them for their next school environment. For more information please contact the school at (540) 659-5207.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is a process of study and prayer for adults who: wish to join the Catholic Church; were baptized Catholic, but never received the Sacraments of Penance, Eucharist, or Confirmation; are interested in exploring the Faith, but are unsure of joining; or practicing Catholics who wish to learn a bit more about their Faith. Fr. Magat and Fr. DeMartino would like to invite anyone who is interested to join them on Wednesday evenings beginning **September 8th**. Call the parish office to register at (540) 659-1102.

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, August 29

7:00 p.m. Venture Crew (K of C Hall)

Monday, August 30

7:30 p.m. IFF Meeting (Brent Room)

Tuesday, August 31

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)

9:30 a.m. Rosary Makers (Brent Room)

3:15 p.m. Volleyball Tryouts (Gym)

7:00 p.m. Preschool Parent Info. Night (Center)

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (K of C Grounds & Fire Ring)

Wednesday, September 1

8:20 a.m. Back to School Parent Breakfast (Center)

9:30 a.m. Liturgy of Hours (Brent Room)

Thursday, September 2

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)

3:15 p.m. Volleyball Tryouts (Gym)

7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Brent Room)

Friday, September 3

9:30 a.m. First Friday Adoration (Church)

Saturday, September 4

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)

3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)

6:00 p.m. Spanish Choir (Brent Room)

6:00 p.m. Join Scouting Night (Center)

6:30 p.m. Spanish Confessions (Church)

Parish Office

The parish office will be closing at 12:00 p.m. on Friday September 3rd. The office will be closed on Monday the 6th of September for Labor Day.

First Friday Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will begin on Friday, September 3rd, after the 9 a.m. Mass and continue until 6:15 p.m. Adoration will continue after the 6:30 p.m. Mass until midnight. Please join our parish community every first Friday as we adore our Lord on the altar.

Parents who are concerned about their teens and young adults are invited to spend the hour between 8 and 9 p.m. in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament on September 3rd. Written prayers and meditations will be provided in the vestibule.

We Joyfully Welcome into the Catholic Faith

Luke Maximilian Daly son of Peter and Suzanne Daly.

St. William of York Outreach

St William of York Outreach gratefully acknowledges the technical assistance and advice provided by Mr. Cunningham of PC Hero, 2055 Jefferson Davis Highway, (540) 657-9555. Because of Mr. Cunningham's expertise, we were able to create an Outreach network that allows us to better manage resources and get the help to those truly in need.

Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus, Fr. Widmer Council, and the American Red Cross will be sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive during the International Fall Festival on Sunday, September 12th between 12:30-6:30 p.m. in the gym. We look forward to seeing our regular donors as well as welcoming many new people to help us meet our goal and to provide the "Gift of Life" to so many in need. You remain a vital part of our local blood team, helping to maintain a healthy local supply. The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Please give blood. Also please remember that a valid pictured ID is required prior to registration. If you have any questions please contact either Kathleen or John Hannon at (540) 720-1599.

Prayer Request...

Please keep everyone who is serving in Iraq and Afghanistan and their family members in your prayers.

Rev. Eric Albertson, Ralph Allison, John Bernier, OJ Block, PFC Phillip Churchill, Capt. James Cleary, Shawn Cunningham, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, John Ferry, 2nd Lt. Brian Flanagan, Jason Freed, Richard Garver, Sgt. John Gentile, Zachary Hafner, Keirsten Hage, Robert Hein, Lt. Col. John Heslin, Maj. Jason Heuer, Christopher L. Johnson, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Kent Larson, Tyron Anthony Layug, Maj. Brian Marbach, H.N. Daric Martin, Major Thomas McNally, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Darby Noonan, Mike Parrot, Gavin Reed, Thomas Ryan, Christopher Schap, Daniel Stehm, Bobby Stone, Gregory Thomas, Mark Thomas, Chris Tolliver, and Vincent Torney.

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen

Adult Education

Adult Ed will resume on September 5th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Brent Room. All adults are welcome. For information contact Jim Dobbins at jhdphd@gmail.com

St. William of York Catholic Church's International Fall Festival

September 12, 2010 from 1:00 – 7:30 p.m.

White Elephant Sale: The International Fall Festival (IFF) committee is collecting items to be sold at the festival this fall. If you would like to make donations for the festival, we ask that you please drop them off in the gray storage container, located on the left hand side passed the gates on the road to the thrift shop. We ask that you donate only items in good condition and please no clothing or flammable liquids. For more information contact Justin Bettendorf at (540) 752-6970.

Prizes: The IFF committee is accepting stuffed animals and other toys that are in new or like new condition for use as prizes for the children's games during the IFF. If you have items that you would like to donate for this purpose, please contact Mike Godbout at godboutmg@juno.com.

Volunteers: General: Shay Martello at shay.martello@commeng.com or (540) 720-3392.

White Elephant: Contact Justin Bettendorf at (540) 752-6970.

Face Painting: Contact Sharen Johnson at sharenjohnson@ymail.com.

Games/Rides: Contact Mike Godbout at (443) 994-7150 or godboutmg@juno.com.

IFF Meeting: The next IFF meeting will be Monday, August 30th at 7:30 p.m. in the Brent Room. Anyone interested in helping with this year's IFF please contact Shay Martello at shay.martello@commeng.com or (540) 720-3392.

Desserts: We are looking for volunteers to bake desserts and/or help serve at the festival. If you are interested, please contact Cathy McFall at (540) 657-4903 or via email at: cmcfour94@comcast.net.

Sponsorship: The IFF committee is offering Gold, Silver and Bronze Sponsorship packages, if you or your business is interested, please contact: Ann Smith at (540) 720-3653 or pxy843@verizon.net.

Service Hours Opportunity: Are you in need of service hours for confirmation? The Fall Festival is a great opportunity to earn some of those hours. We have many areas that could use our youth's participation. If you are interested, please contact the area leader listed in the volunteer section.

Set-Up: Saturday, September 11th at 10:00 a.m. We will meet behind the School on the soccer field. We ask that you bring gloves if you have them. If you have a sledge hammer and crowbar to temp loan, that will help the tent setup go quickly. We will ensure you get the equipment back. Contact Paul Trautman at (540)760-5101 or email pwtrautman@verizon.net.

Clean-up: Monday, September 13th at 8:30 am. We will meet behind the School on the soccer field. We ask that you bring gloves if you have them. If you have a sledge hammer and crowbar to temp loan, that will help the tent tear down go quickly. We will ensure you get the equipment back. Contact Justin Bettendorf at (540)752-6970.

Tickets: If you can help sell or collect tickets before or after Mass, please stop by the ticket booth outside the front of the Church. We are in need of people to help sell raffle tickets, food/ride tickets, and 50/50 tickets the day of the event at both tickets booths. If you can volunteer an hour or two to help, please contact Constance Gordon at constance.gordon@comcast.net or Paul Trautman at pwtrautman@verizon.net or (540)760-5101.

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