



✠ **Fourth Sunday of Advent** ✠
December 18, 2011



The Week of
Dec. 19th – Dec. 25th

Monday 7:30 AM Joseph Couture, Jr. †
 9:00 AM Mackey Family
 Tuesday 7:30 AM Kathleen Hannon †
 9:00 AM Pierre & Josephine Merle †
 Wednesday 9:00 AM Fabian & Jeanine
 Casler-Bustamente
 6:30 PM Rita Garrett †
 Thursday 7:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory †
 9:00 AM William Dragan †
 Friday 9:00 AM Christopher Phoenix
 6:30 PM William T. Casler †
 Saturday No 9:00 AM Mass
Vigil 4:00 PM Belli Family Living & Deceased
of 6:00 PM Belora Family Living & Deceased
Christmas 8:00 PM Linda Rose DeMartino
 10:00 PM Father Magat's Intentions
 12:00 AM Father Magat's Intentions
 Sunday 7:30 AM People of St. William of York
The Nativity 9:00 AM Blessed Mothers Intentions
of the 10:30 AM Father Magat's Intentions †
Lord 12:15 PM Joseph DeMartino



Christmas Mass Schedule:

Christmas Eve Vigil Sat., December 24 th	Christmas Day Sun., December 25 th
4:00 PM	7:30 AM
6:00 PM	9:00 AM
8:00 PM	10:30 AM
10:00 PM (Spanish)	12:15 PM
12:00 AM (midnight)	

**Solemnity of Mary,
 Mother of God**

Sunday, Jan. 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, December 31st, at 5:00 PM (Vigil) and at 7:00 PM in Spanish. Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, January 1st at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 12:15 PM.

† **Confession Schedule** †
Dec. 19th – Dec. 24th

Sunday: 7:00 PM
 Monday: 7:00 PM
 Tuesday: 9:30 AM & 7:00 AM
 Thursday: 9:30 AM
No Saturday Confessions

Epiphany of The Lord

Sunday, January 8th is the Epiphany of The Lord. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 7th at 5:00 PM (Vigil) and at 7:00 PM in Spanish. Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, January 8th at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12:15 PM.

St. William of York Church Sunday Collection Report
 Fiscal Year 2012 (July 2011 – June 2012)

Total Collections through October 2011	\$317,765
November 2011 Collections:	
November 5-6	\$ 27,738
November 12-13	\$ 24,564
November 19-20	\$ 21,859
November 26-27	\$ 21,223
Total Collections for November 2011	\$ 95,384
Total Sunday Collections Through November 2011	\$413,149
Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Sunday Collection Budget	\$982,000
Sunday Collection Budget through November 2011	\$398,776
Surplus (Deficit) Year to Date	\$ 14,373

St. William of York Catholic School

Academic Excellence * Personalized Attention * Authentic Catholic Culture

Our School Mission

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength (Mk 12:15)."

This call to love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength is a call for the whole human person. Our school mission is our response to that call: forming the whole child. Providing academic excellence, personalized attention, and an authentic Catholic culture is the way our school team works to fulfill that mission.

School Website Under Construction

Please call (540) 659-5207 or email Mr. Frank Nicely, Principal, at fnicely@stwillsschool.org for information. God bless you.

"Lessons and Carols"

Tuesday, December 20th at
1:30 PM and 7:00 PM

As Christmas gets closer, our school children will capture the wonderful mysteries of the Advent season. Echoing the voices of the patriarchs and prophets, and especially that of our Blessed Mother herself, they will strike-up the band and let their voices ring in a series of readings and hymns that trace events leading up to the Incarnation and Birth of our Savior. All are welcome to join us at either program. A cookie reception will follow and our children will be praying for snow the next day which will be a half day of school before Christmas vacation.

Writing Program

Students have been developing writing skills in our new writing program: "Teaching Writing: Structure and Style", created by the Institute for Excellence in Writing. This program trains students in a broad range of structural models and develops an extensive repertoire of stylistic techniques. Our Middle School students are on Unit #5: "Writing from Pictures" and they have quite an extensive checklist of writing "decorations" they are required to include in each paragraph. The ultimate preparation for the SAT in just a few short years!

