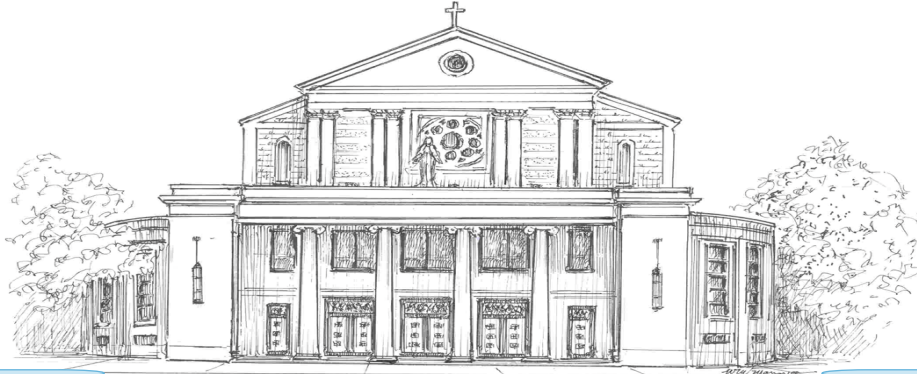


The Church of St. William

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"A WELCOMING COMMUNITY"

"CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS"

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 6:30AM and 12:00Noon
Saturdays: 8:00AM and 5:00PM
Sundays: 7:30; 9:00; 12:00; 8:00PM - English - 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 **Noon Mass Only**

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Weddings may be scheduled for Saturdays at 11:00AM, 1:00PM **or** 3:00PM in the Upper Church; **and** at 2:00PM 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 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.

March 6, 2016



Fourth Sunday of Lent

Remember Our Sick

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

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

(Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.

Stations of the Cross Schedules

Wednesday's: 7:00 PM Stations - Lower Church

Friday's: 5:30 PM Pakistani Stations - Lower Church

7:00 PM Haitian Stations - Upper Church

7:00 PM Spanish Stations - Lower Church

A SUNDAY FOR REJOICING

Today's Gospel story of the prodigal son is a favorite of many. We can identify with all the major figures and their crisscross of emotions. The father's initial grief over his young son's avarice is turned to relief at his return. The son's grief over his loss of fortune, family, and friends is turned to delirious joy at the sight of his father.

We understand the eldest son's bewilderment over his father's generosity. For the older son, virtue seems not to be its own reward. For all his honorable toil and loyalty, there seems to be no celebration. The father, however, is prodigal in his forgiveness and mercy. He expects the same generosity from his older son. He wants all to rejoice when the lost one is found.

This is a Sunday for rejoicing. It's time to pause, consider, and encourage one another. We are the prodigal children heading home. We are the elder siblings waiting with the eager Father, who scans the horizon. In Christ Jesus we are reconciled to the Father and one another. In his death and resurrection we have passed over. We are a new creation. *In this we rejoice.*

Sunday collection (2/28/16): \$9,684.50

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...

A Prayer for Vocations

When it was first announced that the Holy Father was coming to Philadelphia for the World Meeting of Families, a prayer for the family was composed. We have been praying that prayer for quite some time now as the closing prayer of our Prayer of the Faithful every Sunday.

At our last Pastoral Council meeting, I suggested switching the prayer from the Prayer for the Family to a prayer for an increase of vocations. For many years, Saint William parish was a producer of vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. I was surprised, therefore, when the Vocations Office for Diocesan Priesthood sponsored the "Called by Name" program that there were so few names put forth as possible candidates for the priesthood from our parish.

In speaking to friends who are pastors in other parishes I discovered that they had twenty five or more names submitted. That got me thinking. Maybe Saint William Parish should make it a priority to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. With that in mind, I asked the Pastoral Council if we could switch from the Prayer for the Family to a prayer for vocations. They agreed.

Beginning next Sunday, the prayer cards for the family will be replaced with the prayer for vocations. These prayer cards are almost identical with the exception that they are blue instead of white and the prayer is different. However, we will continue to pray this new prayer as the concluding prayer of the petitions.

I hope this effort will bear good fruit and more young men and women will consider a call to the priesthood or religious life.

Pray for Vocations!

Sunday, March 6, Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:00PM (Vigil) Joseph Davino
7:30 Florence Schneider (*3rd Anniversary*)
9:00 John DeMott
10:30 Rosa Alpina Peña
12:00 Noon Raymond Torrens
8:00PM Walter *and* Antionette Twaron

Monday, March 7, Saints Perpetua and Felicity

6:30 Parishioners of Saint William
12:00 Noon Holy Souls

Tuesday, March 8, Saint John of God

6:30 Holy Souls
12:00 Noon Jennie Mauk (*2nd Memorial Anniversary*)

Wednesday, March 9, Saint Frances of Rome

6:30 Marge Weltz
12:00 Noon Frances Sestito

Thursday, March 10, Lenten Weekday

6:30 Holy Souls
12:00 Noon Thomas J. Flaherty

Friday March 11, Lenten Weekday

6:30 Holy Souls
12:00 Noon Thomas J. Flaherty

Saturday, March 12, Lenten Weekday

8:00 Francis Kinkaid
5:00PM (Vigil) Margaret C. Murphy

 *We Remember those who have Died* 

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

Adult Confirmation Classes

Adult Confirmation Classes in English. Anyone 18 years or older, who needs to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation please contact Sister Bernadette at: 215.745.0921 or sbernadette@churchofstwilliam.com.

