



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



✠First Sunday of Lent—February 18, 2018✠

Mass Intentions for the Week of

February 19th – February 25th

Monday	7:30 AM	Mary E. Gallo
	9:00 AM	Sarah Galletta ☐
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Spencer Abbot ☐
	9:00 AM	Leonor C. Layug
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Special Intention
	6:30 PM	All Homebound Parishioners
Thursday	7:30 AM	Bill White ☐
	9:00 AM	Shari, Andi & Oliver Nelson
Friday	9:00 AM	Mary Mazur ☐
<i>Latin</i>	7:00 PM	Ralph & Anne Marie Ruland ☐
Saturday	9:00 AM	Russ Voris ☐
	5:00 PM	Andrew B. McConnell & Rita Mary Anne McConnell ☐
Sunday	7:30 AM	Aaron Vargo ☐
	9:00 AM	Mr. Romero A. Candido ☐
	10:30 AM	People of St. William of York
	12:15 PM	Rita Corso ☐
<i>Spanish</i>	2:00 PM	Alberto Rampolla ☐

Confession Schedule

February 19th – February 24th

Wednesday:	9:30 AM
Wednesday:	6:30 PM-8:00 PM
Friday:	9:30 AM
Friday:	7:30 PM
Saturday:	9:30 AM
Saturday:	6:30 PM

Gabriel Project Thanks You!

A heartfelt thank you to parishioners, most of all for your prayers that allowed the Holy Spirit to work in wonderful ways to help needy moms. Gabriel Project (GP) is a ministry under Family Life serving pregnant moms, babies and families. With the assistance of some wonderful parishioners, (you know who you are) GP has helped moms by donating strollers, playpens, cribs, baby swings, baby clothes, blankets, and diapers & wipes by the boxes. Because of you, our local GP ministry served five expectant moms this year before and after babies' births, here around the Stafford County area. Prayers are being answered. Please continue to pray for the babies; I know you share with me the conviction that each life is precious and deserves to be cherished. God Bless you. Ann Smith, Parish Right to Life Chairman.

Sign of Peace

During this worst flu season in years we have decided to suspend the optional, communal offering of the Sign of Peace at Mass as a prudent safe-guard during the flu season until the beginning of the Easter Season. The celebrant at Mass will simply say, “The Peace of the Lord be with you always”, to which you respond, “And with your spirit.” After that the celebrant will begin the “Lamb of God.”

Courtship in an Authentic Catholic Culture

Today, February 18th, at 7:30 PM, Fr. DeMartino will be delivering his annual talk on “Courtship in an Authentic Catholic Culture”. Father will tell it like it really is from a totally Catholic, biblical perspective. Parents and children 12 on up will want to attend.

**Sunday Collection for
2/11/18**

Offertory:	\$15,988.00
Faith Direct:	\$22,069.00
Total:	\$38,057.00

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

Narthex Expansion Project Update

Progress Continues! The Architect is completing his work under the “Design Phase.” He hopes to complete the design drawings and submit them to us by February 23rd. At that point we will review the drawings and provide them our concerns and comments. The next phase, Construction Document Phase, would commence after the ratification of our comments. The Construction Document Phase will be 60 Days long. The construction documents will be used by contractors to bid on the project.

The St. William of York Youth



St. William of York Cath- olic School

Time for Baseball!

Interested in SWOY Baseball?
Registration begins this weekend!
Information/registration forms are
included in the bulletin and are
also available on the school web-
site at www.stwillschool.org. The
registration deadline is MARCH
4th. Questions can be directed to
swoybaseball@gmail.com.

2018-2019 Enrollment

Applications are now being
accepted for the 2018-2019 school
year. Families are invited to
contact the school to set up an
appointment to tour the school as
well as discuss the application
process. Application materials
can be found on the school
website at www.stwillschool.org.
Please call Jennifer Schiller at
(540) 659-5207 or email jschiller@stwillschool.org.

School Information

We invite any of our parishioners
who would like to visit our school
and see the wonderful things
happening to call Jennifer Schiller
at 540-659-5207 and schedule a
visit! We welcome you!

