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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.

Parish email: stwilliam@optonline.net
Website: stwilliamtheabbot.com
Phone: 732-840-3535



St. William the Abbot
1985-2025

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
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.



June 8, 2025

Pentecost 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.

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!
SAVE THE DATES:

6/28/2025—Annual Parish Picnic after 4pm Mass.

8/31/2025—40th Anniversary of the Parish of St. William the Abbot, Kickoff Year of Celebration. Please see information on table in Narthex and in bulletin.



Weekly Collection for May 25, 2025

Number of registered families. . .1209
 Number of weekly envelopes returned. . .132
 Envelope contributions. . . \$7,478.00
 Loose contributions. . . \$504.00
 Mortgage Reduction. . . \$1,004.00
 WeShare. . . \$1,807.00

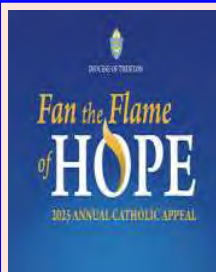
Total. . . \$10,793.00

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.



School of Religion Registration for the 2025-2026 school year will be on the following dates in the Parish Hall:
Sunday, 6/2/25 5:30-7:30pm
Wed., 6/5/25 4:30-6:30pm
 Please visit our website stwilliamtheabbot.com under the Religious Education section for more details. We look forward to seeing you there!

Dawn Cappetto, School of Religion Administrator



We would like to extend our thanks to those who have already contributed to the '2025 Annual Catholic Appeal. To date, we have reached 72% of our goal of \$30,000.00. If you have not yet done so, please consider a donation today.

Weekly **MASS** Intentions ©PPC

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

Saturday, June 7 First Saturday

9:00—In reparation for the offenses of those who outrage Our Lady directly in Her holy images
4:00—Carolyn Inzinna
r/b Downey Family

Sunday, June 8 Pentecost

8:00—People of the Parish
10:15—Lori Owens
r/b Mata Family
11:45—Salvatore Scarlato
r/b Beyer Family

Monday, June 9 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

9:00—Terry Thompson
r/b Sosnicki Family

Tuesday, June 10

9:00—Monsignor Puleo
r/b Lenardo Family

Wednesday, June 11 St Barnabas, Apostle

9:00—Special intention for the people of Florida
r/b Elizabeth Sentner
7:00—Special intention for Debbie Palmer
r/b Deb Miller Family

Thursday, June 12

9:00—Catherine McCarthy Mele
r/b Czar Family

Friday, June 13 St Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor

9:00—Frank Giannantonio
r/b Perrapato Family

Saturday, June 14

9:00—Mark Graffeo
r/b Lou Mastro-Emersen
4:00—Michael LaMagna
r/b Sulewski Family

Sunday, June 15

8:00—Sandra Campos
r/b Lenny Munyer
10:15—Simeon Bool
r/b Mata Family
11:45—People of the Parish

The power of prayer!
PRAY FOR HEALING ©PPC

Please bring health, healing, and hope to those who are sick in our community, especially: Jonathon Capriotti, Emily Capriotti, Matthew Cerritelli, John Sproat, Jr., 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, Daniel Bivona, Alana Parisi, Nicholas Asterino & Joseph Yehle, Anthony & 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 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.



THE WORD OF GOD

Reading I: Acts 2: 1-11

The wind and the fire accompanying the arrival of the Holy Spirit recalls the Old Testament fiery descent of Yahweh on Mt. Sinai during the Exodus.

Reading II: I Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13

Charism is given not for an individual benefit, but for the benefit of the community. Every believer is united with Christ by the Sacraments.

The Gospel: John 20: 19-23

Jesus is raised not simply with a body, but with the same body that was crucified a few days before. Jesus' mission of mercy will continue with the Apostles and their successors through time.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created,
and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful
by the light of the Holy Spirit,
grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise
and ever rejoice in his consolation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Many of you may be aware that there are nearly 500,000 children in the foster care system in the United States. These children dream daily of having what other kids enjoy: a forever family, a stable school environment, and a house they can truly call home. Unfortunately, most of them age out of the system and become a statistic. The situation is urgent, and Downey Side is dedicated to preventing this outcome. We need your help.

