



✠ The First Sunday of Lent ✠

February 17, 2013



Mass Intentions for the Week of February 18th – February 24th

Monday	7:30 AM	Ray Dartez
	9:00 AM	Matilda Piskura
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Mercedes Michalick †
	9:00 AM	Joan Nebel
Wednesday	9:00AM	Leonor C. Layug
	6:30 PM	Layne & Dylan Goble
Thursday	7:30 AM	Kazimieva Krososki
	9:00 AM	Edward Harris †
Friday	9:00 AM	Mary Wheatley
	7:00 PM	Miles Vincent Phoenix
Saturday	9:00 AM	Dr. Leo Franis Modi †
	5:00 PM	Joseph Nelson, Jr. †
	7:00 PM	Our Lady of Gaudalupe
Sunday	7:30 AM	Pamela Schwartz
	9:00 AM	Jacqueline Murray †
	10:30 AM	Scotty & Mary McGlothin †
	12:15 PM	People of St. William of York

On Fridays during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be prayed starting at 6:30 PM followed by Mass at 7:00 PM.

+Confession Schedule+

February 18th – February 23rd

Tuesday:	9:30 AM
Wednesday:	6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Thursday:	9:30 AM
Friday:	7:30 PM
Saturday	9:30 AM
Saturday:	3:30 PM - 4:30 PM*
Saturday	6:30 PM (Spanish)

(*The penitent in the confessional at 4:30 PM will be the last confession heard.)

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class in English will be held on **Wednesday, February 27th at 7:30 PM** in the Library. The next Spanish Baptismal Preparation Class will be held on **Saturday, March 9th at 8:30 AM** in the Brent Room. It is mandatory that all parents register with the parish office (659-1102) before the class.

Did You Know?

We have a twitter page. To follow us on Twitter go to <https://twitter.com/SWOYCC>.

Lenten Soup Supper

Every Friday during Lent, except for Good Friday, different organizations of the parish will sponsor a Soup Supper in the cafeteria from 5:00 PM until 6:00 PM. The Religious Education program will host the soup supper on February 22nd. Please join them for a sacrificial meal of homemade soups & sandwiches for a small donation, which will be used to assist individuals needing financial assistance in our area, followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM in the church.

Car Raffle

Car raffle tickets have been mailed to each family. You should have received them! If you have not received yours, please contact the parish office. The purchaser of each ticket has a chance to win all five cars! This makes selling at work or to family and friends more like an opportunity—just show them the ticket—it will sell itself!

St. William of York

Note Cards for Sale

If you would like to purchase St. William of York note cards, they are available in the parish office. The cards, which have a picture of our Sanctuary, are blank on the inside for you to use as you wish. The cards are sold in packs of eight and sell for \$12.00. Proceeds go toward the debt reduction.

Project Life and Liberty

Sign “Project Life and Liberty” Postcards! Today our parish, along with thousands of other parishes across the nation, will sign postcards urging Congress to respect life and religious freedom. Let your voice be heard! Stop by the table in the front of the church to sign your postcard. Send a message to our two Senators and our Representative. Donations are also being accepted to help with the cost of mailing. Thanks for participating!

Parish Office Notes

The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 18th in observance of President’s Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, February 19th at 9:30 AM.

St. William of York Catholic School

Academic Excellence * Personalized Attention * Authentic Catholic Culture

CARITAS (Charity):

8th grade - Regan Flieg
7th grade - Philip Fickes, Helina Yared
6th grade - David Dittmer, Taylor Flieg
5th grade - Charles Wahlin, Madison DeMonti
4th grade - Sean Jones, Ashley McCrackine
3rd grade - Toby Lumley, Olivia Wahlin
2nd grade - Joaquin Aguilar, Ella Sconfietti
1st grade - Devin Hart, Carmen Rillos

Email Mr. Nicely for a tour or to schedule a shadow day at:
fnicely@stwillschool.org or call 540-659-5207.

Position Available

Part time Extended Day Program staff to supervise children after school Monday-Wednesday 3:00-6 PM. Please contact our school office to apply.

Principal's honors:

7th grade - Adam Vitkovitsky
6th grade - Madeline Moloko
5th grade - Bridget Walker, Rachel Garrison,
Jessica Baker
4th grade - Bethanya Yared

Honor Roll:

8th grade - Niaema Bozeman, Kenna Ross, Tom Wahlin
7th grade - Helina Yared
6th grade - Tre Sabino, Fiona Jameson, Elizabeth Wahlin, Benny Yohannes
5th grade - Ashley Stoltz, Teodor Niepogodzinski, Jordyn Jackson,
Felicity Hein, Olivia Givens, Zachary Elliott, Madison DeMonti
4th grade - Katie Bochonok, Adeline Buckley, Ben Carr, Catherine Dittmer,
Erin Elliott, Madison Flieg, Carrie Hynes, David McSorley,
Laura Meline, Maeri Nash, Isabella Porter

Do you want to improve your hoops game?

