



Welcome to St. William of York Catholic Church:
“An Authentic Catholic Culture”



✠Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 31, 2016✠

Mass Intentions for the Week of

February 1st – February 7th

Monday	<i>No 7:30 AM Mass</i>	
	9:00 AM	Christian Slezak ☐
Tuesday	<i>No 7:30 AM Mass</i>	
	9:00 AM	Mary Rapoport ☐
Wednesday	9:00 AM	William Platten ☐
	<i>No 6:30 PM Mass</i>	
Thursday	<i>No 7:30 AM Mass</i>	
	9:00 AM	Marie Merle
Friday	9:00 AM	Robert Flournoy ☐
	<i>No 6:30 PM Mass</i>	
Saturday	9:00 AM	Henry Dobson
	5:00 PM	Victoria Minella ☐
	7:00 PM	Guillermo Cataldo ☐
Sunday	7:30 AM	Charles Sines ☐
	9:00 AM	In Thanksgiving
	10:30 AM	Ellen Carag ☐
	12:15 PM	People of St. William of York

This week, Monday—Friday we will be on a modified Mass schedule while one of our priests is away. Check the schedule for Mass times.

Blessing of Throats

Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, is the Memorial of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. Throats will be blessed after the 9:00 AM Mass.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday, February 10th begins the season of Lent. Ashes will be distributed at the following times: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM and 1:30 PM Masses and 6:30 PM and 8:00 PM Liturgy of the Word. (Holy Communion will not be distributed.)

Confession Schedule

February 1st – February 6th

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

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

Baptismal Preparation Class

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

Legion of Mary-

Our Lady of Fatima's

Pilgrim Virgin Mary Statue

If anyone is interested in having Our Lady of Fatima's Pilgrim Virgin Mary Statue visit their home for a week you can request a time by emailing the coordinator, Leilani at ramosleilani@hotmail.com. For those who do not use email, please call her at (540) 720-6506.

St. William of York Catholic Church

Monthly Offertory Report

Fiscal Year 2016 (July 2015 through June 2016)

	<u>Actual Offertory</u>	<u>Offertory Budget</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>
December 2016	\$128,844	\$130,000	(\$1,156)
Fiscal Year 2016 to Date	\$596,357	\$594,800	\$1,557

The St. William of York Youth



St. William of York Catholic School

Academic Excellence * Personalized Attention * Authentic Catholic Culture

Three Reasons to choose

St. William of York Catholic School for your sons and daughters:

1. Excellence in math and writing are top academic priorities.
2. Virtue lessons and prayer are on the daily menu.
3. It's more affordable than ever.

Come and see us, learn more about us, share the excitement!

Call now for a tour or shadow day for your child:

Jennifer Schiller, Admissions Coordinator (540) 659-5207.

St. William of York Baseball, 2016

It's time to sign up for Baseball! Just a notice for all parishioners that St. William of York Catholic School will once again sponsor youth baseball in the spring. The season will go from mid March through the school year, and is open to all parish children grades K-5 (and girls in grade 6). Also, volunteer coaches will be needed, so if you are interested in returning for another year to coach or assistant coach, or interested in becoming one, you are needed and appreciated.

To register for the K-5 league, please go to the school's website and download the signup form. Registration is ongoing for parish youths, and will close February 12th. (<http://www.stwillschool.org/athletics-2/baseball>). All forms can be turned in to the school office.

Please contact Ken Reuwer at reuwers@verizon.net for further information. All staff must be VIRTUS trained before the start of the season, in accordance with Diocesan rules.

Religious Education

Sundays:

January 31st: CLASSES IN SESSION! MIDTERMS TODAY!

February 7th: CLASSES IN SESSION! (for the morning ONLY; no 7th or 8th grade classes today)

February 14th: NO CLASSES TODAY!! (Happy Presidents' Day)

The Midterm for grades 1-7 is TODAY!

Mark your calendars! MAY 14th is the date for First Communion! The mandatory First Communion Rehearsal is on May 12th in the evening. More details to follow after Easter.

