



☒ Third Sunday of Advent ☒

December 15, 2013



Mass Intentions for the Week of December 16th – December 22nd

Monday	7:30 AM	Christopher Ochman
	9:00 AM	Joseph N. Emond, Jr. †
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Rose Milano Carvelas †
	9:00 AM	Patricia Szeliga †
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Bob Bradley †
	6:30 PM	Theresa Poole †
Thursday	7:30 AM	The Ochman Family
	9:00 AM	William Trongtonigil †
Friday	9:00 AM	Jose S. Layug, Jr. †
	6:30 PM	Holy Souls in Purgatory †
Saturday	9:00 AM	Nancy Scotto †
	5:00 PM	Alicia Liboro †
	7:00 PM	Priest Intentions
Sunday	7:30 AM	Henry Dobson
	9:00 AM	Kathleen Hannon †
	10:30 AM	People of St. William of York
	12:15 PM	Ella Marie Nowicki †

+Confession Schedule+

December 16th –

December 21st

Tuesday:	9:30 AM
Thursday:	9:30 AM
Friday:	7:00 PM
Saturday :	9:30 AM
Saturday:	3:30 PM-4:30 PM*
Saturday:	6:30 PM (Spanish)

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

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class in English will be held on **Wednesday, December 18th at 7:30 PM** in the Library. The next Spanish Baptismal Preparation Class will be held on **Saturday, January 11th at 8:30 AM** in the Brent Room. It is mandatory that all parents register with the parish office (659-1102) before the class.

Email Address Request

In an effort to update our registration records, we ask that all parishioners share their email address with us. You may do this by sending an email to parishoffice@swoycc.org.

Additional Advent Confessions

During the advent season we will be offering additional confessions in English and Spanish on Friday, December 20th at 7 PM, Sunday December 22nd at 7 PM and Monday, December 23rd at 7 PM.

Lessons & Carols

Join us in this new advent tradition at St. William of York. Lessons & Carols will take place today, Sunday, December 15th at 4:00 PM in church.

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. You may place it in the collection basket or you may bring it to the parish office by Wednesday, December 18th. Thank you.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Vigil

Tuesday, December 24th
 4:00 PM
 6:00 PM (Spanish)
 8:00 PM
 12:00 Midnight

Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25th
 7:30 AM
 9:00 AM
 10:30 AM
 12:15 PM

*We Joyfully Welcome into the
Catholic Faith*

Weston Primo Thomas Mealey, son of Harrison and Anna Mealey.

The St. William of York Youth



St. William of York Catholic School

Academic Excellence * Personalized Attention * Authentic Catholic Culture

St. William of York Catholic School students are learning how to think and communicate, to live lives rooted in wisdom and virtue, and to show the world the joy of a life centered on Christ.

We invite you to be part of our school family.

Applications now being accepted!

Email Mr. Nicely for a tour: fnicely@stwillsschool.org
Or call the school office for more information at 540-659-5207

Up Coming Events

Advent Program

"Watching and Waiting"
December 17th
1:15 PM Dress Rehearsal &
7:00 PM Performance

Christmas Festival

"Christmas Sing Along"
January 7th
1:30 PM Dress Rehearsal &
7:00 PM Performance

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

St. William of York Catholic School will announce its own school delays and/or closings due to inclement weather. Announcements will be sent by means of "School Messenger", the electronic tool we use for email and phone blasts. There will be both a telephone message and an email message sent to every family and staff member. **Please be sure to send in any changes to your email or telephone contact information as soon as it changes.**

New Winter Uniform Policy for Girls

Girls may wear Khaki Pleated Twill Pants (along with the uniform white shirt and school logo sweater/cardigan) as part of their winter uniform on days when the weather is below freezing.

Religious Education

Upcoming Sundays:

December 15: Classes are in session
(LAST CLASS before Christmas)
December 22: NO CLASSES
December 25: MERRY CHRISTMAS!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS!
December 29: NO CLASSES
January 5: Classes resume



NO CLASSES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, DEC. 22 and Dec.29!

See you on January 5, 2014!

In the third week of Advent, we relight the first two violet candles of HOPE and PEACE, and we now also light the rose candle, symbolizing JOY. As the coming of Jesus draws near, our joy builds with the anticipation of His birth.

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit." Galatians 5:22-25

A nightly prayer for families in the third week of Advent: We joyfully praise you, O Lord, for the fulfillment of your promise of a Savior. Create us anew as we wait, and help us to see your glory as you fill our lives with your living Spirit. Amen.

(All Advent material found at [http://www.weebelievers.com/blog/Wee_Speak/calendar/2010/12/.](http://www.weebelievers.com/blog/Wee_Speak/calendar/2010/12/))

In Our Parish

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, December 15

7:30 AM: K of C Donuts (Center)

8:45 AM: RE Classes

10:00 AM: Choir (Brent Room)

10:45 AM: RE Classes

6:00 PM: RE Classes

Monday, December 16

3:30 PM: Girls Basketball Practice (Gym)

5:30 PM: Boys Basketball Practice (Gym)

6:30 PM: Cub Scouts (Art Room)

Tuesday, December 17

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

9:30 AM: Rosary Makers (Brent Room)

1:15 PM: School Advent Program (Center)

3:30 PM: Girls Basketball Practice (Gym)

5:30 PM: Boys Basketball Practice (Gym)

7:00 PM: School Advent Program (Center)

Wednesday, December 18

3:30 PM: Girls Basketball Practice (Gym)

5:30 PM: Boys Basketball Practice (Gym)

7:30 PM: English Baptism Class (Library)

7:30 PM: RCIA (Center)

Thursday, December 19

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

3:30 PM: Girls Basketball Practice (Gym)

5:30 PM: Boys Basketball Practice (Gym)

6:00 PM: Cantors (Church)

7:00 PM: Choir (Brent Room)

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

Friday, December 20

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

7:00 PM: Confessions (Church)

Saturday, December 21

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

3:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

6:30 PM: Spanish Confessions (Church)

7:30 PM: Saints & Apostles (Center & Gym)

The Giving Trees Are Here!