We rely on fundraising and donations to make adoption more affordable and maintain our focus on pairing children with permanent families. Join us for a fun RED Gala on June 19th from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Shore Club. The event will kick off with a cocktail hour, followed by Casino games, a silent auction, live music, beautiful baskets to win, and a delicious dinner. Don't forget to wear something RED. We hope to see you there!

To purchase your tickets before they sell out, please visit our website at www.downeyside.org. We are truly grateful for your potential support. For more information, feel free to contact Dawn Rusinko at 732-359-8434 or drusinko@downeyside.org

With gratitude, Dawn



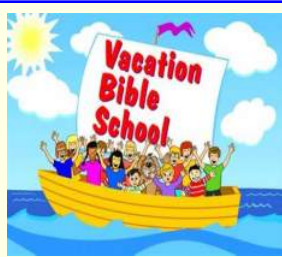
Downey Side Adoption

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The Social Concerns Committee will be collecting monetary donations **May 24 - June 12** for Father's Day. We will be making gift bags with lots of goodies for the male residents, who have no families, at a needy care facility. We are projecting around 60 men. The monies collected will be used to purchase socks, card games, large print game books, pens, candy, cookies, chips, crackers, gift bags and cards, etc.

Please leave your donation in the box. Thank you for being so very generous. This could mean the world to a lonely man in a nursing care facility. Thanks you all so much for being so generous.



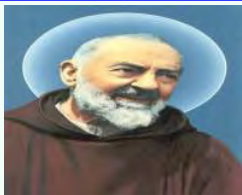
Vacation Bible School is back and registration **HAS** begun!

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!



Healing Mass

WHEN: Thursday, June 12th
at 7:00 pm

WHERE: St. Pio of Pietrelcina Church 1100 Grand Central Ave (Rt 35N) Lavallette

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@yahoo.com for more information

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

We are in the process of forming an Anniversary Committee to plan year long events to celebrate our 40th Anniversary. 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, please email one of the members below and we will reach out to you.

Tricia Berwick: tberwick@live.com
Diane Smith: foodiedcs@aol.com
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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.

Prayer for those away from the Church

O God, You love all your people. You seek out those who do not know you, those who have forgotten you, and those who no longer come to your banquet table. Heal the hurting, give hope to the fearful, and grant new faith to those in doubt. Make us all one in you. Amen.



2025 Bishop's Anniversary Blessing Dates

Registration is now open!

Mercer / Burlington Counties
Sunday, October 5, 2025 (3PM)
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, Trenton

Monmouth / Ocean Counties
Sunday, October 19, 2025 (3PM)
Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

The Bishop's Anniversary Blessing is an annual Mass and reception to honor all couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50th (or more) wedding anniversary. This event takes place on two Sundays in October, one at the Cathedral of St. Mary in Trenton for couples in Mercer and Burlington County parishes, and the other at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold for couples in Ocean and Monmouth County parishes. Participation in this Mass fulfills the Sunday obligation. Family and friends are encouraged to attend, but **pre-registration is required**. Couples must be validly married in the Catholic Church to participate in the Bishop's Anniversary Blessing. Questions: bab@dioceseoftrenton.org



Please pray for the following children and their families as they recently received the Sacrament of Baptism at St. William the Abbot:

Elle Festa, Scott Simonson, Braylon Zichella, Callum Duval, Emma Timoney, Gracie Gallo, Wyatt Siecinski

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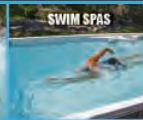
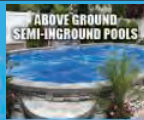
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in remembrance of *samantha josephson*

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