ATTENTION PARENTS in the parish WITH CHILDREN RECEIVING PENANCE AND EUCHARIST... The Deacon will be holding an information meeting on Sunday, February 7th at both sessions. The meeting will begin AFTER the children have been dismissed from the gym to go to class so you will need to stay when you drop them off. During the meeting the Deacon will give you information regarding the expectations of First Penance day, the day students will receive the sacrament, and how parents can help prepare them. First Communion details will also be discussed. Homeschool and home study parents can choose which meeting to attend (8:50 or 10:50).

Lent is Coming...and so are the Soup Suppers! RE Soup Supper is February 12th!

All parishioners should come prepared to feast on a simple dinner of meatless soups and sandwiches that will bring us closer to Jesus and allow us to reflect on the sacrifice He made for us while we socialize with each other.

Remember after the soup supper Stations of the Cross will be held in the church. This is as a Spiritual Work of Mercy (pray for the living and the dead) and a service hour opportunity for 7th graders.

Name the Saint!

My feast day is February 5th. Not much is known for sure about my life as I lived in the 200s before much was recorded really well, but I am said to have come from a noble family from Sicily. From legend it is known that I dedicated myself to God at a very young age and turned away all young men who sought me as a wife. This upset an important politician who had me punished, imprisoned, and tortured because of my refusal to wed him. Throughout all my tortures I kept my faith and insisted that God would see me through everything. I was not allowed any medical care and eventually died from my severe tortures. I am a martyr and patron saint of nurses, breast cancer patients, and bakers, among many others. Who am I?

Answer: St. Agatha

In Our Parish

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, January 31

Catholic Schools Week
8:00 AM: Margaret Ladies Muffins (Center)
8:45 AM: RE Class
10:30 AM: School Mass
10:45 AM: RE Class
12:00 PM: School Open House
6:00 PM: RE Class

Monday, February 1

Catholic School Week
6:00 PM: Boys Varsity Basketball Practice (Gym)

Tuesday, February 2

Catholic Schools Week
9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)
3:30 PM: Girls JV Basketball Practice (Gym)
4:45 PM: Girls Varsity Basketball Practice (Gym)
5:00 PM: Chic-fil-A Night
6:00 PM: Boys Varsity Practice (Gym)

Wednesday, February 3

Catholic Schools Week
9:30 AM: Liturgy of Hours (Brent Room)
7:30 AM: RCIA (Center)

Thursday, February 4

Catholic Schools Week
9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)
10:00 AM: Senior Chair Exercise (Brent Room)
3:30 PM: Girls JV Basketball Practice (Gym)
4:45 PM: Girls Varsity Basketball Practice (Gym)
6:00 PM: Boys Varsity Basketball Practice (Gym)
7:00 PM: Choir (Church)
7:00 PM: Legion of Mary (Brent Room)

Friday, February 5

Catholic Schools Week
9:30 AM: 1st Friday Adoration (Church)
6:30 PM: National Jr. Honor Society (Center)

Saturday, February 6

Catholic Schools Week
9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)
9:00 AM: Communita Cenacolo (Brent Room)
3:30 PM: Confessions (Church)
6:30 PM: Spanish Confession (Church)
7:00 PM: Saints & Apostles (Center)

February Senior Luncheon

Calling all parishioners 50+ years of age. Please join us February 9th in the school gym at 12 noon as we celebrate Fat Tuesday. We will have door prizes and a raffle basket and lots of yummy food. We ask that you bring a dish to share or a \$3.00 donation. We are collecting snack foods for the Outreach this month.

Car, Truck, Van and Cash Raffle

The annual All Saints Church (Manassas, VA) raffle

Mass When it Snows

In the event of a major snow storm of 6 inches or more, on either Saturday or Sunday, confessions will be cancelled and we will have only two Masses to fulfill the Sunday obligation: our Saturday evening Vigil Mass at 5 PM, and the 12:15 PM Sunday afternoon Mass.

program is starting and the St. William of York Parish and the Knights of Columbus will participate again this year to raise money for our debt reduction and support the Fr. Widmer Council #7877. Drawings include prizes of five 2016 vehicles from Koons of Manassas. (One \$5.00 ticket offers the purchaser a chance to win all five vehicles plus \$20,000 in cash prizes. Ten (10) raffle tickets will be mailed to each St. William of York household. More tickets are available in the parish office.

St. William of York Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop monthly first Saturday opening will be Saturday, February 6th. The Thrift Shop will be open from 9:30 AM until 12:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to come and shop. Proceeds from sales go to help needy clients in Stafford County.

