



St. William Catholic Church

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Very Reverend Mark Van Alstine, VF, Parochial Administrator

Reverend Emmanuel Antwi, Parochial Vicar

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-Thursday, and Saturday at 8:15 a.m. and Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.
Saturday Vigil at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Communion Service on Fridays at 8:15 a.m.

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday from 9 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. in chapel.

Rosary

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

Creed Classes (PreK-8th Grades) - Sundays 9:00 - 10:15am.

Children's Liturgy (thru 2nd Grade) - Sundays during 10:30am Mass

CIA Youth Group (6th - 12th Grades) 3rd Wednesday of the Month, 4-6pm

OCIA - Sundays at 9:00am, September thru April

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)

Reconciliation

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

Marriage

Arrangements should be made six months in advance.

Funerals

Family or funeral homes should contact the Church office to set up dates and times for funerals. The Church Office will work with the family and the funeral home.

Parochial Administrator

Very Rev. Mark Van Alstine, VF
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Dan Hannon - 710-410-1697

Sacristan

Jo Orr - 706-238-2609

Grotto Religious Goods

Laura Nies - 912-638-1991

Adoration

Maureen Bowen - 912-222-6775

Adult Ed Bible Study

Tom McIntyre - 279-0526, 996-8752

Altar Servers

Doug Klilnowski - 407-319-9280
Ryan Shanahan - 401-585-8140

Bloomers

Therese Raimondo - 912-230-7313

Coffee and Doughnuts

RaeAnn Allen - 404-791-1043

Council of Catholic Women

Jan Mansfield - 912-266-3417

Divine Mercy

First Saturday Devotion

Norma McIntyre - 912-279-0526

Knights of Columbus

Tony Rosa - 732-996-0257

Manna House

Kevin & Joyce Callahan - 770-653-9509

Martial Arts Ministry - Kenpo

Jim Keane - 912-638-0763

Primetimers

Wayne Ciano - 914-419-6535

Monday Morning Marthas

Janice Capano - 770-500-5468

Outreach Ministries

Bill Horn - 912-638-4538

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Store - 912-262-6027

Tuesday Women's Discussion

Valerie Kehoe - 912-996-0723

Twin Parish & Helping Hugs, Inc.

Evy Marshall - 404-895-8831

Ushers

Ron Casler - 912-434-9635

MASS INTENTIONS

Liturgy of the Hours Week I

SAT., DEC. 21	8:15AM	+WENDY ARMSTRONG
	5:30PM	+KEITH K. STOCKER
SUN., DEC. 22	8:00AM	PRO POPULO
	10:30AM	+DICK & LOIS LABELLE
MON., DEC. 23	8:15AM	+BRANDON GILLESPIE
TUES., DEC. 24	5:00PM	+ALBERT HOCHWALD
	8:00PM	+MARION MCVEY
WED., DEC. 25	8:00AM	+JACK O'HERN
	10:30AM	+JIMMY BRADLEY
THURS., DEC. 26	8:15AM	+ALBERT VAUGHAN
FRI., DEC. 27	8:15AM	COMMUNION SERVICE
SAT., DEC. 28	8:15AM	+WENDY ARMSTRONG
	5:30PM	PRO POPULO
SUN., DEC. 29	8:00AM	+WENDY ARMSTRONG
	10:30AM	+LEO & GERRY GOULETTE



May the God of hope
fill you with all
Joy and Peace.
LUKE 1:44

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you "leap for joy?"
If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself.
What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus?
How do you prepare for Mass each week?
Do you just show up and expect to be entertained?
As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

STEWARDSHIP

DECEMBER 15, 2024 - \$23,585.85
(DECEMBER 17, 2023 - \$27,326.60)
Parishioner Envelopes/Checks - 247
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - \$4,711.00



Susan & Lee Burt, Trent C., Fr. Jack Davis, Barbara DeRatto, Cathy Dowdy, Mary Eckerd, Bill Friedrich, Milann G., Charlotte Ann Gaubert, Rebecca Gaylor, Louise Grady, John Grimsley, Lesley Hanly, Norma Hartnett, Nova Henshke, Bill Jerome, Doc Jones, Mark Kelso, Timothy Kite, Ben Koreski, Kathleen Koreski, David Mathieu, Carlotta Martz, Judy Mattie, Mary McCaughey, Emily Melton, Dennis O'Conner, Kathy Oechsle, Fran Owen, Faye Ruehling, Matt Schneider, Msgr. Chris Schreck, Richard Selacek, Peggy Starr, Elizabeth Van Tilborg, Seth Tripp, the priests serving St. William and our twin parish, St. Joseph, and our service men/women.

Prayer Requests

CHRISTMAS & HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2024
5:00pm Mass & 8:00pm Masses
7:30pm - Carols

CHRISTMAS DAY
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2024
8am & 10:30am Masses

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2024, 6pm Vigil Mass
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 9am

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 912-638-4287 or by email at stwilliamsprayerline@gmail.com.

