

St. William

Catholic Church

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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.

Parochial Administrator

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Bloomers

Therese Raimondo - 912-230-7313

Coffee and Doughnuts

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

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Ushers

Ron Casler - 912-434-9635

MASS INTENTIONS Liturgy of the Hours Week III SAT., APR. 26 8:15AM (L) CARL SCHURG

5:30PM +FR. JIM HOLLOWAY **SUN., APR. 27** 8:00AM +KIM GOLLIN

10:30AM PRO POPULO (for the people)

MON., APR. 28 8:15AM +MICHAEL BRINK TUES., APR. 29 8:15AM **COMMUNION SERVICE** WED., APR. 30 8:15AM **COMMUNION SERVICE**

+BARBARA HERNANDEZ

8:15AM (L) SUSIE RASSAS THURS., MAY 1

FRI., MAY 2 8:15AM (L)DR. MARK & KIM HANLY SAT., MAY 3 **+ELIZABETH HANSEN** 8:15AM

+BERNARDINE HANLY-5:30PM

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SUN., MAY 4 8:00AM +CHARLOTTE GUIDO 10:30AM PRO POPULO (for the people)

Mimi Boal, Susan & Lee Burt, Trent C., Michael Costa, Fr. Jack Davis, PRAYER Barbara DeRatto, Cathy Dowdy, REQUESTS Mary Eckerd, Bill Friedrich, Milann G., Charlotte Ann Gaubert, Rebec-

ca Gaylor, Louise Grady, John Grimsley, Martha Hayden, 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.

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.



PRIMETIMERS will have a special meeting on Thursday, May 8. We are honored to have as our special quest Georgia State Representative Rick Townsend. Legislative session just ended and he will have a lot to

talk about. We will have our usual pot luck luncheon. So come one come all!!!

We thank you for your continued support of our parish GIVING 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

STEWARDSHIP

APRIL 20, 2025 - \$20,012; EASTER - \$11,153 (APRIL 21, 2024 - \$14,924.37) Parishioner Envelopes/Checks - 401 Holy Places in Palestine (Good Friday) - \$1,412 Priests' Retirement - \$8,903 Estate Bequest from former parishioner - \$260,000

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples of *Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not* with just those who are our friends, but also with our "enemies." Think of someone in your life who you need to reconcile with. Call them right now or better yet, go visit them.





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FR. JAY HARRINGTON, OP CELEBRATES 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

Fr. Jay, a Dominican friar and a native of Waterloo, Iowa, celebrates the 40th anniversary of his Ordination as a Catholic priest. Fr. Jay entered religious life in 1972 and was ordained on May 4, 1985 at the Basilica of Saint Louis, King of France, fondly known as the Old Cathedral, by Bishop Edward O'Donnell, Auxiliary of St. Louis.



Following two years as chaplain at the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul, MN, Fr. Jay was assigned to doctoral studies at the Catholic University of Louvain in Leuven, Belgium where he obtained the Licentiate in Sacred Theology degree and dual doctorates (Ph.D. and S.T.D.) in New Testament studies. His dissertation was published in a volume that exceeded 1000 pages. While in Belgium he served as a Temporary Duty Civilian Contract chaplain at American military bases in Holland and Germany. Fr. Jay's ministries included teaching in universities and seminaries, weekend and summer supply in various parishes, hospital chaplaincy, and since 1996, he has served as a home missionary in the Alaskan dioceses at Easter time. During the summers of 2020 through 2024 he served at St. William Parish, St. Simons Island, GA. He now serves his Province as Promoter of Permanent Formation and continues academic research when circumstances permit. He will be accompanying a pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and Medjugorje August 26-September 8, 2026. He currently resides at St. Albert the Great Priory, 2833 32nd Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55406. Kindly pray for an increase of vocation to the priesthood and religious life.

FIRST Communion

Please join us for a Reception & Coffee & Doughnuts after Sunday Masses on May 4, to congratulate those who will be receiving First Communion & Confirmation at the 8am Mass & 10:30am Mass. Confirmation All are invited!

Dinner and Doctrine

Wednesday, May 7, 5-6:30pm Dinner at 5pm, followed by Father Emmanuel.

"CATHOLIC TRIVIA: STUMP THE PRIEST

Email RSVP for dinner by Friday, May 2, \$10 per person to: Nancy Power at religioused@stwill.net, or 638-2651

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. 27 CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

9am - Adult Ed Bible Study 9am - Creed Classes

9am - Confirmation Class

9am - OCIA

3pm - Divine Mercy Sunday in Church

MON., APR. 28 9am - Monday Morning Marthas

6pm - Kenpo **TUES., APR. 29** 9am - Adoration

1 0:30am - Tuesday Morn. Women's Disc

11am - Mindful Movement 1pm - Rosary for Peace 6:30pm - Men's Bible Study

WED., APR. 30 6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal THURS., MAY 1 9am - Twin Parish Meeting

11am - Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal

11am - Mindful Movement

6pm - Kenpo

6:30pm - Knights of Columbus

FRI., MAY 2 8:45am - Great Hour of Mercy (Rm 2)

SAT., MAY 3 10am - Kenpo

SUN., MAY 4

4:30pm - Reconciliation
Coffee & Doughnuts/
Reception after Masses

Coll. for St. Joseph, our Twin Parish

8am - First Communion 9am - Adult Ed Bible Study

9am - OCIA

10:30am - Confirmation



There will be an organizational meeting for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

on Tuesday, May 6, at 9am, in the church library. Please consider helping.