Begins Sunday, March 13th in the convent 10:30 to 11:30 am.

Poor People's Supper

Homemade Vegetable Soup, Bread, Tea, Water

Holy Week, Wednesday, March 23, 2016

5 to 7 PM in Memorial Hall

\$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children

Tickets will be available after Mass

March 12-13 and 19-20

All money goes to the Rice Bowl for Catholic Relief Services.

Lenten Food Drive

Non-perishable food for the St. Helena Cupboard will be collected at all the Masses during Lent.

Another opportunity for parish alms giving.

You are Invited to our Lenten Soup Supper and Presenters

Thursday, March 10th: Father Larry Kozak

Senior Citizen's News

Wednesday, March 6th, 2016 - Parish Hall

Board meeting: 11:30AM

General meeting: 1:00PM

Cape Cod

Monday, May 16th through May 20th, 2016

Cost: \$585/pp

Includes: *breakfast, dinner, entertainment, sight-seeing tours to include the Kennedy Memorial and bus service.*

Location: Massachusetts

Please contact Betty Harding at 215.745.7199

Academic Performance of our high school students

Roman Catholic High School

♦ Ranked top ten in their perspective classes: John Meehan '17 was #7, and Richard Nguyen '19 was #10.

First Honors: John Meehan '17, Alec Heydt '19, and Richard Nguyen '19.

Little Flower Catholic High School

♦ Ranked top ten in their perspective classes: Tracy Glova '16 was #8, and Victoria Dailey '17 was #8.

Second Honors: Victoria Dailey '17, Rebecca Joseph '17, Alexandra Dolan '18, Kristen Haughney '18, Celeste O'Neill '18, and Maria Dailey '19.

Father Judge High School

Second Honors: Aaron Coccagna '17, and Sergio Hincapie-Abelardy '19.

CUARTO DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

"ESTE HERMANO TUYO ESTABA MUERTO Y HA RESUCITADO".

Esta parábola nos habla del PADRE MISERICORDIOSO QUE PERDONA al hijo menor que se va y se degrada y al hijo mayor que se queda pero sin amor. Es también la experiencia de nosotros que abandonamos la Casa del Padre por el pecado o que no sabemos vivir a su lado porque no amamos. Jesús hace la reconciliación universal para todos. Nuestro mundo dividido necesita de la gracia del Perdón y de la Reconciliación.

AÑO SANTO DE LA MISERICORDIA.

El Papa Francisco ha tomado el texto bíblico para decirnos: "sean misericordiosos como el Padre es Misericordioso" (Lc. 6,36). Hay un hilo conductor en la vida de Jesús, y es la Misericordia. Sus encuentros con enfermos y pecadores y con todos están llenos de misericordia. La vida del cristiano debe ser el espejo de la misericordia de Jesús.

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

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

PROGRAMAS

PREP: Los martes: 6:15-7:45 PM.

Programa de Primera Comunión: Habrá una reunión obligatoria para los padres de familia: Domingo, 13 de marzo a las 6:00 PM

Adultos: Coordina Diácono Felipe para los Sacramentos. Charlas - jueves 7:00PM.

Jóvenes de High School: Charlas para Confirmación - domingos 9:15AM - convento.

Círculo de Oración: Los viernes después del Vía Crucis.

Youth Group: Los miércoles a las 7:00 PM.

EL TIEMPO DE CUARESMA

Misa diaria, Confesión - **Vía Crucis:** viernes 7:00 PM

Poor Man's Supper/Conference: Thursdays at 6:30 PM

Retiro Cuaresmal: Sábado, 12 de marzo

Visitas de los Misioneros: Llama a Hermana Rosa

Visitas a la Capilla Adoración Perpetua

RETIRO de CUARESMA

"MISERICORDIOSOS como el PADRE"

Fecha: Sábado, el 12 de marzo: 8:30AM a 1:00PM

Lugar: Iglesia St. William **Donación: \$5.00**

Celebrante: Padre William Murphy

Horario: Desayuno / Oración / Charla / Reflexión personal / Exposición y Recorrido del Santísimo / Confesiones / Reflexión grupal / Santa Misa

La Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia nombra al Rev. Gregory J. Semeniuk, C. M. nuevo Vicario para Ministerios Culturales sirviendo y promoviendo la unidad y la diversidad cultural en la Iglesia. ¡Bienvenido, Padre Semeniuk!

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