

The Week of February 1st–February 7th



Monday	<i>No 7:30 a.m. Mass</i> 9:00 a.m. Intentions of J. Bradley Kennedy
Tuesday	<i>No 7:30 a.m. Mass</i> 9:00 a.m. Sr. Joyce Wise S.S.J.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. Frank Jacko† <i>No 6:30 p.m. Mass</i>
Thursday	<i>No 7:30 a.m. Mass</i> 9:00 a.m. Assutina DiRosa†
Friday	9:00 a.m. Rafaela Marengo† <i>No 6:30 p.m. Mass</i>
Saturday	9:00 a.m. Jose and Lolita Zarate† 5:00 p.m. Fabiola C. Shields† 7:00 p.m. Sr. Secondiana Leone†
Sunday	7:30 a.m. Vernon Brincks† 9:00 a.m. Priests Intentions 10:30 a.m. Theresa Poole† 12:15 p.m. Eileen & Michael Cosgrove† 5:00 p.m. People of St. William of York

This week Monday thru Friday we will be on a modified Mass schedule while one of our priests is away.

†Confession Schedule† February 1st–February 6th

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.)

In the event of Severe Weather

All baptized Catholics are obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. However, there are particular circumstances or conditions that may excuse a Catholic from this obligation. If you are ill, homebound, or if there are severe weather conditions that make attending Mass dangerous to your safety or that of others, you are excused from the obligation. In such cases, if you are unable to attend Mass, the church recommends spending time in prayer.

Bishop's Lenten Appeal- Charity is Faith in Action

Next week every parishioner will have the opportunity to support the 2010 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). During Mass you will receive information and a pledge card for you to fill out. Please take time this week to prayerfully consider your gift amount for the BLA.

The BLA helps to support diocesan offices and ministries that serve tens of thousands of people each year. From support of seminarians, to the training of our catechists, to helping our youth grow in their faith, to teaching respect for the sanctity of life, your support to the BLA impacts the lives of many people that reach beyond the scope of any individual parish.

As you reflect on your blessings this year, we ask you to consider making a sacrificial pledge to help sustain the ministries and programs that are funded by the BLA. By making a pledge, your gift becomes intentional, representing a promise to give not from your leftovers, but from your first fruits. From all that we have received, let us make a proper return to God, Our Heavenly Father, the source of our life and all blessings.

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.

Sunday Night Supper

Join us in the parish center on Sunday night after the 5 p.m. Mass for fellowship and a home-cooked meal. This weekend January 31st we will be having BBQ ribs and baked beans. Cost is \$4.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. On February 7th we will anticipate Mardi Gras with "My Big Fat Greek Dinner".

Contribution Statements

Anyone interested in receiving a 2009 contribution statement is asked to send their request with a self addressed stamped envelope to the parish office. Our address is:

St. William of York
3130 Jefferson Davis Hwy.
Stafford, VA 22554

Thank you.

Religious Education

The date for First Penance has changed. The new date is as follows:

Friday, February 12th at 7:30 p.m. for Mr. Currier's, Mrs. Grab's, Mr. McCormick's, and Homeschooled Students. The preparation class for this date will be Sunday, February 7th during RE class.

First Penance retreats have been cancelled.

There are no RE Classes on February 7th for the **evening classes only**.



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.

St. William of York Catholic School

Open House

St. William of York Catholic School will be holding an Open House, February 3rd from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. for all interested parents during Catholic School's Week. Please mark your calendars and come see the great things we are doing!

St. William of York Catholic Pre-K was recently ranked one of the top 100 Pre-K's in the Northern Virginia Magazine January 2010 edition. We are currently working on becoming Nationally certified and look forward to becoming even better!

Limited number of tickets are now on sale for the old world auction and dinner!

SWoY PTO is proud to announce the 2nd Annual Auction and Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 6, 2010, from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. in the gym and center. Admission tickets include bid number, hors d'oeuvres, full dinner, dessert (catered by La Rosetta Ristorante) and one free drink ticket for the cash bar. Live entertainment featuring **"Two For The Road"** (St. William of York Parishioner). Tickets are \$35 per person (ages 18 and older only). A limited number of tickets are available through January 31st. Pick up your Ticket Order Form in the school office, parish office, RE office or on Edline, or simply contact Lisa Morrison, r_morrison7@comcast.net to get yours now!

The Auction Committee is in need of a few items. If you have a banquet table and/or heating pad you are willing to loan to the Committee for use during the Auction/Dinner, please contact Lisa Morrison, r_morrison7@comcast.net or (540)720-9784.

The Committee is also seeking any leftover ribbon and cello wrap to decorate the Auction Baskets and baskets or other unique containers donations can be put in. Simply send your donation to the School Office marked "Auction Committee".

Proceeds are being directed towards Capital Improvements (**Bathroom Renovations**).

Enjoy this adult night out, bid on something for Valentine's Day, Easter or Mom for Mother's Day and support your school! Credit cards will be accepted at the Auction.

