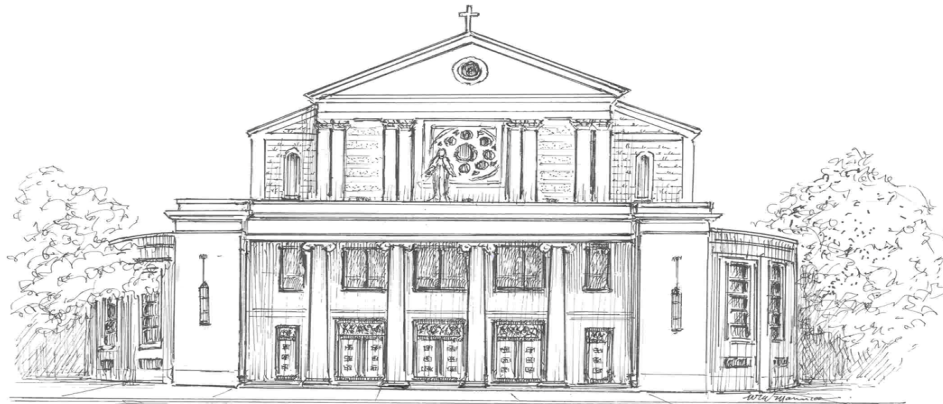


The Church of St. William

6200 Rising Sun Avenue ✠ Philadelphia, PA. 19111
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"A WELCOMING COMMUNITY"

Rev. Joseph G. Watson, M.A., M.Div., Pastor
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Rev. Dominic Ishaq, JCD, M.B.A., Parochial Vicar
And Coordinator of Catholic Pakistani Community
Padre Augusto Concha, M. Div., Parochial Vicar (Part-Time)
Rev. Alfred Lauricien, O.M.I., Resident (Haitian Community)
Deacon Bill Moser, Permanent Deacon
Deacon Felipe Cruz, Permanent Deacon

PARISH DIRECTORY

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12:30PM - 4:30PM

CONVENT

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Sr. Mary Anne Nyzio, IHM, Convent Superior
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"CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS"

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 6:30AM and 12:00Noon
Saturdays: 8:00AM and 5:00PM
Sundays: 7:30; 9:00; 12:00 and 8:00PM ♦ Lower Church
10:30AM - Spanish Mass ♦ Lower Church
4:00PM - Pakistani Mass ♦ Lower Church
5:30PM - Haitian Mass ♦ Upper Church

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated in English and Spanish. The normal time for Baptism is Sunday afternoon at 1:00PM in the Lower Church. Please contact the rectory office to begin the process of scheduling your child's Baptism.

PRE - BAPTISMAL CLASSES

Arrangements will be made to register for class after consulting with Deacon Bill Moser (215) 745-1389.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:45 PM
Eve of Holy Days: 4:00 - 4:45 PM
Eve of First Fridays: After 12:00 (*Noon Mass Only*)

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Weddings may be scheduled for Saturdays at 11:00AM, 1:00 or 3:00PM in the Upper Church; at 2:00PM in Lower Church. Couples intending marriage are asked to contact our Parish Priest at least six months prior to the intended date of marriage. Participating in a Marriage Preparation Program is a requisite for the reception of this holy sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In case of serious illness, please contact one of our parish priests. Anyone unable to attend Mass due to illness may call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Communion in their homes.

✠ December 7, 2014 *Second Sunday of Advent* ✠

Financial Information

Sunday Collections: (November 23, 2014) \$7,567.00
(November 30, 2014) \$7,527.00

God's Plan for Giving

Tithing is **God's** plan to support His Church.
Full tithing means 10% of income to God.
We ask half of this, or 5% for your Parish Church.

From the desk of Fr. Joe...

We have a Grinch among us!

We are all familiar with the story of "*The Grinch Who Stole Christmas*." Well, it appears that a Grinch has visited Saint William. Let me explain:

For weeks now the lights have been strung on the trees and shrubs of the parish. It is a long-standing tradition and an important part of Christmas in our parish. Well, on Monday I was informed that several of the strands of lights have been cut. When I went to look for myself I found it to be true. I cannot tell you the sinking feeling I got when I saw the clipped wires.

I knew Christmas would be a little different this year since the tree in the Middle School lot died and had to be cut down. It was my goal to make the Avenue look as beautiful as we could given though the tree is no longer there. Now, this news changes things.

