



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



**✠ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord—April 9, 2017 ✠**

**Mass Intentions for the Week of**

**April 10<sup>th</sup> – April 16<sup>th</sup>**

Monday	7:30 AM	Rev. DeMartino
	9:00 AM	Dan D’Agostino
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Joyce & Albino Aragno
	9:00 AM	Debbie Donahue †
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Dolores Kornmeyer †
	6:30 PM	Rev. Victor B. Brown, O.P.
<i>Holy Thursday</i>	<i>No 7:30 AM Mass</i>	
	<i>No 9:00 AM Mass</i>	
	7:30 PM	Mass of the Lord’s Supper
<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>No 9:00 AM Mass</i>	
	3:00 PM	Celebration of Lord’s Passion
Spanish	5:30 PM	Celebration of Lord’s Passion
	<i>No 7:00 PM Mass</i>	
<i>Holy Saturday</i>	<i>No 9:00 AM Mass</i>	
	<i>No 5:00 PM Mass</i>	
<i>Easter Vigil</i>	8:30 PM	Celebrant’s Intention †
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	<b>7:00 AM</b>	Kathy Davis
	9:00 AM	Charlotte D’Agostino †
	<b>11:00 AM</b>	People of St. William of York
	<b>1:00 PM</b>	Celebrant’s Intention
Spanish	<b>3:00 PM</b>	Celebrant’s Intention

The 5:30 PM celebration on Good Friday will be in Spanish.  
The 3:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday will be celebrated in Spanish.

**Confession Schedule**

**April 10<sup>th</sup> – April 15<sup>th</sup>**

Monday:	6:30 PM
Tuesday:	9:30 AM
Wednesday:	6:30 PM
No 9:30 AM Thursday confessions	
No 7:30 PM Friday confessions	
No 9:30 AM Saturday confessions	
No 6:30 PM Saturday confessions	

**Confession Schedule Changes**

There **will** be confessions on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM, Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM and the last confessions before Easter will be Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

**Divine Mercy Novena**

All are invited to participate in the Divine Mercy Novena, which will take place in the church with the following schedule:  
Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM, Holy Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM, Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM and continuing Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup>—Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3:30 PM.

**Parish Office Closure**

The parish office will be closed on Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> and remain closed the week of April 17<sup>th</sup>–21<sup>st</sup> while the office gets new carpet and a fresh coat of paint. We will reopen on Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM.

**Thrift Shop Closing**

The Thrift Shop will be closed for Easter starting Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> through April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Sunday Collection for  
4/2/17**

Offertory:	\$16,293.00
Debt:	\$ 5,419.00
<u>Faith Direct (Bimonthly)</u>	<u>\$ .00</u>
Total	\$21,712.00

The April 2<sup>nd</sup> offertory collection was the largest amount donated for a single Sunday in over 3 years.

Other collection:

Catholic Relief Services: \$ 395.00

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

**Since July 1<sup>st</sup> we have purchased (Capital Expenses) the following items:**

\$20,000—2 new A/C units	\$10,000—New lights in gym
\$12,500—Computer Lab	\$ 5,000—Upgraded electrical in school

**Special Mass Times  
for *Easter Sunday***

	<i>Easter Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Vigil</i>	<b>7:00 AM</b>
<i>Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup></i>	9:00 AM
<b>8:30 PM</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
	<b>1:00 PM</b>
	<b>3:00 PM (Spanish)</b>

# The St. William of York Youth



## St. William of York Catholic School

\*Academic Excellence \* Personalized Attention \* Authentic Catholic Culture \*

### Baseball Is Here

The end of March marked the opening of another St. William of York baseball season! On Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> our middle school baseball team was able to have their very first home game on our very own field! We had a wonderful Opening Ceremony and the Arlington Herald was there to capture the excitement. To see the full article check out the Arlington Herald website [www.catholicherald.com](http://www.catholicherald.com). Our K-5 league also had their first games on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Baseball is definitely in the air at St. William of York!



### Accepting Applications for 2016-2017—Grades Preschool – 8<sup>th</sup>

Interested families should contact the Admissions Coordinator, Jennifer Schiller at [jschiller@stwillschool.org](mailto:jschiller@stwillschool.org) or 540-659-5207 to schedule a tour.

