

# **St. William** Catholic Community

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#### Rev. Monsignor Christopher J. Schreck, Pastor

#### 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.

Parish Administrator Stacey Bristol - (Office) 638-2647

Director of Religious Education Nancy Power - 638-2651

Music Minister Kate Hamer - 634-5040

Parish Engineer Jim Spaeder - 399-7145

Parish Council Burt Davitte - 269-0756, 638-6000

Finance Committee Fred Zeh (Cell) 770-401-0570 (Office) 912-634-4531

Sacristan & Grotto Religious Goods Eucharistic Minister & Lector Trainer Barbara Pelletier - 638-2957 Adoration Maureen Bowen - 912-222-6775

Altar Servers Mike Cherne - 223-9048

Bereavement Laura Nies - 912-638-1991

Bloomers Therese Raimondo - 230-7313

Coffee and Doughnuts Lauren Bailey - 912-222-7755

Council of Catholic Women Joyce Callahan - 770-653-9509

Divine Mercy First Saturday Devotion Norma McIntyre - 279-0526

Helping Hugs, Inc. (Haiti Mission) Robert "Bob" Hochwald - 638-3143

RCIA - Sundays at 11:30am, September thru Easter.
Manna House
Primetimers

Spiritual Direction Janice Capano - 770-500-5468

Martial Arts - Jim Keane - 638-0763

Men's Group, Adult Ed Tom McIntyre - 279-0526, 996-8752

Outreach Ministries Bill Horn - 638-4538

St. Vincent de Paul Society - 262-6027 Maureen Horn - 638-4538

Secular Franciscan Order Larry Lynch - 638-0148

Tuesday Women's Discussion Valerie Kehoe - 912-638-3919

Head Usher Ron Casler - 912-434-9635

Baptism

Parents are to be registered and attend preparation class. (By appointment - Call DRE at 638-2651)

*Marriage* Arrangements should be made six months in advance.

Creed Classes - Sundays, 9 - 10:15am.

Children's Liturgy - Sundays during 10:30am Mass. Youth Group - Sundays at 5p.m.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Liturgy of the Hours Week IV		
SAT., SEPT. 12	8:15AM	+BOB WELLS
	5:30PM	+FR. DAVID PATTERSON
SUN., SEPT. 13	8:00AM	PARISHIONERS
	10:30AM	+KERRY MALLON
MON., SEPT. 14	8:15AM	+HOWARD MATHUES
TUES., SEPT. 15	8:15AM	+BILL KEMPTON
	6:00PM	+POOR SOULS
WED., SEPT. 16	8:15AM	+PAULA SULLIVAN
THURS., SEPT. 17	8:15AM	+THOMAS SHEVLIN
FRI., SEPT. 18	8:15AM	+RONALD MALLON
SAT., SEPT. 19	8:15AM	+JOHN FAAS
	5:30PM	PARISHIONERS
SUN., SEPT. 20	8:00AM	+MARGARET HODGES
	10:30AM	+BILL KEMPTON



Mario Artesiano, John Austin, TSB. Lois Baker. Gail Blanda. Sharon Branca, Barron Bray, Tommye Cashin, Sal Cenicola, H.C., Patti Cundiff, Mark Davis, Barbara DeRatto, Peg-

gy Eades, John Fedak, Mary Ann Ferguson, Rebecca Gaylor, Jacqueline Grady, Keith Griffin, John Grimsley, Charlotte Guido, Fred Hegeman, John Helton, Fr. Jim Holloway, Cheryl & Larry Hutchinson, Mary Keane, Mark Kelso, Edward & Sharon Kirk, Timothy Kite, Ben Koreski, Kathleen Koreski, H.L., Lucy Loehle, Jim Loisel & Family, Ruth Elizabeth Melvin, Anna Grace Mallon, Janice Marderosian, Carl Merriman, George Metz, Nancy Moore, Nina & Ralph Murphy, George Nies, Gail Nick, Ed Nickey, Fr. Dan O'Connell, Fran Owen, Frank Paul, Nell Pidgeon, MJR, Patricia Reilly, A.J. Salimando, Douglas Seaman, Richard Sedlacek, Eddie Michael Smith, Mike Stefanik, Kimberly Webb & Family, Richard Wineman, Herman Woodard, and our service men and women.

