

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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Altar Servers

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

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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

Twin Parish & Helping Hugs, Inc. Jo Orr - 706-238-2609 joorr1313@gmail.com

Hebore

Ron Casler - 912-434-9635



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	SAT., APR. 5	8:15AM	+PATTY SCHRECK
		5:30PM	(L)MAUREEN & BILL HORN
			50TH WEDDING ANNIV.
	SUN., APR. 6	8:00AM	+FR. DAVID PATTERSON
		10:30AM	PRO POPULO (for the people)
	MON., APR. 7	8:15AM	+JOE WILLS
	TUES., APR. 8	8:15AM	+DAN PATRICK
		6:00PM	+ROBERT PODLESNY
	WED., APR. 9	8:15AM	(L) PATRICK NICHOLAS
	THURS., APR. 10	8:15AM	(L) ANNA RIGAMER
	FRI., APR. 11	8:15AM	+GREGORY STEPHEN
	SAT., APR. 12	0.4EAM	MATHEWS
	3A1., APR. 12	8:15AM	(L) ELMORE RIGAMER
П		5:30PM	+JOANN GALLAGHER

8:00AM (L) LEE NORVELL

10:30AM PRO POPULO (for the people)

SUN., APR. 13

Mimi Boal, Susan & Lee Burt, Trent C., Michael Costa, Fr. Jack Davis, PRAYER Barbara DeRatto, Cathy Dowdy, Mary REOUESTS 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.

TWIN PARISH EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

We need your help. We are more than half way through our campaign and have only raised half the money we need to help support the schools in our twin parish. If you have already donated, thank you. If you planned to donate, but just forgot, it is not too late. There are no public schools in Haiti. The government does not provide funding for education. All education is provided in private schools. Your donation helps provide the only opportunity for the children of St Joseph to receive an education, which provides hope for a brighter future for them and their community. \$80 provides a year of education for an elementary student; \$130 provides scholarship for a student to attend high school. Donations may be made on the website: www.helpinghugsinc.org or a check made payable to Helping Hugs, Inc. may be mailed to PO Box 24477, St. Simons Island, GA 31522. Thank you for your generosity.



esus told her. "I am the resurrection and the life."

John 11:25

STEWARDSHIP

MARCH 30, 2025 - \$11,621.50 (MARCH 31, 2024 (EASTER) - \$26,980.00) Parishioner Envelopes/Checks - 223 **CATHOLIC RELIEF SÉRVICES - \$2947.00 EASTERN EUROPE - \$10.00 EASTER FLOWERS - \$540.00**

ON-LINE GIVING MARCH 2025 - \$17,105.10

(On-line Giving Includes: Offertory - \$14,104.70; Kenneally Scholarship - \$103; Memorial Donations - \$82.40; Rectory Renovation - \$2,700; Black & Indian - \$20; Church in Africa - \$20; Catholic Relief Services - \$45.)



Please join the St. William Handbell Choir & Choir for a Lenten Tenebrae Concert, "Shadows on the Lenten Road" Sunday, April 6, at 7:30 pm, in the Church.

This is a wonderfully meditative beginning as we approach Palm Sunday and Holy Week. The concert is free and open to all.

PENANCE SERVICE

The Lenten Penance Service previously schedule for April 9, at 6:30pm, has been rescheduled to TUESDAY, APRIL 8, at 6PM, in the church. There will be no 6pm Mass that evening.



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.



This is the most popular of Catholic devotions. As we pass from Station to Station, we are moved to renounce sin and accept Jesus as our Savior. Join us in the Church for Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 12pm, and TATIONS of the CROSS afterwards for a **Lenten Lunch** in the parish hall.

> The deadline to submit names to be in the bulletin for Easter flowers is Thursday, April 10, at noon.



The next meeting for the St. william Council of Salina.

en will be held on Tuesday, April 8, at 6:30pm. We will have a fun activity and a lively discussion about new possibilities and plans for next year. We will have snacks and door prizes. We will also vote on officers for next year. All the women of the parish are invited to join in a fun night of fellowship. If you need a ride please contact Jan at 912-266-3417 or at janmansfield2024@gmail.com

will meet on Thursday, April 10, at 6 o'clock at the home of Lee Norvell. Please bring a dish to share and the beverage of your choice. If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Lyon at 404-247-4902.