## Religious Education

### Dates and events to note:

April 9: class in session  
April 16: **NO CLASS** (Happy Easter)  
April 23: **NO CLASS** (Divine Mercy, end of break)  
April 30: class in session (1<sup>st</sup> groups go to Penance)  
May 7: class in session (2<sup>nd</sup> groups go to Penance) review for final exam  
May 11: First Communion rehearsal  
May 13: **FIRST COMMUNION**  
May 14: **NO CLASS** (Happy Mother's Day)  
May 21: class in session (last day of class & final exam; Happy 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Rev. DeMartino)

### Name the Saint!

My feast day is April 11<sup>th</sup>. I grew up in a large Italian family. I was a very obedient and happy child. It was said that I was my parents' favorite. My parents valued their children's education so they moved to ensure that we received the best education both in academic studies and religion studies. My mother died when I was 7 years old followed by my father when I was 19 years old, leaving me in charge of my surviving brothers and sisters. I took a housekeeping job to support my family and sacrificed many personal opportunities for the good of my family. From an early age I was taught to pray and I built a special prayer life which never stopped during my life no matter what I was going through. I was never too busy to pray. I am one of the few that have had the stigmata (the marks of Jesus on my hands and feet). I died at the age of 25 from a severe illness. I am patron saint of students and pharmacists. Who am I?

St. Gemma Galgani

### First Penance begins April 30<sup>th</sup> for RE students! Classes are scheduled as follows:

April 30:  
**8:45 session:** Mrs. Grab 2<sup>nd</sup> grade  
**10:45 session:** Mr. McCormick 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

May 7:  
**8:45 session:** Mrs. Crocker 2<sup>nd</sup> grade  
**10:45 session:** Mrs. Simpson 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

**\*\*Please make every effort to have your child in class on their assigned day.**

**We have limited time before 1<sup>st</sup> Communion to do make-ups.\*\***

**HOME-SCHOOL STUDENTS:** Go to Penance when you are ready then let the RE office know the date. We will get you a certificate and update records.

## In Our Parish

### This Week in Our Parish

#### **Sunday, April 9**

8:00 AM: Spanish Breakfast (Center)  
8:45 AM: RE Class  
10:00 AM: Choir (Brent Room)  
10:45 AM: RE Class  
6:00 PM: RE Class

#### **Monday, April 10**

3:30 PM: Talent Show Rehearsal (Gym)  
6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)  
7:00 PM: Adult Choir (Brent Room)

#### **Tuesday, April 11**

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)  
9:30 AM: Rosary Makers (Brent Room)  
3:30 PM: Talent Show Rehearsal (Gym)  
5:30 PM: Cast Practice (Rm 19)  
7:00 PM: Altar Server Rehearsal (Church)

#### **Wednesday, April 12**

9:30 AM: Liturgy of Hours (Brent Room)  
6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

#### **Holy Thursday, April 13**

No School  
*No 9:30 AM Confessions*  
6:30 PM: Adult Choir (Church)

#### **Good Friday, April 14**

No School  
2:00 PM: Adult Choir (Brent Room)  
7:30 PM: Living Stations of the Cross (Center)  
*No 7:30 PM Confessions*

#### **Holy Saturday, April 15**

*No 9:30 AM Confessions*  
*No 6:30 PM Confessions*  
7:30 PM: Adult Choir (Brent Room)

### There is still time!

We are so close. Thank you to the 44% (582) of households in our parish that have pledged \$230,758 which is 95% of our Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) goal. The BLA funds many programs, services and ministries that serve the people in our diocese. There is still time for you to help us meet our goal. Envelopes can be found in the church vestibule or at the parish office. Thank you for your support.

### International Fall Festival (IFF)

**Save the Date: September 10, 2017**

Plans for the 2017 International Fall Festival are under way and we need you!! Volunteers are needed in many areas. Join us for our next IFF meeting Tuesday, April 25, 2017 in the Brent Room at 7:15 PM.

### Spanish Breakfast

Come join us today April 9<sup>th</sup> after all morning Masses in the parish center during the Spanish Breakfast for one of the largest craft shows to date at St. William of York! There will be many handmade products and gifts that are perfect for Easter! We will have something for everyone.

### Living Stations

Living Stations will be presented by the CYO on Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM in the parish center.

### Gabriel Project Prayer Request

Our Gabriel Project Ministry is now assisting three moms; two recently delivered preemies (one 4 lbs. and doing fine!) and another mom is due in May. Please offer your prayers for them. Thank you for your prayers and charity!

### Luncheons for the Young at Heart Young at Heart Luncheon

Our next Young at Heart luncheon will be May 10<sup>th</sup>, at noon in the school gym. The theme will be an English Tea to honor all of our Mom's for Mother's Day. There will be a hat contest so women wear your fanciest bonnet. Come see all the beautiful hats, catch up with fellow parishioners while enjoying sandwiches, soups, cakes, scones or teacakes. Our following luncheon will be June 7<sup>th</sup>. Admission to get in is \$5 per person or an entrée, side dish or dessert enough for 6 to 8 people. We are always looking for volunteers. Questions contact Sharyn Drollinger 540-720-1734.

