

The Week of February 15th–February 21st



Monday	No 7:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m. Betty Owens†
Tuesday	7:30 a.m. Walt Daniels† 9:00 a.m. Michael Orfitelli†
*Ash Wednesday	
	7:30 a.m. People of St. William of York 9:00 a.m. Rita Homberg† 12:00 p.m. Rose DeMartino† 6:30 p.m. Robert J. Nace† 8:00 p.m. Special Intentions
Thursday	7:30 a.m. Roselind Davis† 9:00 a.m. Special Intentions
Friday	9:00 a.m. Jane Schwab† 7:00 p.m. George & Anna Michalick
Saturday	9:00 a.m. Marie Merle & Florence Padgett 5:00 p.m. Catherine Turchik† 7:00 p.m. Deidre Phoenix
Sunday	7:30 a.m. Sienicki/Szafranski Families† 9:00 a.m. Priest Intentions 10:30 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. P.J. & Katie Walter† 12:15 p.m. Rita Hagans 5:00 p.m. People of St. William of York

This week on Monday, we will be on a modified Mass schedule due to Presidents' Day.

*On Wednesday we will be celebrating Ash Wednesday please check the schedule for Mass times.

On Friday's during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be prayed starting at 6:30 p.m. followed by Mass at **7:00 p.m.**

†Confession Schedule† February 15th–February 20th

Tuesday:	9:30 a.m.
Thursday:	9:30 a.m.
Friday:	7:30 p.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.)

Parish Office

The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 15th in observance of Presidents' Day.

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class in English will be held on **Wednesday, February 24th at 7:30 p.m.** in the Library. The next Spanish Baptismal Preparation Class will be held on **Saturday, March 13th at 8:30 a.m.** in the Brent Room. It is **mandatory that all parents register** with the parish office (659-1102) before the class.

Scout Sunday Mass

St. William of York will host its annual Scout Sunday Mass on Sunday, March 7th, at the 5 p.m. Mass. All scouts in attendance are encouraged to wear their scout uniforms to the Mass. If your Girl Scout, Cub Scout, Boy Scout, or Venture Scout has earned a religious emblem in the past year, the celebrant will present the emblem to your scout at the conclusion of the Mass. We are also in need of Scout volunteers to bring up the gifts and to hand out bulletins after the Mass, and older scouts (14 or older) or adult leaders to volunteer as ushers. If you want to arrange for your scout to be presented a religious emblem, or to sign up to participate in the Mass, please contact our Chartered Organization Representative Andy Walker at (540) 288-2059 or COR@pack142.org.



Ash Wednesday

February 17th begins the season of Lent. Masses will be celebrated at **7:30 & 9:00 a.m. & 12:00, 6:30 and 8:00 p.m.** Ashes will be distributed at all Masses.

Lenten Soup Kitchen

Every Friday during Lent, except for Good Friday different organizations of the parish will sponsor a Soup Kitchen in the parish center at 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Join us for a sacrificial meal of homemade soup and a sandwich for a small donation, followed by Stations of the Cross.

Stations of the Cross

Friday's at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. Living Stations will be on Good Friday, April 2nd at 7:30 p.m. in the parish center.

Sunday Night Supper

Due to the holiday weekend, supper will not be served this evening. February 21st we will be serving "Don Marco's Arroz con Pollo."

Religious Education

There will be no RE Classes today, February 14th.

There will be a Confirmation I parent meeting on Sunday, February 21st at 6:45 p.m. in the center. Confirmation I consist of 7th grade students and High School I students.

Natural Family Planning Series

Learn the art of Natural Family Planning this Spring here at St. William of York Catholic Church. This series will be taught on the following Sundays: February 21st, March 21st and April 18th starting at 2 p.m. in the Brent Room. The cost is \$135.00 which covers all materials. Assistance is available to couples with financial hardship.

Pre-registration is required. Please go to the website: www.ccli.org to register for this class or any upcoming class that fits your needs. The teaching couple for this course is Mike and Stacie Ferry. Contact us at (540) 373-8617 or mferry8@cox.net with any additional questions.