VBS is scheduled for July 28 to August 1.

WHO Our widows group, Widowed Helping Others, will be having our dinner on May 8, at 6 o'clock, at the home of Lee Norvell. Please bring a dish to share and the beverage of your choice. For any questions please contact Barbara Lyon at 404-247-4902.

The St. William Council of the Knights of Columbus's next meeting is Thursday, May 1, at 6:30pm in Room 7 of the parish hall. For more information, contact



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Tony Rosa: 732-996-0257 or Email: trosa_mb@yahoo.com.

PARISH PACNAC

Sunday, May 18, 11:30am

We could use your help!

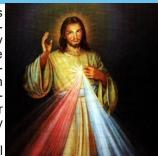
If you are interested in helping with the parish picnic, we will have sign-up sheets outside of church after Sunday Masses this weekend, April 27.

Many hands will be needed to make this happen.
For more info, contact Bob Pelletier, 404-386-3391, or tscga@aol.com

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER- APRIL 27, 2025

Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, is Divine Mercy Sunday. Our Gospel reading from St. John is often called the story of "Doubting Thomas" but the passage involves so much more than the encounter with the skeptical apostle. It is rich with lessons of Christ's mercy to all, including an encouraging word from our Lord especially for us, His modern-day disciples.



While Thomas traditionally takes all the bad rap for his doubts, we see that none of the Apostles were at their best when Christ first appeared to them after His resurrection. They were actually in hiding, cowering behind a locked door, paralyzed by fear and doubt.

But Jesus appeared right in their midst in spite of the lock on the door. Was it to rebuke them for their lack of faith? Quite the contrary.

He comes on a mission of mercy. He comes to offer them peace and the restoration of their relationship with Him. And even more, He commissions them to become ministers of His mercy, by giving them authority to forgive sins. At that moment Christ gives to all of us the supreme gift of mercy — the sacrament of Reconciliation. What a precious and powerful gift!

This Sunday is a perfect time to reflect on how well we make use of this gift. Do we really appreciate its healing power? Could we become better stewards of this gift by going to Confession more often? We must also reflect on how well we extend mercy to others as Jesus did to Thomas that day.

Let's commit ourselves to becoming faithful disciples and stewards of Christ's mercy. We will be those very ones to whom Jesus gave a "shout out" during His encounter with Thomas: "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" — in His merciful love. Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants.

TWIN PARISH NEWS

Wishing You a Blessed Easter Season! This Easter Season reminds us that as Christ is the Light for us, we are called to be the light for others. Thank you for shining His love in our parish and at St. Joseph Parish. All are invited to Helping Hugs, Inc. monthly meetings to learn more about our mission with St. Joseph Parish. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month, at 9:00am, in Room #1 of the Parish Hall. Our next meeting is Thursday, May 1 — we would love to see you there!

Reminder: Our bi-monthly collection for St. Joseph Parish operating expenses will be taken after all Masses the weekend of **May 3–4**. Thank you for being a light for our brothers and sisters at St. Joseph!



Please join us for First Saturday Devotions immediately before 8:15am Mass on Saturday, May 3, at 7:30am.

The Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church in Darien invite you to join their **Spirited Seniors Group**. They meet every 2nd Wednesday, at noon, in the church hall. Lunch is provided. The Spirited Seniors is a group of people in their upper years who meet in fellowship to help navigate these issues of aging. Learning, laughing, sharing and fellowship are a few of the ways we can improve spirits, memory, connections, etc., to help move forward in the golden years. Activities change from week to week. The next meeting is **Wednesday, May 14**. Please let the office know if you plan to come so they can plan accordingly, 912-437-4750.



Flowers are placed at the altar in memory of Brian Mallon by Ann Mallon.

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 enthusias-

tic response, and had commitments in hand for over 91% 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 as of 4-23-25) - \$1,414,150.21

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













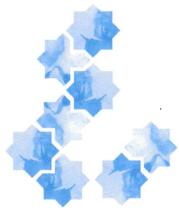
Main floors are in, doors and trim are in and getting prepped for painting, paint samples are up!

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

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Tues. - Sat. 10:00am - 9:00pm Lunch, Dinner and Happy Hour

Sunday Brunch 11:00am - 5:00pm 11:00am - 5:00pm

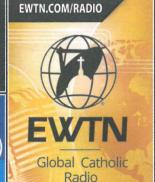
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