



# 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.

#### *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.*

*RCIA - Sundays at 11:30am, September thru Easter.*

#### **Parish Administrator**

Stacey Bristol - (Office) 638-2647  
 (Cell) 269-7243

#### **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

#### **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

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Liturgy of the Hours Week I

SAT., JAN. 2	8:15AM	+RONALD BARR
	5:30PM	+JOHN FIGGE
SUN., JAN. 3	8:00AM	PARISHIONERS
	10:30AM	+BILL KEMPTON
MON., JAN. 4	8:15AM	+BARBARA HERNANDEZ +ANN NAWN
TUES., JAN. 5	8:15AM	+ALICE BELL
	6:00PM	+GAIL NICK
WED., JAN. 6	8:15AM	+BILL PRESCOTT
THURS., JAN. 7	8:15AM	+REV. JOHN FLATTERY
FRI., JAN. 8	8:15AM	+MARY MASTRIANNI
SAT., JAN. 9	8:15AM	+MARGARET GIRAUD
	5:30PM	+GAIL NICK
SUN., JAN. 10	8:00AM	PARISHIONERS
	10:30AM	+CHARLINE FLERES

*We always thank  
God for all of you  
and continually  
mention you in  
our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 12:13

Mario Artesiano, Buddy Aycok, TSB, Lois Baker, Gail Blanda, Brynn B., Tommye Cashin, Sal Cenicola, David Clarke, H.C., Pat-ti Cundiff, Mark Davis, Barbara DeRatto, Peggy Eades, John Fedak, Mary Ann Ferguson, Rebecca Gaylor, Jacqueline Grady, Keith Griffin, John Grimsley, Charlotte Guido, Mary Hammill, Mark Hanly, Martha Hawkins, Fred Hegeman, John Helton, Cheryl & Larry Hutchinson, Rhonda Hutchinson, Mark Kelso, Timothy Kite, Ben Koreski, Kathleen Koreski, H.L., Jim Loisel & Family, William Luther, Ruth Elizabeth Melvin, Mary McCaughey, Tucker McKinney, George Metz, Nancy Moore, David Morton, Nina & Ralph Murphy, Ed Nickey, Katy Oftedahl, Fran Owen, Frank Paul, MJR, Patricia Reilly, A.J. Salimando, Diane Scarbrough, Douglas Seaman, Richard Sedlacek, Eddie Michael Smith, Mike Stefanik, Richard Wineman, the priests serving St. William, 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](mailto: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](mailto:stwilliamsprayerline@gmail.com).

*"Keep your face to the sunshine  
and you can never see the shadow."  
- Helen Keller*

## Offertory Stewardship

**DECEMBER 27, 2020 - \$14,513.58 (December 29, 2019 - \$7,996.00)**  
**PARISHIONER ENVELOPES/CHECKS - 165**  
**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION - \$21,612.00**  
**DIOCESAN CHRISTMAS SCHOOL COLLECTION - \$2,725.00**  
**RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT - \$600.00**  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - \$25.00**  
**SOLEMNITY OF MARY - \$15.00**

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TO DATE

Goal - \$2,162,000

Received to Date - \$2,088,932.23

*Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit.  
First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him.  
Then they presented Him with their gifts.*

*We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord.  
We never know what God may be asking us to share!*



**BLACK AND INDIAN**  
MISSION OFFICE EST. 1884

Next weekend, our parish will take up the 136th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Check out the inset in today's bulletin for more information.



*You can join in!*

9 Days for Life is a "digital pilgrimage" of prayer and action focused on cherishing the gift of every life. A multi-faceted novena highlights a different intention each day.

Join to receive the novena through the 9 Days for Life app, daily emails, or daily texts at

[www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)

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### UPDATE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

to receive correspondence from the church. Please send an e-mail to [stwilliamschurch@comcast.net](mailto:stwilliamschurch@comcast.net) with your current address, and remember to notify us whenever your address changes.

**Abuse Hotline Number:** To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888-357-5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. To read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to [www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection](http://www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection).

## PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

<b>SUN., JAN. 3</b>	<b>EPIPHANY</b> 8am - Mass 10:30am - Mass
<b>MON., JAN. 4</b>	8:15am - Daily Mass 9am - Manna House
<b>TUES., JAN. 5</b>	<b>Federal Run-Off Voting</b> 8:15am - Daily Mass 9am - Adoration in Church 1pm - Rosary for Peace 6:00pm - Mass
<b>WED., JAN. 6</b>	8:15am - Daily Mass
<b>THURS., JAN. 7</b>	8:15am - Daily Mass 9am - Twin Parish Exec. Comm.
<b>FRI., JAN. 8</b>	8:15am - Daily Mass
<b>SAT., JAN. 9</b>	8:15am - Daily Mass 4:30pm - Reconciliation 5:30pm - Vigil Mass
<b>SUN., JAN. 10</b>	<b>BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b> <b>BLACK &amp; INDIAN MISSION COLL.</b> 8am - Mass 9am - CR.ee.D 10:30am - Mass 11:30am - Catholics in Action (CIA) Youth Group - Teens

### LIVE STREAMING MASS!

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](http://www.stwill.net). Then go to the Live Streaming tab. Click on the blue link [StWilliamonSSI](#), and select either the **LIVE** Mass or any of the recordings.




**St. William Parish offices will be close at 12pm on December 23 and reopen on January 4.**

- If there is an emergency, please call the office and leave a message. Messages will be checked daily.
- **All Contributions for 2020 should be in the office, or postmarked, by December 31 to count toward this tax year.**




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**DONATION BOXES** by the side doors of the church on weekends and in the church and office during the week for your convenience. We thank you for your continued support of our parish church through use of donation boxes, the **online giving** icon on our website and via mail.



**Flowers are placed at the altar in honor of the marriage of Victoria Marchetto and Joseph Garber.**

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

### EPIPHANY - JANUARY 3, 2021



Today, we celebrate the Epiphany of our Lord. The Gospel account of the three magi traveling to meet Baby Jesus is one that we know well. Yet, when we pause to reflect on this moment when these men met Christ for the first time, we recognize that there is much to be said for us still today.

When the magi entered the house, it says, "they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage." Clearly these men knew that they were in the presence of their King. They also came bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, which symbolize Christ's kingship, divinity and humanity.

Christ is still manifesting Himself to us today. We enter God's house weekly, and we are in His presence. When we meet Him, do we offer Him our gifts — our time, talent and treasure? As Christian stewards, we are called to respond with love, reverence and gratitude.

Let us prepare our hearts to receive Christ's many manifestations in our lives. We just need a grateful disposition to receive them.

*Stewardship Reflections by*  
***Catholic Stewardship Consultants***

### CATHOLIC COLLEGE TUITION ASSISTANCE AWARD

The Diocese of Savannah awards annual tuition assistance scholarships to students who are attending (or will be attending) a Catholic College or University to pursue an education rooted in Catholic values and faith traditions.

For consideration, all applicants must complete a **Catholic College Tuition Assistance Award Application**. Specific requirements and deadlines are identified within the application. Awards will be determined based upon these general guidelines:

- Awards range from \$1,000 to \$2,500 depending upon need and applications processed.
- Awards are allocated for one year **only**. Reapplication is necessary for each additional annual award.
- A recipient may be awarded assistance for a total of four (4) years.
- The deadline for **complete** application packets is **February 28**.

Assistance is awarded in 1-year allocations. All students planning to attend or currently enrolled in a Catholic College or University are welcomed and encouraged to apply at <https://diosav.org/schools-tuition-scholarships>. For a direct link, click [here](#).

### The ALTAR FLOWER

*sign-up sheet is in the vestibule of the church. Openings are available beginning January 2.*

*Please sign-up if you would like to dedicate the Altar Flowers "in honor of" or "in memory of" your loved ones.*



# Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God January 1, 2021

## 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*

## Gathering: Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come;  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

2. Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;  
Let us our songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

3. He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of his righteousness,  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders, wonders of his love.

## Reading 1 NM 6:22-27

The LORD said to Moses: "Speak to Aaron and his sons and tell them: This is how you shall bless the Israelites. Say to them: The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites, and I will bless them."  
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8  
Common Psalm 98 may be used in place of this psalm.  
R. May God bless us in his mercy.  
Music: Owen Alstott, © 1977, 1990, OCP (R&A p. 26)

R/ (2a) May God bless us in his mercy.

May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let his face shine upon us. So may your way be known upon earth; among all nations, your salvation.