Teach Job Fair

The Office of Catholic Schools invites prospective teachers to a Teacher Job Fair on March 13. The Fair will be held at Paul VI High School from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Principals from over 40 Diocesan elementary and high schools will be on hand to talk with you about openings for the 2010-2011 school year. Representatives from the Office of Catholic Schools will answer questions about the application process. New teachers and those returning to teaching are welcome. (All teachers must be certified or ready to seek certification.) Paul VI High School is located at 10675 Fairfax Blvd. (U.S. Route 50) in Fairfax. Parking is available. For more information please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org. We believe in our teachers! Join our excellent schools for a faith-filled experience.

St. Raphael Ministry

February Calendar:

February 18th Health & Wellness Clinic will be Closed.

February 23rd (Tuesday) All Aboard the Senior Brain Train from 1-3 p.m. in the Brent Room.

February 25th (Thursday) Needlepoint/Knitting for the Needy from 1-2 p.m. in the Brent Room.

Free Throw Contest

The Knight of Columbus council #7877 is sponsoring the Annual Free Throw Contest this year on Saturday, February 20th from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. in the school gym. All boys and girls ages 10 - 14 years of age can participate. Registration forms are available in the back of the church and at the school office. The cost is free and there will be awards for all age groups. Winners will advance to District level competition which is TBD. For more information please contact Ray Piaskowski at (540) 429-3151.



Prayer Request...

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

Rev. Eric Albertson, Ralph Allison, PFC Phillip Churchill, Capt. James Cleary, Shawn Cunningham, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, Lt. Col. Richard G. de Guzman, Lt. Col. Tina Marie G. de Guzman, John Ferry, 2nd Lt. Brian Flanagan, Jason Freed, Richard Garver, Specialist John Gentile, Keirsten Hage, Maj. Jason Heuer, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Kent Larson, Tyron Anthony Layug, Michael Luther, H.N. Daric Martin, Orlando Medina, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Travis Morgan, Darby Noonan, Gavin Reed, Thomas Ryan, Christopher Schap, Daniel Stehm, Bobby Stone, Mark Thomas, Chris Tolliver, Vincent Torney, and Gregory Wooton.

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

If you have a relative serving in Iraq or Afghanistan and would like to have his/her name included in our prayer list, please contact the parish office.



World Youth Day Info Meeting

World Youth Day is August 15 - 21, 2011, in Madrid, Spain. Join us for an informational meeting on Tuesday, February 23rd at 8:00 p.m. in the Brent Room. The topics to discuss for this Diocesan Pilgrimage include: the basic pilgrimage agenda, fees, payment schedules, fundraisers, passport info, etc. Interested teens must be at least 16 years old by August 2011. Adult chaperones must be at least 25 years old by August 2011, are also invited to attend this meeting. For more info, contact youthgroup@swoycc.org or 659-5705 ext 31.

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, February 14

8:00 a.m. Spanish Apostolate Breakfast (Center)
9:45 a.m. Choir (Brent Room)
1:00 p.m. CYO Basketball (Gym)
1:30 p.m. Baptism (Church)
6:30 p.m. Adult Ed. (Brent Room)
7:00 p.m. Venture Crew (K of C Hall)

Monday, February 15

Presidents' Day
No School
Parish Office Closed
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (K of C Hall)

Tuesday, February 16

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)
9:30 a.m. Rosary Makers (Brent Room)
3:30 p.m. Fiat Group (Brent Room)
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Brent Room/Center)

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday
9:30 a.m. Liturgy Prayer Group (Brent Room)
6:00 p.m. Choir (Brent Room)
6:00 p.m. Baseball Practice (Gym)
7:30 p.m. RCIA (Center)

Thursday, February 18

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)
3:00 p.m. School Market Day Pick-up (Center)
6:00 p.m. Baseball Practice (Gym)
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (Art Room)
7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Brent Room)

Friday, February 19

5:00 p.m. Soup Supper (Center)
6:00 p.m. Baseball Practice (Gym)
6:30 p.m. Stations (Church)
7:00 p.m. Confessions (Church)

Saturday, February 20

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)
10:00 a.m. Baseball Practice (Gym)
2:00 p.m. K of C Free Throw (Gym)
3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)
5:45 p.m. Spanish Choir (Brent Room)
6:30 p.m. Spanish Confessions (Church)

Ash Wednesday-Second Collection

Second Collection on Ash Wednesday will be for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. The Church in this region continues to have great needs for its essential pastoral work. Your donations invest in future generations of Catholics: a gift of faith to the future. Please be generous in our parish collection to support our sisters and brothers throughout Central and Eastern Europe and parts of Asia that were once under Soviet control.



