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Monday - Friday

9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Welcome

Mass Schedule



Sunday Mass

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 12:15 PM (*Spanish*)

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

7:30 AM & 9:00 AM

Wednesday & Friday

9:00 AM & 5:30 PM

Saturday

9:00 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 PM

Holy Days of Obligation

As announced

PENANCE SCHEDULE (Confession)

Wednesday & Friday

9:30 AM

Saturday

9:30 AM & 6:00 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Between morning daily Mass

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

First Friday

9:30 AM - 9:00 PM

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540.720.6652

Tuesdays & Thursdays

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

and first Saturday's

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sunday Readings

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Peter explains to the elders that his healing of a cripple was done in the name of Jesus Christ. He reminds the elders that they crucified Jesus, but God rose him up so that all people could be saved in his name.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

John expresses amazement at the fact that God allowed us to be called his children. Although we are unsure exactly what we will be after this life, we do know that we will see God as he is and be like him.

Gospel: John 10:11-18

Jesus speaks of a shepherd working only for pay, with no real concern for the sheep being well cared for. But Jesus is our shepherd and would lay down his own life for all those in his flock. God loves him for his willingness to sacrifice himself for the sake of all God's children.



PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office.



BULLETIN DEADLINE

Friday, in writing, a full week prior.



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



Fourth Sunday of Easter– April 21, 2024



April 22nd-April 28th

Monday	7:30 AM	Mietek Bienkowski+
	9:00 AM	Mildred Fallon+
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Charles Drerup+
	9:00 AM	George Bengivenga+
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Martin Ezekiel Monge+
	5:30 PM	In Thanksgiving
Thursday	7:30 AM	Mary Bryant+
	9:00 AM	Helen Mencin+
Friday	9:00 AM	Marie Claire Madera
	5:30 PM	Jozep Dobrzanski+
Saturday	9:00 AM	Joe Piccolo
Vigil	5:00 PM	Angela Wood+
Sunday	7:30 AM	Nellie Vizcarrondo+
	9:00 AM	Isabel & Georgio Tekovic+
	10:30 AM	People of St. William of York
<i>(Spanish)</i>	12:15 PM	Mario & Yahaira Echeverria

Confession Schedule

April 22nd-April 28th

Wednesday:	9:30 AM
Friday:	9:30 PM
Saturday:	9:30 AM
Saturday:	6:00 PM

Modified Mass Schedule

We will only have the 9:00 AM Mass on the following days, while one of our priests is away: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, April 30th through May 2nd.

First Communion Masses and Confession Schedule Modifications

This year, we have 3 First Communion Masses scheduled. They will be on the following two days: Friday, May 3rd, and Saturday, May 4th. Therefore, the following changes are necessary:

- There will be no 5:30 PM daily Mass on Friday, May 3rd. Instead, we will have a 7:00 PM First Communion Mass.
- First Friday Adoration will end at 5:00 PM.
- On Saturday, May 4th the 9:00 AM Mass will be a First Communion Mass.
- There will be no 9:30 AM confessions on Saturday, May 4th.
- There will be a 12:00 noon First Communion Mass.

*We Joyfully Welcome
into the
Catholic Faith*



Jack Gregory Sanders,
son Gregory and Megan Sanders.

Michelle Alice Koranteng Essel,
son of William Koranteng Essel and
Wendy Essel.

Sunday Collection for 4/14/2024

Offertory:	\$11,958.00
Other Donations:	\$ 1,103.00
<u>Capital Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 3,771.00</u>
Total:	\$16,832.00

Faith Direct:


Offertory:	\$24,581.00
Other Donations:	\$ 2,829.00
<u>Capital Improvements:</u>	<u>\$ 4,610.00</u>
Total:	\$32,020.00

Thank you and may God bless you for your continued support and generosity.

SACRED STATUE Dedication

PLEASE JOIN US ON
MAY 5TH AT 5 PM

FOR THE DEDICATION OF OUR NEWEST ADDITION TO ST. WILLIAM OF YORK PARISH'S SACRED STATUARY. THE BEAUTIFUL REPRODUCTION OF OUR LADY, QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE IS A GIFT TO THE FATHER WIDMER COUNCIL AND WILL PERMANENTLY ADORN THE FRONT LAWN OF THE KNIGHTS' COUNCIL HOME. THE DEDICATION WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE COUNCIL HOME AND WILL INCLUDE A DELICIOUS GRILL SELECTION AND BEVERAGES. FAMILIES ARE WARMLY INVITED TO COME, BRING A SIDE DISH TO SHARE, AND JOIN IN THE FUN.



Please RSVP at franktruslow@gmail.com by 1 May to let us know how much meat to prepare!!

