

MASS INTENTIONS

Liturgy of the Hours Week I

SAT., DEC. 7	8:15AM	+MARTIN VEATER
	5:30PM	+RUTH HOLMES
SUN., DEC. 8	8:00AM	OLSEN FAMILY
	10:30AM	PARISHIONERS
MON., DEC. 9	8:15AM	+ MIKE KLEINE
TUES., DEC. 10	8:15AM	+GEORGE PUTNAM
	6:00PM	+POOR SOULS
WED., DEC. 11	8:15AM	(L)FR. ISLAIRE FAUSTIN
THURS., DEC. 12	8:15AM	10TH ANNIVERSARY OF LINDA & BERNIE BUSH
FRI., DEC. 13	8:15AM	+PEGGY O'BRIEN
SAT., DEC. 14	8:15AM	+LARRY D'AMICO
	5:30PM	+MARY RATH
SUN., DEC. 15	8:00AM	PARISHIONERS
	10:30AM	+LARRY D'AMICO



Mario Artesiano, TSB, Lois Baker, Gail Blanda, Craig Bolint, Tommye Cashin, Sal Cenicola, H.C., **Charlie**, Patti Cundiff, Mark Davis, Barbara DeRatto, John Fedak, Mary Ann Ferguson, Rebecca Gaylor, Jacqueline Grady, Keith Griffin, John Grimsley, Fred Hegeman, Cheryl & Larry Hutchinson, Bill Kelso, Mark Kelso, Timothy Kite, **Bernie Korch**, Ben Koreski, Kathleen Koreski, H.L., **Lucy Loehle**, **Anna Grace Mallon**, Nancy Moore, Nina & Ralph Murphy, Ed Nickey, George Nies, Fran Owen, John Parkins, Mary Ellen Parkins, Frank Paul, Nell Pidgeon, **Bobby Powell**, MJR, Patricia Reilly, A.J. Salimando, Gordy Seaman, Douglas Seaman, Richard Sedlacek, Michael Smith, Mike Stefanik, Keith Stocker, Richard Williams, Kay Willis, Richard Wineman, Charlie Yodor and our service men and women.

Help us keep our above prayer list current. You may add a name to the list by calling the church office at 638-2647 or e-mailing us at stwilliamschurch@comcast.net.

St. William Prayer Line is a group of people who pray daily for the intentions received from voice mails left at 638-4287 or by email at stwilliamsprayerline@gmail.com.

There will not be Adoration on Christmas Eve or New Year's Eve. It will resume on January 7.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS - YOUTH GROUP
December 14 - Bellringing at Harris Teeter for the Salvation Army from 10am-2pm. Wear CIA t-shirts and silly Christmas attire. We have more slots to be filled.

December 15 - Progressive Dinner (5-8pm). Youth ONLY. Meet at the church NO LATER than 5pm. Trolley leaves at 5:05pm. First home is appetizers; second is entrée; third is dessert and white Elephant gift exchange. Pick up is at 8pm at the church.

January 5 - No Confirmation class or youth group
January 20 - Confirmation class at 4-5pm, Youth Group at 5-6pm.

See emails for more info!

*"Hope lies in dreams, in imagination, and in the courage of those who dare to make dreams into reality."
- Jonas Salk*

Offertory Stewardship

DECEMBER 1, 2019 - \$8,846.00 (DECEMBER 2, 2018 - \$11,915.00)
PARISHIONER ENVELOPES/CHECKS - 190
CHILDREN'S COLLECTION - \$120.00
CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT - \$2,091.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TO DATE

Goal - \$2,162,000 Received - \$2,024,569

MONSIGNOR JOHN A. KENNEALLY SCHOLARSHIP FUND - \$44,636

Thank you, Parish Family!

Do you bear good fruit for Christ? Or, do you spend your time, talent, and treasure constantly acquiring more toys, clutter, and junk. Our time, our talent, and our treasure are gifts that God has given us. What we do with them is our gift back to God. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?



Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's second collection for the **RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS** helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.

ST. NICHOLAS will visit St. William with stories to tell, crafts to make and treats to eat on December 8 at 9:30am in the Parish Hall. Everyone of all ages is very welcome to attend.