#### **BULLETIN PRAYER LIST**

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. \*Names listed in bold are new to the prayer list. These names stay on the prayer list for one month unless otherwise requested.

**TELEPHONE & EMAIL PRAYER LINE** 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.

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to register for the news in a flash!

"In our lives, change is unavoidable, loss is unavoidable. In the adaptability and ease with which we experience change, lies our happiness and freedom." - Buddha

## **Offertory Stewardship**

SEPTEMBER 6, 2020 - \$13,862.82 (September 8, 2019 - \$6,964.00) **PARISHIONER ENVELOPES/CHECKS - 103 MISSION COOP COLLECTION - \$120.00** 

> **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TO DATE** Goal - \$2,162,000 Received to Date - \$2,077,707.23

*This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything* we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God daily and ask Him how *He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.* 

# WE'VE MISSED YOU!

#### CR.EE.D (K-8) and TEEN (9-12) CLASSES

will begin on Sunday, September 13. CREED will meet from WELCOME BACK 9am - 10:15am. TEENS will be meeting from 11:30am 1:00pm. In effort to help things run smoothly, please print out registration forms and waivers from our parish website, stwill.net. Bring the completed forms and payment to the

classroom on September 13. Children and their families should go directly to their designated classrooms when they enter the parish hall. Classrooms will be clearly marked with appropriate grades. The fees will remain at \$35 for grades K-5th, \$50 for grades 6-12th with an additional \$35 for Sacraments in grades 2 and 8. For more information, contact Nancy Power at 638-2651 or email powernancy@comcast.net.



This year, the church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 20, under the theme of "I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you." On this day, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to the community. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each baptized person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the s Place Co. Inc Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to

rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

#### SAFETY PROTOCOLS AT ST. WILLIAM

The safety and protection of all our parishioners and visitors is paramount. If you are experiencing any symptoms of infectious disease, know or unknown in origin, we ask that you take advantage of the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, and make use of our live streaming service on our YouTube channel StWilliamonSSI.

Within the church, please observe overall capacity limits and maintain proper distancing between individuals and family groupings. The wearing of masks is permitted and encouraged, especially when social distancing cannot be observed for a period of 15 minutes or more. Please feel free to make use of the hand sanitizers provided in the vestibule.

At this time, we cannot hand out paper bulletins. The bulletin is emailed weekly to parishioners and posted online on our website. If you know someone that would like to receive the bulletin via email that currently does not, please ask them to call or email the office to be added to our list. There are a few printed bulletins in the office for those who do not have email addresses.

The capacity of the church at this time is a maximum of 100 parishioners and visitors. We have done our best to mark off pews and provide guidelines to assist with social distancing.

Collection baskets for Masses are in the Narthex of the Church as you enter for Mass. You can also support our parish church through online giving on our website, by mail, or by using the donation boxes in the church and at the office for your convenience.

## Bishop-elect Stephen D. Parkes

Ordination and Installation as the Fifteenth Bishop of the Diocese of Savannah

Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist Wednesday, September 23, 2020

> "I look forward to seeing who you are and that's what I feel is my role and where my excitement is in being here in the beautiful Diocese of Savannah... to meet you, to be able to care for you, to lead you and to love. That's what the Lord calls us to do. That's what God needs us to do."

— Bishop-elect Stephen D. Parkes

PERMANENT DIACONATE CLASS FORMING

The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is now accepting applications for the next diaconate formation class. The permanent diaconate is open to both single and married men who meet specific requirements. Information can be found at <a href="https://diosay.org/permanent-diaconate/formation">https://diosay.org/permanent-diaconate/formation</a>. All application materials must be received by the Office of the Permanent Diaconate no later than September 30, 2020 with a class start date of September 2021 for those accepted. Questions should be directed to Deacon Kelley Culver, Director of the Permanent Diaconate at 706.651.8989.



We are in need of ushers for the Saturday, 5:30pm Vigil and Sunday, 10:30am Masses during this time. If you are interested in helping in this ministry, even on a temporary basis, please call the office. All guidelines set by the Diocese

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and state are being observed to make things as safe as possible for everyone.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULES** - Please let the office know of your unavailable ministry dates for October and November by Friday, September 18. If you are ready to return to your chosen ministry, please let the office know. We are in great need of Commentator/Lectors for all Masses, but especially the Saturday, 5:30 Vigil Mass and Sunday, 8am Mass. We are also in need of ushers for 5:30pm and Sunday 10:30am Masses.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL NEWS

Here are three easy ways to help our school with earn funds!

