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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
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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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Jo Orr - 706-238-2609
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Ushers

Ron Casler - 912-434-9635

MASS INTENTIONS

Liturgy of the Hours Week II

SAT., MAY 17	8:15AM	+EDITH SMOAT
	5:30PM	(L) PENTE SHEPHERD
SUN., MAY 18	8:00AM	+MARTIN GOTTE
	10:30AM	PRO POPULO (for the people)
MON., MAY 19	8:15AM	+LYNN HANLY MCNAIR
TUES., MAY 20	8:15AM	+BRIAN MALLON
	6:00PM	+HAROLD CARNATHAN
WED., MAY 21	8:15AM	+BILL LIGHTBOWN
THURS., MAY 22	8:15AM	(L) VALERIE KEHOE
FRI., MAY 23	8:15AM	COMMUNION SERVICE
SAT., MAY 24	8:15AM	+CATHERINE SALERNO
	5:30PM	(L) NANCY LAWLESS
SUN., MAY 25	8:00AM	PRO POPULO (for the people)
	10:30AM	+BILL LIGHTBOWN



Mimi Boal, Susan & Lee Burt, Trent C., Michael Costa, Fr. Jack Davis, Barbara DeRatto, Lisa Dockins, Mary Eckerd, **Robert Ferrell**, John Flood, Bill Friedrich, Milann G., Charlotte Ann Gaubert, Rebecca 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, 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 Van-Ryn, 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.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

If you are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Eucharist, please attend one of the following training sessions to begin the process. If you feel you need a refresher, you are most welcome to join in one of the sessions also. Questions contact Jo Orr at joorr1313@gmail.com.

Sunday, June 1 - 11:30am

Monday, June 2 - 10:30am



This month's collection for St. Vincent de Paul will be this weekend, May 17-18. Please make your check out to St. Vincent de Paul.

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know, or someone that doesn't look like you.

STEWARDSHIP

MAY 11, 2025 - \$16,945.00

(MAY 12, 2024 - \$14,877.00)

Parishioner Envelopes/Checks - 204

Correction to April 2025

On-Line Contributions - \$13,582.90

Weekly Offertory - \$12,554.60

Rectory Renovation - \$125.00

Memorial Donations - \$82.40

Easter Flowers - \$30.90

Black & Indian Missions - \$10.00

Holy Places in Palestine - \$225.00

Priests' Retirement - \$375.00

Easter - \$150.00

Church in Africa - \$20.60

All Souls Day - \$10.00

PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, May 18 - 11:30am

*no charge, but please bring folding chairs/blankets/table/tent



- ♦ hamburgers
- ♦ hot dogs
- ♦ Barbeque & all the trimmings
- ♦ Entertainment
- ♦ Games

Please join us!



We will have an information meeting on Sunday, May 18, at 9:30 in the hall for anyone interested in or considering teaching religious education (CREED) or Children's Liturgy (CLOW at the 10:30am Mass.) This meeting is before the parish picnic. Please consider teaching, the more we have the easier on the rest. Coteaching is wonderful!



We're Gearing up for
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

July 28- August 1, 9am - Noon, Ages 4-12

Mark your calendars

Register at <https://www.osvhub.com/stwill/forms/2025-vbs-2>



St. William's C.I.A. Youth Group

May/June Events

Open to all parish youth (rising 9th - 12 grade)

➤ Join GroupMe to RSVP and see future events

Scan QR Code to JOIN ---->

- RSVP for current and future events
- Become a member CIA Catholics in Action
- Volunteer and service opportunities
- Monthly events throughout the year



PARISH PICNIC & PUTT PUTT
Sunday, May 18
11:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Join CIA friends for the Parish Picnic from 11:30-1:30. Stay after to help clean-up and then head to Neptune Park for Putt Putt. We'll meet at 3:00pm at Neptune Park Putt Putt in the Village/Pier area.

COST: \$6 per person.

PICKLEBALL & PIZZA
Thursday, June 19
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Come to The Club, play Pickleball and eat pizza with CIA! The Club is at 2929 Demere Road on St. Simons. Thank you Dineen family, owners of The Club & fellow parishioners for sponsoring this event!

COST: Free! Bring paddles (if you have them) and a refillable water bottle

Questions: contact Lynn Fonseca at 678-777-7604. Join GroupMe: https://groupme.com/join_event/106496089/b5302dc03f754e56bcd2f324f96cd06f/CZ110Bfm.

