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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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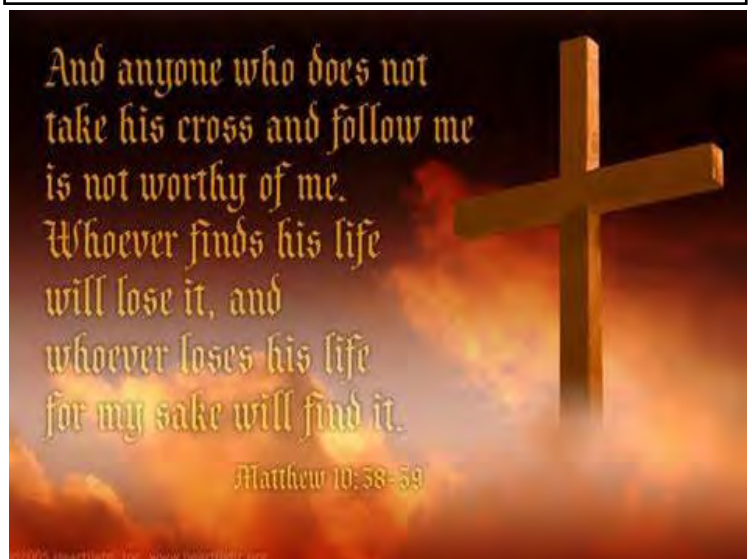
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Rev. Michael Vona, Weekend Assistant
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

ANOIDTING 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.



August 30, 2026

Twenty--Second 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.



Weekly for August 9, 2026

Number of registered families. . .1209
 Number of envelopes. . .124
 Envelope contributions. . . \$5,078.00
 Loose contributions. . . \$355.00
 Capital contributions. . . \$788.00
 WeShare. . . \$2,304.00
Total. . . \$8,525.00

Weekly for August 16, 2026

Number of registered families. . .1209
 Number of envelopes. . .132
 Envelope contributions. . . \$5,022.00
 Feast of the Assumption. . . \$1,005.00
 WeShare. . . \$1,278.00
Total. . . \$7,305.00

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!
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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.

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

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. 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. Donation is \$50.



Reading I: Jeremiah 20:7-9 The prophet makes a daring accusation because he feels misled. God has promised to protect his life, but not to provide him protection from suffering the hostility he will meet.

Reading II: Romans 12: 1-2 Because worldly values are often deformed, we must allow God to transform us into the likeness of Christ.

The Gospel: Matthew 16: 21-27 Just after predicting His passion and death, Jesus challenges His Apostles to accept the fact that self-denial and suffering are essential elements of living the Christian life.



“O Loving Jesus, meek Lamb of God, I a miserable sinner, salute and worship the most Sacred Wound of Thy Shoulder on which Thou didst bear Thy heavy Cross, which so tore Thy flesh and laid bare Thy Bones as to inflict on Thee an anguish greater than any other wound of Thy Most Blessed Body. I adore Thee, O Jesus most sorrowful; I praise and glorify Thee, and give Thee thanks for this most sacred and painful Wound, beseeching Thee by that exceeding pain, and by the crushing burden of Thy heavy Cross to be merciful to me, a sinner, to forgive me all my mortal and venial sins, and to lead me on towards Heaven along the Way of the Cross.” Amen.

~St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Weekly MASS Intentions

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

Saturday, August 22

9:00—Everett John Stengele
r/b Blom Family

4:00—Mary Powers
r/b Powers/Stillwell Families

Sunday, August 23

8:00—James Raiser
r/b Bill Raiser

10:15—People of the Parish

11:45—Michael Romano
r/b Peter & Susan Furmato

Monday, August 24

9:00—Jose J. Guillermo
r/b Felix Guillermo

Tuesday, August 25

9:00—Steven & Heather Raiser special intention
r/b Bill Raiser

Wednesday, August 26

9:00—Marlene Mannino
r/b Fred & Monika Manzella

7:00—Luisa Scotto
r/b Peter & Susan Furmato

Thursday, August 27

9:00—Mary Puglisi
r/b Jill Pavlick

Friday, August 28

9:00—Blasé A. Cannavale
r/b M/M Capetto

Saturday, August 29

9:00—Janice Ciardiello
r/b Sal Ciardiello

4:00—John J. Feeney
r/b Barbara & Rich Capitan

Sunday, August 30

8:00—Sandra Campos
r/b Ron Campos

10:15—Raul Villanueva
r/b Villanueva Family

11:45—People of the Parish

The power of prayer!

