



Welcome to St. William of York Catholic Church:
 “An Authentic Catholic Culture”



✠ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord—March 29, 2015 ✠

Mass Intentions for the Week of
 March 30th – April 5th

Monday	7:30 AM	Special Intention
	9:00 AM	Oscar Dela Cerna †
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Madalena Pereira †
	9:00 AM	Fernando Pereira †
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Rose DeMartino †
	6:30 PM	Holy Souls in Purgatory †
<i>Holy Thursday</i>	<i>No 7:30 AM Mass</i>	
	<i>No 9:00 AM Mass</i>	
	7:30 PM	Matthew Joseph King
<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>No 9:00 AM Mass</i>	
	3:00 PM	Celebration of the Lord’s Passion
	<i>No 7:00 PM Mass</i>	
<i>Holy Saturday</i>	<i>No 9:00 AM Mass</i>	
	<i>No 5:00 PM Mass</i>	
	<i>No 7:00 PM Mass</i>	
<i>Easter Vigil</i>	8:30 PM	Special Intentions
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	7:00 AM	Jesse Nauta
	9:00 AM	Mildred Hruska †
	11:00 AM	Special Intentions
	1:00 PM	People of St. William of York
Spanish	3:00 PM	Special Intentions

The 3:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday will be celebrated in Spanish.

+Confession Schedule+
 March 30th – April 4th

Monday:	7:30 PM
Tuesday:	9:30 AM
Wednesday:	9:30 AM
Wednesday:	6:30 PM—8:00 PM
No Thursday Confessions	
No Saturday Confessions	

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

Parish Office Notes

The parish office will close at 12:00 PM on Holy Thursday, April 2nd and will reopen on Monday, April 5th at 9:30 AM.

Easter Flower Envelopes

Easter flower envelopes are available in your March envelopes packets and in the main entrance of the church. If you would like to donate to our Easter flower collection in memory of a loved one, please pick up an Easter flower envelope and return it in the collection at Mass or in the parish office no later than April 1st.

First Friday Adoration

First Friday this month falls on Good Friday, April 3rd; therefore, there will be no Eucharistic Adoration. However, there will be Adoration on Holy Thursday, April 2nd after the Mass of the Lord’s Supper until midnight.

Holy Land Shrines

On Good Friday, April 3rd, we will be accepting donations for Holy Land Shrines. Boxes will be at all exits for your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

Living Stations

Living Stations will be presented by the Saints & Apostles youth group on Good Friday, April 3rd at 7:30 PM in the parish center.

New Mass Times Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday, April 5th

<i>Vigil</i>	7:00 AM
<i>Saturday, April 4th</i>	9:00 AM
8:30 PM	11:00 AM
	1:00 PM
	3:00 PM (Spanish)

Special Easter Sunday Collection

The second collection next week for Easter Sunday will be a special collection for the parish. Please be generous. The Parish Debt Collection, which is normally the second collection, will resume the week after Easter.

Divine Mercy Novena

All are invited to participate in the Divine Mercy novena, which will take place in the church with the following schedule:
 Good Friday, April 3rd after the Good Friday Liturgy, Holy Saturday, April 4th at 3:30 PM, Easter Sunday at 4:30 PM and continuing Mon. April 6th—Sat., April 11th at 3:30 PM.

The St. William of York Youth



St. William of York Catholic School

Academic Excellence * Personalized Attention * Authentic Catholic Culture

Announcing our new school website! Please pay us a visit at www.stwillschool.org for a very informative look at YOUR parish school. Our **ACADEMICS and **CATHOLIC CULTURE** tabs proclaim genuine Catholic education. Most importantly, the “Queen Virtue” of **CHARITY** reigns at St. William of York Catholic School. Here’s a sampling:**

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength” (MK: 12:30).

The call to whole child formation, which the Church calls “integral formation” can be traced to this divine mandate to love God with our entire being. If the whole person is to love God, then the whole person, with all his or her human faculties, must be formed accordingly.

