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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.

MASS SCHEDULE
WEEKENDS

Saturday: 4:00PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 8:00, 10:15 & 11:45AM

WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday: 9:00AM
Wednesday: 9:00AM & 7:00PM
Thursday, Friday & Saturday: 9:00AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

As announced in the bulletin.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday after the 9:00AM Mass, and 3:00 to 4:00PM. Half hour before each weekend Mass, and Wednesday at 6:00PM.

ROSARY

The Rosary is recited weekdays and Saturdays after the 9:00AM Mass with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

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Rev. Thomas Maher, Pastor
Rev. James Redstone, In Memoriam
Rev. Lewis Papera, Weekend Assistant
Rev. Michael Vona, Weekend Assistant
Deacon Michael Abatemarco, Pastoral Associate
Deacon George A. Prevosti
Deacon Kevin Smith

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday, 9:30AM—1:30PM
(Closed on Holy Days & Legal Holidays)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This sacrament is given for those facing serious illness or surgery, and for those of advanced years. If you or a family member plan to enter the hospital, please see Fr. Tom following Mass if you would like to receive this sacrament. In case of emergency, please call the parish office.



September 21, 2025 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

What is an active parishioner?

An active parishioner is a person who participates in the life of the Church. This means to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ and share in Christ's role as priest, prophet and King. We are called to lead others to faith by our good example, through loving service to others, and offering our prayers, works and activities to God.

- An active parishioner is a person who has received or is preparing to receive the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation.
- An active parishioner is a person who attends Mass regularly at St. William the Abbot and actively supports the sacramental programs for Penance, Eucharist and Confirmation. Parents who want a Catholic Faith Formation & Education for their children will see to it that their family attends Mass faithfully EVERY Sunday.
- An active parishioner gives of themselves by donating TIME, TALENT and TREASURE to the ministries of the parish and or to the volunteer organizations that support the parish. We are to share in the responsibilities that keep our Parish alive in a vibrant way.
- An active parishioner is a good financial steward of the church. As a parishioner, it is important to understand that giving financially to support the parish is a vital and key component to active parishioner status.

Why you need to be an active parishioner?

Parishioners seeking to be godparents or sponsors for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, or those wishing to be joined in Holy Matrimony must first be verified as "active members" of the parish.

An active member:

- 1) Is properly registered with the parish
- 2) Faithfully attends Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation
- 3) Participates in parish activities/ministries whenever possible.
- 4) Consistently uses the parish envelope system or the electronic giving program to support the parish.



On September 14th, the Flowers For Jesus was listed incorrectly and we greatly apologize for this error. It should have read: The Flowers For Jesus are for the special intention of Stephanie Tapnio r/b by The Tapnio Family.



Weekly Collection for September 7, 2025

Number of registered families. . .1209
 Number of weekly envelopes returned. . .124
 Envelope contributions. . .\$8,805.00
 Loose contributions. . .\$494.00
 WeShare. . .\$2,299.00
Total. . .\$11,598.00

Weekly Collection for September 14, 2025


Number of registered families. . .1209
 Number of weekly envelopes returned. . .145
 Envelope contributions. . .\$6,229.00
 Loose contributions. . .\$383.00
 WeShare. . .\$1,686.00
Total. . .\$8,298.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!


NJ BISHOPS'
Mass for Life

Thursday, September 25, 2025 • 9:30 a.m.


Cathedral of St. Mary
 of the Assumption
 151 N. Warren Street, Trenton




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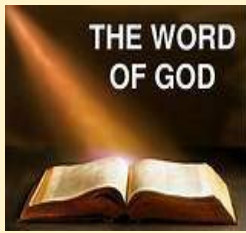


**NEW JERSEY
 MARCH FOR LIFE**

*The NJ Rally & March for Life will begin at 11 am at the Statehouse Annex, a short walk from the Cathedral

For full information, visit: dioceseoftrenton.org/nj-march-for-life



Reading I: Amos 8: 4-7 Amos condemns the greed, dishonesty, and hypocrisy of the wealthy merchants he knows. They defraud buyers and take advantage of the poor, while outwardly seeming to follow the Mosaic Law.

Reading II: 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Acting as Timothy's spiritual father, Paul tells him that he has become the second link in a chain that stretches from the Apostles. He is to pass on the priestly ministry and the apostolic faith as well.

