

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 7:45 a.m. 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 OCIA - Sundays at 9:00am, September thru April

The Grotto Religious Goods Shop Open after weekend Masses. Call the office during the week. Parents are to be registered and attend preparation class. (By appointment - Call DRE at 638-2651)

Baptism

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.

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Adult Ed Bible Study Tom McIntyre - 279-0526, 996-8752

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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. Jo Orr - 706-238-2609

Ushers Ron Casler - 912-434-9635

MASS INTENTIONS Liturgy of the Hours Week III

| | SAT., FEB. 1 | 8:15AM | +SARA RINKEVICH |
|----|----------------|---------|------------------------------------|
| | | 5:30PM | +DAN CHOATE |
| | SUN., FEB. 2 | 8:00AM | PRO POPULO (for the people) |
| | | 10:30AM | +JIMMY BRADLEY |
| | MON., FEB. 3 | 8:15AM | +THOMAS ZUMBIEL |
| | TUES., FEB. 4 | 8:15AM | +ANN CORNELIA HANLY |
| | | 6:00PM | +KEVIN MCGARVEY |
| | WED., FEB. 5 | 8:15AM | +GERALDINE BRINO |
| | THURS., FEB. 6 | 8:15AM | (L) MIKE KRUEGER |
| | FRI., FEB. 7 | 8:15AM | COMMUNION SERVICE |
| | SAT., FEB. 8 | 8:15AM | +JOHN ORRIZZI |
| | | 5:30PM | +MARY CARPENZANO |
| | SUN., FEB. 9 | 8:00AM | (L) THE DELANEY FAMILY |
| | | 10:30AM | PRO POPULO (for the people) |
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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, Nova Henshke, Bill Jerome, Doc Jones, Mark Kelso, Timothy Kite, Ben Koreski, Kathleen Koreski, Marsha Marderosian, David Mathieu, Carlotta Martz, Judy Mattie, Mary McCaughey, Emily Melton, Dennis O'Conner, Kathy Oechsle, Joyce Owsley, Mike Owsley, Fran Owen, Eugene Roberts, 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.

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

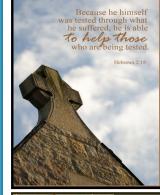
Help us keep our above prayer list current. You may add a name to the list by calling the church office at 638-2647 or e-mailing us at stwilliamschurch@comcast.net.

*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.

HELP WANTED - St. Francis Xavier Church and School have an opening for an Accountant. This is a full-time position reporting to the school principal and the pastor. Candidates must have experience with QuickBooks accounting software, Excel, Paycor (or a comparable) payroll platform and have 3-5 years of general accounting experience. For the full Job Description go to www.diosav.org - Job Opportunities. To apply send a resume to: jgreen@diosav.org.

2024 STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN MAILED! Please give the United States Post Office at least two weeks for your statement to be delivered. If you have not receive your statement by Valentine's Day, please contact the office. admin@stwill.net or 638-2647.



STEWARDSHIP JANUARY 26, 2025 - \$15,139.24 (JANUARY 28, 2024 - \$18,588.60) Parishioner Envelopes/Checks - 212 ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - \$3.393.00

When we join a support group, there is comfort is sharing our pain with people who have experi-enced the same thing; they understand what we are going through. The next time you experience suffering, talk to Jesus. He has experienced more suffering than most of us, He understands. Plus, Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves. Only He can fill the hole you feel in your heart.



BLESSING OF THE THROATS - Monday, February 3, 2025 is the Feast of Saint Blaise, Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the fourth century. Little is known about the life of St. Blaise, but according to various accounts he was a physician before becoming a bishop. Devotion to him spread throughout the entire Church in the Middle Ages because he was reputed to have miraculously cured a little boy who nearly died due to a

fish bone stuck in his throat. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. In recognition of the saint and the tradition associated with his feast, a **Blessing of** Throats will take place after the Vigil and Sunday Masses on February 1 & 2.



CANDLEMAS, or the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, is celebrated on February 2. On this day Christ was presented in the temple in Jerusalem on the 40th

day after his birth. Light was a precious commodity in the ancient world, and the lavish use of precious beeswax was a sign of the Christian's call to bear Christ's light into the world's darkness. It is a reminder to every baptized Christian of our vocation to "be the light of the world." On this day it is customary to bless the church candles and for parishioners to bring candles from home to be blessed at Mass (candles that one uses for devotional purposes for the family altar, home Masses, to sick visit, Advent candles, or for prayers during storms and times of trouble). Please bring your candles and place them on the table in front of the ambo (lectern) before Mass begins.



PRIMETIMERS will be meet Thursday, February 6, at 12:15pm in the Π parish hall. We will have a pot luck lunch. I am sure everyone will bring something delicious to share. We may not have a speaker, but this will be a good time for getting to know each other better.



ATTENTION ALL BAKERS - CCW needs your cakes, pies, candies, fudge, cookies, breads, whatever your specialty is, for the bake sale on February 8 & 9, after Masses. All baked goods should be dropped off between 3pm-5pm on Saturday, February

8, in front of the church. We are able to "pretty up" your donation should you need our help with presentation. If you can help before Mass on Saturday to receive baked goods, and/or to work selling before/after all the Masses, please email Jan Mansfield at janmansfield2024@gmail.com, or text 912-266-3417.



LETTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT - Fellow parishioners, each liturgical year, the Church welcomes those individuals who are inquiring to come into the Catholic Faith. Recently, on the second Sunday of Advent, we had the Rite of Welcoming and the Rite of Acceptance during Mass to acknowledge our class of Catechumens and Candidates.