Thank you to all those who have taken a gift tag from the Giving Trees that are devoted to parishioner — residents of Greenfield Senior Living! All the gift tags from the trees have been taken. All gifts must be returned under the trees by December 20, 2013. The youth group will take the gifts to the residents December 21st and enjoy some good, festive cheer with them, too. Thanks for your generosity and for making the residents part of our family!

Mulch in March ... 2014!!

It's not too early to think about mulch for the Spring! Saints & Apostles Youth Group will be selling mulch to help support those going to WorkCamp. This is a week-long camp for teens to intensify the teens' growth in service, community and prayer and to serve the underserved by doing home repair and maintenance. Orders for mulch are pre-orders ONLY and will be accepted beginning January 2, 2014. The very LAST DATE TO PLACE AN ORDER will be February 10, 2014. Mulch in March 2014! Are you ready?

Catholic Charities Collection

Thank you for your support of Catholic Charities this year. Your support is vital to our annual operating needs, so thank you for your time, talent, and treasure. If you missed the opportunity to give, however, you may still do so. You can make your year-end gift in support of Catholic Charities by going online to www.cdda.net. Or you can make a gift in next week's collection and note **Christmas Collection/Catholic Charities** on the memo portion of your check. The mission is vital to the diocese's work to serve the poor with Christian love and compassion—and your support enables us to perform these works. As you reflect on the many needs within our parish community, please prayerfully consider Catholic Charities' mission to ease the suffering of people in parish communities across the diocese. All gifts stay in the diocese. Visit www.cdda.net to learn more.

The Gabriel Project

The Gabriel Project, The Catholic ministry to pregnant mothers in need, is asking for a leader (or volunteer) for the St. William of York parish who speaks both Spanish and English and could set up a web site in both languages. Would you please pray about this, asking if God could be calling you to help with this ministry? Please call the parish office for information.

Bulletin Announcements

Due to the upcoming Holidays anyone interested in submitting a bulletin announcement for the weekend of December 29th will need to submit it no later than Wednesday, December 18th. Also anyone interested in submitting an announcement for the weekend of January 5th will need to submit it no later than Friday, December 20th. Please email your announcements to Kayla Dittmer at parishoffice@swoycc.org.

In Our Parish Continued

Blessed Waxed Angels, St. William of York Sanctuary Note Cards and Magnificat Wreath Sales

Our little blessed angels and sanctuary note cards are on sale today in the parish center after all Masses. You may also purchase them in the parish office during the week. All proceeds will go toward the debt reduction.

Our little blessed angel ornaments are recycled from the candles used on our altar. Each angel is sold for \$1.00.

The note cards are sold in packs of 8 cards for \$12.00. The front of the card is a picture of our Sanctuary and the inside of the card is blank for you to use as you wish.

Magnificat wreaths are decorative wreaths made from old Magnificats. They are sold for \$15.00 per wreath. Each wreath was hand made by St. William of York parishioners.

Thrift Shop Holiday Closing

The Thrift Shop will be closed December 25th, 26th, 27th for Christmas and January 1st for New Years. The Pantry and Financial Assistance will be closed on Christmas and New Years as well.

Parish Office Schedule

The parish office will be closed December 24th, December 25th and December 26th for Christmas. We will be closed on January 1st, New Years Day.

Keep Christ in Christmas

Please consider supporting the Knights of Columbus Christmas Cards Sale. Cards can be purchased after all Sunday morning Masses in the parish center. The Knights will have wreaths and a few rosary's for sell as well.

Sponsor of the Week

We would like to thank
"Lupi Orthodontics"
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.

Around the Diocese

5th Annual Seminarian Hoops Challenge

You are invited to the 5th Annual Seminarian Hoops Challenge Basketball Game! Arlington seminarians will be taking on the young men from the Quo Vadis Discernment Group. The Quo Vadis men will be looking to continue their winning tradition, but perhaps this is the year the seminarians will finally claim victory. The game begins at 10:30 AM on Saturday, January 4th in the John Paul the Great High School gym.

Augustine's Brothers—Men's Purity

Augustine's Brothers is for men desiring spiritual growth and support in fostering a life of greater purity/chastity according to one's state in life. This group is ideal if you simply struggle with the barrage of our hyper-sexual culture or if you find yourself struggling at a deeper level with porn or other sexually addictive behaviors. Through confidentiality and accountability, prayer, spiritual study, fellowship, and the Sacraments, we are able to become the Godly men we long to be. Lives are being changed, healed and restored through this ministry. Come visit us and see for yourself. Augustine's Brothers meet in Reston. For more information call Tim at 727-207-2856 or you can contact us by email at augustinesbrothers@hotmail.com.

Offer Your Prayers

Prayer Request...

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

Jeff Abramaitys, Ralph Allison, Gary Anderson, OJ Block, Aaron Burke, George Davis III, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, John Ferry, Brian Flanagan, Keirsten Hage, Jason Heuer, Denise Huff, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Tyron Anthony Layug, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Brendan Mooney, Mike Parrot, Jr., William Pomeroy, Gavin Reed, Thomas Ryan, Daniel Stehm, Gregory Thomas, Chris Tolliver, Kyle Traylor and Logan Whitworth.

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.