### WorkCamp 2017 Update

St. William of York has only two girls registered, so we have decided to join forces with St. Patrick's in Spotsylvania. So, that means that everything we must do for WorkCamp 2017, will be done in unison with St. Patrick's. To that end, here's another update:

- **April 30, 2017, Raffle after all Masses** – items of wood made by the teens raffled off with the winner picked the same day!
- **2 Female Crew Leaders** – have been found!!

Questions? Contact Peggy Nicely at (540) 659-5705.  
**THANK YOU!!**

### Holy Land Shrines

Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> we will accept donations for support of Christians in the Holy Land. Boxes will be at all exits for your donations. Please be generous.

## Car, Truck, Van and Cash Raffle

The annual All Saints Church (Manassas, VA) raffle program has started and our parish and the Knights of Columbus are participating again this year to raise money to offset school related expenses not covered by tuition and to support the Fr. Widmer Council #7877. Ten (10) raffle tickets have been mailed to each St. William of York household. More tickets are available in the parish office. Don't miss your chance. Deadline for ticket sells is **today**, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

## Stitches of Compassion

Stitches of Compassion would like to thank everyone who has donated yarn or fabric to this wonderful cause. We have been able to create beautiful items for those in need of warmth or comfort of all ages from infant through elderly. Thank you so very much and God bless you. Our next meeting will be May 18<sup>th</sup> in the Brent room from 10-12. Any questions call Sharyn Drollinger (540) 720-1734.

## Easter Flower Envelopes

Easter flower envelopes are available in your March envelopes packets and in the main entrance of the church. If you would like to donate to our Easter flower collection in memory of a loved one, please pick up an Easter flower envelope and return it in the collection at Mass or in the parish office no later than April 12<sup>th</sup>.

## We Joyfully Welcome into the Catholic Faith

Daniela Portillo-Hernandez and Raquel Portillo-Hernandez, daughters of Keira Hernandez and Rene Portillo.

## Vacation Bible School

### Registration is underway!

**Who can attend?** Any child who is a rising Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grader

**When is it?** July 31 - August 4, 2017,  
9:00 AM – 12:30 PM

**What's the theme?** "Cool Kingdom Party: Mary Leads Me Closer to Jesus"

**What does it cost?** \$25 per child

**When and how can I register?** April 9 – June 30; either by stopping by the Religious Education office in person to fill out the forms or by printing them off our website, [http://www.swoycc.org/Re\\_K\\_12.htm](http://www.swoycc.org/Re_K_12.htm) and mailing them in with the registration fee.

## Volunteers for VBS needed!

To make VBS the success we envision we need volunteers to help us. Volunteers will fill a variety of positions to help the children have a fun, faith-filled week. If you are interested in helping with VBS, please complete the adult volunteer form either in-person at the RE office or download it from our website above and submit it to the Religious Education office. All adult volunteers must be VIRTUS trained and complete the diocesan background check. If you are interested in volunteering with VBS, but would like more details before committing, please contact Catherine Roets in the RE office at (540) 659-5705 or [reoffice@swoycc.org](mailto:reoffice@swoycc.org).

**\*\*NOTE:** There will be limited VIRTUS training opportunities over the summer. If you are interested in volunteering with VBS, please go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) to see the full list of available classes in April and May and to sign up to take the training course.

**Volunteers make VBS possible!**

## Narthex Expansion Project

We continue to move slowly forward with this project. In August 2014 we started to explore options to expand the front vestibule (Narthex) of our church. The primary reasons for this expansion are: (1) to give us more space for weddings, funerals, special feast days (Palm Sundays); (2) to renovate the bathrooms; (3) to allow for a more open, lighted and protected area for parishioners to meet and talk after Masses; (4) to give our church a more distinguished Catholic exterior appearance. The Parish Council, Finance Council and church members were briefed on our recommended proposal during the Spring and Summer of 2015. In September 2015 we submitted this proposal to the Diocese for their review and approval. Our estimate for this renovation was \$2.5M. Over the next ten months there was some brief and intermittent communication from the Diocese regarding the project, but on July 13, 2016 we were notified that the project at its current estimate would not be approved. The Diocese recommended we revise our priorities and desires, and consider submitting a scaled down project with a \$1M estimate. We met with our architect in late September and directed him to provide us possible options within the new funding constraint. On February 24<sup>th</sup> we met with him again and he provided us five options. We have selected an option and have asked the architect to research some follow-on questions. Our selected option meets all four of our requirements. At this point we are again hopeful that this project is back on track and that the Diocese will approve this approach and plan. Any questions can be directed to Neal Armstrong, our Business Manager at the Parish Office, [narmstrong@swoycc.org](mailto:narmstrong@swoycc.org).