In Our Parish



Sunday, April 21

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

8:45 AM: RE Classes

10:45 AM: RE Classes

1:15 PM: Spanish Choir Rehearsal (Church)

3:00 PM: YA Casual Book Club (Brent Room)

6:00 PM: RE Classes

Monday, April 22

Tuesday, April 23

10:15 AM: Rosary Makers (Conference Room)

Wednesday, April 24

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

6:00 PM: RE Classes

6:15 PM: Weekly Rosary (Church)

6:30 PM: Marriage Prep #1 in Spanish (Brent Room)

Thursday, April 25

4:00 PM: Children's Choir Rehearsal (Church)

6:30 PM: Choir Rehearsal (Church)

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

Friday, April 26

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

3:30 PM: School Family Kickball Game

Saturday, April 27

9:00 AM: SPRED (Brent/Conference Rooms)

9:30 AM: Confessions (Church)

3:30 PM: Baptism in Spanish (Church)

6:00 PM: Confessions (Church)

Sunday, April 28

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM: Donuts (Center)

8:45 AM: RE Classes

10:45 AM: RE Classes

1:15 PM: Spanish Choir Rehearsal (Church)

2:30 PM: YM Triple D (Gym/PC)

6:00 PM: RE Classes

Second Collection

Catholic Home Missions

Next weekend, April 27/28 we will accept donations in the boxes at all exits for The Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40 % of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Young Adults

(or Young at Heart)

Coordinator: Erica Abagnale 918.605.6798

Casual Catholic Book Club

Our next meeting is **today, April 21st, at 3:00 PM** in the Brent Room. We will be discussing *The Rosary* by Garry Wills. Our next book will be *The Mystery of Suffering* by Dom Hubert Van Zeller.

Second Saturday:

Every second Saturday of the month, we will be going to the 5PM Mass and then meeting for dinner afterwards at a local restaurant. Join us:

May 11: El Viejon (1243 Richmond Hwy, Fredericksburg, VA 22405)



Car Raffle

Last Call

Want a new car in your driveway? Have you returned your car raffle tickets, yet? If you have, thank you. Selling All Saints tickets is a vital and very profitable fundraiser for St. William of York. Help us support this effort by buying or selling your tickets. This multi-car raffle includes prizes of four 2024 vehicles from Ourisman Ford of Manassas (Ford Escape, Mustang, Ranger Truck, and Bronco Sport). One \$5.00 ticket offers the purchaser a chance to win all four vehicles plus \$40,000 (including one for \$20,000) in cash prizes. All Raffle tickets **must be returned to All Saints**, using the envelope provided. Please do not return to the parish office.

The deadline for ticket returns to All Saints is

Thursday, April 25th.

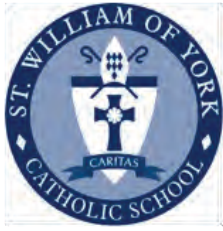
Knights of Columbus

Feast Day Prize Calendar Contest

The Knights of Columbus Fr. Widmer Council #7877 thanks all parishioners participating in this year's Feast Day Prize Calendar. There were 99 days in the contest this year, from Christmas through Easter Monday. We sold a record 425 calendars and had 43 winning numbers during the contest. We had our second \$500 winner on Christmas Day, and our first \$200 winner on Palm Sunday! We thank our parishioners and benefactors for your kindness and generosity! Thanks to you we are able to provide almost \$6,600 to Saint William of York Church!

We look forward to the 2024-2025 Feast Day Prize Calendar. Calendars will go on sale in November 2024. It could be your lucky year!

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"If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire."—St. Vincent Ferrer



While millions across the country waited in anticipation to watch the solar eclipse, our students were no exception. Our eighth grade class enjoyed the beautiful warm weather while viewing the event unfold wearing protective glasses. The last total solar eclipse was in 2017. The next one is not expected until at least 2044. This was certainly one for the memory books.

Applications are being accepted for the 2024-2025 school year!

To learn more about the school, visit our website for details.

To schedule a tour, have any questions or need more information, please contact Mrs. Thompson at 540-659-5207 or (Mthompson@stwillschool.org).

We will be happy to help you!

St. William of York Youth

Religious Education

Kristy Lumley, Coordinator of Religious Education:
540.659.5705 | reoffice@swoycc.org

First Communion is May 3rd and 4th.

April & May Class Schedule

Sunday Classes

April 21 –Class in Session
April 28 –Class in Session
May 5 –Class in Session

Wednesday Classes

April 24 –Class in Session
May 1 –Class in Session
May 8 –Class in Session

Vacation Bible
School



JUNE 24-28, 2024
8:45 AM-12:30 PM



Registration is open through May 20th. Registration forms can be found online at swoycc.org or in the RE Office.

< KID'S KORNER >

Gospel Today

Fourth Sunday of Easter | John 10: 11-18

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who will give up His life for us, His flock.

Year B

The Lost Sheep

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SHEEP
FATHER
GOSPEL
I BELIEVE
GOOD NEWS
SACRIFICE
SHEPHERD
WORD OF GOD
LOVE
FLOCK



Baptism

Baptism classes are required. Please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Parents are encouraged to attend before the birth of their child.

