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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms may be arranged for most Sundays of the year at 1:00PM. Please call the parish office to schedule a Baptism.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard every Saturday after the 9:00AM Mass, 1/2 hour before each weekend Mass and Wednesday evenings at 6:00PM.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Those who wish to enter the Catholic faith and Catholics who wish to complete the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation are most welcome to begin the journey at any time. Please call the parish office if interested.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should call the parish office for an interview appointment one year before the wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be administered at anytime. Please call the parish office.

OBTAIN A MASS CARD

During office hours we welcome those who would like to request that their special intentions or deceased loved ones be prayed for particularly at a weekday or weekend Mass. We ask for a donation of \$10 per Mass.

OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY:

Registered parishioners who have been asked to be a Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor, should call the parish office to request a certificate of eligibility.

REGISTER FOR THE PARISH

We are so happy to welcome new members of our Parish Family! Please come to the parish office so that we can get your information and meet you.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday thru Friday
 9:30AM to 3:00PM



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Our Mission

We, the parish family of St. William the Abbot, a welcoming Catholic community, led by the Holy Spirit, are called to proclaim, and to witness to, the Good News of Salvation, so that we may grow together, among all generations, and advance the Kingdom of God, in our love and service of God and neighbor.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Weekends

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:15AM, 11:45AM

Weekdays

Monday & Tuesday: 9:00AM

Wednesday: 9:00AM & 7:00PM

Thursday, Friday & Saturday: 9:00AM

April 10, 2022

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Why is it so important to register with a parish?

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Some people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. Registering as parishioners requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social and ministerial activities of your parish. Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining a sponsor certificate, and getting donation statements for your taxes. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.



Weekly Collection for 4-3	\$5,586
Easter Flowers	300
Total	\$5,886
141 Envelopes	

Thank You! We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each week to support our parish and its ministries! We would especially like to thank all of those who faithfully use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through We Share.



Rosary

Thank you to everyone who handed in their tally sheets for praying the rosary. So far we have prayed the rosary 3,080 times. Congratulations! Keep up the good work! Remember to pray one decade for St. William the Abbot Parish. The Rosary is also prayed here in the church after the 9AM Mass everyday. All are welcome.

"Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use violence to get what they want. That is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion."

St. Mother Teresa

Here is the link to our Facebook page:

<https://m.facebook.com/Saint-William-the-Abbot-Catholic-Church-174135519840986/?tsid=0.37482415393666724&source=result>



STATIONS of the CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 7PM.



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 4

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00PM
No altar of repose

Good Friday, April 15

Passion of our Lord, 3:00PM
Stations of the Cross, 7PM

Holy Saturday, April 16

Easter Vigil Mass, 7:30PM

Easter Sunday, April 17

Masses at 8:00, 10:15, and 11:45



Palm Sunday: Jesus' Triumphal Entry to Jerusalem

Palm Sunday occurs on the Sunday before Easter. This celebration commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, mentioned in each of the four Gospels. Jesus entered the city knowing He would be tried and crucified and welcomed His fate to rise from the grave and save us from sin! Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, the remembrance of Jesus' last days to the cross.

MASS Intentions

"It is a holy and wholesome thing to pray for the living and the dead." II Mac. 12:46

Saturday, April 9

+ 5:00 **Maureen McDonagh**
req The Cisek Family

Sunday, April 10

+ 8:00 **Connie Duffy**
req Jackie VanGlahn

+10:15 **Robert LoGrip**
req M/M Dennis Heffernan

+11:45 **Joseph Aranzullo**
req The Cartiglia Family

Monday, April 11

9:00 **Special Intention for John Franke**
req Bill Raiser

Tuesday, April 12

9:00 **Special Intention for Jeffrey McGurk**
req The Beyer Family

Wednesday, April 13

+ 9:00 **Santa Lucifora**
req Angela Lucifora

7:00 **Special Intention for James Haines**
req Loving Family

Thursday, April 14—Holy Thursday

7:00 **People of the parish**

Friday, April 15—Good Friday

3:00 **The Passion of the Lord**

Saturday, April 16—Holy Saturday

7:30 **People of the parish**

Sunday, April 17—Easter Sunday

+ 8:00 **Barbara Mannion**
req Cathy Ferraro

10:15 **Special Intention for the Pangaro Family**

+11:45 **Maria Camporeale**
req Ellen Cerreta



The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in memory of Robert Camp, requested by the Gilbert Family.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for those who have recently died, may they rest in peace. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let thy perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