Come out to the Panther Gymnasium for the first ever St. William of York Basketball clinic! Participants will learn to develop their skills as they prepare for competitive league play at the middle school level. All members of the parish and school are invited to attend. When: March 4-7 (for all 3-5 graders), March 11-14 (for all middle school girls), March 18-21 (for all middle school boys). Sessions will run from 5:00 – 6:30 PM. For more info contact: Jack Anderson at jackfrom3@yahoo.com or Buddy Pullen at hypo52@aol.com

CYO Mulch Now Available

High-quality hardwood mulch is now available to pre-order. All proceeds support the CYO program and Work Camp 2013. Order form and payment must be received by the parish office by March 16th. Mulch will be available for pick-up on Saturday, March 23rd. Delivery of mulch is available for an additional \$15. The fee for spreading is an additional \$2.25 per bag.

Thank you for supporting the youth at St. William of York! If you have any questions, please contact Tonya Gott at tonya.gott@gmail.com.

CYO Mulch Pre-Order Form

Return form and payment by March 16th to St. William of York, Attn: Tonya Gott 3130 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Stafford VA 22554

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ VA Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Payment method enclosed: Cash / Check

_____ bags of Mulch ordered @ \$4.25 each = \$ _____

Total Amount Paid \$ _____

Select all that apply:

- 1) I will pick up my mulch at St. William of York on March 23rd between 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM
 2) Add spreading @ \$2.25 per bag \$ _____
 3) I would like delivery at a flat rate of \$15 \$ _____

For office use only

Paid Date _____ Pick Up Date _____ Delivery Date _____ Delivered _____ Spread _____

This week in our Parish

Sunday, February 17

8:00 AM: K of C Coffee/Donuts (Center)

10:00 AM: Choir (Brent Room)

2:00 PM: NFP Class (Brent Room)

Monday, February 18

No School

President's Day

7:00 PM: Venture Crew (K of C Hall)

Tuesday, February 19

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

9:30 AM: Rosary Makers (Brent Room)

6:15 PM: C.S. Den Meeting (Rm #1)

7:00 PM: Boy Scout Troop Meeting (Center)

Wednesday, February 20

9:30 AM: Liturgy of the Hours (Brent Room)

6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

7:30 PM: RCIA (Center)

Thursday, February 21

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

3:00 PM: Market Day Pick up (Center)

6:30 PM: Cantors (Church)

7:00 PM: Legion of Mary (Brent Room)

7:30 PM: Choir (Church)

Friday, February 22

5:00 PM: Soup Supper (Center)

6:30 PM: Stations of the Cross (Church)

7:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

Saturday, February 23

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

9:30 AM: Choir Day of Recollection (Brent Room)

3:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

6:30 PM: Spanish Confessions (Church)

Prayer Request...

Please keep everyone who is serving in Iraq and Afghanistan and their family members in your prayers.

Jeff Abramaitys, Ralph Allison, Gary Anderson, John Bernier, OJ Block, George Davis III, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, Nathan Dobbins, Dennis Ferry, John Ferry, Brian Flanagan, John Gentile, Keirsten Hage, Jason Heuer, Denise Huff, Steve Jameson, Lewis Kerr, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Tyron Anthony Layug, Garrett Len, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Mike Parrot, Jr., Joseph Pomeroy, Gavin Reed, Thomas Ryan, Nichole Siegrist, Daniel Stehm, Gregory Thomas, Mark Thomas, Chris Tolliver, Kyle Traylor and Theodore Williams.

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

If you have a relative serving in Iraq or Afghanistan and would like to have his/her name included in our prayer list, please contact the parish office.

We Joyfully Welcome into the Catholic Faith

Liesl Aurelia Davis, daughter of Courtland and Mary Davis.

Black and Indian Mission

Today we are taking up donations at all exits to help support the Church's evangelization efforts among African Americans and Native Americans. Your financial contribution supports Catholic communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities. Your support helps to open the door of faith for our brothers and sisters in Christ in Black and American Indian Communities. For more information go to www.blackandindianmission.org.