Hand Bell Choir Open House!
Join our Ding-a-Lings for an informal Christmas ring on Thursday, December 19 at 7:15pm in the Music Suite, Room 8 of the Parish Hall. Cookies will follow!



TWIN PARISH NEWS - Helping Hugs Inc. is preparing to send our Medical Mission Team to Haiti this February. The team will need 10 medium sized suitcases to transport equipment. The bags must have rollers, must weigh less than 10 pounds and be no more than 62 overall inches (add length plus width plus depth). If you have one you can donate, please call Sandra Hochwald at 912-638-3143, for pickup. The suitcases are needed by January 15. Thank you.



The Angel Tree is up and filled with Angels to fly. Please take an Angel, wrap requested item, SECURELY TAPE Angel to the package and return the gift under the tree. ALL gifts need to be turned in NO LATER than Monday, December 16. Please call Nancy at (912) 638-2651 or (912) 638-1530 with questions.

AARP SMART DRIVERS COURSE will be offered at Magnolia Manor on December 12, 10am-4pm. The instructor is Joe Shinnick. \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for Non-Members. Lunch will be catered by Magnolia Manor for \$6 per person. Call Jennifer Klonoski, (912)266-8848, by December 10 to RSVP.



Coffee & Doughnuts - If you would like to volunteer for this ministry, please call Lauren Bailey at 222-7755.

Flower names are due in the office by Monday, December 16, in order for them to be in the bulletin.



ANNIVERSARY MASS - Bishop Hartmayer, OFM Conv., invites all couples celebrating 25 years (1995) or 50 years (1970) of marriage in 2020 to the annual Gold & Silver Jubilee Anniversary Mass on February 23, at 11:30am at the Cathedral. If you wish to attend, contact www.diosav.org/gold-and-silver or (912)201-4068 by December 21.

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

SUN., DEC. 8

8am & 10:30am Masses

2nd Sunday of Advent
Religious Retirement Collection

9am - Adult Ed. Study
9am - CReeD
9:30am - St. Nicholas
11:30am - RCIA
11:30am - Gospel Portrayal Practice
Immaculate Conception of Mary

MON., DEC. 9

8:15am Mass

TUES., DEC. 10

8:15am & 6pm Masses

9am - Adoration
10am - Tuesday Women's Discussion
1pm - Rosary for Peace
4pm - Symphony Meeting
9am - Sew & So

WED., DEC. 11

8:15am Mass

THURS., DEC. 12

8:15am Mass

FRI., DEC. 13

SAT., DEC. 14

8:15am & 5:30pm Masses

SUN., DEC. 15

8am & 10:30am Masses

5:45pm - Gospel Portrayal Practice
7pm - Choir Practice
9am - SFO
7pm - Hand Bell Rehearsal
8:15am Daily Mass
10am - Karate
4:30pm - Reconciliation
3rd Sunday of Advent
St. Vincent de Paul Collection
9am - Adult Ed. Study
9am - CReeD
9am - Coffee & Doughnuts
11:30am - RCIA
11:30am - Gospel Portrayal Practice
5pm - Youth Group Progressive Dinner
6:30pm - Sea Scouts



The Vocation Office will sponsor a discernment retreat "Come Follow Me" for men ages 18 to 40 from Friday, December 20, at noon to Saturday, December 21, at 2pm at Little Ocmulgee State Park & Lodge in Helena, GA. Please register at www.diosav.org/vocations/retreat. There is no cost for the retreat.

PRAYER SHAWLS/LAP RUGS by Sew & So are available in the office for shut-ins or anyone needing some comfort from the cold. We have approximately 25 of all shapes, sizes and colors. Call the office if you need one!

I thank the St. William Parish for the nomination and support as I accepted the Gartland Award on November 24. A special thank you goes to those involved with placing flowers at the altar in my honor.