Religious Education

Name the Saint!

My feast day is February 18th. When I was only 7 years old I felt a deep desire to receive Jesus in Holy Communion, but I was too young. However, I snuck into the church wearing my mother's shawl and received Him in secret. This began my deep devotion to Jesus. I became very thoughtful and prayerful and felt sad that Jesus was alone in the tabernacle most of the time. When I grew up I became a nun and formed a new group called the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. We began the tradition of perpetual adoration which continues today on first Fridays of every month. Who am I?

ANSWER: St. Geltrude Comensoli

No RE classes today, Feb- ruary 18th.

The RE office will be closed Monday, February 19th. Regular of-
fice hours will resume on Tuesday, February 20th at 9:00 AM.

Confirmation Requirement Due Date in ONE WEEK!

Your saint report is due by February 25th. 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.

Mark your calendars!

Confirmation for Fall 2018 students will be held on November 17th with Bishop Emeritus Paul S. Loverde as confirming prelate. More detailed information regarding day-of procedures will be coming out in the Fall.

CHANGE MADE TO TIMES FOR FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING!!

The RE office will be holding an information meeting, February 25th at both morning sessions. The 1st meeting will begin AFTER the children have been dismissed from the gym to go to class (~8:50 AM) so you will need to stay when you drop them off. The 2nd meeting will be held in the gym before the end of the class (~11:40 AM). During the meeting we will give you information regarding the day of First Communion details and what you should be doing at home to prepare them. Homeschool can choose which meeting to attend (8:50 or 11:40). School parents will receive the information through their child's backpack. ***If you are a homeschooling parent and you have NOT let us know your child is preparing for First Communion this year, please let us know ASAP so we can have materials prepared for you at our meeting. ***

In Our Parish

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, February 18

No 8:45 AM RE Class

10:00 AM: Adult Choir (Brent Room)

No 10:45 AM RE Class

No 6:00 PM RE Class

6:00 PM: CYO (Center)

7:30 PM: Fr. DeMartino's Talk on Courtship

Monday, February 19

President's Day

No School

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, February 20

9:30 AM: Rosary Makers (Brent Room)

Wednesday, February 21

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

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

6:30 PM: RE Class

6:30 PM: RE First Penance (Church)

6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

7:30 PM: RCIA (Center)

Thursday, February 22

10:00 AM: Chair Exercise (Brent Room)

6:30 PM: Cantor Rehearsal (Church)

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

7:30 PM: Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Friday, February 23

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

5:00 PM: Soup Supper (Center)

6:30 PM: Stations of the Cross (Church)

7:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

Saturday, February 24

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

3:30 PM: Baptisms in English (Church)

6:30 PM: NFP Class (Brent Room)

6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

Parish Office Holiday Hours

The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 19th in observance of the Presidents' Day Holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday at 9:30 AM.

Restore the Church

Thank you for your generous contributions last week to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe! Your donations will help to restore the Church and build the future in over 25 countries. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give, visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

Black & Indian Missions

This weekend, February 18th boxes will be at all exits for your donation to The Black & Indian Missions collec-

tion. Mandated by the III Plenary Council in 1884, the 120 year old National Collection for Black and Indian people continues as the embodiment of the Church's concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs.

Baptism Classes

The next Baptism Preparation Class in English will be held on **Wednesday, February 28th at 7:30 PM** in the Library. The next Baptismal Preparation Class in Spanish will be held on **Saturday, March 3rd at 8:30 AM** in the Brent Room. It is mandatory that all parents register with the parish office (659-1102) before the class.

Soup Supper

Every Friday during Lent, except for Good Friday, different organizations of the parish will sponsor a Soup Supper in the parish center from 5:00 PM until 6:00 PM. Abstinence (no meat) is to be observed on all Fridays within the season of Lent. This week the St. William of York School will sponsor the soup supper. Please join us for a meal of homemade soups and sandwiches for a small donation, which will be donated to our St. William of York Outreach.

The Light is on!