Open House at JP the Great

All are welcome to visit Pope John Paul the Great Catholic High School during their final Open House of the year, March 14th, from 4 – 6 PM. This event is especially for younger children who want to preview high school, but students of all ages are encouraged to attend. A brief presentation will begin at 5 PM, and you can also tour the building, meet JP teachers and students, and enjoy refreshments. Also, JP the Great is still accepting applications for admission. More information and to apply, please visit: www.jpthegreat.org or contact Jennifer Cole, Director of Admissions by email at admissions@jpthegreat.org.

Restoring the Church

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your generosity not only helps provide for the physical and spiritual needs of those in the region, it also helps provide pastoral care and catechesis that restores the strength of the Church. Please visit www.usccb.org to learn more about what your donation has accomplished.

One Day Abortion Recovery Retreat for Women

A Day of Prayer and Healing will take place on Saturday, February 23, 2013. This retreat is a safe place to renew and rebuild hearts broken from abortion. It offers a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where you can express and release painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of healing. For more info or to register, please call Project Rachel: (888) 456-HOPE/888-456-4673 or email: projectrachel@arlingtondiocese.org



February 13, 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This year, the Season of Lent is different from recent years. Why? Not only does it begin earlier - today, February 13—but also, it occurs within the Year of Faith. This Year of Faith (October 11, 2012, to November 24, 2013) is a new, grace-filled opportunity for each one of us to rediscover more fully Who Jesus Christ is in our lives as His disciples, people who form the Church. As you have heard me both say and write often, “living the faith” is both very personal and very communal; it means deepening our personal relationship with the Lord Jesus within the Community of His disciples, the Church.

Lent is also different this year because of the inspiring and instructive message given to us by Pope Benedict XVI. His fundamental theme is: the indissoluble relationship between faith and charity. As he writes in his opening paragraph, “the celebration of Lent, in the context of the Year of Faith, offers a valuable opportunity to meditate on the relationship between faith and charity and between believing in God—the God of Jesus Christ—and love, which is the fruit of the Holy Spirit and which guides us on the path of devotion to God and others” (cf. 2013 Lenten Message of the Holy Father).

When we accept God’s love, as the Holy Father tells us, we live in the power of that love and are equipped to share that love with others, especially those in most need. “Lent invites us, through the traditional practices of the Christian life, to nourish our faith by careful and extended listening to the Word of God and by receiving the sacraments, and at the same time to grow in charity and in love for God and neighbor, not least through the specific practices of fasting, penance and almsgiving” (*Ibid*, n. 3).

So, this Lent, will you and I deepen our “yes” of faith? What will help us to do that?:

1. Reflecting on the Word of God, at home each day for five or ten minutes, and also during Mass, listening attentively to the readings being proclaimed.
2. Taking part more actively in the celebration of Mass, of course, on every Sunday (Vigil or Daytime), but also on weekdays. Could we add daily Mass to our Lenten observances?
3. Receiving God’s mercy, which forgives us, heals us, and strengthens us, in the Sacrament of Penance, called “confession.” “The Light Is On For You” initiative means that, again this year, throughout the greater D.C. metro area and throughout our diocese, on each Wednesday evening during Lent, beginning next Wednesday, February 20, priests are waiting in every Catholic Church to hear confessions and thereby to be living instruments of God’s mercy.

This Lent, will you and I deepen our love for others and show that love tangibly by reaching out especially to those in need? What will help us do that? The specific works of fasting, penance and almsgiving:

1. Fasting means eating one full meal with the other two not equal to the full one. Catholics between 18 and 59 are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. Penance has many expressions. One is abstaining from meat. Catholics above fourteen years are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. Other forms of penance could be watching less TV every day, refraining from alcohol completely or in a lesser way daily, etc.
3. Almsgiving implies giving to others what we have saved through fasting or doing penance. The “Rice Bowl” initiative, for example, enables us to donate the dollar value of our Lenten sacrifices to help families in need, both within our own diocese and beyond it. Taking part in this initiative enables us to live the spirit of Lent while giving the gift of Hope.

This Lent could be very different for each one of us as we deepen our response to God’s love through living the faith and making His love real by reaching out to those in need. I conclude by making my own the words of Our Holy Father, “I express my wish that all of you may spend this precious time (Lent 2013) rekindling your faith in Jesus Christ, so as to enter with Him into the dynamic of love for the Father and for every brother and sister that we encounter in our lives” (cf. *Ibid*, no. 4). I join with you in prayer, fasting and penance, and almsgiving.

Faithfully in the Heart of Christ,

Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde
Bishop of Arlington