St. William of York Catholic School embraces what the Church calls the “Queen Virtue” of charity as the basic virtue that drives all we do and how we treat one another. Our school family is used to hearing the words of St. Paul reminding us that “without love”, all the other great things we may accomplish “bring us nothing” (I Cor. 13:1-3).

If you look closely at our school logo, you will see the Latin word Caritas (charity). We pray that all our endeavors toward **academic excellence, personalized attention, and an authentic Catholic culture** will always bear the fruit of Gospel charity.

God bless you and your family. Come and see us!
Frank Nicely
Principal

Email Mr. Nicely for a tour or a shadow day at:
fnicely@stwillschool.org
or call the school office (540) 659-5207.

Religious Education

Upcoming Sundays:

March 29th: CLASSES IN SESSION (Palm Sunday) (Basic Faith Test for 6th and 7th grade students)
NO CLASSES NEXT WEEK FOR EASTER!!

ATTENTION 6th and 7th grade RE students and parents!! The Basic Faith Test will be given during class TODAY, March 29th. (Homeschool parents: Call the office to set up a time for your 7th grade student to take the test. It must be taken before April 17th.)

Mark your calendars! MAY 2nd is the date for First Communion! The mandatory First Communion Rehearsal is on April 30th in the evening. More details to follow after Easter.

Name the Saint!

My feast day is April 2nd. I was born in Venezuela, South America. When I was just 17 years old I made a vow of perpetual virginity so that all would know I devoted my whole life to Jesus. There was nothing I liked to do better (besides praying) than helping the less fortunate. I worked in hospitals and kitchens. When I was 26, I founded a religious congregation of women, called the Augustinian Recollects of the Heart of Jesus, to care for the sick, elderly, and orphans. I am buried in the chapel of the Immaculate Conception Home in Maracay, Venezuela. I am not yet a saint, but very close. Who am I?

ATTENTION all 7th grade Confirmation students and parents (RE, homeschool, parish school):

Upcoming due dates:

April 26th: Confirmation names and saint reports

May 3rd: Sponsor letter and (at least 15) service hour logs

****You may turn them in before the due date if you so desire****

In Our Parish

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, March 29

Palm Sunday

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

8:45 AM: RE Classes

10:00 AM: Choir (Brent Room)

10:45 AM: RE Classes

2:00 PM: NFP Class (Brent Room)

5:00 PM: Evening Prayer (Church)

6:00 PM: RE Classes

Monday, March 30

6:30 PM: Choir (Church)

7:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

Tuesday, March 31

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

9:30 AM: Rosary Makers (Brent Room)

1:00 PM: Senior Brain Train (Brent Room)

Wednesday, April 1

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

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

6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

No RCIA

Thursday, April 2

Holy Thursday

No School

No 9:30 AM Confessions

6:30 PM: Choir (Church)

Friday, April 3

Good Friday

No School

2:00 PM: Choir (Brent Room)

Divine Mercy Novena after Good Friday Liturgy

7:30 PM: Living Stations (Center)

No 7:30 PM Confessions

Saturday, April 4

Holy Saturday

No 9:30 AM Confessions

10:00 AM: Blessing of Food Baskets (Church)

2:00 PM: Rehearsal for the Easter Vigil (Church)

No 3:30 PM Confessions

3:30 PM: Divine Mercy Novena

No 6:30 PM Spanish Confessions

7:30 PM: Choir (Brent Room)

Car, Truck, Van and Cash Raffle

Have you returned your raffle tickets, yet? If you have; Thank you! If you haven't, why not do it now! Stop by the parish office during the week or the parish center after any Sunday morning Mass to purchase a ticket, drop off ticket earnings and to replenish you supply. Tickets are only \$5.00 to help reduce the parish debt and support the KofC. The final deadline for ticket sales is April 13th.

Enrollment of the Sacred Heart in Your Home

The Sacred Heart of Jesus made known to St. Margaret Mary His great desire to reign over Christian families. Would you like to have the Ceremonial Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in your home? The Legion of Mary has permission as representatives of priests to perform this short ceremony (about 30 minutes.) With prayers, scripture readings and promises read by the family members together, hearts are bound to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and encouraged to develop virtues which bring with them the peace that Jesus promised. Please call the parish office (540) 659-1102 to leave your name and number and we will get in touch with you. May God bless and protect you and all families.