Marriage Preparation

Couples are required to make arrangements at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date.

Sponsor Letters

To qualify, one must be registered with the church for at least 3 months, have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, be at least 16 years of age and attend weekly Sunday Mass. Married sponsors must be in a valid Catholic marriage.



What the Holy Ones Say About Receiving Communion in the Hand...

“Wherever I go in the whole world, the thing that makes me the saddest is watching people receive Communion in the hand.”

- Mother Teresa (now St. Teresa of Calcutta)
As reported by Fr. George Rutler in his
1989 Good Friday sermon at
St. Agnes Church, New York

“The Eucharistic presence of Christ begins at the moment of the consecration and endures as long as the Eucharistic species subsist. Christ is present whole and entire in each of the species and whole and entire in each of their parts, in such a way that the breaking of the bread does not divide Christ”¹ Every particle of the host and every drop of the Precious Blood, no matter how small, is equally Jesus Christ.

A scientific study was performed in which an unconsecrated host was placed into a hand wearing a black glove. When examined under a bright light, particles were observed on the glove in 70% of the observations. Given the findings of this study it can therefore be assumed that a substantial number of particles fall to the floor and are lost as a direct result of the practice of receiving Communion in the hand. Communion received on the tongue does not endanger particles of the host.²

1. Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1377

2. Father X, “Losing Fragments with Communion in the hand,” LATIN MASS, 2009

“There can be no doubt that Communion in the hand is an expression of the trend towards desacralization in the Church in general and irreverence in approaching the Eucharist in particular... Why—for God’s sake—should Communion in the hand be introduced into our churches when it is evidently detrimental from a pastoral viewpoint, when it certainly does not increase our reverence, and when it exposes the Eucharist to the most terrible diabolical abuses? There are really no serious arguments for Communion in the hand. But there are the most gravely serious kinds of arguments against it.”

- Dietrich von Hildebrand
(called a “20th century doctor of the Church” by Pope Pius XII), in an article entitled
“Communion in the Hand should be Rejected,”
November 8, 1973.

“There is an apostolic letter on the existence of a special valid permission for this [Communion in the hand]. But I tell you that I am not in favor of this practice, nor do I recommend it.”

- His Holiness Pope John Paul II,
(now Pope Saint John Paul II)
responding to a reporter from *Stimme des Glaubens* magazine, during his visit to Fulda
(Germany) in November 1980.

Holy Communion received on the tongue “signifies the reverence of the faithful for the Eucharist ... provides that Holy Communion will be distributed with due reverence ... is more conducive to faith, reverence and humility... It [Communion in the hand] carries certain dangers with it which may arise from the new manner of administering holy Communion: the danger of a loss of reverence for the august Sacrament of the Altar, of profanation, of adulterating the true doctrine.”

- Pope Paul VI
(now Pope Saint Paul VI)
in his instruction
Memoriale Domini
(May 29, 1969)

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Frank Truslow, gk7877@vakofc.org



Father Widmer Council 7877



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Men's Prayer Group

Come and join your fellow men for an hour of prayer and fraternity centered around the prayer of the Church:

Liturgy of the Hours.

We will start by praying Vespers together followed by a time of fellowship and discussion.

All men are invited!

If you have a breviary (Shorter Christian Prayer, Christian Prayer, Liturgy of the Hours), please bring it. Coffee will be provided!

Join us virtually at:

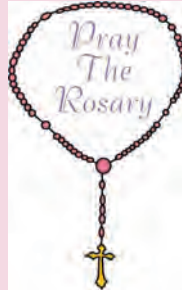
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Questions? Contact Jon Lochridge at JALochridge826@gmail.com

WHEN: Thursdays from 7:00-8:00 pm

WHERE: KoC Council Home
(Behind the Baseball Field)

Weekly Rosary is Back!



The Knights of Columbus Weekly Rosary is back! Join the Knights in the church on Wednesdays after the 5:30 PM Mass.

The next Rosary will be on
April 24th at 6:15 PM.

In the event that we are on a modified Mass schedule and there is no evening Mass there will be no Rosary said.

This time of devotion to the Blessed Mother is open to everyone so please join us. We would love to have you there.



How is your relationship with God going?

The Knights' started the New Year challenging you to attend one weekday Mass and now we dare you to take it to the next level--bring your children with you! Be the example they need to develop their own relationship with God. Our children are the future of the Church. The source and summit of our faith, the Eucharist, is waiting to give you and your children more graces.

Strengthen Your Families Relationship with God



Sundays with the Knights

April 21– Breakfast with the Knights benefiting the Outreach

April 28– Donut Sunday benefiting the New Mary Statue at the Council Home

May 5– Donut Sunday benefiting the New Mary Statue at the Council Home
(May 5th is the Dedication Day)

May 12 –No Donuts or Breakfast (Mother's Day)

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