Marriage Help

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for the March program beginning with a weekend on March 19th call (703) 351-7211 or www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, January 31

8:00 a.m. K of C Coffee and Donuts (Center)
8:45 a.m. RE Class
9:45 a.m. Choir (Brent Room)
10:45 a.m. RE Class
1:00 p.m. CYO Basketball (Gym)
6:00 p.m. Sunday Supper (Center)
6:30 p.m. Adult Ed. (Brent Room)
6:30 p.m. RE Class
6:45 p.m. CYO (Gym)
7:00 p.m. Venture Crew (K of C Hall)

Monday, February 1

Catholic Schools Week
3:10 p.m. Girl Scouts (Art/Brent/Preschool Rooms)
4:00 p.m. Basketball Game (Gym)
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (K of C Hall)

Tuesday, February 2

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 3

9:30 a.m. Liturgy Prayer Group (Brent Room)
4:00 p.m. Basketball Practice (Gym)
7:30 p.m. RCIA (Center)

Thursday, February 4

8:30 a.m. Health & Wellness Clinic (Raphael Min)
9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)
5:00 p.m. Basketball Game (Gym)
7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Brent Room)
7:30 p.m. Choir (Church)

Friday, February 5

7:30 p.m. CYO (Loft)

Saturday, February 6

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)
9:30 a.m. Comunita Cenacolo (Brent Room)
3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)
6:30 p.m. Old World Auction and Dinner (Center/Gym)
5:45 p.m. Spanish Choir (Brent Room)
6:30 p.m. Spanish Confessions (Church)

Church in Latin America Thanks You

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection for the Church in Latin America! Your generosity has made a difference by funding pastoral programs that will nurture the faith and strengthen the Church. Thank you for keeping faith with the Church in Latin America. To see where your donation is making a difference, visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections.

Scout Sunday Mass:

St. William of York will host its annual Scout Sunday Mass on Sunday, March 7th, at the 5p.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.

Come to the Catholic Diocese of Arlington's 2010 Men's Conference!

On Saturday, March 13th the Office for Family Life will host a Men's Conference at St. Joseph's Banquet Hall in Herndon. The conference will be an opportunity for men of the Diocese to recommit themselves to living out their faith in their daily lives, be inspired by Catholic speakers, and gather together with their brothers in Christ. Confirmed speakers include: Capt. Guy Gruters, Air Force fighter pilot in Vietnam and P.O.W. from 1967-1973; Catholic Congressman Chris Smith; and Fr. Paul Scalia, pastor of St. John the Beloved Parish. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Paul Loverde. To attend, register now at www.arlingtondiocese.org! At this time, no on-site registrations will be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Tom O'Neill at familylife@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2550.

St. Raphael Ministry

February 9th (Tuesday) Senior Valentine's Day Luncheon from 12-2 p.m. in gym.

February 10th (Wednesday) Presentation for Seniors/Retirees on the NEW TAX LAWS for 2010. This will be held in the Brent Room following Liturgy of the Hours Prayer group. From 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. All are welcome.

February 18th Health & Wellness Clinic will be Closed today.

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.

Separated? Divorced? Widowed?

The rebuilding Program sponsored by the Office of Family Life helps people who are separated, divorced, or widowed and wanted to move on with their lives. The nine week program starts Sunday, February 21st and meets Sunday evenings 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. at St Martin De Porres Center in Alexandria Virginia. Important issues related to moving on after the loss of your spouse are discussed each week. There are presentations, guest speakers, and participant interaction. A\$45 registration fee covers book and other expenses. Please contact Carie Schaffer at (703) 519-1715 or email CopingRebuilding@hotmail.com or for more information go to <http://www.copingrebuilding.com>.

World Day of the Sick February 11, 2010

The World Day of the Sick is sponsored by the Vatican's Pontifical Council for Health Pastoral Care and has been celebrated since 1992 on the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. This celebration is a reminder to pray for all those who are sick and to recognize and honor those who work in healthcare and those who serve as caregivers. Please remember all those sick, elderly homebound and nursing home parishioners to whom we minister on a daily basis at St. William of York Catholic Church.

PRAYER for WORLD DAY of the SICK

From the National Association of Catholic Chaplains

On this World Day of the Sick,
When we are called to be especially
Sensitive
To the needs of the sick,
We pray to the God of our Faith.
We lift to you imploringly
Our needs and the needs of
The sick throughout the world,
Particularly
Those who are cast away
Because of their illness.
God of healing, heal your people.
We pray for the
Patience of the sick,
And the compassion
Of caregivers.
God of healing, heal your people.
Let your blessing of healing
Come upon our brothers and sisters
That they may praise you
All their days.
We pray,
Merciful God, hear our prayers.
Amen



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 31, 2010

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

God tells Jeremiah that he was chosen to be a prophet to the nations before he had even been born. He also promises him strength and protection, providing Jeremiah does as God asks.

Second Reading: I Corinthians 12:31—13:13

Paul discusses the importance of love and claims that one who possesses any gift, but lacks love, has nothing. He explains that true love never fails, although knowledge or other talents can fail to endure in the same manner. Paul says that three things last: "faith, hope, and love, the greatest of these being love."

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

Jesus spoke in the synagogue at Nazareth, at first appealing to all who were present. But He knew that they would be expecting Him to do the things He had already done in other towns. He reminded them of other prophets who had preached and gained acceptance in foreign places instead of their home towns. This angered the people, who expelled Him from town.

Pray for a Priest Each Day...

This week please pray for

January 31 st	All Sick & Dying Priests
February 1 st	Rev. Donald Greenhalgh
February 2 nd	Rev. Robert Rippy
February 3 rd	Rev. William Saunders
February 4 th	Rev. Daniel Spychala
February 5 th	Rev. Jose Hoyos
February 6 th	Rev. Robert Ruskamp

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