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class in English will be held on **Wednesday, April 22nd at 7:30 PM** in the Library. The next Spanish Baptismal Preparation Class will be held on **Saturday, May 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.

Prayer Request...

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

Ralph Allison, Christopher Bell, Aaron Burke, Colin Carpenter, Megan Cobb, George Davis III, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, John Ferry, Brian Flanagan, Keirsten Hage, Jason Heuer, Denise Huff, William Kerriagan, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Tyron Anthony Layug, Josh Marsillo, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Brendon Mooney, Sean Mooney, Emmanuel Morales, John O'Hagan, Ron Penninger, Gavin Reed, Thomas Ryan, Daniel Stehm, David Stewart, Gregory Thomas, Chris Tolliver, Kyle Traylor and Logan Whitworth.

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.

Evening Prayer

Sunday Vespers, Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, will be prayed today, March 29th at 5:00 PM in the Church. Please bring a copy of *Shorter Christian Prayer* or a suitable volume of the *Liturgy of the Hours*. The service will include Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome!

The St. William of York Continued...

Saints & Apostles

Mulch in March 2015 Order Form

Return form and payment ASAP to:

St. William of York Catholic Church, 3130 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Stafford, VA 22554

Attn: Peggy Nicely



Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ VA Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

_____ # of bags of mulch: 3 cu.ft. each @ \$4.25 each = \$ _____

Select all that apply:

Delivery - flat rate of \$15 \$ _____

Spread mulch - 15% of total order \$ _____

Available dates for delivery and/or SPREAD 10:00 AM—2:00 PM:

May 16 May 30 June 6

Total Amount \$ _____

For office use only

Paid date _____

Pick up date _____

Delivery date _____

Date delivered _____

Date spread _____

I will pick up my mulch at St. William of York between 9:45 AM and 2:00 PM.

Available dates for PICK UP: March 28 April 18 April 25

Payment method enclosed: Cash / Check Make checks payable to St. William of York Catholic Church

Take Control, Plan Ahead

Join us on Saturday, April 18th at 11 AM in the parish center for a special planning presentation by Sunset Memorial Garden on why and how to make arrangements ahead of time. The presentation will consist of a 30 minute talk followed by a question and answer session. Why not state your wishes, relieve some of the stress on grieving family members and get the benefit of reduced cost? Lunch will follow. RSVP or text by April 15th is essential. Please contact Jean Zybala at (540) 729-1111.

Parish Easter Egg Hunt

Our parish Saints & Apostles Youth Group will host the parish **Easter Egg Hunt** on Divine Mercy Sunday (the Octave Day of Easter!) **April 12th, after the 12:15 PM Mass** in the school field. For each child who will participate, please bring a bag of wrapped candy to the RE office by Friday, March 27. For more information or to help with this event, please contact Peggy Nicely at (540) 659-5705 or nicely624@hotmail.com

St. William of York's International Fall Festival

Save the Date: September 13, 2015

Plans for the 2015 International Fall Festival are underway and we need YOU!!

It is not too early to volunteer—the success of the festival depends on preplanning and organization and NOW is the time!

Help is especially needed to recruit business sponsors to help offset costs.

Anyone willing to organize an ethnic food booth— German, Filipino, Polish, Italian, BBQ, Haitian, Hispanic, etc.— we need your help and your ideas.

Volunteer chairpersons are needed for Parking, Trash Pick-Up, Bingo, Volunteer Co-ordination and Supply management.

Contact Bob Greczek at rgreczek@comcast.net with any questions or to volunteer to help get the IFF up and running.

St. William of York Outreach

The Thrift Shop will not be open for its usual First Saturday opening on April 4th. In addition, the Thrift Shop, Pantry, and Financial Assistance Office will be closed Easter Week, April 6th through the 10th.