Prayer Request...

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

Ralph Allison, Richard Baffa, Aaron Burke, Colin Carpenter, Megan Cobb, George Davis III, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, John Ferry, Kyle Fico, Brian Flanagan, James Kelly Gordon II, Keirsten Hage, Jason Heuer, Denise Huff, William Kerriagan, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Tyron Anthony Layug, Josh Marsillo, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Brendon Mooney, Sean Mooney, Emmanuel Morales, John O'Hagan, Gavin Reed, Thomas Ryan, Daniel Stehm, David Stewart, 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.

Super Bowl

BBQ Tail Gating Package

The Knights of Columbus will once again be selling Eastern NC style pulled pork, slaw and baked beans for Super Bowl Sunday. Prices are: 1 lb. of BBQ—\$8.00, pint of slaw—\$3.00, pint of baked beans—\$3.00. We will also have 2 special packages. Package #1 consist of 1 lb. of BBQ, 1 pint of slaw and 1 pint of beans for \$12.00. Package #2 consist of 2 lbs. of BBQ, 1 pint of slaw and 1 pint of beans for \$20.00. Orders will be taken during Sunday breakfasts in the parish center or by calling (540)720-4337 or you can email Jim Everett at jim-everett47@gmail.com. The food will be available after each Mass on Super Bowl Sunday, February 7th. A limited supply BBQ may be available without prior orders.

2016 Bishop's Lenten Appeal

Go Forth as heralds of

God's mercy!

Next's weekend, every family in our parish will be asked to complete a Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) pledge form at Mass. If you have already donated through the mail or online or are not able to participate, there will be places to note that on the form. Please read the newsletter being distributed with today's bulletin that contains detailed information about how the BLA funds are distributed throughout our diocese. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge to support the many programs and ministries that serve the people of our diocese. *Every gift is an expression of God's love and mercy!*

WorkCamp 2016 is coming...!

June 25-July 1, Massaponax, VA

Are you interested in participating? WorkCamp is a week-long opportunity for teens to serve the poor and be with hundreds of like-minded teens to help improve the living quarters for those who might need it! Registration deadlines are coming soon!! If you are interested (teens AND adults), please contact Peggy Nicely at 540-659-5705 or nicely624@hotmail.com. All help is needed and the teens enjoy our adults' expertise! THANK YOU!!

Evening Prayer

Sunday, Vespers, Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, will be prayed today, Sunday, January 31st at 5:00 PM in the Church. Please bring a copy of *Shorter Christian Prayer* or a suitable volume of the *Liturgy of the Hours*. All are welcome!

Church in Latin America

Thank you for your generous donations to the Church in Latin America. Your support helps ensure that people

have adequate catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and strong religious and seminarian formation among other programs. Thank you for taking this opportunity to share your faith. To learn more about how your donations are making a difference, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

Diocesan Newspaper

The second collection next weekend is for both the Debt Reduction as well as the Arlington Catholic Herald (the diocesan weekly newspaper). All loose change not in an envelope will be counted toward the Debt Reduction. If you receive the Herald each week, please help the parish offset the annual diocesan assessment of \$22 per subscription. If you do not receive the paper and would like to begin receiving it, please call the parish office at (540) 659-1102.

Contribution Statements

To receive a 2015 contribution statement please send a self addressed stamped envelope to the parish office. If you are contributing through Faith Direct you should received a statement directly from them. Our address is:

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

Get Them Now!

2016 Mass Missals

The Religious Education Office has purchased 2016 Mass Missals for the new church year. We have a **limited** supply of extra missals available for any member or family in the parish. These are a good resource to use at Mass or with the Holy Heroes homework. If you would like to purchase a missal, please come to the RE Office during weekly office hours (9-3) or on Sundays during classes or to the parish office during weekly office hours (9:30-4:30). The cost is \$2.00 per missal.

First Friday Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration will begin on Friday, February 5th, after the 9:00 AM Mass and continue until 6:15 PM. Adoration will resume after the 6:30 PM Mass until 9:00 PM. Please join our parish community every First Friday as we adore Our Lord on the altar. For more information please contact Cindy Armstrong (540) 222-7344.