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#### **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**

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If you or someone you know needs help, please text <u>Crisis Text Line</u> at 741741, or call the <u>National Suicide Prevention Lifeline</u> at 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

FROM THE DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR COVID-19 UPDATE: AUGUST 27, 2020 Due to continuing concerns about the number of COVID-19 cases in the state of Georgia, the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday mass will remain in place at least through September 23, 2020.

ST. WILLIAM WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES SET IN PLACE BY THE DI-OCESE AND THE STATE OF GEORGIA. YOU CAN FIND UPDATED INFORMATION ON THE DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH'S WEBSITE,

#### PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

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SUN., SEPT. 13	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	8am - Mass		
	9am - CR.ee.D		
	10:30am - Mass		
	11:30am - CIA (Teens)		
MON., SEPT. 14	8:15am - Daily Mass		
TUES., SEPT. 15	8:15am - Daily Mass		
	9am - Adoration in Church		
	1pm - Rosary for Peace		
	6:00pm - Mass		
WED., SEPT. 16			
THURS., SEPT. 17	' 8:15am - Daily Mass		
	9am - Twin Parish		
FRI., SEPT. 18	8:15am - Daily Mass		
SAT., SEPT. 19	8:15am - Daily Mass		
	4:30pm - Reconciliation		
	5:30pm - Vigil Mass		
SUN., SEPT. 20	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	St. Vincent de Paul		
	Catechist Sunday		
	8am - Mass		
	9am - CR.ee.D		
10:30am - Mass			
	11:30am - CIA (Teens)		

#### LIVE STREAMING MASS!

For those of you who are not ready to return to Mass at the present time, we will continue to live stream Vigil and Sunday Masses on our youtube channel, <u>StWilliamonSSI</u>.



To be able to participate in these Masses from home, you can click on either the **red** youtube icon above or go to the parish website, www.stwill.net. Then go to the Live Streaming tab. Click on the blue link <u>StWilliamonSSI</u>, and select either the LIVE Mass or any of the recordings.

Entry Categories: Grades 5/6 & Grades 7/8 Cash prizes awarded in each category.

This year's theme is "Live the Gospel of Life".

Design a poster that reflects how you "Live the Gospel of Life" by helping others. For complete details and entry form, please visit: www.diosav.org/rlposter

Entries due by October 8, 2020.



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#### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 13, 2020



Today's readings call us to look inward to the state of our hearts, our thoughts and emotions.

Our first reading, from Sirach, addresses the complicated emotion of anger. "Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the Lord?" We have all been wounded by others at some point, some perhaps quite deeply. Our emotions are gifts from God. But we must steward them well, rather than allowing them to overcome us.

How do we do this? Sirach tells us. "Remember your last days, set enmity aside... Remember the Most High's covenant and overlook faults." We embrace the stewardship mindset — not brooding over hurts, but recalling all the gifts our good God has given us, all the love He continually pours out upon us, and we put our focus and trust in Him.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus reminds us of the true position we have before Him in light of all that He has done for us, comparing the kingdom of heaven to a "king who decided to settle accounts with his servants." In the parable, a debtor is brought before the king, owing such an overwhelming debt that it could not possibly be repaid. Yet, the king is filled with compassion for the servant, forgives the debt and lets him go free.

Doesn't that sound like each of us in relation to the King of Kings? The Father has given us life, and then sent His only Son to die for us to free us from our sin "debts" and make eternal life with Him possible for us. It is impossible for us to repay this debt. All we can do is thank God by giving Him our whole selves — inside and out.

What joy and freedom we find in the stewardship way of life! <u>The Catholic Steward</u> & <u>Catholic Stewardship Consultants</u>

**VIRTUS TRAINING - ZOOM REMOTE** - Virtus classes are now being done via ZOOM meetings. Space is limited in these classes and pre-registration is required. Go to

- Virtusonline.org to pre-register for upcoming classes
- Tuesday, September 15, 9am-12pm
- Tuesday, September 22, 6pm 9pm
- Saturday, September 26, 10am-1pm

#### Sympathy & prayers ...

To the family and friends of GALE VEATER, upon her death, and To Douglas Seaman and family, upon the death of his wife, GORDY CARMICHAEL SEAMAN, and

To Gus Hernandez, Jennifer, Caroline and Jon Henry Butler, and family, upon the death of their wife, mother and grandmother, BARBARA HERNANDEZ, and

To the family and friends of **BEBE DISMER**, upon her death. A Funeral was held at St. William on Friday, September 11.