The Gospel: Luke 16:1-13, or 10-13 The Lord's parable is all about both the urgency and the preparedness Christians need to prepare for the next world. Note that the master in the story commends his steward for his shrewdness, not his goodness. Jesus points out the folly of the Pharisees who only seek the comforts of this world.

IMPORTANT, IMPORTANT!!!



Our annual Knights of Columbus Blood Drive is scheduled for September 21st, Sunday, 8:30am-1:30pm. Your donations last year helped so many, especially children. Please sign up in the Narthex or main office. You can also sign up on the NJ Blood Services site at: www.nybc.org/drive. Use sponsor code: 67211. Thank you for your kindness in this effort.

Ways to remember or commemorate an event at St. William the Abbot

Commemorative Bricks: This is an ideal way to commemorate a graduation, wedding, special family celebration, or to acknowledge a loved one. To order a brick, which will be placed in the garden near Mary, contact the parish office. The cost is \$100 for 8x8 brick and \$75 for a 4x8 brick.

Bequests

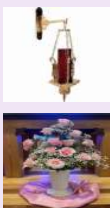
St. William is a tax-exempt non-profit Organization and gratefully accepts donations from last will and testament and/or stock to assist our parish. For more information on how to have your wishes known, please talk to your personal banking representative. May God Bless you for your generosity!

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp can be lit in honor of or in memory of a loved one for one week. It is announced in the bulletin and before all the Saturday/Sunday Masses. The donation is \$25.

Flowers for Jesus

Flowers for Jesus is a bouquet of flowers that will be bought in honor or memory of a loved one. They will be placed at the Altar for the weekend Masses. It will be announced in the bulletin and at each Mass. The donation is \$50.



The Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of Joan Deputato r/b Peter Gilbert Family.



The Flowers For Jesus are in memory of Cesar & Mariet Tapnio r/b Tapnio Family.

Celebrating 40 Years of the St. William the Abbot Parish

Our Anniversary Committee is now diligently planning special events to celebrate our 40th Anniversary throughout the year. ALL are welcome to join the committee and help with the planning. Below is a list of members of the committee so far; if you would like to join it or get involved, please email one of the members below and they will reach out to you.

- Tricia Berwick: tberwick@live.com
- Diane Smith: foodiedcs@aol.com
- Pete Gilbert: pete2516@optimum.net
- Deacon Kevin: kmsmith9@aol.com
- Sal Ciardiello: salmaypink@hotmail.com
- Mike Eadicicco: 195mead2@aol.com
- Lorrie Gratton: lorrie915@aol.com



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Weekly MASS Intentions

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

Saturday, September 20 **Sts. Andrew Kim, Paul Chong & Companions**

9:00—Eleanor Sammond
r/b Debbie Miller
4:00—People of the Parish

Sunday, September 21

8:00—Richard John Lanza
r/b HSLI Board
10:15—Eleanor Sammond
r/b The Music Ministry
11:45—Alice Cisek
r/b Cisek Family

Monday, September 22

9:00—Janice Ciardiello
r/b Sal Ciardiello

Tuesday, September 23 **St. Padre Pio, Priest**

9:00—Eileen Maloy
r/b Roberta Naimark

Wednesday, September 24

9:00—Margaret & Vincent Cerreta
r/b Ellen Cerreta
7:00—Steven Archer
r/b Dina & Michael Galeotafiore

Thursday, September 25

9:00—Bryan Lee McCarthy
r/b O'Sullivan Family

Friday, September 26 **Sts. Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs**

9:00—Hailey Raiser special intention
r/b Grandpa

Saturday, September 27 **St. Vincent de Paul, Priest**

9:00—Ann Nucciarone
r/b Mike Nucciarone
4:00—Belinda Jackson
r/b Sharon & Joe Acconzo

Sunday, September 28

8:00—People of the Parish
10:15—Consolation Bool
r/b Mata Family
11:45—Deacon George Prevosti special intention
r/b Beyer Family

The power of prayer!

PRAY FOR HEALING

Please bring health, healing, and hope to those who are sick in our community, especially: Jonathon Capriotti, Emily Capriotti, Matthew Cerritelli, John Sproat, Jr., June Daquaiust, Eileen Bertola, Michael Untisz, Joseph Untisz, Wayne Farmer, Barbara Maloney, Natasha Sanchez, Richard Policastro, Erin Mackintosh, Gene Sacco, Johnny Daley, Richard Romano, Kerry O'Connor, Ethel Lowe, Nicola Schirripa, Mary Ann Carissimo, Debbie Palmer, Gina Furci, Dr. Fiore, Lisa Brooks, Daniel Bivona, Alana Parisi, Nicholas Asterino, Nicholas Serzan, Michael Thompson, Anthony, Randy Zawacki & Grace Santisi. We also ask you Lord, to watch over all those with incurable autoimmune diseases and for all those who are afflicted with cancer, 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.