This year we have two Catechumens, Christie Arias, McLaughlin, and Sophia Bravo, who will be receiving Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Our four Candidates (those who have already received Baptism) will receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist, at a Sunday Mass before the Easter Vigil. Our Candidates are Maura Frances Dooley, Tom Édwards, Sr., Houston Gordon, and Peter Floyd.

As a parish, we are asking that you keep these people in your prayers as they go through this process. We would also like to ask you to go one step further and write a note of encouragement to our class. This is a perfect way to show your support and welcoming, and would complement Fr. Emmanuel's recent talk on the need for Catholics to evangelize. Letters may be placed in the basket in the narthex or brought to the office. Thank you very much for your support.

| PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK | | | | |
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| 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., FEB. 2 | BLESSING OF THE THROATS CANDLEMAS | | | |
| | 9am - Adult Ed Bible Study 9am - OCIA | | | |
| MON., FEB. 3 | 9am - Creed & Confirmation Classes 9am - Monday Morning Marthas | | | |
| TUES., FEB. 4 | 6pm - Kenpo 9am - Adoration 10:30am - Tuesday Morn. Women's Disc. | | | |
| | 11am - Mindful Movement 1pm - Rosary for Peace | | | |
| | 1pm - CCW Board Meeting 6:30pm - Men's Bible Study | | | |
| WED., FEB. 5 | 9am - Manna House 5pm - Dinner & Doctrine | | | |
| THURS., FEB. 6 | 6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal 9am - Twin Parish Meeting | | | |
| | 11am - Mindful Movement 11am - Handbell Rehearsal | | | |
| | 12:15pm - Primetimers 6pm - Kenpo | | | |
| | 6:30pm - Knights of Columbus | | | |
| FRI., FEB. 7 SAT., FEB. 8 | 8:45am - Hour of Great Mercy (Rm 2) 10am - Kenpo | | | |
| SUN., FEB. 9 | 4:30pm - Reconciliation CCW BAKE SALE AFTER MASSES 9am - Adult Ed Bible Study | | | |
| | 9am - OCIA 9am - Creed & Confirmation Classes | | | |



THIS LITTLE LEPRECHAUN SAYS SAVE THE DATE!

MARCH 8 FOR ST. PATRICK'S PUB Tickets go on sale Sunday, February 15!

Sponsored by the Knights or Columbus



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, sponsored by MEN'S the St. William Knights of Columbus Council 18427, is held on Tuesday **STUDY** evenings immediately after the 6:00pm Mass in Room 7 of the Parish

Hall. All men of the parish, 18 and older, are invited to join for an hour of prayer, discussion of a scripture reading, and fellowship. All materials required are furnished. All you have to bring is a desire to be more in touch with your faith. If you have any questions, please contact Greg

Henderson, <u>gk.henderson@hotmail.com</u> or (260) 415-9626.



ONLINE We thank you for your continued support of SIVING our parish through our envelope program, mail, online giving, etc. Online giving is available through this link or go through the 'Online Giving' tab at www.stwill.net



NURSES WHO LUNCH - Please join us on February 13, at noon, at Golden Isles Olive Oil, 1605 Frederica Raod. If interested, please call, text, or email Janice Capano, so that we may have an accurate headcount - jcapano06@hotmail.com or (770)500-5468.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - FEBRUARY 2, 2025



Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, when Mary and Joseph brought their infant Son to the Temple in obedience to the laws of their Jewish faith. This is a beautiful, and in many ways, mysterious feast — and one that is filled with lessons for a stewardship way of life.

Our Gospel passage from Luke, recounting the details of the Presentation, teaches us a stewardship lesson through the example of St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother, the "Holy Parents." Even knowing

their Son was God, they still carefully observed the faith practices of their day bringing him to the temple "to present Him to the Lord just as it is written in the law of the Lord." Later in the passage we read that, "When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to their own town of Nazareth." The Holy Parents were good stewards of their child, teaching Him to live in obedience to the practices of their faith from his infancy and throughout His "growing up" years.

Those of us entrusted with the care of children, whether our own children, godchildren, nieces, and nephews, grandchildren, or students, have a vital role to play in the faith formation of these young ones. We, like the Holy Parents, must steward these children well, forming them in the faith by both instruction and example throughout their lives.

What a privilege and high calling we have as Christian stewards. Let us take these stewardship lessons to heart and present our gifts and our young ones joyfully to the Lord. Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants



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 onebedroom suites plus two additional bedrooms and baths.



We have been fortunate to have enthusias-

tic 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 c928064.68all 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) - \$1,157,335.18

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

RECTORY RENOVATION (Pledged) - \$283,100.00

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



Trusses going up on for garage roof.

New energy efficient windows going in!



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.

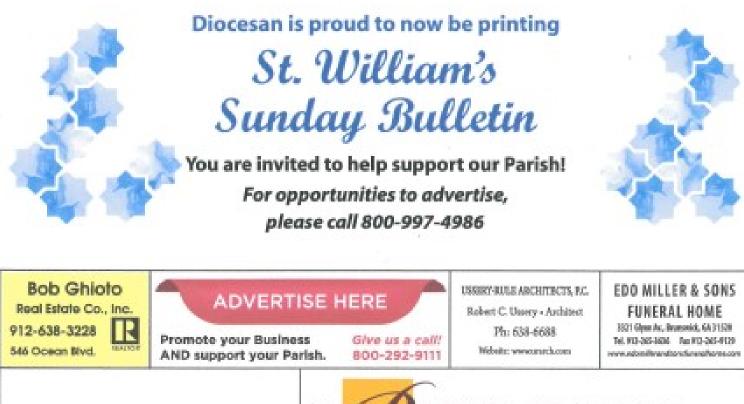
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