

Holy Week

March 29th–April 4th



Monday	7:30 a.m.	Bill & Kathy McManus
	9:00 a.m.	Linda Pitchford
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Michael & Michele Wellinghurst
	9:00 a.m.	Harry & Margaret Palm
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Josefina Ayerbe†
	6:30 p.m.	Joe & Jane Espinosa
Holy		No Morning Mass
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good		No Morning Mass
Friday	3:00 p.m.	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Holy Saturday		No Morning Mass
Easter Vigil	8:30 p.m.	People of St. William of York
Easter	7:30 a.m.	Priest Intentions
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Priest Intentions
	10:30 a.m.	People of St. William of York
	12:15 p.m.	Priest Intentions
	2:00 p.m.	Priest Intentions

On Good Friday there will be Living Stations of the Cross in the center at 7:30 p.m.

At 10:00 a.m. on Holy Saturday we will have a Blessing of Food Baskets in the church.

The 2:00 p.m. Easter Sunday Mass will be in **Spanish**.

†Confession Schedule†

March 29–April 3rd

Monday:	9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday:	9:30 a.m.
Wednesday:	9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Friday:	12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sunday Collection for

3/21/10

Offertory:	\$15,993.00
Debt:	<u>\$ 5,170.00</u>
Total:	\$21,163.00

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

Divine Mercy Novena

Our Lord called St. Maria Faustina Kowalska (1905-38) to become a member of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Poland. Her mission was to remind the world of the eternal truth of God's merciful love for us and to convey to us a new form of the devotion to the Divine Mercy.

All are invited to participate in the Divine Mercy Novena, which will take place in the church with the following schedule:

Good Friday, April 2nd after the Good Friday Liturgy and continuing everyday at 3:30 p.m. from Holy Saturday, April 3rd thru Saturday, April 10th at 3:30 p.m.



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, Major Thomas McNally, Orlando Medina, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Travis Morgan, Darby Noonan, Gavin Reed, Jonathan K. Rost, Thomas Ryan, Christopher Schap, Daniel Stehm, Bobby Stone, Gregory Thomas, 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.

Parish Office Notes

The parish office will be **closed** on Good Friday, April 2nd.

Sunday Supper

There will be no Sunday Supper on Easter Sunday, April 4th.

Religious Education

There will be no RE classes on Easter Sunday, April 4th.

The mandatory First Communion retreat will be on April 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



Easter Egg Hunt

The parish Easter Egg Hunt is on Easter Sunday at 3:45 p.m. in the school field. For each child who plans to participate, please provide 12 plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy, stickers, or small toys. Filled eggs must be dropped off in the school office by April 1st. For more info, or to help with this event, contact Sr. Vilma A. Butron, FMIJ at (540) 659-5207.



Children's Choir

The Children's Choir will be singing at First Communion Masses on Saturday, May 1st, at 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Children in 3rd-8th grades are welcome to participate in either or both Masses. Rehearsals take place in the church from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Thursday afternoons-April 15th, 22nd, and 29th. To sign up, please contact Alison Kelly at kellymusicstudio@comcast.net.

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class in English will be held on Wednesday, April 28th at 7:30 p.m. in the Library. The next Spanish Baptismal Preparation Class will be held on Saturday, May 8th 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.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will begin on Holy Thursday after the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 p.m. and continue until midnight 12:00 a.m.

IFF Meeting

The next meeting for the 2010 International Fall Festival will be Monday, April 19th at 7:30 p.m. in the Brent Room. Anyone interested in helping with this year's Festival please contact Shay Martello at (540) 720-3392 or shay.martello@commeng.com.

St. William of York Catholic School

Athletics Fundraisers

Yankee Candle Fundraiser: This year's Yankee Candle sales will run during the month of March. Catalogs and order forms were sent home the second week of March. All orders are due back to the school office no later than *Wednesday, March 31st*. If you would like to help with this fundraiser, or have any questions please contact Lisa Morrison at r_morrison7@comcast.net. Support your Panthers!

