



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



✠ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord—March 20, 2016 ✠

Mass Intentions for the Week of

March 21st – March 27th

Monday	7:30 AM	Father DeMartino & Family
	9:00 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory †
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Special Intention
	9:00 AM	Harry & Margaret Palm †
Wednesday	9:00 AM	John Prokop
	6:30 PM	Brandon Lawn †
<i>Holy Thursday</i>	<i>No 7:30 AM Mass</i>	
	<i>No 9:00 AM Mass</i>	
	7:30 PM	Mass of the Lord’s Supper
<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>No 9:00 AM Mass</i>	
	3:00 PM	Celebration of 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	Celebrant’s Intention
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	7:00 AM	Celebrant’s Intention
	9:00 AM	People of St. William of York
	11:00 AM	Celebrant’s Intention
	1:00 PM	Celebrant’s Intention
Spanish	3:00 PM	Celebrant’s Intention

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

Confession Schedule

March 21st – March 26th

Monday:	9:45 AM
Monday:	6:30 PM
Tuesday:	9:30 AM
Wednesday:	6:30 PM-8:30 PM
No Thursday Confessions	
No Friday Confessions	
No Saturday Confessions	

There will be no confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Holy Saturday (March 24, 25 & 26). The last confessions before Easter will be Wednesday, March 23rd.

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, March 25th after the Good Friday Liturgy, Holy Saturday, March 26th at 3:30 PM, Easter Sunday at 4:30 PM and continuing Monday, March 28th—Saturday, April 2nd at 3:30 PM.

Parish Office Notes

The parish office will be closed on Good Friday, March 25th. We will reopen on Monday, March 28th at 9:30 AM. Happy Easter!

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class in English will be held on **Wednesday, April 27th at 7:30 PM** in the Library. The next Spanish Baptismal Preparation Class will be held on **Saturday, April 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.

St. William of York Outreach

The Thrift Shop, Pantry, and Financial Assistance Office will be closed Good Friday through April 1st. The Thrift Shop will reopen on Saturday, April 2nd from 10 AM to 1 PM.

Special Mass Times for Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday Mass Schedule

	<i>Easter Sunday, March 27th</i>
<i>Vigil</i>	7:00 AM
<i>Saturday, March 26th</i>	9:00 AM
8:30 PM	11:00 AM
	1:00 PM
	3:00 PM (Spanish)

The St. William of York Youth



St. William of York Catholic School

Academic Excellence * Personalized Attention * Authentic Catholic Culture

A Closer Look

On Friday, February 19, our Student Council hosted a “*Friday Day of Sacrifice*” with all of the middle school. All middle school students were invited to sacrifice their regular lunch for a humble bowl of rice. The money students would have spent on their normal everyday lunch was donated to charity. During this event, students ate in the lobby of the school so others could witness our faith in action. Students participated in a prayer service highlighting the importance of their Lenten sacrifice.



Accepting Applications for 2016-2017

Interested families should contact the Admissions Coordinator, Jennifer Schiller at jschiller@stwillschool.org or 540-659-5207 to schedule a tour.

Religious Education

Sundays in March:

March 20th: CLASSES IN SESSION (Palm Sunday)

March 27th: NO CLASSES (Happy Easter!)

Sundays in April:

April 3rd: CLASSES IN SESSION

NO CLASS NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 27th, in observance of Easter.

NOTE: April 3rd **IS** a class day; plan on your child being in class. “Traveling back from spring break” will only be an excused absence if you notify the office *BEFORE* the absence.

Mark your calendars! MAY 14th is the date for First Communion! The mandatory First Communion Rehearsal is on May 12th in the evening. More details to follow after Easter.

Name the Saint!

My feast day is March 24th. I grew up in a large family with 7 siblings in El Salvador. My parents were not very wealthy but we were happy. Even though I went to school my father taught me carpentry because tradesmen were more likely to get jobs than scholars at this time. I heard my calling to the priesthood when I was 13 years old and went to seminary where I spent several years studying. I even studied in Rome. Once ordained I was assigned to a parish in Anamorós and then San Miguel where I worked for 20 years. Later in life I became the bishop of the Diocese of Santiago de Maria, a poor rural region. One of my biggest passions was speaking out against poverty, social injustice, assassinations, and torture. In 1980 in the middle of Mass I was celebrating I was assassinated. I was declared a martyr in February 2015 and was beatified in May 2015. Who am I?