Please bring health, healing and hope to those in our community who are sick especially Ana Guillermo, Jonathon Capriotti, Emily Capriotti, Dakota Schick, Judy O'Connor, Anna O'Connor, Evelyn Zelif, Robby Isabella, Deacon Frank Jackson, Maria Wood, we also ask you Lord, to watch over all those with incurable autoimmune diseases and for all those who are afflicted with MS, CF, Lou Gehrig's disease, for those who suffer from Alzheimer disease, dementia, addictions, and their families.

God of all consolation, give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.




Palm Sunday

From ancient times the palm tree, because of its graceful trunk, was considered a princely tree and its branches became a symbol of victory and were also used for decoration. Victorious Roman soldiers carried palm branches when parading in Rome. As far back as the fourth century, Christians in Jerusalem reenacted this event in the place where it actually happened. They gathered on the Mount of Olives in the late afternoon carrying palm branches and went through the gates of the city to the Church of the Resurrection. The reenacting of Christ's entry into Jerusalem spread to Churches around the world.



Marking the days of Lent

<p>Sunday, April 10 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</p>	<p>First Reading: <i>Isaiah 50:4-7</i> The Lord's Servant will stand firm, even when persecuted.</p> <p>Second Reading: <i>Philippians 2:6-11</i> Christ was obedient even to death, but God has exalted him.</p> <p>Gospel: <i>Luke 22:14-23:56</i> From the cross, Jesus speaks words of forgiveness and promises that the good thief will be with him in paradise.</p>
<p>Monday, April 11 St. Stanislaus</p>	<p>Saint Stanislaus was born in the town of Szczepanow in Poland around the year 1030. He studied in Paris and was ordained to the priesthood. In 1071 he succeeded Bishop Lambert at Cracow. In this post he ruled as a good shepherd by helping the poor and visiting his clerics every year. He courageously rebuked King Boleslaus who put him to death in 1097.</p>
<p>Tuesday, April 12</p>	<p>Pray an extra Rosary today and every day this week.</p>
<p>Wednesday, April 13 St. Martin I</p>	<p>Saint Martin was born at Todi in Umbria, Italy. He became a member of the clergy of Rome and was elected pope in 649. He convened the council which condemned the heresy of the Monothelites. In 653 he was taken prisoner by the Emperor Constans and detained in Constantinople where he was forced to suffer many indignities. Finally, having been exiled to Kherson, he died in 656.</p>
<p>Thursday, April 14 Holy Thursday</p>	<p>Try to find the time to read an entire Gospel at one sitting.</p> <p>Come to Holy Thursday Mass at 7:00PM and stay to pray at the Altar of Repose.</p>
<p>Friday, April 15 Good Friday</p>	<p>Passion of the Lord, 3:00PM</p> <p>Come to stations of the cross tonight at 7PM. If you cannot come, then meditate on the Stations of the Cross at home. Try to imagine yourself at the scene of each one.</p>
<p>Saturday, April 16 Holy Saturday</p>	<p>The Easter Vigil begins at sundown. Approx. 7:30PM</p>
	<p>Please prayerfully consider a donation to our Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. Your support of the ACA makes possible a variety of ministries, services and programs throughout our Diocese, as well as the needs of our parishes. Pledge cards are available in the parish office.</p>





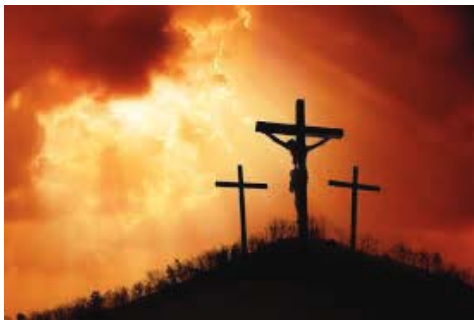
What is the Easter Triduum?

The Easter Triduum begins with evening Mass on Holy Thursday. It is referred to as *The Mass of the Lord's Supper*. This is where the Church remembers the institution of the Eucharist and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Last Supper, as well as the institution of the priesthood, which took place the evening before Jesus was crucified.