Spirit Items

The SWoY Athletic Department's Spirit Item sales are ongoing throughout the course of the school year. Items are on display at every home sports event as well as all PTO events. Order forms are available in the school office or on Edline under the Sports icon. For further information please contact Lisa Morrison, r_morrison7@comcast.net.

Donations: Clean out your closets & garage to raise money for the St. William of York athletic department! We are looking for used, but not used up, field hockey, softball, baseball, lacrosse, soccer, golf, wrestling and exercise equipment! We will take most equipment related to these sports such as: sticks, shin guards, balls, gloves, bats, exercise bikes, dumbbells, ellipticals, etc. bring your equipment for donation to the St. William of York gym between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. on Saturday, March 27th!

Proceeds from the Athletics Fundraisers help keep the participation fee each athlete is required to pay to a manageable amount, as well as provide new uniforms and equipment that constantly require replacing or supplementing. This year we have been able to expand the Boys' Basketball Team and Boys' Baseball Team to include a JV division for students in grades 5 and 6. This expansion provides a feeder team for our Varsity level, as well as allowing more students from the parish and school to participate in sports.

Employment Opportunities

The Catholic Diocese of Arlington is currently recruiting for the following positions located in their Administrative Office in Arlington: Director of Major Gifts – Office of Development, Risk Analyst – Office of Risk Management, Summer Intern – Office of Youth Ministry and Workcamp Assistant Coordinator – Office of Youth Ministry. For more information please go to: www.arlingtondiocese.org.

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, March 28

Palm Sunday

8:00 a.m. Ladies K of C Coffee & Muffins (Center)

8:45 a.m. RE Classes

9:45 a.m. Choir (Brent Room)

10:45 a.m. RE Classes

1:00 p.m. CYO Basketball (Gym)

5:00 p.m. Sunday Supper (Center)

6:30 p.m. RE Classes

6:30 p.m. Adult Ed. (Brent Room)

6:45 p.m. CYO (Gym)

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

Monday, March 29

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)

3:10 p.m. Girl Scouts (Brent Room)

6:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)

7:00 p.m. Choir (Church)

Tuesday, March 30

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)

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

1:00 p.m. Brain Train (Brent Room)

3:30 p.m. Fiat Group (Brent Room)

4:00 p.m. Baseball Practice (Gym)

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Center)

Wednesday, March 31

9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)

9:30 a.m. Liturgy Prayer Group (Brent Room)

6:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)

7:30 p.m. RCIA (Center)

Thursday, April 1

Holy Thursday

½ Day of School

8:30 a.m. Health and Wellness Clinic (Raphael Min.)

6:30 p.m. Choir (Brent Room)

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

Friday, April 2

Good Friday

No School

12:00 p.m. Confessions (Church)

2:00 p.m. Choir (Brent Room)

7:30 p.m. Living Stations of the Cross (Center)

Saturday, April 3

Holy Saturday

10:00 a.m. Blessing of Food Baskets (Church)

5:45 p.m. Spanish Choir (Brent Room)

7:30 p.m. Choir (Brent Room)

Raphael Ministries

March 30th Rosary Makers will meet in the Brent Room from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

March 30th Brain Train will meet in the Brent Room from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

March 31st Liturgy of the Hours Prayer Group will meet at the Convent after the 9 a.m. Mass.

Pastoral Care Corner

By: Sr. Mary Lou

“We have all known the long loneliness and we have learned that the only solution is love and that love comes with community”

(Dorothy Day-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement)

The same God that called St. Francis of Assisi has called me to a life of service in His Church. Entering into my 11th year serving in St. Raphael Ministry at St. William of York, I am once again reminded that the God of glory and the God of the cross that meet in the Person of Jesus, is the same God who meets in the stories of our brothers and sisters. Over these years, I have had the privilege, along with our pastoral care volunteers, of entering the lives of the sick, the elderly, the poor, the forgotten and the dying in our parish, offering spiritual support and often times, some nursing care and perspective. In doing so, we have witnessed a beautiful and refreshingly new dimension to this ministry develop...people reaching out and in turn giving back to others in gratefulness, for what they themselves have received during difficult moments. Giving back to God by offering themselves to others.

