

Saint William Catholic Church

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"You are the Light of the World"

*When you
Give,
See that
you give*



*That which
multiplies in
giving!!*

PARISH STAFF

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Rev. Alfred Lauricien, O.M.I., Resident
Rev. Mr. Felipe Cruz, Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Bill Moser, Permanent Deacon

MASS SCHEDULE

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

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Pre-baptismal classes

Spanish: 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 PM (*Rectory Basement*)
English: 1st Sunday at 1:00 PM - Church.

Baptism (Lower Church)

Spanish: 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM
English: 2nd or 4th Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM

Reconciliation

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

Matrimony

Weddings may be scheduled for Saturdays at 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM or 3:00 PM in the Upper Church; and 2:00 PM in the 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 requirement for the reception of this holy sacrament.

Anointing of the sick is a Sacrament of God's Blessings for those who are sick.

Parishioners in *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. **MASS AND ANOINTING OF SICK at St. William Church Sat 11 Feb at 8 am and 5 PM**

February 5, 2017



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, cycle A

Sunday Collection
Sunday January 29, 2017- 7,414.50
Thank you for your contribution, God Bless!!



February 5, 2017
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

As children we sang the lively song This Little Light of Mine. The words, of course, are based on today's Gospel, in which we are called as disciples to be salt and light for the world. Children are uninhibited about sharing their faith. It's only when we grow older that we prefer to hide our light under a bushel basket because our culture tends not to emphasize discipleship. The message in this week's readings is clear: in order to give glory to God through our discipleship, we must show the light of Christ in our words and deeds. Not an easy thing for inhibited adults. Often we may think of salt and light in terms of what we do for others, but it can be just as important not to do something, such as getting angry with the stranger on the road, or telling an offensive joke.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (Isaiah 58:7-10).

Psalms -The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright (Psalm 112).

Second Reading -My message to you, says Paul, was not clever words of wisdom but the proclamation of Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 2: 1-5).

Gospel -You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God (Matthew 5:13-16).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24,35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20 -2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

Ash Wednesday is one of the most popular and important holy days in the liturgical calendar. Ash Wednesday opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer.

Ash Wednesday takes place 46 days before Easter Sunday, and is chiefly observed by Catholics, although many other Christians observe it too.

Ash Wednesday comes from the ancient Jewish tradition of penance and fasting. The practice includes the wearing of ashes on the head. The ashes symbolize the dust from which God made us. Ashes also symbolize grief, in this case, grief that we have sinned and caused division from God. Writings from the Second-century Church refer to the wearing of ashes as a sign of penance.

Priests administer ashes during Mass and all are invited to accept the ashes as a visible symbol of penance. Even non-Christians and the excommunicated are welcome to receive the ashes. The ashes are made from blessed palm branches, taken from the previous year's palm Sunday Mass.



What Can I Do Before Lent Begins?

Anything worth doing is worth preparing for. Just imagine that this Lent is going to be different from every other Lent we've experienced. Imagine that there will be many graces offered me this year. Let's even imagine that God is going to help transform our lives, with greater freedom, greater joy, deeper desires for love and service.

Our Focus: On what God wants to give us.

Our sense of excitement and anticipation will grow more easily if we begin to imagine what God wants to give us. There is really something coming that we can truly look forward to. If we get too focused on ourselves, and what we are going to do or not do, we could risk missing the gift God wants to give us. We have to keep aware of the fact that grace comes from God. This is about God's great desire to bless us. Then, it is easier for us to imagine that what we really *want* to do is place ourselves in a space to *receive* what God wants to give us.