Please keep in your prayers those serving in our military. Send in names of friends or family members you would like us to pray for:

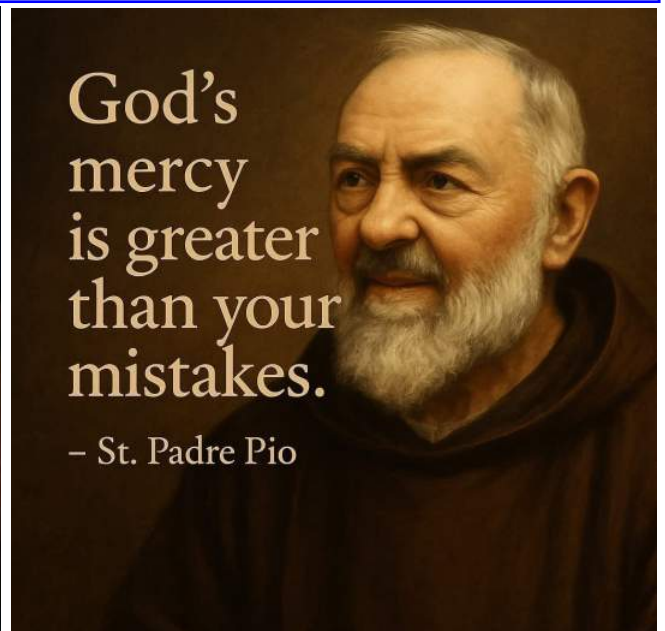
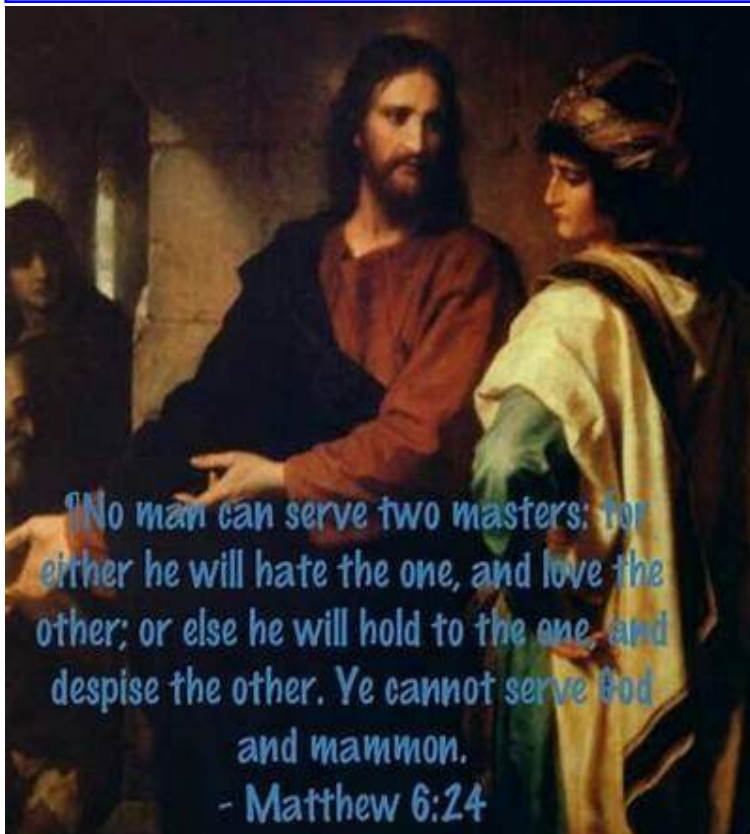
Oryah Hametz Hokzler—Army
Vincent Moran—Marines
Hunter Freedline—Army
John & Emma Carlucci—Air Force
Anthony Morsillo—Marines
Kathryn McEnaney—Coast Guard
Mitchell McEnaney—Coast Guard
Katie Austin Underhill—Army
Jeremy Ramos—Air Force
Eddie Roszkowski—Navy
Aaron MacDonald—Marine
Max Culbertson—Navy
Eric Hertel—Navy
Lauren Millerbernd—Marines



Pray to your Guardian Angel everyday:
Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide.

**ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS!
ANNIVERSARY KICKOFF EVENT #3 COMING UP ON
OCTOBER 11TH AT ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT
“WILLKOMMEN ZUM”**

Mark your calendars on Saturday, **October 11th at 5pm**, for our **OKTOBERFEST CELEBRATION!** Featured foods will include: Bratwurst, Sauerbraten, Red cabbage, Seasoned potatoes, and more...**PLEASE SIGN UP NOW IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND AS WE NEED A HEAD COUNT FOR CATERING PURPOSES. THERE WILL BE A \$10.00 CHARGE PER PERSON. DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR SWA 40TH ANNIVERSARY MUG FOR FREE BEER AND ROOTBEER ALL NIGHT.**



St. Pius of Pietrelcina, 1887-1968, Italian Capuchin friar; priest, stigmatist; and mystic. Known for the saying, "pray, hope, and don't worry".
Feast Day: September 23rd

**Requirements to Obtain a Sponsor Certificate/
Letter of Eligibility**

The godparents, together with the parents, must be willing to help the baptized grow in love for Christ and neighbor. By word and example, the godparents will encourage the candidate to live the Christian life and fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it. (cf. Code of Canon Law, c. 872-874)

- A sponsor must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation, and if married, married in the Catholic Church.
- A sponsor must be at least 16 years old.
- A sponsor attends Mass faithfully participating in the life and support of the Church, receiving the Eucharist, and leading a life according to the teachings of the Church.
- A sponsor must be registered here at St. William. If he/she received all his/her sacraments here at St. William, but does not live here, they are not a member of this parish but a member of the parish whose territory he/she now resides in. That parish is the one to go to, to receive a sponsor certificate.



Join us at 1:00pm on Wednesdays to play Mah Jongg. If you don't know how to play and would like to learn, we do have experienced players to help you. Please call the parish office.


WHEN: Thursday, October 9th at 12:00 pm (noon) Healing Mass

**WHERE: St. Pio of Pietrelcina Church
1100 Grand Central Ave (Rt 35N) Lavallette**
The celebrant is Pastor, Fr. Joe Hlubik.

Prayer teams and music (Mark J.L. Mattheiss) from NJ Campus Graduates/
Students of Encounter School of Ministry.
Come join us for a Mass with healing prayers. All are welcome!

**CONTACT: DawnRusinko@Gmail.com
for more information**

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REHEARSALS BEGIN:
Choose your rehearsal night:

- **TUESDAY** rehearsals: 5:30-6:30 PM (Starting Sept 30)
 - Performance Date: Saturday, December 13
- **WEDNESDAY** rehearsals: 5:30-6:30 PM (Starting Oct 1)
 - Performance Date: Sunday, December 14

Students must not miss the School of Religion to attend rehearsals.

- If you have class on Tuesday, 5:30-6:30, sign up for Wednesday rehearsals.
- If you have class on Wednesday, 5:30-6:30, sign up for Tuesday rehearsals.
- If your class is at 4:30, you may stay and attend rehearsals at 5:30.

Dress Rehearsal Week:
December 7-11 (specific schedule to follow)

👼 Angels, Shepherds, Wisemen, Narrators, Singers, Dancers & More!
🎉 No experience necessary—just bring your Christmas spirit and joy!

📍 Location: Saint William the Abbot School of Religion
❓ Questions? Contact Mrs. Dawn Cappetto at dawn.stwilliam@gmail.com



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

To commemorate the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, St. William's Annual Blessing of the Animals will be held on **Saturday, October 4th at 10AM**, on the parish lawn, by the Blessed Mother's Statue. (If raining we will move inside).

All are invited to bring your beloved pets and animals for a blessing. Please invite your friends and neighbors, even if they are not members of our parish. Join us as we thank God for His gift of the beautiful creatures that share our lives and bring joy and delight to our hearts.

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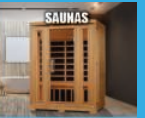
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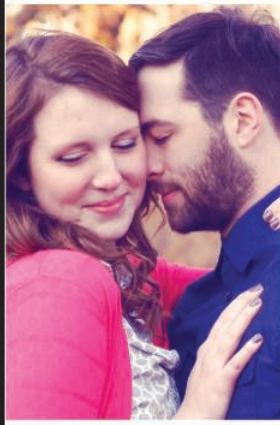
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