



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



✠ Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 19, 2017 ✠

Mass Intentions for the Week of

February 20th – February 26th

Monday	7:30 AM	Leonville Gedeon †
	9:00 AM	Anna Marie Byrnes †
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Deacon & Alice Benisek 30 th Wedding Anniversary
	9:00 AM	Jacqueline Murray †
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Eileen Williamson
	6:30 PM	Camille Merlino †
Thursday	7:30 AM	Bette Vecchio †
	9:00 AM	Irene Andrews †
Friday	9:00 AM	Father Jim Bruse
	6:30 PM	Michael Byrnes
Saturday	9:00 AM	Megan Amico
	5:00 PM	Margaret Walsh †
Sunday	7:30 AM	Carlos Quinata †
	9:00 AM	People of St. William of York
	10:30 AM	Victoria & Eugene Minella †
	12:15 PM	Joan Cox Hatfield †
	2:00 PM	Alberto Rampolla †

Parish Holiday Hours

The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of the Presidents’ Day Holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, February 21st at 9:30 AM.

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. Drawings include prizes of five 2017 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 have been mailed to each St. William of York household. More tickets are available in the parish office.

New Mass Setting

Our parish is in the process of incrementally introducing a new sung Mass setting, “The Mass of the Resurrection”. Over the course of the next three months, we will be substituting our “Heritage” Mass parts with those from the “Mass of the Resurrection”, until the “Gloria” is debuted on Holy Thursday. Music for the “Mass of the Resurrection” can be found in your Music Issue, beginning at #853.

Confession Schedule

February 20th – February 25th

Tuesday:	9:30 AM
Thursday:	9:30 AM
Saturday:	9:30 AM
Saturday:	6:30 PM

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is March 1, 2017. Ashes will be distributed at our 9:00 AM and 1:30 PM Masses. Ashes will also be distributed at our 6:30 PM Liturgy of the Word. Holy Communion will not be distributed at the Liturgy of the Word.

Fasting and Abstinence

On Ash Wednesday, everyone over 14 years of age is bound to observe the law of abstinence, (no meat). Abstinence is to be observed on all Fridays within the season of Lent. On Ash Wednesday & Good Friday, everyone 18 & up to the beginning of their 60th year is also bound to observe the law of fasting. On these two days only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one’s needs; but together they should not equal another full meal. Ash Wednesday & Good Friday, therefore, are the only days of both fasting and abstinence.

Sunday Collection for

2/12/17

Offertory:	\$12,307.00
Debt:	\$ 4,528.00
<u>Faith Direct (Bimonthly)</u>	<u>\$21,477.00</u>
Total	\$38,312.00

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

Did you know?

The monthly cost for the cleaning of the church (twice weekly), office and school (five times a week); trash removal and pest control is \$6,680.

The St. William of York Youth



St. William of York Catholic School

* Academic Excellence * Personalized Attention * Authentic Catholic Culture *

2nd Quarter Honor Roll 2016-2017

Principals Honors

- 8th Grade: Paige Abagnale, Katie Bochonok,
Erin Elliott, David McSorley, Kieran Precit,
Bethanya Yared
- 7th Grade: Jamie Jackson, Katie Koper, Ben Moloko,
Max Moloko, Sophia Pomatto
- 6th Grade: Ella Sconfietti, Jack Lima, Hannah Bosco
- 5th Grade: Caleb Abagnale, Matthew Elliott,
Antonio Gutierrez, Audrey Iglesia,
Alexandria Rayo, Sophia Stoltz
- 4th Grade: Santiago Bouroncle, Christopher Kamm

CARITAS

- 8th: Bethanya Yared, Kieran Precit
- 7th: Alison Fousek, Max Moloko
- 6th: Rachel Dereje, Elijah Stone
- 5th: Taylor Simpson, Jason Angarita
- 4th: Ashleigh Piaskowski, Christopher Kamm
- 3rd: Madeline Rayo, Keagan Precit
- 2nd: Rebecca Cyphers, Mateo Skinner
- 1st: Grace Wielgoszinski, Matthew Helton

