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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-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.

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.

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Divine Mercy

First Saturday Devotion

Norma McIntyre - 912-279-0526

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Primetimers

Wayne Ciano - 914-419-6535

Monday Morning Marthas

Janice Capano - 770-500-5468

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Store - 912-262-6027

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MASS INTENTIONS

Liturgy of the Hours Week III

SAT., APR. 12	8:15AM (L) ELMORE RIGAMER 5:30PM +JOANN GALLAGHER
SUN., APR. 13	8:00AM (L) LEE NORVELL 10:30AM PRO POPULO (for the people)
MON., APR. 14	8:15AM +JOSEPH LIBERATI
TUES., APR. 15	8:15AM +COMMUNION SERVICE VIRGINIA BENNETTER
WED., APR. 16	8:15AM +SARA & CHARLES RINKEVICH
THURS., APR. 17	8:00PM +FR. HEIN HA MASS OF LORD'S SUPPER STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRI., APR. 18	12:00PM GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY 3:00PM
SAT., APR. 19	8:00PM +DAVID MONTANI, SR.
SUN., APR. 20	8:00AM +JACK O'HERN 8:15AM +FR. JOE NGUYEN 10:00AM PRO POPULO (for the people) 10:15AM +AMY O'CONNOR 12:00PM PRO POPULO (for the people)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mimi Boal, Susan & Lee Burt, Trent C., Michael Costa, Fr. Jack Davis, Barbara DeRatto, Cathy Dowdy, Mary Eckerd, Bill Friedrich, Milann G., Charlotte Ann Gaubert, Rebecca Gaylor, Louise Grady, John Grimsley, Nova Henshke, Doc Jones, Mark Kelso, Timothy Kite, Ben Koreski, Kathleen Koreski, Mike Krueger, Ginger Lakhani, Marsha Marderosian, David Mathieu, Judy Mattie, Mary McCaughey, Emily Melton, Kathy Oechsle, Joyce Owsley, Mike Owsley, Fran Owen, Faye Ruehling, Matt Schneider, Msgr. Chris Schreck, Richard Selacek, Peggy Starr, Elizabeth Van Tilborg, Seth Tripp, Erin VanRyn, Russ Weber, 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.



St. Francis Xavier Catholic School has the following Job Opportunities for the 2025-2026 School Year

Teaching Positions
Pre-School - 2nd Grade
Spanish, Religion and PE

Email amarr@sfxcs.org. No phone calls please. St. Francis Xavier Catholic School, 1129 Grant St. Brunswick, GA 31520, www.sfxcs.org



This month's collection for St. Vincent de Paul will be this weekend, April 12-13.

Please make your check out to St. Vincent de Paul.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH DIOCESAN POLICY, THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER MONDAY.

STEWARDSHIP

APRIL 6, 2025 - \$15,991.54

(APRIL 7, 2024 - \$)

Parishioner Envelopes/Checks - 208
Easter Flowers - \$905.00

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react?

Do you remain quiet so not to cause a disturbance?

Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you?

Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith?

Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful conversation when the opportunity to talk about our faith arises.

Joyfully share your faith with others.



During the Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, there is no morning Mass celebration.

In its place we invite you to the Liturgy of the Hours offered at 8:15am each day.

BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD BASKETS - In many Eastern European countries, it is a tradition to have a basket of food blessed on Holy Saturday. This Catholic ritual has been cherished for centuries among many families. It has now been adopted by people of all ethnic backgrounds who enjoy this richly symbolic custom. St. William will have the Blessing of the Easter food at 11am in the Church on Holy Saturday, April 19. Please join us.



There is no retirement from a life doing God's work



Each year on Easter Sunday, a special Second Collection is taken up to benefit the **CLERGY RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE PRIESTS OF THE SAVANNAH DIOCESE**. We ask you to show your appreciation for the many priests of the Diocese who have ministered to you and your family. This Easter Collection represents approximately 40% of the yearly funding of the Retirement Program. We thank you sincerely for showing your generosity and gratitude for the service of the priests in our diocese.

TWIN PARISH EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

A huge heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to our Education Campaign. Thanks to you, students will be headed to school in the fall with learning materials, a hot meal each day, a uniform and a teacher to continue their hope of a better future through education. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Your donation speaks to the dedication you have to our twin parish. While the campaign is ending it is not too late to help the children of St Joseph. \$80 pays for a year of education for an elementary student. \$130 will provide a scholarship for a student to attend high school. Donations can be made on our website www.helpinghugsinc.org by check payable to Helping Hugs, Inc. sent to PO Box 22, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

The Picnic is Sunday, May 18 11:30am

VOLUNTEER MEETING
We will have a volunteer/planning meeting at 5PM on **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16**, in the parish hall.