Give the gift of education this holiday season.



Redirect your Georgia tax dollars to GOAL and help St. Francis Xavier Catholic School students access life-changing educational opportunities. Tax credit applications must

be submitted before year-end. Sign up today at goalscholarship.org!



THE GROTTA RELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP WILL BE OPEN AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND!

The shop will be closed
December 28/29 and January 4/5.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION for our CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

December 24-25

Your generosity helps

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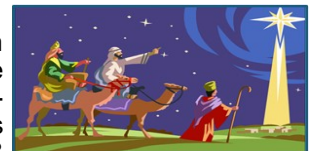
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You can also donate online at

apps.diosav.org/catholic-schools-campaign

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING CHALKING KIT

A beautiful way to literally mark the Epiphany within our homes is the tradition of chalking of the doors. Above the lintel of the door in chalk the following is written: 20 + C + M + B + 25 The symbols represent the initials of the traditional names of the 3 Magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words **Christus mansionem benedicat** meaning "May Christ bless the house." The plus sign symbolizes the Cross and the number at the front and back represents the year 2025. Our Confirmation class has put together, and Father has blessed, house blessing kits containing chalk and instructions that will be available in the narthex and in the parish hall at all the Epiphany Masses for our parishioners..



PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK
MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL AT 5:30 PM & SUNDAY AT 8 AM & 10:30 AM
MONDAY - THURSDAY & SATURDAY - 8:15AM MASS
TUESDAY - ADORATION - 9AM-5:45PM,
BENEDICTION AT 5:45PM, MASS AT 6PM

SUN., DEC. 22 **4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
Coffee & Doughnuts after Masses
11:30am-Childrens Gospel Portrayal Prac.

MON., DEC. 23 12:30am - Office Closes
6pm - Kenpo

TUES., DEC. 24 Office Closed
5pm - Mass
7:30pm - Carols
8pm - Mass

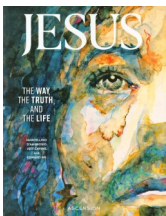
WED., DEC. 25 **DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH CATHOLIC**
SCHOOLS COLLECTION
Office Closed
8am - Mass
10:30am - Mass

THURS., DEC. 26 Office Closed
11am - Mindful Movement
6pm - Kenpo

FRI., DEC. 27 Office Closed
8:45am - Hour of Great Mercy (Rm 2)

SAT., DEC. 28 10am - Kenpo
3pm - Reconciliation

SUN., DEC. 29 Coffee & Doughnuts after Masses



Tuesday Women's Discussion Group
will resume meeting on
Tuesday, January 7, 2025, 10:30am
in Room 1 of the parish hall.
We will be starting the
Ascension Press program,
"Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life."
There are 10 video episodes.

All women are welcome to join us on this spiritual journey.

CALLING ALL NURSES WHO LUNCH!

Please join us on January 9, at noon, at TUP TIM THAI in Brunswick. If interested, please call, text, or email Janice Capano, so that we may have an accurate head-count. (770)500-5468, jcapano06@hotmail.com. Carpooling is available.



If you borrowed a blue tool box and/or a white power strip from the parish hall kitchen. Would you return them at your earliest convenience, please.



DONATIONS - We thank you for your continued support of our parish through our envelope program, mail, online giving, etc. In order for a donation to be eligible for a 2024 tax deduction, it must be received on or before December 31, 2024. All donations made to the offertory collection basket on or before Tuesday, December 31 will be eligible. If a donation is made by any form, other than offertory basket, please note:

- Mailed donations must be postmarked on or before December 31.
- Credit card donations must be made by midnight, for a transfer to occur.
- Online giving is available through this [link](http://www.stwill.net) or go through the 'Online Giving' tab at www.stwill.net.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 22, 2024



Our Blessed Mother takes center stage on this fourth Sunday of Advent, and fittingly so, as we draw near to the celebration of her Son's birth. After our Lord Himself, Mary is our model and guide to a stewardship way of life.

Today's Gospel passage from Luke describes Mary's actions immediately after her "yes" to the angel Gabriel's message. "Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah... and greeted Elizabeth." Mary immediately begins to think of others before herself, setting out quickly to be with her cousin, modeling two of the pillars of stewardship – Hospitality and Service.

What warmth and humility the Mother of our Savior shows, traveling to Elizabeth to spend time with her, rejoicing with Elizabeth over her own incredible pregnancy, and assisting her in a time of need. And what joy this hospitality and service brings to Elizabeth.

Our Blessed Mother's example of a stewardship way of life is one that we, her children, can follow in our own lives today. With all the gifts God gives us — our time, our talents, our material possessions — we, too, can offer ourselves to God by using these gifts to serve and glorify Him. In so doing, we will effectively spread the Good News of the Gospel to the world around us today.

We will be stewards after our Mother's own heart.