NURSES WHO LUNCH - Please join us on Thursday, April 10, at noon, at Sago @ Sea Palms. If interested, please call, text, or email Janice Capano, so that we may have an accurate headcount - jcapano06@hotmail.com or (770)500-5468.

Nurses Luncheons





The 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal will kick off after August 1. More information will be shared later this year. See Bishop Parkes'

latest video on the Appeal here: https://youtu.be/OtWIjZwg8HQ





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. 6 **COFFEE & DOUGNUTS after Masses**

9am - Adult Ed Bible Study

9am - OCIA

7:30pm - Tenebrae - "Shadows on the Lenten Road"

9am - Monday Morning Marthas MON., APR. 7

6pm - Kenpo TUES., APR. 8 9am - Adoration

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

11am - Mindful Movement 1pm - Rosary for Peace **6PM - PENANCE SERVICE**

6:30pm - CCW General Meeting 6:30pm - Men's Bible Study

WED., APR. 9 9am - Manna House 10:30am - Sew & So

6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal

11am - Handbell Rehearsal THURS., APR. 10 11am - Mindful Movement

12pm - Nurses Luncheon (Sago)

6pm - Kenpo

6pm - WHO (Widows Helping Others) 8:45am - Hour of Great Mercy (Rm 2)

12pm - Stations of the Cross

12:30pm - Lenten Luncheon

SAT., APR. 12 9am - OCIA Retreat

4:30pm - Reconciliation

PAL'M SUNDAY **SUN., APR. 13**

9am - Adult Ed Bible Study

9am - OCIA

9am - Creed & Confirmation Classes

The Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church in Darien invite you to join their Spirited Seniors Group. They meet every other Wednesday, at noon, in the church hall. Lunch is provided. The Spirited Seniors is a group of people in their upper years who support each other in many ways. As people get older, they lose people they love and sometimes find themselves lost and alone. This group meets in fellowship to help navigate these issues of aging. They do things with learning, laughter, activities, sharing and fellowship to improve spirits, memory, connections, etc., to help move forward in the golden years. Activities change week to week from puzzles and games, to comedy, discussions, prayer, quest speakers, etc. The next meeting is Wednesday, April 16. Please let the office know if you plan to come so they can plan accordingly, 912-437-4750.



FRI., APR. 11

At St. Francis Xavier Catholic School, we are dedicated to fostering a Christ-centered learning environment where faith, academic excellence, and character development go hand in hand. Our goal is to inspire students to grow in their love for God, knowledge, and service, equipping them to make a meaningful impact in the world.

Job Opportunities for the 2025-2026 School Year **Teaching Positions** Pre-School - 2nd Grade Spanish, Religion and PE

Please email amarr@sfxcs.org. No phone calls please.

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School, 1129 Grant St. Brunswick, GA 31520, www.sfxcs.org



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

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 18, GOOD FRIDAY, 3pm - 1 Extraordinary Minister

APRIL 19, HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL, 8pm - 3 Extraordinary Ministers. 2 Ushers. 1 Altar Server

APRIL 20, EASTER, 8:15am (Parish Hall) - 2 Extraordinary Ministers, 4 Ushers, 1 Altar Server

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

APRIL 20, EASTER, 10:15am (Parish Hall) - 2 Extraordinary Ministers, 3 Ushers, 1 Altar Server

AN ADDITIONAL EASTER MASS HAS BEEN ADDED

APRIL 20, EASTER, Noon (Church) - 2 Extraordinary Ministers, 3 Ushers, 2 Altar Servers, 1 Lector



ONLINE We thank you for your continued support of our parish through our envelope program, mail, online giving, etc. Online giv-

ing is available through this link or go through the 'Online Giving' tab at www.stwill.net

Music Worship NEWS

As most have heard, after an incredible 25 years of gifted and loving service to our Parish, both Kate Hamer and Lois Richter are retiring this summer. Most thankfully, they are both remaining in our Parish.