Who are the caregivers? They are those who accompany someone who is ill and in need of care, protection and guidance. Walking with someone through loneliness, illness or perhaps death, takes real time...*in-the-flesh* time. It takes concern and personal companionship...offering strength and hope. We have witnessed this kind of love and concern for others among many of our parishioners at St. William of York. Often we may ask ourselves, what can one really do to help another? What would make a difference in the life of another? Perhaps the very best one can do for another is simply to ‘show up’ and pray with the person...listening and being present to the other as a caring friend. Maybe one has time to sit with someone who is alone at home...even if it means listening to the same sad story over and over again. Helping our elderly prepare a meal at home, ‘tidying up’ a little if they are homebound, running an errand for someone...the needs are endless and mean so much to another. What a gift another’s presence can be to someone in need!

Lay missionary Jean Donovan, who was killed while serving in El Salvador, said shortly before she died, “You...can make a big difference in the world if you realize that the world you are talking about might be very small – maybe one person, or two people...If you can find a place to serve, you can be happy.” (Carigan, Salvador Witness, pg. 96)

Yes, many of us have walked together over these years in St. Raphael Ministry. We trace together the moments of joy, experiences of connection and discovering glimpses of heaven that have happened along the way and we have become *family* to one another.

The more we reach out to others in love the more powerfully God will be able to move through us. **Would you not agree...that love comes with community?**

Pray for a Priest Each Day...

This week please pray for

March 28 th	Rev. Vincent Bork
March 29 th	Rev. Ronald Escalante
March 30 th	Rev. Paul Eversole
March 31 st	Rev. Daniel Gee
April 1 st	Holy Thursday Rev. Mark Moretti
April 2 nd	Good Friday Rev. Richard Mullins
April 3 rd	Holy Saturday Rev. Kevin O'Keefe

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

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion March 28, 2010

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Isaiah describes an individual who had been taught by God to reach out to others. He also describes this individual's willingness to be beaten and spit upon, secure that with God's help, he will not be disgraced.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Paul discusses how Jesus did not declare equality with God, but took on human form. He humbled Himself enough to accept dying on the cross. God in turn exalted Him and wants us to respect Jesus' name and worship Him.

Gospel: Luke 22:14—23:56

Luke gives a detailed account of Jesus' last supper with the apostles, where Jesus tells them He will soon suffer in fulfillment of God's will. Then Jesus prayed that He might be spared if it suited God's will. After Judas betrayed Jesus, He was arrested. Although Pilate did not think Jesus was guilty of a crime, he gave in to the will of the people, and sentenced Jesus to death on a cross. Then Jesus was crucified and his body laid in a new tomb.

Mulch now available

High-quality hardwood mulch is now available to pre-order. All proceeds support the CYO program and WorkCamp 2010. Order form and payment must be received by the parish office **by April 5**.

Mulch will be available **for pick-up on Saturday, April 10**. If you order 50 bags or more of mulch, it will be delivered to your home free of charge. The fee for spreading is an additional \$2 per bag.

Thank you for supporting the youth at St. William of York! If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at parishoffice@swoycc.org or 659-1102.

CYO Mulch Pre-Order Form

Return form and payment **by April 5** to: St. William of York, **Attn: CYO**, 3130 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Stafford, VA 22554

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ VA Zip: _____

Phone: _____ cell ph. _____

Payment method enclosed: cash / check

_____ bags of mulch ordered @ **\$4.00 each** = \$ _____

Select one:

1) I will pick up my mulch at St. William of York on: Saturday, April 10
Pickup time is 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

2) I have ordered 50+ bags of mulch and would like free delivery. **Add** spreading @ \$2 per bag = \$ _____
(You will be contacted to arrange a delivery date and time.)

For office use only

Paid Date _____ Pick Up Date _____ Delivery Date _____ Delivered _____ Spread Date _____