A/B Honors

- 8th Grade: Catherine Dittmer, Emily Featherling
- 7th Grade: Owen Bellamy, Dillena Carter,
Sofia Gutierrez, Grace Jones, Luci Stoltz
- 6th Grade: Rachel Dereje, Ryan Hart, Braeden Henry,
Willem Jameson
- 5th Grade: Molly Hanlon, Dane Jones, Lydia Yared
- 4th Grade: Christopher Cooke, Gianna Davis,
Ashleigh Piaskowski, Maria Pullen, Jake Rich,
Joseph Schiller

To learn more about your parish school,
please contact
Jennifer Schiller at
540-659-5207 or
jschiller@stwillschool.org.
Thank you for your continued support.

Religious Education

Name the Saint!

Our feast day is February 20th. We lived in Portugal and are brother and sister. Our lives were forever changed when we were nine and seven, respectively. On May 13, 1917 as we were playing with our cousin, a bright light descended upon a tree in front of us. The light said she was from Heaven and would visit us every month for six months. When we told our families, they didn't believe us. Nobody believed us and we were even thrown in jail! We kept up our visits with the Blessed Mother every month where she asked us to pray the Rosary for peace and sacrifice for sinners. Eventually many people came with us and on the last visit from our Lady witnessed the sun dancing in the sky. We died very young as our Lady said we would, but we always believed in God and did everything Mary asked of us. We are not yet saints, but very close to becoming one. Who are we?

No RE classes TO- DAY, February 19th.

The RE office will be closed Monday February 20th. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, February 21st at 9:00 AM.

Inclement Weather Policy

If we have inclement weather during these winter months that will prevent us from having class, teacher will be notified by the office to spread the word to their class parents. We will also post on B1015.com SnoWatch if we will cancel class due to weather conditions.

Lent is Coming...and so are the Soup Suppers! RE Soup Supper is March 3rd!

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 a Spiritual Work of Mercy (pray for the living and the dead) and a service hour opportunity for 7th graders.

ANSWER: Blessed Francisco and Jacinta Marto

In Our Parish

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, February 19

No RE Classes

10:00 AM: Choir (Brent Room)

Monday, February 20

Presidents' Day

Parish Office Closed

No School

Tuesday, February 21

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

9:30 AM: Rosary Makers (Brent Room)

6:00 PM: K of C Fraternal Benefit Night (Center)

Wednesday, February 22

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

6:30 PM: RE Class

7:30 PM: Baptism Class in English (Library)

7:30 PM: RCIA (Center)

Thursday, February 23

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

10:00 AM: Senior Chair Exercise (Brent Room)

5:00 PM: Chic-Fil-A Spirit Night

6:30 PM: Cantors (Church)

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

7:00 PM: Adult Choir (Church)

Friday, February 24

6:00 PM: School Dance (Center)

Saturday, February 25

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

3:30 PM: Baptism in English (Church)

6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

Soup Supper

Every Friday during Lent, except Good Friday, different organizations of the parish will sponsor a Soup Supper in the parish center from 5:00 PM until 6:00 PM. The Religious Education program will host the first soup supper on Friday, March 3rd. Please join us for a sacrificial meal of homemade soups & sandwiches for a small donation. All donations will be given to our St. William of York Outreach to assist individuals in Stafford County needing financial assistance.

Senior Chair Exercise Group

Join us to gently stretch your muscles, improve flexibility and balance. The exercises are done while sitting in or holding onto a chair to help with balance. Come see how this exercise can help you. Motion is lotion to your joints. Our next meeting dates are February 23rd and April 9th in the Brent Room from 10 AM – 11 AM. All are welcome. Any questions contact Sharyn Drollinger at (540) 720-1734.

Rosary During Lent

The Hispanic Apostolate will be praying the Rosary on Sundays during Lent starting on March 5, 2017 at 1:30 PM, before the Spanish Mass. The Knights of Columbus will be praying the Rosary on Wednesdays after the 6:30 PM Mass during Lent.

ATTENTION

All 9th – 12th Graders!