Stewardship Reflections by [Catholic Stewardship Consultants](#)

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Anniversary Mass
25th or 50th wedding
anniversaries in 2025
February 8, 2025, 10 am
Savannah Cathedral

RSVP by January 25: 912.201.4068
diosav.org/gold-and-silver



Dinner and Doctrine

Wednesday, January 8, 5-6:30pm
Dinner at 5pm

followed by Father Emmanuel.
"CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP: ROLE OF HOLY SPIRIT IN EVANGELIZATION"

Email RSVP for dinner by Thursday, January 2, \$10 per person to: [Nancy Power at religiouslystwill.net](mailto:nancy.power@religiouslystwill.net), or 638-2651

St. William Parish offices will close for Christmas break Monday, December 23 and reopen on Thursday, January 2, at 8:30am. If there is an emergency, please call the office and leave a message as they will be check daily.



CHRISTMAS

*flowers have been placed at
the altar in
loving memory and in honor of:*

Lambert & Louise Abell

Robert Abell

Ray Acosta

Arline Andrew

Rev. Emmanuel Antwi

The Bevilacqua Family

Carol Bristol

Stacey Bristol

Berta Buck

Franz Buck

Cliff Burchfield

Janet Burchfield

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Bush

The Bryan Family

The Capano Family

The Catagnus Family

James B. Clemence

Susan & William Coleman

The Cosban Family

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The Cronin Family

Helen & Burt Davitte

The Dawes Family

The Dretzka Family

Ellen Duffy

Mr. & Mrs. Neil Duffy

The Favole Family

The Ferris Family

Pearl & Joseph Ferry

Joseph Ferry, II

Michael Ferry

Suzie Freeman

The Futch Family

The Gagnier Family

The Gill Family

The Hanly Family

The Hansen Family

Dcn. Trey Hayden

Ed & Alice Heffner

The Hennessy Family

Reverend Jim Holloway

The Jerome Family

Murphy Jones

Bill Kempton

Monsignor John A. Kenneally

Theresa Kenneally

Bess & John Kilchenstein

Jack Kilchenstein

Marjorie Kilchenstein

The Kitchin Family

The Koncul Family

The Konkle Family

The Krueger Family

Jack Lawless

The Loehle Family

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Lumpkin

Jan Mansfield

The Marderosian Family

Donata & Anthony Marchetto

John G. Mate, Jr.

Rose & John Mate, Sr.

Marjorie Mathieu

Ann & Bob McCann

Carolyn McDonald

Marion McVey

Edward & Rosalie Mohn, Sr.

Ted Mohn, Jr.

Dr. & Mrs. Peter Murphy

Music Ministry

Paul Myrick

George Nies

The Nies Family

Barbara Pelletier

Dr. & Mrs. Terry Reynolds

Ann Harding Robinson

Robert A. Robinson

Hank Schlossberg

The Schodt Family

Fred & Betty Schwarz

The Scotti Family

Ernie Shearer

Duke Smith

The Smith Family

The Snell Family

Bob Songer

Bobby Songer

Julia Songer

Daniel E. Stewart

Patricia Sullivan

The Tadevich Family

Joseph Termini

Vera Termini

The Tilley Family

Rosemary Unrich

Very Rev. Mark Van Alstine, VF

Maureen Wagner

Chester D. Ward

The Weber Family

The Weigand Family

Josephine Williams

The Weigand Family

The Wineman Family

Chrystelle Young



ST. WILLIAM RECTORY RENOVATION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

We are excited to have kicked off the Capital Campaign for our Rectory Renovation! When completed in 2025, the residence will be large enough to house our pastor and other clergy that may be assigned to St. William, and retired priest(s). The facility will have three one-bedroom suites plus two additional bedrooms and baths.



We have been fortunate to have enthusiastic response, and had commitments in hand for over 50% of the total project costs before beginning this capital campaign.

We ask that you prayerfully consider giving to this capital campaign as an investment to the continued success of St. William. There are many avenues in which to donate to the capital campaign: Cash or Check; [Online giving](#); Pledges; Stocks or Planned Gifts (please call the office). There is a booklet in the church narthex, under the rectory rendering, with more information. If you have any questions, please contact any members of the Capital Campaign Committee or call the office.

RECTORY RENOVATION (In Hand) - \$1,014,744.68

RECTORY RENOVATION (Pledged) - 278,100.00

Thank you for your consideration,
Capital Campaign Committee
David Hanna, Chair
Jack Markley
Burt Davitte

Please return your form and donation to the Church :
St. William Catholic Church
2300 Frederica Road
St. Simons Island, GA 31522



Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Donation Amount: \$50,000 _____ \$25,000 _____ \$15,000 _____ \$10,000 _____
\$5,000 _____ \$1,000 _____ \$500 _____ Other _____

Online contributions may be made securely through our OSV online-giving link at stwill.net, or by using the QR Code to the right.



Gifts of stock, donor advised funds, IRA contributions, etc., may be made through your financial advisor.

Diocesan is proud to now be printing

St. William's Sunday Bulletin

You are invited to help support our Parish!

**For opportunities to advertise,
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