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., MAY 18	ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION 9am - Adult Ed Bible Study 9am - OCIA 9:30am - Religious Ed / CLOW Teacher meeting 11:3AM - PARISH PICNIC
MON., MAY 19	9am - Manna House 6pm - Kenpo
TUES., MAY 20	9am - Adoration 10:30am - Tuesday Morn. Women's Disc 11am - Mindful Movement 1pm - Rosary for Peace 6:30pm - Men's Bible Study
WED., MAY 21	6:30pm - Choir Rehearsal
THURS., MAY 22	11am - Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal 11am - Mindful Movement 6pm - Kenpo
FRI., MAY 23	8:45am - Great Hour of Mercy (Rm 2) 2:30pm - Rehearsal
SAT., MAY 24	10am - Kenpo 4:30pm - Reconciliation
SUN., MAY 25	9am - Adult Ed Bible Study



Ordination to the
Transitional Diaconate
May 31, 10 am

Ordination to the Priesthood
June 7, 10 am

Savannah Cathedral



JUBILEE
INDULGENCE
EVENT

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CCW

WOMEN'S RETREAT

HOPE UNSHAKEN:

Living the Jubilee Spirit

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025

Join us for a day of fellowship with Deacon Arthur Miller, as he inspires us to embrace our call as modern-day pilgrims during Pope Francis' Jubilee Year of Hope, journeying toward a conversion of hope rooted in radical love.

MORE INFO & REGISTER ONLINE
WWW.SAVANNAHCATHEDRAL.ORG/CBCCW

Guest speaker
DEACON ART MILLER



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER- MAY 18, 2025



"JUST AS I HAVE
LOVED YOU, YOU
ALSO ARE TO LOVE
ONE ANOTHER."
JOHN 13:34, ESV

Today's readings on this fifth Sunday of Easter contain inspiring but challenging messages for us Christian stewards.

The Gospel from John includes this well-known verse: "My children...I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."

What a succinct description of a stewardship way of life. It sounds so simple. But simple does not necessarily mean easy. How exactly is Jesus Calling us to love? As He, Himself loved. Jesus loved (and loves) by serving us and by making a sacrifice of His very life for us. That is a tall order.

Living a life of service and self-sacrifice is not easy because it requires us to continuously fight against our selfish inclinations. But the more we empty ourselves of "self" by serving others, the more room we make in our hearts for God to pour His grace into us. Amazingly, the more we give our lives away to others, the more He fills us up with Himself who is love itself.

And amid the inevitable challenging moments this way of life entails we can be assured that the Lord who loves us so much that He died for us and established the Eucharist to be our strength and nourishment, is right here with us every step of the way.

As we face the hardships that come with living as Christian stewards, we can continue to rejoice in the wonder of the Resurrection this Easter season, finding great joy in following in our Lord's footsteps and in loving as He loves.

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

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VOCATION SUMMER CAMPS

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CALL TO HOLINESS is JUNE 22-25
For rising 7th graders through graduating senior girls

VOCATION DEI is JUNE 25-28
For rising 7th graders through 10th grade boys

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

SAVANNAHVOCATIONS.ORG

VOCATIONS SUMMER CAMPS 2025! This year's theme is Anchored in Hope. Call to Holiness, for rising 7th grade through graduating senior girls, will be June 22-25. Vocatio Dei, for rising 7th grade through 10th grade boys, will be June 25-28. 11th and 12th grade boys can apply to be junior counselors at Vocatio Dei. Senior counselors – college-aged young adult men and women – are needed for both camps. The camps will be at George Primitive Baptist Camp in Claxton.

Please do not park under the porte cochere during Mass. This area is designed for pick-up/drop-off and loading/unloading, and quick trips in and out of the parish hall.



Flowers are placed at the altar
in honor of the 2025 Graduates
by Beth & Stephen Barrett.



School News

Inspired by the Sisters of St. Joseph, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School provides an excellent academic foundation, promotes spiritual formation, and instills within each student a desire to serve others.

Dear Families,

We are now enrolling for the 2025-2026 school year in grades preschool to 7th grade. 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. Please visit our website at **sfxcs.org** for more information or call **912-265-9470** to tour our school. We would love to have your family at our school!

Congratulations to our 8th grade students graduating this week: Matthew Andrews, Coen Arens, Brooks Boczar, Jordan Breck, Ben Erwin, Logan Ferra, Jolee Hall, Catherine Ibarra, Lyla Lane, Atticus Mannahan, Jayden Martinez, Elise Morcus, Carter Murray, Jesse Purcell, Shawn Roberts, Aida Rojas, Presley Ryals, Simone Sproull, Mycarius Stuart, Jack Taylor, Conner Thomas, Hunter Wells, Hattie Williams, and Evie Wood.

We have teaching positions open for next school year include: PE, Spanish, Music, and Religion. Please email **amarr@sfxcs.org**. No phone calls please.

Field Day Fun!





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MAY 11-JUNE 15
(MOTHER'S DAY TO
FATHER'S DAY)

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to moms, babies, and fathers in our
community!

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Sexually Transmitted Disease Testing/Treatment
Adoption and Medical Referrals
Parenting Education • Baby Items

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Take a bottle home to fill with coins, bills, or a check.
- Return your bottle to church on Father's Day.
- You may also donate online at friendsofskylark.com.

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