MASS AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

St. William Church
Saturday Feb 11 at
8 am and 5 pm



Pray for our sick

Michael Adams	Brandon Fuscia	Emma Miller
Josephine Agozzino	Rita <i>and</i> Steve Garry	Anne Nyce
Olga Andrijischijn	Ann Geiges	Annamarie O'Donnell
Luis Ariza	Nellie Grady	Keith Parks
Dot Aubrey	Barbara Harris	Renee Pontuti
Beatrice Barnes	James Hamilton	Verna Quigley
Gertrude Boyes	Joseph Hearn, Jr.	Charlie Rehr
Joseph Bradley	Elizabeth Heasley	Thomas E. Reilley
John Byrne	Marte Heil	Linda Richardson
Florence Caputo	Frankie <i>and</i> Bob Herbert	Christopher Rodgers
Regina Carberry	John Herbert	Sally Rodgers
Jared David Carrasco	Christopher Higgins	Martha Schmid
Teresa (Cathy) Carey	Jeffrey Hill	Mary Smith
Patricia Cassidy	Peggy Hoffner	Gerri Sugan
Adele Censky	Denise Horgan	F. Joseph Sullivan
Patricia Cirone	Kathleen Boyle Houseman	Ethel Thomas
Catherine Clark	Sheranne Shea-Jubelirer	Betty Thompson
Marguerite Clauss	Luke Kehoe	Kathleen Thompson
Emilio Colon	Ellen Kelly	Phyllis Thompson
Joanne Coleman	Kathy Kilroy	James Trainor
Shannon Coley	Josephine Kohute	Guillermo Velasquez
Charlotte Corcoran	Anne Krause	Angela Walsh
Anna Creniti	Loretta LaBarge	Betty Wilson
Caroline Darpino	Marcial Leon	Catherine Wimsey
Alaya Diggs	Mark Lewis	Elizabeth Wismer
Carol DiMaggio	Teresa Mac Bride	
Margaret Donahue	Jeanne Mace	
Tim Edwards	Jerry <i>and</i> Gale Mahoney	
John Flannery	William Marshall, Sr.	
Gilda Ford	Lisa Mathews	
Vicki Francis	Lindsey McManus	

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Consecrated Life; Boy Scouting Sunday

Monday: St. Paul Miki and Companions Wednesday: St. Jerome Emiliani ; St. Josephine Bakhita

Friday: St. Scholastica; Tu B 'Shvat (the Jewish new year of trees) begins at sunset

Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes; Blessed Virgin Mary; **World Day of the Sick**

Sunday, February 5, 2017

5:00PM (Vigil) Helen Handley

7:30 Renate G. Koreck

9:00 Annette C. Guarino

10:30 Las Animas Bendita del Purgatorio

12:00 Noon Edwin M. Simon (9th anniversary & Birthday Memorial)

8:00 P.M. Parishners of St. William

Monday, February 6, 2017

6:30 Margaret Weltz

12:00 Noon Joseph Pepe

Tuesday, February 7, 2017

6:30 Palmeria del Carmen Peralta

12:00 Noon Francis Gore (1st Anniversary)

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

6:30 Holy Souls

12:00 Noon Joseph Pepe

Thursday, February 9, 2017

6:30 Ralph Nicholas

12:00 Noon Kevin Kelly

Friday, February 10, 2017

6:30 Daniel V. Gallagher (Birthday Mem)

12:00 Noon Mary Petit de Mange

Saturday, February 11, 2017

8:00 A.M. William Damm

5:00PM (Vigil) Emily & Katie (special intention)

Would you like to sponsor a child in Catholic School?
St William students attend St. Cecilia and Presentation BVM schools. Education for faith and for life. For information contact Fr. Al: pastor@churchofstwilliam.com

Don't Forget the Scrip Program!!

You receive credit towards tuition at Catholic grade schools, high schools, Catholic colleges or universities. SCRIP is available at Presentation BVM Church, located at 100 Old Soldiers Rd., Cheltenham, PA 19012. For more information on the SCRIP program and a list of stores, you can visit their website at www.presentationbvm.org, contact Evelyn Nicoletti at Presentation (215-725-4248) or Judi Schein (215-725-2201).

LENT PROGRAMS 2017

ASH WEDNESDAY 1 March: 6:30, 12 noon, 7 pm Mass and distribution of ashes.

Additional Lent Daily Masses Mon, Tues, Wed at 7pm

Four priests avail for Confessions: Weds 3/29 & 4/5, 6-6:50 pm LC; Saturdays 4/1 & 4/8, 4-4:45 pm LC

Stations of the Cross: Wed English, 6:30 pm LC, Fridays Urdu 5:30 LC, Haitian 7pm UC, Spanish 7 pm LC.

Mission (English) TBD

Mission (Spanish) March 17 and 18 Lower Church

A Very Special Thank You!!

We would like to Thank **Matthew Smith** for his 36 years of service here at St. William. Our Parish wouldn't be what it is today without your Hard work and time that you have invested. You've seen St. William in good times and in bad, And have always given your all to make sure St. William is as strong as it could possibly be. We wish you much luck in your future endeavors. Remember you always have a family here at St. William.

Love and God Bless,

Fr. Al, The priests, Sisters of IHM and the Rectory Staff ,
And the Community here at St. William !!

P.S. You will be greatly missed!

Religious Ed (Prep) News!!!