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



Flowers have been placed at the altar in memory of Glenda Windsor by Beth Respess.



SHARE THE LOVE AND YOU COULD WIN A BRAND NEW CAR!



- Help St Francis Xavier School raise money by purchasing Raffle tickets (\$20 per ticket) or making a tax-deductible donation.
- A drawing will be held on November 22. One lucky winner will receive a brand new Buick Encore GX courtesy of Nalley Automotive of Brunswick.

Tickets are available at:

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School office, 265-9470;

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church Office, 265-3249;

or St. William Catholic Church office, 638-2647.

Checks must be payable to

**Davis Love Foundation.** 

## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12-13, 2020

#### **DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

O God, hear our prayer and let our cry come unto you. Bless our Diocese of Savannah with many vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life. Give the men and women you call the light to understand your gift and the love to follow always in the footsteps of your priestly son. Amen

#### **Opening:**

#### There's a Wideness in God's Mercy In Babilone Public Domain

There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea: There's a kindness in his justice which is

of the sea; There's a kindness in his justice which is more than liberty. There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed; There is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of our mind, And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more simple We should take him at his word, And our lives would be thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.

Troubled souls why will you scatter like a crowd of frightened sheep? Foolish hearts, why will you wander from a love so true and deep? There is welcome for the sinner and more graces for the good; There is mercy with the Savior, there is healing in his blood.

#### Reading 1

#### SIR 27:30-28:7

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight. The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail. Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Responsorial <u>PS 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12</u>

# R. (8) The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

# R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

# R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever. Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

# R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

#### **Reading 2**

#### **ROM 14:7-9**

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**.

#### Alleluia

#### R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.** 

#### Gospel

#### MT 18:21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay vou back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Presentation:** Love Goes On

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Love is patient, love is kind, never ending, never ending; slow to anger, Rich in mercy, love goes on beyond all time.

Love is faithful, love is true, ever joyful and forgiving; Love endures when life is over, love is old and love is new.

Love alone has shaped our soul, and our hearts are always restless Until love becomes our purpose, new creation to unfold.

Love our journey, love our goal. Through our faith may move the mountains, Love alone can heal the broken; only love will make us whole.

Love, our Savior's one command: "Love the way that I have loved you," With a towel and a basin, washing feet with servant hands.

There are three gifts that remain when all other things have perished, Only faith, hope love enduring, and the greatest gift is love.

## **Communion: Loving and Forgiving**

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#### Refrain: Loving and forgiving are you, O Lord; slow to anger, rich in kindness, loving and forgiving are you.

All my being, bless the Lord, bless the holy name of God, All my being, bless the Lord, remembering the goodness of God. Refrain

God forgives us all our sins, healing those who live in pain, Saving us from final death, God fills us with goodness and love. Refrain

Good and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger, rich in love. God remembers not our sins; forgiving and loving is God. Refrain

As heaven soars above the earth, so great the love of God for us, As far as east is from the west, the Lord takes our sins from us. Refrain

#### Sending:

#### **Canticle of the Sun**

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#### **Refrain:**

The heavens are telling the glory of God, and all creation is shouting for joy, Come, dance in the forest, come, playing in the field, And sing, sing to the glory of the Lord.

Praise for the sun, the bringer of day, he carries the light of the Lord in his rays; The moon and the stars who light up the way unto your throne. Refrain

Praise for the wind that blows through the trees, the sea's mighty storms, the gentlest breeze; They blow where they will, they blow where they please to please the Lord. Refrain

Praise for the rain that waters our fields, and blesses our crops so all the earth yields; From death unto life her myst'ry revealed springs forth in joy. Refrain

Praise for the fire who gives us his light, the warmth of the sun to brighten our night; He dances with joy, his spirit so bright, he sings of you. Refrain

Praise for the earth who makes life to grow, the creatures you made to let your life show; The flowers and trees that help us to know the heart of love. Refrain



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