As of now, the Christmas panels will be put up next weekend and we will do our best to replace the lights that were destroyed. However, if it keeps happening, Rising Sun Avenue will be a little darker this year. I cannot keep spending the parish money to replace lights that people will destroy.

I want the Parish to know that our plan is to do the best we can to keep Christmas as it has been for many years. It is my hope that as people travel up and down Rising Sun Ave they will see the lights and be reminded that the true Light has come into the world.

May God bless us, everyone!

Sunday, December 7, Second Sunday of Advent

5:00PM (Vigil) Ann Davino (3rd Anniversary)
7:30 Parishioners of Saint William
9:00 Louise Worrell
10:30L.C. Guillermo Menrigue
12:00 Noon William Cassidy
8:00PM No Intention

Monday, December 8, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 Thomas Lally
12:00 Noon Special Intention
7:00PM Edward Sterling (56th Anniversary)

Tuesday, December 9, Saint Juan Diego

Cuauhtlatotzin

6:30 Marion McAleer (Birthday Memorial)
12:00 Noon William D. Reichert (40th Anniversary)

Wednesday, December 10, Advent Weekday

6:30 Deceased members of the
Bornaschella Family
12:00 Noon William D. Reichert (40th Anniversary)

Thursday, December 11, Saint Damasus I, Pope

6:30 Charles J. Dick
12:00 Noon James J. McKenna (57th Anniversary)

Friday, December 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe

6:30 In Thanksgiving
12:00 Noon Mary and Daniel Logue

Saturday, December 13, Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 No Intention
5:00PM (Vigil) Jim, Peg and Jimmy Dunleavy

We Remember those who have Died

Sodality

December 9, 2014
Office of the Dead

A Will can be a final expression of one's love and concern for family, friends, and the Parish Community.

Remember Our Sick

Madge Adair	Margaret Donahue	Sheranne Shea-Jubelirer	Linda Richardson
Michael Adams	Tim Edwards	Luke Kehoe	Martha Schmid
Josephine Agozzino	Joseph Fenuto	Ellen Kelly	Ethel Thomas
Olga Andrijischjn	John Flannery	Loretta LaBarge	Betty Thompson
Luis Ariza	Gilda Ford	Marcial Leon	Kathleen Thompson
Beatrice Barnes	Brandon Fuscia	Mark Lewis	Phyllis Thompson
Joseph Bradley	Rita and Steve Garry	Teresa Mac Bride	James Trainor
John Byrne	Nellie Grady	Jeanne Mace	Angela Walsh
Florence Caputo	Anne Guinan	Jerry and Gale Mahoney	Betty Wilson
Jared David Carrasco	William Harmer	Lisa Mathews	Elizabeth Wismer
Teresa (Cathy) Carey	Joseph Hearn, Jr.	Lindsey McManus	
Delia Cassidy	Elizabeth Heasley	Emma Miller	
Karla Castro	Marte Heil	Judy Murray	
Adele Censky	Frankie & Bob Herbert	Anne Nyce	
Catherine Clark	John Herbert	Debbie Parks	
Jacqueline Coghlan	Christopher Higgins	Keith Parks	
Emilio Colan	Jeffrey Hill	Ruth A. Paules	
Joanne Coleman	Peggy Hoffner	Verna Quigley	
Caroline Darpino	Denise Horgan	Chalie Rehr	

Second Sunday of Advent

The description of John the Baptist in Mark's gospel today would scare most people at the time of Jesus and maybe even, today! Mark describes him as "...clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey." Yet there must have been something attractive about John because so many were attracted to go out into the desert to hear him.

John was calling on the people to repent. They had fallen away from following the law of Moses. The Baptist was telling them that the Messiah was coming and to prepare they should change their lives and be washed clean with a new baptism. Crowds began to follow him. While he seemed to be the center of attention, John always turned the attention away from himself towards the Messiah who would come.

Advent is a week old already. It is a time for us to prepare for the coming of our Savior. We will soon celebrate and remember how Jesus came among us in human form as a baby. We also, though, prepare for when he will come to us at the end of our lives. And so we are called to repent, to change our lives during this season of preparation. We all can think of something we need to change to make us ready to meet Jesus.