**R/ May God bless us in his mercy.**

May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the peoples in equity; the nations on the earth you guide.

**R/ May God bless us in his mercy.**

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you! May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him!

**R/ May God bless us in his mercy.**

## Reading 2 GAL 4:4-7

Brothers and sisters: When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. As proof that you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir, through God. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia HEB 1:1-2

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Gospel LK 2:16-21

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them. When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Preparation: Ave Maria  
(Solo-Kate Hamer)

### **Communion: Hail Mary: Gentle Woman**

Carey Landry ©1975, 1978 Carey Landry OCP

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women and blest is the  
fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of  
God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of  
death. Amen.

**Refrain: Gentle woman, quiet light, morning  
star, so strong and bright, gentle Mother,  
peaceful dove, teach us wisdom; teach us love.**

You were chosen by the Father; you were chosen  
for the Son. You were chosen from all women and  
for woman, shining one. **Refrain**

Blessed are you among women, blest in turn all  
women, too. Blessed they with peaceful spirits.  
Blessed they with gentle hearts. **Refrain**

### **Sending:**

1983© Jan Lee Music

Let there be peace on Earth and let it begin with  
me.  
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was  
meant to be.  
With God as our Father, brothers all are we.  
Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.  
Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment  
now.  
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:  
To take each moment and live each moment in  
peace eternally.  
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with  
me.

# The Epiphany of the Lord January 2-3, 2021

**Prelude:**

**Flute/Organ**

## DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

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## Gathering: **As with Gladness Men of Old**

DIX/Conrad Kocher/William C. Dix

1. As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold, as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright, So, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.

2. As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly manger-bed, There to bend the knee before Him whom heav'n and earth adore; so may we with willing feet ever seek the mercy-seat.

3. As they offered gifts most rare at that manger rude and bare; so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ! to thee, our heav'nly King.

## Reading I

**Is 60:1-6**

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm **Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

R. Lord, ev - 'ry na - tion on earth will a - dore you.

Music: Owen Alstott, © 1977, 1990, OCP (R&A p. 28)

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; He shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment.

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

**R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

## Reading 2

**Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6**

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia

**Mt 2:2**

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Gospel

**Mt 2:1-12**

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the

east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: *And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.*" Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way. The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **Preparation: We Three Kings**

KINGS OF ORIENT

1. We three kings of Orient are;  
Bearing gifts we traverse afar  
Field and fountain, Moor and mountain,  
Following yonder star.

#### **Refrain**

**O star of wonder, star of night,  
Star with royal beauty bright;  
Westward leading, still proceeding,  
Guide us to thy perfect light.**

2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,  
Gold I bring to crown him again,  
King forever, Ceasing never  
Over us all to reign.

3. Frankincense to offer have I:  
Incense owns a Deity nigh;  
Prayer and praising Gladly raising,  
Worship him, God on high.

4. Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume  
Breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
Sorrowing, sighing, Bleeding, dying,  
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

### **Communion:**

**Greensleeves** (Flute/Piano)

### **The First Nowell**

THE FIRST NOWELL

**Refrain: Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel.**

3. And by the light of that same star three wise  
men came from country far; to seek for a king was  
their intent, and to follow the star wherever it  
went.

4. This star drew nigh to the northwest, O'er  
Bethlehem it took its rest, and there it did both  
stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay.

5. Then entered in those wise men three, full  
rev'rently upon the knee, and offered there, in his  
presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

6. Then let us all with one accord sing praises to  
our heav'nly Lord; who with the Father we adore  
And Spirit blest for evermore.

### **Sending: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise**

SALZBURG/Jakob Hintze/Christopher Wordsworth

1. Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to  
thee we raise, Manifested by the star to the sages  
from afar; branch of royal David's stem In thy  
birth at Bethlehem; Praises be to thee addressed,  
God in flesh made manifest.

2. Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and  
King supreme; and at Cana, wedding guest, In thy  
Godhead manifest; Manifest in pow'r divine,  
Changing water into wine; Praises be to thee  
addressed, God in flesh made manifest.

3. Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, mirrored in thy  
holy Word; may we imitate thee now, and be pure,  
as pure art thou; that we like to thee may be at thy  
great Epiphany; and may praise thee, ever blessed,  
God in flesh made manifest.

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