

The Church of ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT A Roman Catholic Church

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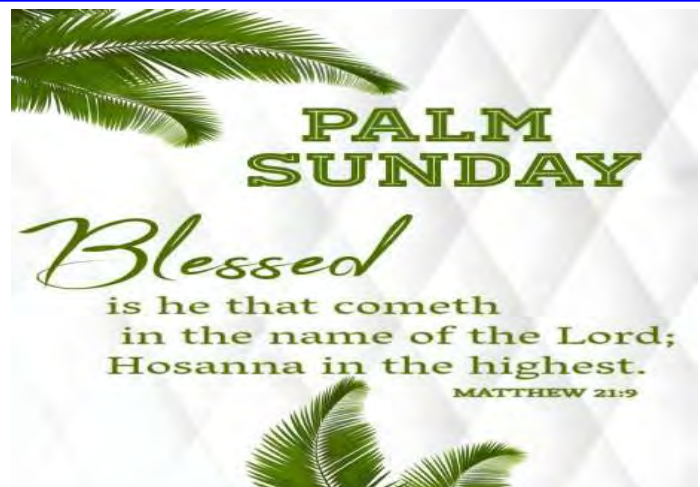
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Rev. Lewis Papera, Weekend Assistant
Rev. Michael Vona, Weekend Assistant
Deacon Michael Abatemarco, Pastoral Associate
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Deacon Kevin Smith

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday, 9:30AM—1:30PM
Also Wednesdays 4:00PM—6:30PM
(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.



April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday

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.



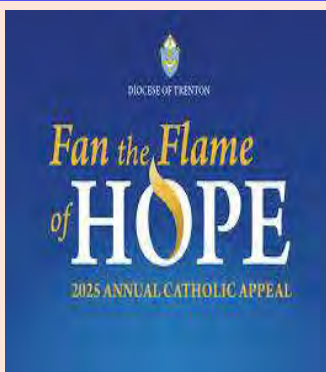
STEWARDSHIP
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Weekly Collection for April 6, 2025

Number of registered families. . .	1209
Number of weekly envelopes returned. . .	142
Envelope contributions. . .	\$6,770.00
Loose contributions. . .	\$480.00
WeShare. . .	\$2,516.00
Capital Contribution...\$	570.00
Flowers. . .	\$1,860.00
Easter. . .	\$505.00

Total. . . \$12,701.00

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.



THE '2025 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL HAS BEGUN! LOOK FOR CARDS AND ENVELOPES NEAR THE BULLETINS. THANK YOU!



The Sanctuary Lamp is lit in loving memory of Robert Camp by M/M Peter Gilbert.

Weekly **MASS** Intentions ©PPCC

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

Saturday, April 12

4:00—Giovanni Bussanich
r/b Mirkovitch Family

Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00—Sandy Campos
r/b John & Pat Carlucci
10:15—John & Bridget McGlynn
r/b Bernadette Mastowski
11:45—People of the Parish

Monday, April 14

9:00—Danny Vasollo
r/b Medina Family

Tuesday, April 15

9:00—Danny Trezza
r/b Peter & Susan Furmato & Family

Wednesday, April 16

9:00—Frank & Florence Mikorski
r/b Terry Kelly
7:00—Frederick Paul Fink
r/b M/M Steve Ferraro

**Thursday, April 17 Holy Thursday / Mass of the Lord's Supper / Altar of Repose
No Morning Mass**

7:00pm—People of the Parish

Friday, April 18 Good Friday

No Morning Mass
3:00pm—**Liturgy of the Passion & Death of Our Lord**
7:00pm—Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 19 Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)

No Morning Mass
8:00pm—People of the Parish

Sunday, April 20 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8:00—Carmella Ferraro
r/b Cathy Ferraro
10:15—Patrick & Mary Cleary
r/b Kevin & Debbie Moroney
11:45—Florence M. Vreeland
r/b Fred & Monika Manzella

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., Joe DelGuercio, Jesse Pintillo, 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, Mike Nucciarone, Dr. Fiore, Lisa Brooks, Lauren Jarvis & Joseph Yehle. 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 Arway—Coast Guard
- Mitchell McKenney—Coast Guard
- Katie Austin Underhill—Army
- Jeremy Ramos—Air Force
- Eddie Roszkowski—Navy
- Aaron MacDonald—Marine
- Max Culbertson—Navy



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 50: 4-7

This passage is called by scholars the “Third Servant Song.” The servant here is the prophet himself, who speaks God’s word, even as he suffers persecution for doing so.

Reading II: Philippians 2: 6-11

Possibly an early Christian hymn, this passage speaks of the mystery of Christ, who suffered brutally for our salvation.

The Gospel: Luke 22: 14 – 23:56, or 23: 1-49

St. Luke’s Passion account opens with the Last Supper and ends with the Lord’s burial. True to his calling, Luke writes with the details of an observant doctor.



Vacation Bible School is back and registration **HAS** begun!
 Dates: June 23-27, 2025
 Time: 8:00am -12:00 noon
 Ages: 5-10 (age as of 6/13/25)

Cost: includes daily snacks, crafts, and activities.
 \$40—First child; \$30—Second child; \$20—Third child;
 \$10— Fourth and any additional children with check made payable to St. William the Abbot and envelope to Vacation Bible School.

Stop by the office to pick up/complete the registration form. This is a popular program which fills up quickly!

Holy Thursday is also known as “**Maundy Thursday**” commemorating the Last Supper where Jesus had His final meal with His disciples before being crucified. Jesus washed His disciples’ feet as an act of humility and service, along with His commandment to “**love one another**”. **John 13:34**



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

- April 17**
Holy Thursday, Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper
 No morning Mass
 7:00PM Mass
- April 18**
Good Friday, Passion of the Lord
 No morning Mass
 3:00PM
- April 19**
Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil
 No morning Mass
 8:00PM
- March 20**
Easter Sunday
 8:00AM
 10:15AM
 11:45AM



“Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus while before your face I humbly kneel and, with burning soul, pray and beseech You to fix deep in my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity; true contrition for my sins, and a firm purpose of amendment.
While I contemplate with great love and tender pity, Your five most precious wounds, pondering over them within me and calling to mind the words which David, Your prophet, said to you, my Jesus:

“they have pierced My hands and My feet, they have numbered all My bones.”

Amen.



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 Knights of Columbus are asking any parishioners with used eye glasses to donate them to the Joe Mazzarella 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, provided 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.





- ◆ Choose weekly or monthly donation
- ◆ Update desired offering any time
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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 our website.



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.

Convalidation

Bringing your Marriage into THE Church

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!

CONFESSION IN 5 STEPS

STEP 1

Make a thorough examination of conscience by reflecting on sin in your life.

STEP 2

Begin with the sign of the cross & by saying, 'Bless me father for I have sinned. It has been (time) since my last confession. These are my sins. (Begin stating your sins.)

STEP 3

The priest will give you your penance. (Something to do after your confession)

STEP 4

The priest will ask you to pray the Act of Contrition to proclaim your sorrow to your sins.

STEP 5

The priest will extend his hands and pray the Prayer of Absolution. Your response is AMEN. The priest will then give you a final blessing like: 'God has freed you from your sins. Go in peace.'

ACT OF CONTRITION

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you, and I detest all my sins because of your just punishments, but most of all because they offend you, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin.

Amen.



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