After the homily there is an optional washing of the feet ceremony, where the priest washes the feet of others to signify his role as servant, just as Jesus did with his disciples. Extra hosts are conse-

crated at this Mass to be used on Good Friday when no Mass will be celebrated.

The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday concludes with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the "altar of repose," a place where the consecrated host is kept other than the main altar where Mass is normally celebrated. Because of the Last Supper, Holy Thursday is a day especially given to adoration of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist; many parishes will have Eucharistic Adoration at this altar of repose late into the night.



Good Friday

Good Friday is a mandatory day of fasting and abstinence. This is the day of the crucifixion, the day Jesus died for the sins of the world. The parish altar looks very different on Good Friday, it is plain and bare. There is no consecrated Host in the Tabernacle at the main altar of the church; it was carried away on Holy Thursday night to the "altar of repose" to signify Jesus' death. The candle by the Tabernacle is blown out, and the Tabernacle doors are left open to show that it is empty. Jesus is gone. This is quite dramatic, highlighting that Good Friday is a solemn day of prayer and mourning.

The ceremony on Good Friday is not a Mass, but rather a communion service using the consecrated hosts from Holy Thursday. It often takes place at 3PM, the hour that Jesus breathed his last on the cross. Veneration of the Cross also takes place at this service, processing to kneel before a cross and either touching it or kissing it. Often the priest will begin the service prostrate in front of the altar.



Holy Saturday

On this day Christ is in the tomb. There is no daytime Mass on Holy Saturday. It is still a day of fasting and sorrow, the final one before the Easter Vigil begins that evening. We remember, with Mary and the disciples, that Jesus died and was separated from them for the first time as he lay in the tomb. The faithful often continue their Good Friday fast through Holy Saturday.

In the Apostles Creed we pray "He descended into hell" (Hades, the abode of the dead) which describes what Jesus did in the time between his burial and Resurrection. Jesus descended to the realm of the dead on Holy Saturday to save the righteous souls, such as the Old Testament patriarchs, who died before his crucifixion. The Catechism of the Catholic Church calls Jesus' descent into the realm of the dead "the last phase of Jesus' messianic mission," during which he "opened heaven's gates for the just who had gone before him." Before

Holy Saturday, there were no souls enjoying the beatific vision of God in heaven!



Easter Vigil/Easter Sunday

A vigil service is held after nightfall on Holy Saturday, or before dawn on Easter Sunday, in celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. This is called the Easter Vigil, the most glorious, beautiful, and dramatic liturgy in the Catholic Church.

The vigil is divided into four parts and can last up to three hours: 1) the service of light, 2) the liturgy of the Word, 3) the liturgy of Baptism, and 4) the liturgy of the Eucharist. This is also the Mass where many in RCIA are brought into full communion with the Catholic Church.

Easter Sunday is what we've all been waiting for! The 40 days of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during Lent was in preparation for this day, when our hearts and souls can drink in deeply the culmination of the Pascal mystery: the Resurrection.

"Therefore Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the 'Feast of feasts', the 'Solemnity of solemnities,' just as the Eucharist is the 'Sacrament of sacrament.' St. Athanasius calls Easter 'the Great Sunday' and the Eastern Churches call Holy Week 'the Great Week.' The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ crushed death, permeates with its powerful energy our old time, until all is subjected to him."

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2022

Thank you to everyone who already made a donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal. We so far have 75 donors and they pledged \$17,240. That is 62% of our goal. Our goal is \$28,000

If you haven't made a donation yet, please do so. Some of the money comes back to us after we reach our goal. For the 2021 appeal, we received \$5,700 back!

"Please prayerfully consider giving to our parish community online as it does benefit our parish in many important ways."

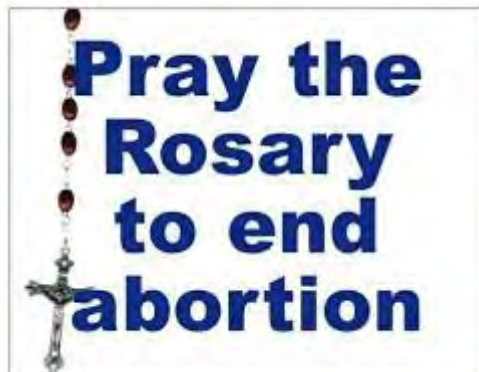
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