Advent is a great time to reflect- if Jesus came today what in our lives would we feel needs to be changed and in what ways have we lived as he has asked us to. We do much good but we also sin. Take time this season to listen to the Baptist's call, go to confession and ask forgiveness for our sins. As we prayed in the Responsorial Psalm today: "Lord, let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation."

St. William Students Excel...

Our parish recently received notification of the performance of our high school students on the *First Quarter Report*. We are particularly proud of those who demonstrated academic excellence.

Father Judge: Second honors - *Alfonso Fuentes*;

Little Flower: Second honors - *Christiana Cruz-Council, Victoria K. Dailey, Breage R. Pleis, Margaret A. Grant, Kristen Haughney and Celeste Marie O'Neill*;

Archbishop Ryan: First honors - *Sean F. Dembeck* and second honors - *Daniela Nguyen*;

Bishop McDevitt: First honors - *Kiara S. DeVore*.

Father Judge High School

Wednesday, December 10th

Prospective families and parents of current students at Father Judge High School are invited to join our Tuition Expert for our interactive "*Financial Aid*" night to complete your PSAS application at 7PM in room 215.

*Also, "*Express Registration*" from 6:30 - 7:30.

Early Financial Aid process applications must be received by January 15, 2015. Final Deadline for all applications is March 15, 2015.

Mother Boniface Spiritual Center
3501 Solly Avenue • Philadelphia, PA 19136

Advent Evening of Prayer Dec. 16th 7:00PM - 9:00PM

Come reflect and pray with us on this Advent Journey as we prepare for the greater coming of Jesus into our lives, our homes and our world.

Presenter: Sr. Theresa Ahern, MSBT
Fee: Free Will Offering

For further information, or to register, please call 267.250.1830 or 267.350.1831.

Senior Citizens News

Board Mtg.: Weds. Dec. 10th - Rectory at 11:00AM
General Mtg.: Weds. Dec. 10th - Hall at 1:00PM

\$10 Christmas Wreath Sale \$10

Friday, December 5 thru Monday, December 8.

Wreaths will be available after all the Masses.

SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

El mensaje. Y el mensajero! "*Comienza el Evangelio de JESUCRISTO, HIJO DE DIOS!*" El Evangelio es la Buena Noticia de Jesús para el mundo entero. Y El Niño que va a nacer en Belén es la Buena Noticia para nosotros. El mensajero es Juan Bautista. El prepara el camino del Señor! Invita a todos a la conversión e interpreta los signos de la salvación. Te esperamos, Señor!
Que preparemos nuestro corazón.

La FAMILIA es fuente de vida para la Iglesia y para la Sociedad. Su finalidad es la belleza de la vocación al amor! Que Jesús, María y José intercedan por nuestras familias.
Nos acogemos al cuidado maternal
DE LA INMACULADA CONCEPCION Y
DE LA VIRGEN de GUADALUPE.

CONFESIONES: Domingo, 10:00-10:20AM.

BAUTISMO: Coordina con Diácono Felipe o Hna. Rosa
Miércoles, 10 de dic. a las 7:00 PM: **Charla**
Domingo, 21 de dic. a la 1:00 PM.: **Bautismo**

COMITÉ HISPANO: Reunión: 11 de diciembre

CELEBREMOS con NUESTROS AMIGOS de:

Nicaragua: Inmaculada Concepción de "El Viejo"
8 de diciembre

Paraguay: Nuestra Señora de los Milagros de Caacupé:
8 de diciembre

México: Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe: 12 de diciembre

CIRCULO DE ORACION ST. WILLIAM

Viernes, 12 de dic. a las 7:00PM en la Rectoría
Celebremos a NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE
Rosario, canticos y oraciones marianas

FIESTA DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE

Domingo, 14 de dic en la Parroquia Sta. Elena: 12:30 PM

CONCIERTO NAVIDEÑO

Sabado, 13 de dic. de 6:00PM a 9:00PM
Memorial Hall de Saint William
Colaboración de alguna comida

POSADAS NAVIDEÑAS: Hogares de St. William

Domingo 14 de dic. al domingo 21 de dic.
6:45PM – 8:30PM

Oración: SEGUNDA SEMANA DEL ADVIENTO

Señor Todopoderoso, rico en misericordia, cuando salimos animosos al encuentro de tu Hijo, no permitas que lo impidan los afanes de este mundo; guíanos hasta Él con sabiduría divina para que podamos participar plenamente de su vida. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Amén.

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