Welcome! Our doors are open and the light is on. *The Light is On* is an initiative of the Archdiocese of Washington and the Diocese of Arlington where all Catholic churches across the DC metro area are open for quiet prayer and Confession Wednesday evenings (February 21, 28, March 7, 14, & 21 from 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM at St. William of York). Go to thelightison.org for more information on times and locations at other churches near you.

Sponsor of the Week

We would like to thank

"Dave the Mover"

this week for sponsoring an ad
in our weekly bulletin.

If you are interested in sponsoring an ad in our bulletin
please call 1-800-833-4343.

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, James Cleary, George Davis III, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, John Ferry, Kyle Fico, Brian Flanagan, Keirsten Hage, Michael Harrison, Jason Heuer, Denise Huff, William Kerriagan, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Tyron Anthony Layug, Jason Locke, Kevin Martin, Orlando Medina, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Brendon Mooney, Sean Mooney, Gavin Reed, Andrew Rodriguez, Thomas Ryan, Andrew Sines, Jonathan 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.

Chair Exercise

Join our group to Pray, Breathe, Stretch and Relax while working to increase flexibility, joint stability, balance, coordination, agility, and muscular strength. Join us on Thursday, February 22nd, in the Brent Room from 10 AM–11 AM. All are welcome. Any questions contact Sharyn Drollinger at (540) 720-1734.

2018 Bishops Lenten Appeal

Living in Faith-Giving in Gratitude

The Bishop's Lenten Appeal is in full swing and we are asking every household in our parish to support this appeal to the extent that they are able. The Bishops Lenten Appeal funds many programs, services and ministries that serve people in need and furthers the Gospel mission of Jesus Christ in our diocese. Let us join together to do the Lord's work-works that touch the lives and souls of thousands of people in our diocese. Thank you!

Walk with us

Mary's Shelter is sponsoring a life walk on April 14th in at old Mill Park, Fredericksburg, VA. This event is a pro-life event benefitting Mary's Shelter, Choices Women's Center, and Bethany Christian Services places that acknowledges that LIFE begins at conception and is worthy of protection. Register for this event at life-walkfxbg.com. Join us as we cheer on Fredericksburg's fastest babies in the Diaper Crawl after the walk!

Stations of the Cross

Join us in the church on Fridays during Lent at 6:30 PM for Stations of the Cross, except Good Friday, March

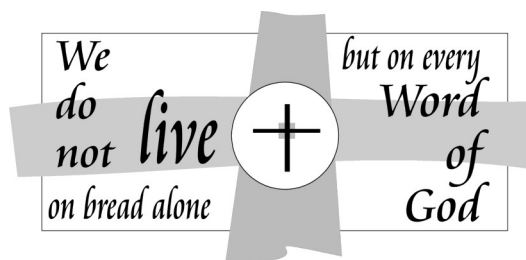
30th when Youth Ministries will present Living Stations in the center at 7:30 PM.

Brain Train

Come out of the cold and join fellow parishioners for 2 hours of fun and games. Enjoy playing, visiting and munching snacks in the Brent Room from 1 PM—3 PM the last Tuesday of every month. Come see what all the fun is about while keeping your mind active. All are welcome. Any questions contact Sharyn Drollinger (540) 720-1734.

2018 Women's Conference

All women of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington are invited to the 2018 Women's Conference "From Darkness Into Light" on March 10 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Herndon, VA. Featuring Diane Foley, mother of slain journalist, James Foley, and Sr. Grace Dominic, writer and national speaker. Holy Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael Burbidge. To REGISTER, go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/women. Registration is \$65. Please register ASAP to reserve your slots!



First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

God made a promise to Noah that he would never again devastate the entire planet with a flood. He also told Noah that the symbol of this promise would be a rainbow in the clouds.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

This letter from Peter reminds all people that Christ died for us so that we might be led to God. We have been saved by our baptism; not a physical cleansing, but a promise to continually strive to obey God.

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Mark briefly tells of Jesus' stay in the desert, where he was tested by Satan. He did not give in to temptation, but reappeared in Galilee to proclaim the good news.

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