Come and see us!

We would love to see you for a tour or a Shadow Day for your child. Contact Frank Nicely, Principal.



Religious Education

There will be no Religious Education classes on December 25th and January 1st. We hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

7th grade students can earn service hours by working in the Religious Education office on Sunday mornings. Please call (540) 659-5705 if you are interested in having your child volunteer.

Parish Office Schedule

The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 26th for Christmas and will reopen on Tuesday, December 27th.

St. William of York Outreach

The Outreach will be open regular hours at the shop (9:30 AM to 12:30 PM) Monday, Wednesday and Thursday this week, December 19th - 22nd. We'll close all operations on Friday, December 23rd (Outreach, Pantry, and Thrift Shop) until Wednesday, January 4th.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thank you to all of the many dedicated blood donors that gave the gift of life on Sunday, December 4th at the American Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. We collected 58 pints of blood which exceed our goal of 50 pints. The next blood drive will be Sunday, March 4th 2012. This blood drive was held in loving memory of the driving force behind our parish blood drive for the past 20 years, Kathleen Hannon, who passed away on November 3, 2011.

Help After Abortion

As you prepare for Christmas... you are invited to come back to God who is love and mercy this Advent season. During this time of year, holidays can be hard for those who have lost a child to abortion...but there is Hope. Now is the time to make peace with your past and receive the perfect gift of Peace that only Christ can give. For confidential, compassionate care, please call the post-abortion helpline of the diocesan Project Rachel office at (888)-456-HOPE or visit us online at www.helpafterabortion.org.

This week in our Parish

Sunday, December 18

Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM: K of C Pancake Breakfast (Center)

8:30 AM: Adult Ed (Brent Room)

8:45 AM: RE Classes

9:45 AM: Choir (Brent Room)

10:45 AM: RE Classes

1:30 PM: Baptisms (Church)

6:00 PM: CYO Meeting (Center)

6:00 PM: RE Classes

7:00 PM: Confessions (Church)

Monday, December 19

3:15 PM: Girl Scouts (Art/Brent Rooms)

4:00 PM: Girls Basketball Practice (Gym)

6:00 PM: Boys Varsity Basketball Practice (Gym)

6:45 PM: Cub Scouts (Brent Room)

7:00 PM: Confessions (Church)

7:00 PM: Venture Crew (K of C Hall)

Tuesday, December 20

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

9:30 AM: Rosary Makers (Brent Room)

1:30 PM: School Advent Program (Center)

4:00 PM: Girls Basketball Game (Gym)

5:15 PM: Boys Varsity Basketball Game (Gym)

6:00 PM: Boys JV Basketball Practice (Gym)

7:00 PM: Confessions (Church)

7:00 PM: School Advent Program (Center)

7:00 PM: Cub Scouts (Brent Room)

Wednesday, December 21

½ Day of School

9:30 AM: Liturgy of Hours (Brent Room)

4:00 PM: Children's Choir Practice (Church)

4:00 PM: Girls Basketball Practice (Gym)

6:00 PM: Boys Varsity Basketball Practice (Gym)

Thursday, December 22

No School

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

6:00 PM: Boys JV Basketball Practice (Gym)

6:30 PM: Choir (Church)

7:00 PM: Legion of Mary (Brent Room)

Friday, December 23

No School

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve

NO 9:30 AM Confessions

10:30 AM: Choir (Brent Room)

NO 3:30 PM Confessions

NO 6:30 PM Spanish Confessions



Scan this with your smart phone to check us out on the web.

Young Adults Corner

Young Adults (ages 21-40) single and married: Join Fr. Magat this Winter/Spring for various events to get to know your fellow Catholic young adults in the area. The line up for the first half of the New Year is:

Jan. 22: Visit to Richmond's Cathedral of the Sacred Heart and the Museum of Virginia Catholic History

Feb. 10-12: Young Adult Ski Trip with Our Lady of Hope and St. Mark's. Contact Angie Pometto at apometto@stmark.org. We leave on Feb. 10th at 5:30 PM and return by 10 PM on Feb. 12th. Trip is to 7 Springs in the Poconos in Western PA.