A Search Team has been formed, consisting of Michelle Jamieson, Steve Bristol and Leslie Mattingly, and the process of locating our next Music Director is well underway. We are committed to finding an outstanding Organ/Piano/Choir Director to join our Parish family and lead us in Music Worship. This is an effort that involves both our Parish and the Diocesan HR Department, and is overseen by our Parochial Administrator, Fr. Mark. Dr Paul Thornock, Director of Music at the Cathedral, is also 'of counsel'.

The job description has been designed and published in several national job search websites - including two Catholic Job Sites and was sent to the Dean of each of the top 30 music departments in Catholic Universities nationwide. We will soon begin (initial) Zoom interviews with the first group of candidates.

Finally - we come to you as a team asking for your help.

- 1) Please join us, praying DAILY for this need and for the person whom God will provide for us.
- 2) If you would like to see a copy of the Job Description - perhaps to share with someone - please contact Leslie at LeslieDMattingly27@gmail.com We would be very grateful for your help.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We are looking for the following volunteers:

- Religious Ed teachers for Kindergarten 8th Grade for the 2025-26 school year.
- Help with CLOW (Children's Liturgy of the Word) on Sundays at the 10:30 Mass.
- Volunteers for VBS July 28 August 1, 9am-

Religious Education class (kindergarten thru 8th grade, and First Communion & Confirmation registration for the 2025-26 school year is open. Please register by August 31, 2025. Use this link to register: https:// www.osvhub.com/stwill/forms/faith-formation-1, or go to stwill.net and download a registration form.



The ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PAN-TRY is seeking donations of grits, pancake

mix, syrup, oatmeal, breakfast bars, and pop tarts. Our neighbors in need are truly grateful for everyone's generosity. Items may be put in the bins in the back of the church

marked St. Vincent de Paul.

ALTAR FLOWERS - If you would like to dedicate the Altar Flowers "in honor of" or "in memory of" your loved ones, please use the sign-up sheet in the church narthex.



1 Volunteer is needed for foot washing on Holy Thursday. Please contact the office at 638-2647, if you would like to participate.





Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate May 31, 10 am

Ordination to the Priesthood June 7, 10 am

Savannah Cathedral



We are Here to Listen and Take Action

DIOCESAN 24-HOUR CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE 888-357-5330

Abuse hotline for bishops only:

https://reportbishopabuse.org or call (800) 276-1562.

Abuse Hotline Number:

To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, (912)201-4074. The diocesan policy on abuse is available at www.diosav.org/childyouthprotection.

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) - \$1,383,300.21

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









Sheetrock is going up this week.

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.





Volunteer Meeting

We will have a volunteer/planning meeting at 5PM on WEDNESDAY,

APRIL 16,
in the parish hall.

If you are interested in helping with this event, please plan to attend.

Many hands will be needed to make this happen. We could use your help!

Parish Picnic, Sunday, May 18, at 11:30am.



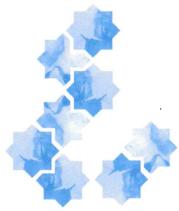
Please join us for the Divine Mercy Novena Chaplet Beginning on Good Friday, April 18, 2025 as we prepare to celebrate for the Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday on

April 27, 2025 at 3 pm in the Church

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	April 27, 2025 3 PM IN CHURCH	
Easter Saturday, April 26, 2025	9th Day of Novena 3:00 pm in the Chapel	
Easter Friday, April 25, 2025	8th Day of Novena 3:00 pm in the Chapel	
Easter Thursday, April 24, 2025	7th Day of Novena 3:00 pm in the Chapel	
Easter Wednesday April 23,2025	6th Day of Novena 3:00 pm in the Chapel	
Easter Tuesday, April 22, 2025	5th Day of Novena 3:00 pm in the Chapel	
Easter Monday, April 21, 2025	4th Day of Novena 3:00 pm in the Chapel	
Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025	3rd Day of Novena 3:00 pm in the Chapel	
Holy Saturday, April 19, 2025	2nd Day of Novena 3:00 pm in the Chapel	
Good Friday, April 18, 2025	1st Day of Novena in the Chapel after liturgy	y

God pours out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of His Mercy.

"Mankind will not have peace until it turns to my mercy."



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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

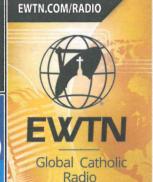
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