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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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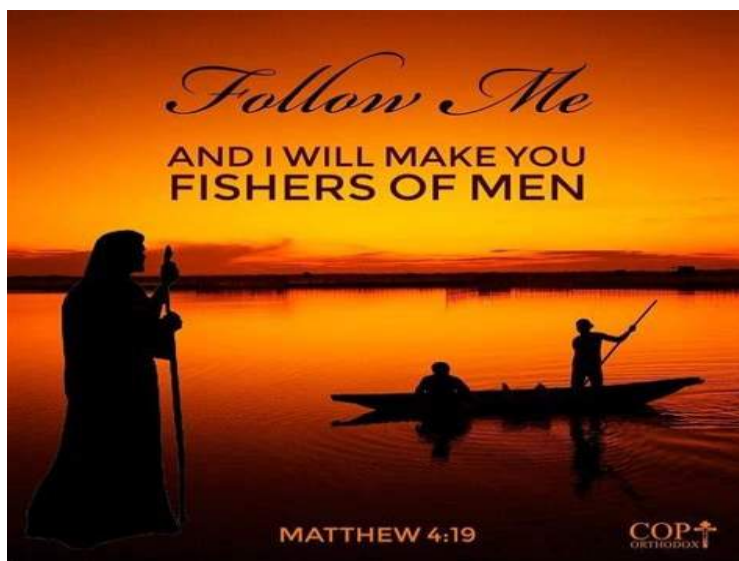
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Rev. Lewis Papera, Weekend Assistant
Rev. Michael Vona, Weekend Assistant
Deacon Michael Abatemarco, Pastoral Associate
Deacon George A. Prevosti
Deacon Kevin Smith

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.



January 25, 2026

Third 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.



Please remember in your prayers the following people who have recently passed: Kelly Ann Palmieri (Morano); Jason Desiderio; Rose Boyer and their families. “Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon them.” Amen



Weekly for January 11, 2026*

Number of registered families. . .1209
 Number of envelopes. . .124
 Envelope contributions. . .\$6,492.00
 Loose contributions. . .\$538.00
 Christmas contributions. . .\$230.00

Total. . .\$7,260.00

*WeShare figure not available this week.

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 those who faithfully use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through WeShare.



- ~ Choose weekly or monthly donation
- ~ Update desired offering any time
- ~ And, print your year-end statement in seconds—at any time!
- ~ Online giving is the best way to support St. William the Abbot—now more than ever! It provides steady support, it’s environmentally friendly, and less

costly than using envelopes. Look for the WeShare link on the parish website.

We need your cooperation!

In an effort to keep our files current, please notify us if:

- You have a new phone number or address
- You no longer have a land line that we may have on file
- Your children are out of school and need to register on their own
- You have an email address you would like on file or if you have a new email address
- You no longer want to be registered
- You donate electronically and no longer need envelopes

Please email the parish office your updates. Thank you!

Weekly **MASS** Intentions ©PPCC

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

Saturday, January 24 St. Frances de Sales, Bishop

9:00—Rolf Beyer
r/b Beyer Family
4:00—Margaret Sacco
r/b Perrapato Family

Sunday, January 25

8:00—People of the Parish
10:15—Marie DeSantis
r/b Mary Lou Beyer
11:45—George Herbert
r/b Donna Angelucci

Monday, January 26 Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops

9:00—Kathrine Collins
r/b Barrone Family

Tuesday, January 27 St. Angela Merici

9:00—Alexis Vitelle, Liberty & Justice
r/b Barrone Family

Wednesday, January 28 St. Thomas Aquinas

9:00—Ernest Acosta
r/b Maureen Bakke
7:00—Mary Puglisi
r/b Mike & Jessica Eadicicco

Thursday, January 29

9:00—Sienna Miller, special intention
r/b Mom

Friday, January 30

9:00—Jose Diaz
r/b M/M Steve Ferraro

Saturday, January 31 St. John Bosco

9:00—Elizabeth Duffy
r/b Cisek Family
4:00—Albert Abatemarco
r/b Deacon Mike & Pat

Sunday, February 1

8:00—Christopher Conway
r/b Maureen & Matt Bakke
10:15—People of the Parish
11:45—Cornelius O'Donnell
r/b Pamela, Elia, (and Tara)

The power of prayer!
PRAY FOR HEALING ©PPCC

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, Donna Calamia & 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
- Darlene Pabon—Army



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.



Reading I: Isaiah 8:23-9:3 The prophet proclaims a new day is coming that will heal Israel of the painful judgments of its past. St. Matthews sees this fulfilled in the Galilean ministry of Jesus.

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17 Paul confronts some immature believers whose allegiance to various missionaries was dividing the local Church. Unity in Christ is essential and necessary.

The Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23, or 4:12-17 Jesus chooses Galilee as the place to begin to restore “the lost sheep of the house of Israel,” and to send His disciples on a worldwide mission. Two sets of brothers promptly respond.



Are you a Catholic who was married by a justice of the peace or a minister of another denomination? As a married couple, you have already made a commitment to one another. Perhaps you'd like to consider taking your marriage to the next level by inviting Jesus to dwell within your relationship. If you feel ready to begin the process of preparing for marriage in the Church, or if you'd simply like to discuss your options, please call the parish office to set up an appointment with Fr. Tom. You'll be so glad you did!



“As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” Immediately, they left their nets and followed him. **Matthew 4:18-20**

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.

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

**St. William the Abbot
Celebrating 40 Years!**

UPCOMING EVENTS!!!

January 25th Tailgating Party NFL Football
2:00pm Food, Fire Pits, Corn Hole, Hot Dogs,
Snacks, BYOB and Game on Our New Jumbo Screens

February 7th Candy Bingo
Stay tuned for details...



February 21st Wine & Chocolate Bingo Night
5:30pm \$20 incl. 10 Games/4 Boards per Game
BYOB & Snacks

March 7th ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

Food

BYOB

And more...



Irish Beer

Music

April 12th Easter 50/50 Drawing
Come on, take a chance! \$\$\$\$



May 1st Blue Claws Eve at the Park
Stay tuned for details...



June 20th Annual Parish Picnic
Details to follow...



August 22nd River Queen Dinner—50/50 Drawing
Details to follow...



Sponsorship for the Sacrament of Baptism and Confirmation

Requirements to Obtain a Sponsor Certificate include:

- ~ A sponsor must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation and, if married, must be 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. In other words, he/she must be an Active member of the parish.
- ~ If he/she received all his/her sacraments here at St. William the Abbot years ago but now lives elsewhere, he/she is not an active member of this parish. Rather, he/she is a member of the parish in whose territory he/she resides. This is where the sponsor certificate must be obtained.

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.

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We are asking any parishioners with used eye glasses to donate them to the Joe Mazarella Eye Glass Donation Program. An eye receptacle is located in the parish hall. All

eye glasses are donated to the Eye's for Needy Program who since 1932, provide over 8 million needy people in the United States and throughout the world the gift of better sight. We thank you for all your donations and support.



Catholic Charities provides assistance with food, housing, drug addiction, domestic violence and immigration services. If you know of a parishioner needing help, please contact us at www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org or call 800-360-7711.



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. All are welcome. Please call the parish office.

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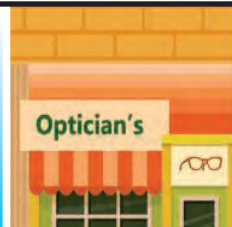
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