PARISH PICNIC

If you are interested in helping with this event, please attend. **Many hands will be needed to make this happen. We could use your help!**

We thank you for your continued support of our parish through our envelope program, mail, online giving, etc. Online giving is available through this [link](http://www.stwill.net) or go through the 'Online Giving' tab at www.stwill.net

ONLINE GIVING

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., APR. 13 PALM SUNDAY**
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLL.
9am - Adult Ed Bible Study
9am - OCIA
9am - Creed & Confirmation Classes
- MON., APR. 14**
9am - Monday Morning Marthas
6pm - Kenpo
- TUES., APR. 15**
8:15am - Communion Service
9am - Adoration
10am - Chrism Mass in Savannah
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., APR. 16**
5pm - Parish Picnic Volunteer Meeting
6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal
- THURS., APR. 17 HOLY THURSDAY**
Office Closed
8:15am - Liturgy of the Hours
8pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper
- FRI., APR. 18 GOOD FRIDAY**
Pontifical Good Friday Collection
Office Closed
8:15am - Liturgy of the Hours
12pm - Stations of the Cross
3pm - Liturgy
3:45pm - Divine Mercy Novena in Chapel
- SAT., APR. 19 HOLY SATURDAY**
8:15am - Liturgy of the Hours
9am - Easter Vigil Rehearsal
10am - Easter Egg Hunt
11am - Blessing of Easter Food
3pm - Divine Mercy Novena in Chapel
8pm - Easter Vigil
- SUN., APR. 20 EASTER SUNDAY**
Priests' Retirement Collection
8am/10am/12pm - Masses in Church
8:15am/10:15am - Masses in Hall
3pm - Divine Mercy Novena in Chapel



Easter Egg Hunt

On the grounds of St. William
Behind the Church
Ages 1-10
Saturday, April 19, 10:00am sharp!

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the **PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. To learn more, go to myfrancis-can.org. Please be generous!



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 13, 2025



Two very different responses to our Lord's passion are highlighted during the Gospel reading from Luke today: the response of Simon of Cyrene and the response of Jesus' acquaintances. Of Simon we are told, "They took hold of a certain Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the

country; and after laying the cross on him, they made him carry it behind Jesus." Whether Simon entered willingly and compassionately into this service or whether he took up the Cross of Christ with a grudge, we don't know. What we do know is this: Simon did his part faithfully. He stayed near to Christ, carrying the Cross until our Lord reached Golgotha, the site of His crucifixion. We also know that Simon's family was among the first of the early Christians. Staying near to Christ, embracing the Cross (quite literally), transformed his life and the life of his family. In contrast, near the end of this Gospel account, we are told of another reaction to Jesus' passion and death, namely that "all His acquaintances stood at a distance." They knew Jesus! They had heard him preaching and teaching, witnessed His signs and miracles, maybe even benefitted personally from them. Perhaps they did not participate in mocking Him or calling for His crucifixion. But they chose to stay a safe distance from Him when the going got tough. Unlike Simon, they refused to go too near to Christ.

Where will you place yourself this week? Keeping your distance from all the pain and suffering Christ endured? Or close by, staying near to Him as Simon did? It is when we go near to Christ that we can be transformed by Him. It is by embracing the crosses in our lives, stewarding them well rather than trying to run from them, that we become His true disciples.

Stewardship Reflections by [Catholic Stewardship](#) Consultants.

Join us in the Church for Stations of the Cross at noon on Good Friday, followed by devotion until the 3pm Liturgy.



There will be no Lenten lunch on Good Friday. [STATIONS of the CROSS](#)

ATTENTION ALL MINISTRIES - WE REALLY NEED YOU HELP!

We have a quite few **unfilled positions** for Holy Week. If you are available to help with any of the following, please let the office know as soon possible.

APRIL 17, HOLY THURSDAY, 8pm - 1 Altar Server

APRIL 19, HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL, 8pm - 2 Ushers, 1 Altar Server

APRIL 20, EASTER, 8:15am (Parish Hall) - 3 Ushers, 1 Altar Server

APRIL 20, EASTER, 10am (Church) - 1 Usher

APRIL 20, EASTER, 10:15am (Parish Hall) - 2 Ushers, 1 Altar Server

APRIL 20, EASTER, Noon (Church) - 3 Ushers, 2 Altar Servers

Sympathy & prayers . . .

To **Barbara Sizemore and family**, upon the death of her husband, **MICHAEL SIZEMORE**. A service will be held in New Orleans.

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



In memory of and in honor of
our loved ones

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JOIN US FOR

Holy Week



& Easter Sunday



During the Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, there is no morning Mass celebration. In its place we invite you to the Liturgy of the Hours offered at 8:15am each day.

PALM SUNDAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 12 5:30PM - VIGIL MASS
SUNDAY, APRIL 13 8AM & 10:30AM MASSES

HOLY THURSDAY

THURSDAY, APRIL 17
8PM - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
9PM UNTIL MIDNIGHT - ADORATION

GOOD FRIDAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 18
12PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS followed by devotion
3PM - LITURGY
DIVINE MERCY NOVENA begins in chapel after liturgy
Holy Places in Palestine Collection

HOLY SATURDAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 19
10AM - EASTER EGG HUNT
11AM - BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD in Church
3PM - DIVINE MERCY NOVENA - DAY 2 - in chapel
8PM - EASTER VIGIL
Priests' Retirement Collection

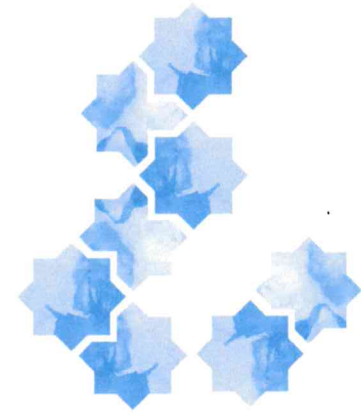
EASTER SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 20
8AM, 10AM, & NOON - MASSES IN CHURCH
8:15AM & 10:15AM - MASSES IN PARISH HALL
3PM - DIVINE MERCY NOVENA - DAY 3 - in chapel
Priests' Retirement Collection

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