A proud member of the St. William Family, Ron Casler

***Save the Date - January 26, 2020**
Wines of the World & Coastal Cuisine*

FOOD DRIVE - Our CReeD and Youth Group programs will continue to collect non-perishables for local food pantries/banks such as St. Vincent de Paul, Sparrows Nest, Second Harvest, etc. until December 15. Please bring your non-perishables to the church during this time and leave them in the collection box in the back of the church.



Ann McCann's Funeral Mass will be Saturday, December 14, at 10am. The family will also hold a visitation on Friday night from 6-8pm.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Second Sunday of Advent - December 8, 2019



On this Second Sunday of Advent, our second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Romans encourages us to focus our Advent preparations in this way: "Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God." And how does Christ welcome us? With unconditional love.

This is the essence of Christian hospitality, a vital aspect of stewardship living. Fully embraced, it has the power to transform our lives and the lives of those who experience it through us.

The practice of Christian hospitality is also a way for us as stewards to answer the call of John the Baptist, in our Gospel passage from Matthew. His words apply just as much to us today as they did to the people awaiting the Savior's arrival. John says, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" He recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." There is a definite connection between repentance and effective hospitality.

How can we make repentance a regular part of our everyday lives? We can make an "examination of conscience" a daily part of our prayers, thanking God for the times we said "yes" to Him, and asking forgiveness for the times we chose our own will. We can, and should, go to Confession this Advent. We can reach out to a family member or friend where there is distance or discord and make peace.

As we "straighten the paths" of our own hearts and minds, we become more hospitable people, better stewards of God's grace and mercy, far more open and ready to invite others into our lives, homes, and parish. This is preparation fitting for our merciful Savior.

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CALLING ALL ANGELS AND SHEPHERDS! Practices for the live portrayal of the Gospel at the 5pm Christmas Eve vigil are on Sundays after 10:30 Mass and Wednesdays at 5:45PM. All children grades Pre-K through 5 are invited to participate. It is not necessary that all practices be attended. If interested, please contact Terri Mikowski (912)223-0293 or fishsi@comcast.net.



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL NEWS

Thank you for everyone's generous support of the Davis Love Friends of the Foundation car raffle. The school raised **\$29,594.00**, and the winner of the car is Mitzi Kennedy. We also thank everyone who gave to those in need for the school's November Community Service project. We collected over 1,100 non-perishable items for St. Vincent de Paul Society's food pantry.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Pre-Register for Your **GRACE Scholars 2020 Tax Credit Before December 15, 2019**. Time is running out, and we are only half-way to meeting our goal of \$60,000. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of children by providing financial assistance for them to attend our school. Your contributions qualify for a 100% credit against Georgia income taxes. Visit www.gracescholars.org, and click on the PRE-REGISTER NOW button on the home page. For more information, contact Frank Ferrara (parent of two St Francis Xavier Catholic School students) fferr28@yahoo.com, 912-466-9228.

Sympathy & Prayers ...

Debbie Stocker and family, upon the death of her husband, **KEITH STOCKER**. Arrangements will be announced.

May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
"We, the community of St. William's Parish, St. Simons Island, led by the power of the Holy Spirit, are committed to serving God and our brothers and sisters in Christ by living the message of the Gospel. We believe we are called to share our time, talents and our material gifts as an outward sign of the Treasure we hold in Jesus."

Mass Schedule
Weekdays: Monday - Saturday at 8:15 a.m., Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
Saturday Vigil at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday from 9 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. in chapel.

Reconciliation
Saturdays from 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. or by appointment.

Rosary
Monday - Saturday at 7:50 a.m. & after Mass.
Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

The Grotto Religious Goods Shop
Open after weekend Masses. Call the office during the week.

Baptism
Parents are to be registered and attend preparation class.
(Second Tuesday at 6 p.m. Call 638-2651 to reserve.)

Marriage
Arrangements should be made six months in advance.

Creed Classes - Sundays, 9 - 10:15am.
Children's Liturgy - Sundays during 10:30am Mass.

RCIA - Mondays at 6pm, September - Easter.

- Permanent Deacon**
Dcn. George Ruehling (H - 638-9038)
- Office Manager M-T: 8:30-4 Fri: 8:30-1 pm**
Jan Roberts - 638-2647 (H - 638-7660)
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