Confirmation classes for teenagers, 8th to 12th grades, begins on Sunday, Feb. 12th, 9 am in the convent basement. Adult Confirmation classes begin on Sunday, March 12th, 10:30 am in the convent basement. Please have anyone who needs these classes to contact me quickly. Thank you. Sister Bernadette 267-499-6376

Act of Contrition

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You and I detest my all my sins because of your just punishments But most of all because they have offended You, my God Who are all-good and deserving of all my love.

I firmly resolve with the help of Your grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin.
Amen.

Last year Blessed Palms are needed

Please bring them to church after all masses in order to prepare ashes for Ash Wednesday and Lent. Thanks for your help.

INSTALLATION and BLESSING OF THE CHURCH GREETERS

On Sunday February 12th at the 9:00 A.M. Mass, Father Al will bless the Church Greeters. These parishioners have volunteered to be part of our Hospitality Ministry. They are making St. William's a most welcoming parish, especially for our visitors. If you would like to join our team, please see one of our greeters to sign up.

Maternity B.V.M. Pre-Cana Session

Attending A pre -Cana session is required for all engaged couples preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony. Maternity B.V.M. Parish located at 9220 Old Bustleton Ave. Phila, Pa. 19115, will be holding their spring Pre-Cana.

*Senior Citizens News
Board Meeting 2/8/17 @11:00Am
General Meetign 2/8/17 @ 12:00pm
New Members Welcome*

Trips- Open to All

March 9, 2017- Rainbow Comedy Theater & Buffet
June 27, 2017- Toms River Cruise & Lunch
For more information please contact
Betty Harding- 215-745-7199

Social Media

St. William is now on Twitter and Instagram!

Follow us for news, inspiration, and more:



Twitter: @stwilliamphila
Instagram: stwilliamphila



USTEDES SON LA SAL DE LA TIERRA; USTEDES SON LA LUZ DEL MUNDO !

Ser sal y ser luz, dar sabor y ser luminoso es un reto para cada uno de nosotros ! Dar sabor genuino de nuestra fe y ser luminoso que ayuda a los demás, es toda una tarea y responsabilidad cristiana para nosotros. Para ser sal debemos ser transformados por Cristo. Para ser luz debemos dejarnos iluminar por Cristo pues nosotros nos damos nuestra propia luz sino que anunciamos la luz de Cristo que vino a iluminar a todos. Señor transformados con tu gracia para ser tu sal y tu luz a nuestros hermanos.

CONFESIONES: Todos los Domingo: 10:00 - 10:20AM

BAUTISMO: Coordina con Diácono Felipe o Hermana Rosa.
2º Miércoles del mes a las 7:00 PM - **Charla**
3º Domingo del mes a la 1:00 PM - **Bautismo**

RICA: Preparación Sacramental para Adultos domingos a las 9:00 AM en la Rectoría. Hable con Diácono Felipe o Hna Rosa.

EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA: PREP Los Martes, 6:45-7:45 PM
JÓVENES DE SECUNDARIA: Los domingos, 9:00-10:00 AM en el convento. Adultos: Los domingos a las 9:00 AM en el sótano de la Rectoría

Visitas y Comunion a los ENFERMOS y ANCIANOS:
Coordina con Fr. Al.. Asistente Ida Jimenez.

CÍRCULO de ORACIÓN: Los viernes a las 7:00 PM en el sótano de la Rectoría.

COMITÉ HISPANO Habrá la reunión del Comité Hispano este jueves, 9 de febrero, a las 7:00 PM en la Rectoría.

MISIONEROS:

Reunión: hoy día, después de la Misa, en el convento.

V Encuentro Nacional de Pastoral Hispana

Meta: Discernir maneras en las que la Iglesia en los Estados Unidos pueda responder mejor a la presencia de los hispanos y potenciarlos para que respondan como discípulos misioneros al llamado a la Nueva Evangelización, sirviendo a toda la Iglesia.

Presentación del V Encuentro en la Arquidiócesis

Presentador: Obispo Nelson Pérez
6 de febrero del 2017: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Centro Pastoral: 222 N. 17th Street.

(This event will take place in English on Feb.7 at St. Charles Seminary, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm)

El evento es gratuito pero es necesario registrarse con anticipación (antes del 1 de febrero).

Para registrarse o para más información contactar: 215-667-2820 o rbarrios@archphila.org

TODOS están invitados.

Consultas sobre la INMIGRACIÓN

HIAS: 2100 Arch St. 3rd floor; 215-832-0900

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