First Penance begins April 17th for RE and Home-school students! Classes are scheduled as follows:

April 17:

8:45 AM session: Mrs. Crocker 2nd grade

10:45 AM session: Mr. McCormick 2nd grade

April 24:

8:45 AM session: Mrs. Grab 2nd grade

10:45 AM session: Mr. Rodriguez 2nd grade

May 1:

10:45 AM session: Homeschool students

****Make-ups available May 1st for those who missed their class' day****



In Our Parish

This Week in Our Parish

Palm Sunday, March 20

Palm Sunday

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

8:00 AM: Blood Drive (Center)

8:45 AM: RE Class

10:00 AM: Choir (Brent Room)

10:45 AM: RE Class

6:00 PM: RE Class

Monday, March 21

9:45 AM: Confessions (Church)

6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

7:00 PM: Choir (Brent Room)

Tuesday, March 22

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

9:30 AM: Rosary Makers (Brent Room)

4:00 PM: FIAT (Brent Room)

7:00 PM: Server Rehearsals (Church))

Wednesday, March 23

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

6:30 PM: Confessions (Church)

No RCIA

Holy Thursday, March 24

No School

No 9:30 AM Confessions

10:00 AM: Senior Chair Exercise (Brent Room)

6:30 PM: Choir (Brent Room)

8:00 PM: Adoration (Center)

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

Good Friday, March 25

No School

2:00 PM: Choir (Brent Room)

7:30 PM: Living Stations (Center)

Holy Saturday, March 26

No 9:30 AM Confessions

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

2:00 PM: RCIA Rehearsal (Church)

No 3:30 PM Confessions

No 6:30 PM Spanish Confessions

7:30 PM: Choir (Brent Room)

International Fall Festival 2016

It's that time of year again when we begin planning for our IFF on September 11, 2016. We are looking for new ideas and activities, along with opportunities to bring your cooking skills to one of our international food booths. Also, several positions on the committee need to be filled, including volunteer coordinator and dessert coordinator. Please take some time out of your busy schedule to get involved and make the day another success. Please contact Bob Greczek by email at rgreczek@comcast.net for more information.

Vacation Bible School 2016

Are you looking for something Catholic for your children to do this summer? Would you like them to socialize with fellow parishioners their age? If you answered "yes" to these questions, then consider signing them up for Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2016 here at St. William of York! Vacation Bible School will be held for rising Kindergarteners through 6th graders on August 1-5, 2016, 9:00 AM-12:30 PM. There will be a nominal fee for each child that will cover their whole week experience. Our theme this year is "Cathletics!: Training to be Champions for Christ" to tie into the Summer Olympics that will be starting in August. If you would be interested in signing your child(ren) up for VBS this summer and would like more information, please contact the RE office. Official registration for VBS will be April 17 – July 15, 2016 online or in-person. If you are interested in volunteering with VBS, please contact the RE office for more information.

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 March 23rd.

Prayer Request...

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

Ralph Allison, Richard Baffa, Aaron Burke, Colin Carpenter, George Davis III, Brian Dawson, Robert Deisbeck, John Ferry, Kyle Fico, Brian Flanagan, James Kelly Gordon II, 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, 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.

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 your supply. Tickets are only \$5.00 to help reduce the parish debt and support the K of C. The final deadline for ticket sales is Monday, April 11th by the close of business day

Race for Seminarians

Run the Marine Corps Marathon/10K on October 30th to support the future priests of the Arlington Diocese! Runners and walkers of all experience levels are welcome. The marathon's registration lottery runs from March 24 - 30, so be sure to enter if you want to run the marathon rather than the 10K. For more information on joining the Race for Seminarians team, visit us online ArlingtonVocations.org.

Holy Land Shrines

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Holy Land. Through your donations on Good Friday, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land. In these challenging times in the Middle East, your support means that our church will conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, build housing for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land. Christians, along with all of the clergy and religious who serve in the Holy Land, will deeply appreciate your prayers and financial help! The political, religious and military challenges in the Holy Land are more complex than ever. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. Our parish will support Christians in the Holy Land through the Good Friday Collection, as requested by Pope Francis. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

Retreat for Young Ladies

"I stand at the door and Knock" Rev. 3:20

All young ladies ages 14-25 are invited to attend a retreat beginning on April 1st at 7 PM through April 3rd at 4 PM at Saint Gabriel's Convent 43 Sano Street Alexandria, VA 22312. He is Risen! Christ Lives!! Please RSVP by March 25th to (703) 354-0395 or email pssjalexandria@gmail.com.

Living Stations

Living Stations will be presented by the Saints & Apostles Youth Group on Good Friday, March 25th at 7:30 PM in the parish center.

Citizenship Classes

Beginner and Advanced Citizenship Classes are being offered to prepare anyone for the Citizenship interview at St. Paul United Methodist Church 1400 G Street, Woodbridge, VA. Registration is Friday, April 8, 2016 from 6 to 8 PM. The first class is Monday, April 11, 2016. Classes meet every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The cost of the class is \$75.00 and must be paid in cash. This fee includes all books and instruction. Students must have a working knowledge of English. All Nationalities are welcome. For more information call (703) 494-2445 ext. 8.

Senior Chair Exercise Group

Join us to gently stretch your muscles, improve flexibility and balance. The exercises are done while sitting in or holding onto a chair to help with balance. Come see how this exercise can help you. Our next meeting is Thursday, March 24th in the Brent Room from 10 AM - 11 AM. All are welcome. Any questions contact Sharyn Drollinger (540) 720-1734.

We Joyfully Welcome into the Catholic Faith

Daniela Michelle Nellis, daughter of Max Nellis and Karina Borod,

Kimberly Elizabeth Obenheim, daughter of Everett and Hue Obenheim.

Sebastian Martin Obenheim, son of Everett and Hue Obenheim.

Sponsor of the Week

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"Aquia Car Care Center"

this week for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

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