PRAY FOR HEALING

Please bring health, healing, and hope to those who are sick in our community, especially: Steve Dzuby, Jonathon Capriotti, Emily Capriotti, Matthew Cerritelli, John Sproat, Jr., June Daquai, 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, Kyle G. McMann, Tony Grifa Jr., Donna Calamia, Susan Grifa, Margaret Franks & Grace Santisi, Donna Warters & Michael Walton. Lord, 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 every day:
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.

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Saturday, August 29

9:00—Janice Ciardiello
r/b Sal Ciardiello
4:00—John J. Feeney
r/b Barbara & Rich Capitan

Sunday, August 30

8:00—Sandra Campos
r/b Ron Campos
10:15—Raul Villanueva
r/b Villanueva Family
11:45—People of the Parish

Monday, August 31

9:00—Blasé Cannavale
r/b Ruane Family

Tuesday, September 1

9:00—Christine Vignola
r/b Bill Raiser

Wednesday, September 2

9:00—Lucy Sisko
r/b Sal Ciardiello
7:00—Diane A. Giaimo
r/b Peter & Susan Fumato

Thursday, September 3

9:00—Carol Oster-Murphy
r/b Lenardo Family

Friday, September 4

9:00—Blasé A. Cannavale
r/b School of Religion

Saturday, September 5

9:00—In reparation for blasphemies made against the Immaculate Conception
4:00—People of the Parish

Sunday, September 6

8:00—Irene Monek
r/b Cathy Ferraro
10:15—Sandra Campos
r/b Ron Campos
11:45—Mary Puglisi
r/b Medina Family



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.

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.



Please keep Fiona Neveah Browne and Gino James Durazzo and their families in your prayers as they recently received the Sacrament of Baptism at St. William the Abbot.



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HEALING MASS

Followed by Healing Prayers

All are welcome to join us for a Healing Mass. We will begin at 6:30PM in the worship area with Prayer and Reflection.

Mass will commence at 7:00PM followed by Prayers of Healing and Adoration.

*Our next Healing Mass will be on
September 18, 2026*

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NJ BISHOPS' Mass for Life

Thursday, October 8, 2026 | 9:30 a.m.
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

151 N. Warren Street, Trenton



PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT
Bishop David M.
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*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: <https://dioceseoftrenton.org/nj-march-for-life>

AS NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

Theo of Golden



Allen Levi

Exciting News! Please join us for the 1st Christian Book Club meeting at St. William the Abbot on **Monday, October 5, 2026—6:30 pm** in the parish hall!

Enjoy reading the book and then bring your thoughts and opinions to share during our group discussion. Please also bring a snack or drink to share! For more information and to RSVP, please call or text, **Tricia** at 732-910-9402. Happy Reading!

Here's a summary of the book from Amazon: One spring morning, a stranger named Theo arrives in the small Southern city of Golden. He doesn't explain much about where he came from or why he's there—but when he visits the local coffeehouse, where pencil portraits of the people of Golden hang on the walls, he begins purchasing them, one at a time, and giving each portrait to the person depicted. In exchange, he asks only for the person's story. And so portrait by portrait, person by person, secrets are revealed, regrets are shared, and ordinary lives are profoundly altered.

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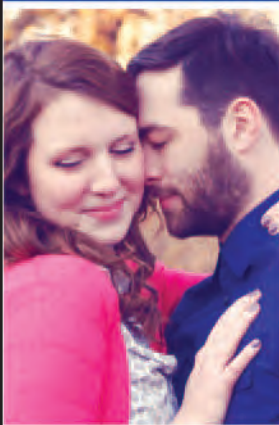
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