Ever wondered about joining the Youth Group here at St. William of York? No time like the present! We're having fun but are missing YOU! Why not come? Enjoy outdoor movies and discussions about choosing movies, campfires, service opportunities with the elderly and the Thrift Shop. Just recently we enjoyed Fr. DeMartino's talk about Courtship (not dating!). There's so much fun to have with our group. Consider visiting us to check it out! We meet Saturday nights from 7 PM – 8:30 PM in the parish center. Contact Peggy Nicely at peggy.nicely@swoycc.org or (540) 659-5705. We're waiting for you!!

Join Us in Celebrating the Memory of St. Patrick

Join Margaret's Ladies and the Knights of Columbus as they host the celebration of the feast of the patron Saint of Ireland. This year's celebration will be Saturday, March 18, 2017 in the parish center. Doors will open at 6:00 PM. Dinner will feature corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots and soda bread. The fare for the youngsters is Celtic tube steaks (hot dogs) and Irish pie (cheese or pepperoni pizza). Musical entertainment will feature the Celtic group "Moch Pryderi" Tickets: Adults: \$10, Youth 16 and under \$5, Children 3 and under free. Starting today, February 12, 2017 tickets will be available for sale after all the Sunday Masses in the parish center. Purchase your tickets early, as this event has been known to sell out in the past. Contact Bob Ghormley for more information, (540) 752-9613.

Brain Train

Come join us to play games, enjoy visiting with fellow parishioners and munching snacks on the last Tuesday of every month in the Brent Room from 1 PM—3 PM. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, February 28th. Hope to see you there. Come join us to see what all the fun is about while stimulating the mind. All are welcome. Any questions contact Sharyn Drollinger at (540) 720-1734.

Prayer Request...

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

Ralph Allison, Rolando Alvarez, Richard Baffa, Aaron Burke, George Davis III, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, John Ferry, Kyle Fico, Brian Flanagan, Keirsten Hage, Michael Harrison, Jason Heuer, Denise Huff, Stephen Kelly, William Kerriagan, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Tyron Anthony Layug, Orlando Medina, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Brendon Mooney, Sean Mooney, John O'Hagan, Gavin Reed, Andrew Rodriguez, Thomas Ryan, Andrew Sines, 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.

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.

Mark your calendars for

Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2017!

Once again we will be hosting Vacation Bible School this summer for all children from rising K-6th grades. VBS will be held July 31 – August 4, 2017. More details about registration and volunteering will be following in the coming weeks.

Confirmation Requirement Due Date NEXT SUNDAY!

Your saint report is due by February 26th. If you have not started on it already, now is the time to start so it doesn't sneak up on you. If you have it finished already, you can turn it in any time. You do not have to wait until the due date to turn it in. Check in your red Confirmation folders for formatting specifics that are required. If you cannot locate your red folder, this information is on our website as well. Homeschool families can opt to email their saint reports to save themselves a trip to the office.

Restore the Church Build the Future

Next week, on Ash Wednesday, March 1st we will accept donations in the boxes at all exits for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. These donations support the Church in over 20 countries, many of which are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of Soviet rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee.

Around the Diocese

Mass to Pray for Healing for Victims/Survivors of Sexual Abuse

In 2004, Bishop Loverde began a series of diocesan-sponsored Masses for the community to gather together to pray for healing for victims/survivors of sexual abuse. Each Mass is followed by a reception. The next Mass will be on Wednesday, Feb. 22nd at 7:30 PM at St. Bernadette, 7600 Old Keene Mill Rd., Springfield. Bishop Michael Burbidge will preside.

Spring Open House

Please join us for our

Spring Open House

Thursday, March 16th from 4 - 6 PM

This smaller version of our Fall Open House is primarily for younger children and their families to come pre-view high school at John Paul the Great, though **All are welcome!** Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School is located at 17700 Dominican Drive Dumfries, VA 22026.

2017 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Offering Hands to Serve and Hearts to Love

Next weekend, every family in our parish will be asked to complete a Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) pledge form 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!