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 14, 2010

First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8

Jeremiah compares a man who seeks strength in flesh but abandons God to a bush in the desert, bereft of nourishment and unable to grow. Yet a man who trusts in God is like a tree beside a river, fed & strengthened by it even during times of drought.

Second Reading: I Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

Paul addresses those who believe in Christ's teachings, but are not convinced that he rose from the dead. He calls their faith worthless, because they have not been freed from their sins. Paul then emphatically declares that Jesus did rise up again, as will all those who truly believe in Him.

Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus tells his followers that those who are insulted in this life because of Him will be rewarded richly in heaven. Yet those well received by all will despair in heaven, since people had often respected false prophets and mistreated true prophets. Those who hunger, perhaps for spiritual knowledge, shall be filled. Yet those who are full in this life will be hungry.

Pray for a Priest Each Day...

This week please pray for

February 14 th	Rev. William Errbacher
February 15 th	Rev. James Haley
February 16 th	Rev. Charles Merkle
February 17 th	Rev. Christopher Mould
February 18 th	Bishop Loverde
February 19 th	Rev. Paul DeLadurantaye
February 20 th	Rev. William Aitcheson

O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, Live in (Name of priest), act in him, speak in him and through him. Think Your Thoughts in his mind, love through his heart. Give him Your Own dispositions and feelings. Teach, lead and guide him always. Correct, enlighten and expand his thought and behavior. Posses his soul, take over his entire personality and life. Replace him with Yourself. Incline him to constant adoration and thanksgiving; pray in and through him. Amen



Ash Wednesday
February 17, 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today our Lenten journey has begun. This is the first day of the Church's annual 40-day retreat, during which we are called to more intense prayer, more generous charity and more genuine self-discipline. These three "works of Lent," rooted in the Ash Wednesday Gospel, provide us with the means of growing more fully into the image of Christ Jesus whose very life we began to share from baptism onwards.

However, the image of Christ within us can and does become distorted whenever we sin. In our more honest moments, we readily admit that we do sin daily – in thought, word and deed, and also by omission. Each one of us stands in need of God's merciful and healing forgiveness.

In his Lenten message for 2010, Pope Benedict XVI emphasizes the necessity of God's forgiveness in our lives. The Pope teaches us, "Conversion to Christ, believing in the Gospel, ultimately means this: to exit the illusion of self-sufficiency in order to discover and accept one's own need – the need of others and God, the need of His forgiveness and His friendship" (Pope Benedict XVI, 2010 Lenten Message). This Lent, answer this call to conversion, this call to return to full communion with God and with the Body of Christ, His Church!

In order to aid us in truly experiencing God's merciful and healing forgiveness, the Diocese of Arlington is partnering with the Archdiocese of Washington in an initiative called *The Light is On For You*. In addition to regularly scheduled Confessions, **every Catholic Church** in the Diocese of Arlington and the Archdiocese of Washington will be open during the Wednesdays of Lent from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for Confession and quiet prayer. If you have been away from the healing Sacrament of Penance, please do take advantage of this opportunity.

Just as the Apostles spread the news of the abundant forgiveness of the Lord in their time, so I ask that this Lent you commit to inviting one person a week back to the Church. Perhaps a friend or relative has been struggling with their relationship with God or is uncertain about the Church. Take this opportunity to invite them to prayer and the Sacrament of Confession. Please remember: every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Arlington and the Archdiocese of Washington will be open on Wednesday evenings during Lent from 6:30 to 8 for prayer and Confession. More information is available at www.thelightison.org.

My prayer is that this Lenten retreat will be a time of authentic conversion for each one of us and, for those among us who have been away, a time to come back home where the Lord Jesus and all of us await them with open arms and loving hearts.

Faithfully in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul S. Loverde".

Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde
Bishop of Arlington