Feb. 17: Movie Night

Feb. 25: Trip to Franciscan Monastery in DC

Mar. 2: Stations, Mass, soup supper out and adoration to follow

Mar. 16: Movie Night

Mar. 18: Historic Church Tour in Northern Virginia

Mar. 30: Movie Night

April 22: Historic UVA tour in Charlottesville

May 20: White Water Rafting

Book/Movie Club: Join Fr. Magat at 7:30 PM on Monday Nights. We will be watching the hit DVD series "*Catholicism*". We will be meeting at Charlotte & Karolyn's. For more information email Father Magat at fathermagat@gmail.com. The next meeting will be on December 19th.

Christmas Flower Donations

If you would like to donate to our Christmas Flower Offering in memory of a loved one, please pick up a Christmas Flower envelope in the main entrance of the church or use the one provided with your envelope mailings. Please bring your donations to the parish office (Monday – Friday, 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM). Thank you.

Advent Benefit Concert Thanks

Fr. Magat would like to thank Frank Nicely, the choir, the Knights of Columbus, Joan Nebel, Joy Heidmous and all the volunteers for helping to make the concert a success. The concert raised \$9,000 for the Guadalupe Free Clinic. May God bless you for all your generosity.

Confession Schedule

With the Advent season coming to an end, there are some changes in the confession schedule. The changes are as follows:

- Sunday, December 18th 7:00 PM
- Monday, December 19th 7:00 PM
- Tuesday, December 20th 9:30 AM and 7:00 PM
- Thursday, December 22nd 9:30 AM

There will be **No Confessions** on Saturday, December 24th Christmas Eve.

Pray for a Priest Each Day...

This week please pray for

- December 18th Rev. John Mosimann
- December 19th Rev. Andrew Fisher
- December 20th Rev. James Hudgins
- December 21st Rev. Christopher Pollard
- December 22nd Rev. Brian Bashista
- December 23rd Rev. Mark Carrier
- December 24th All Seminarians

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

Prayer Request...

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

Ralph Allison, Gary Anderson, John Bernier, OJ Block, George Davis III, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, Marc D'Eredita, Mike D'Eredita, Nathan Dobbins, John Ferry, Brian Flanagan, Jason Freed, Keirsten Hage, Jason Heuer, Michael Infanti, John Koretke, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Kent Larson, Tyron Anthony Layug, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Marc Mooney, Mike Parrot, Chris Rankin, Gavin Reed, Thomas Ryan, Daniel Stehm, Bobby Stone, Daniel Stone, Gregory Thomas, Chris Tolliver, Vincent Torney and Steve Wasilewski.

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.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

King David plans to build a temple to honor God. But God tells Nathan the Prophet that instead he will give David rest from his enemies, and ensure that both his house and community will be protected forever.

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

In this letter of Paul to the Romans, he explains that the gospel reveals the mystery that had been hidden for many ages. Now it has been made known to all, so that they may believe, obey, and give glory through Jesus Christ forever.

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

The Virgin Mary is approached by the angel Gabriel, who tells her that she has been chosen to bear the Son of God. Mary is first afraid, yet shows her unquestioning faith when she simply says, "Let it be done to me as you say."

Sponsor of the Week

We would like to thank
"Comfort Control of Virginia Inc."
This week for sponsoring an ad
in our weekly bulletin.

If you are interested in sponsoring an ad in our
bulletin please call 1(800) 883-4343.

Stitches of Compassion

Stitches of Compassion next monthly meeting will be January 19th, 2012, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM in the Brent Room. Knitting, crocheting, quilting - working on providing fingerless gloves, shawls, lap blankets and other items for seniors in need. Mark your calendars for future meetings Feb. 16th, Mar. 15th, 2012. All ages welcome to join our group. Contact Sharyn Drollinger with any questions at (540) 720-1734

Help for the Elderly

If you are 80 Years or older and need help with yard work? (as time permits - Free) Call Paul Miller (540) 288-9940.

Blessed Angels

Our little blessed angels will be on sale this weekend after all Masses. The small ornaments are recycled from the candles used on our altar. All proceeds go toward our debt reduction.