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ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT
A Roman Catholic Church
2740 Lakewood Allenwood Road
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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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AUGUST
Month of the Immaculate Heart

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.

**I HAVE COME TO SET
THE EARTH ON FIRE.**

LUKE 12:49



August 17, '25 Twentieth Sunday 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.



We ask that you please pray for the repose of the soul of Larry Farrell and his family whose Mass was recently celebrated at St William the Abbot.



Weekly Collection for August 3, 2025

Number of registered families. . .	1209
Number of weekly envelopes returned. . .	126
Envelope contributions. . .	\$4,962.00
Loose contributions. . .	\$544.00
Diocesan Retirement Fund . . .	\$235.00
WeShare. . .	\$1,190.00
Total. . .	\$6,931.00

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!

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.

FALL 2025-2026 SCHOOL OF RELIGION REGISTRATION

If you have not yet registered your child for the **2025-26 School of Religion year**, registration will be open from **August 18th to August 22nd** during the following hours: **9:00AM—1:30PM 5:00PM—7:30PM**

Please be sure to complete the **Google Registration Form** available on the **St William the Abbot website**. **Payment is required at the time of registration** and must be made by **cash or check**.

Kindly note that **your child will not be placed in a class until payment has been received**. Visit the **SWA website** for full details and updates.

Thank you,

Dawn Cappelto
School of Religion Administrator



THE WORD OF GOD

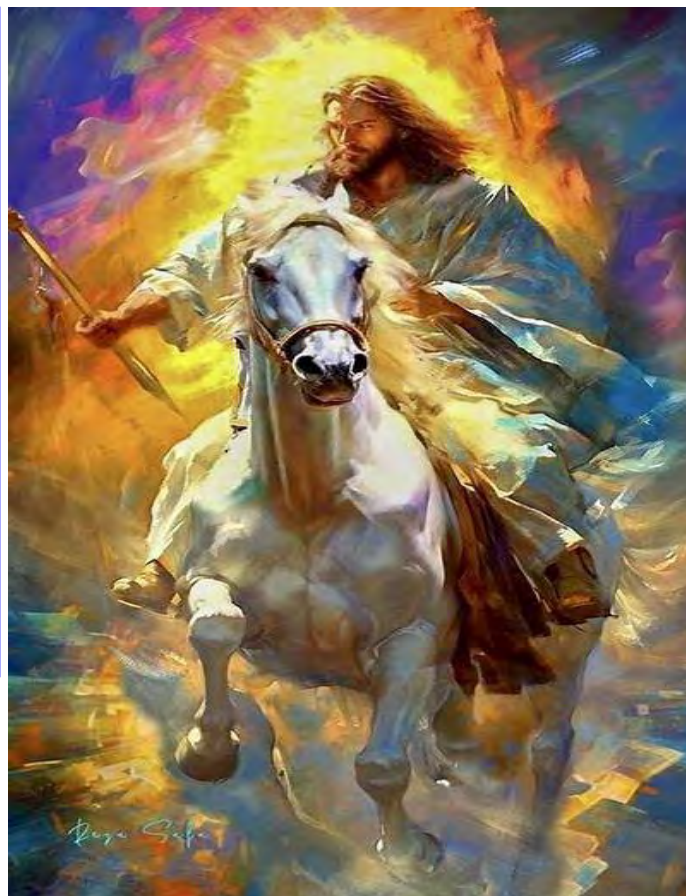
Reading I: Jeremiah 38: 4-6, 8-10 Jeremiah angered the princes and so he is thrown into a cistern as punishment for his preaching. His speeches were hampering soldiers in their duty and people in their daily lives. But the king's servant led a rescue effort and Jeremiah was freed.

Reading II: Hebrews 12: 1-4 The author imagines the faithful to be runners in a stadium race, watched by the heroes of biblical history. They must look to Jesus and not grow faint-hearted as they race to the ultimate victory.

The Gospel: Luke 12: 49-53 Jesus wants to "cast a fire," meaning not only to bring forth God's presence and love into the world, but also His judgment of sinners and divine purification. Loyalty to Him He says is more important than family unity. True peace only comes if we embrace Him in faith.

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.



**ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS!
ANNIVERSARY KICKOFF EVENT COMING UP ON
AUGUST 30/31ST!**

On Saturday Evening, August 30th, after the 4PM Mass, we will be hosting HOSPITALITY SATURDAY NIGHT featuring a variety of delicious finger foods and more! Live entertainment will be provided for your listening pleasure by Frank Valente. Please join us.

On Sunday, August 31st, after all Masses, we will be hosting HOSPITALITY SUNDAY. Enjoy coffee, tea, yummy bagels and donuts!



**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 Eadicco: 195mead2@aol.com
- Lorrie Gratton: lorrie915@aol.com

Weekly **MASS** Intentions ©PPCC

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

Saturday, August 16 St. Stephen of Hungary

9:00—Frank Ghibesi
r/b Gibesi Family
4:00—Rosemary & Jim Howell
r/b Hlava Family

Sunday, August 17

8:00—Marcia Reidy
r/b Joe Mannion
10:15—Florence Vreeland
r/b George & Mary Weis
11:45—People of the Parish

Monday, August 18

9:00—Mary Ciarleglio
r/b Diane Verdon

Tuesday, August 19 St. John Eudes

9:00—Carol Commette
r/b Sosnicki Family

Wednesday, August 20 St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor

9:00—Edward Truax
r/b Debra Duggan
7:00—Ann Russo
r/b Blaise & Mary Ann Cannavale

Thursday, August 21 St. Pius X, Pope

9:00—Eileen Maloy
r/b Roberta Naimark

Friday, August 22 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00—Gladys Delaporte
r/b Beyer Family

Saturday, August 23 St. Rose of Lima

9:00—Phyllis Jawidzik
r/b Parish Family of SWA
4:00—People of the Parish

Sunday, August 24

8:00—Gloria R. D'Acunto
r/b Marianne Shenton
10:15—Edward Mowczan
r/b Rose Van Clef
11:45—Stella & John Jankowski
r/b Terry Kelly

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 & 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
yer those serving in our military. Send
in names of friends or family mem-
bers 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



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. Amen.*

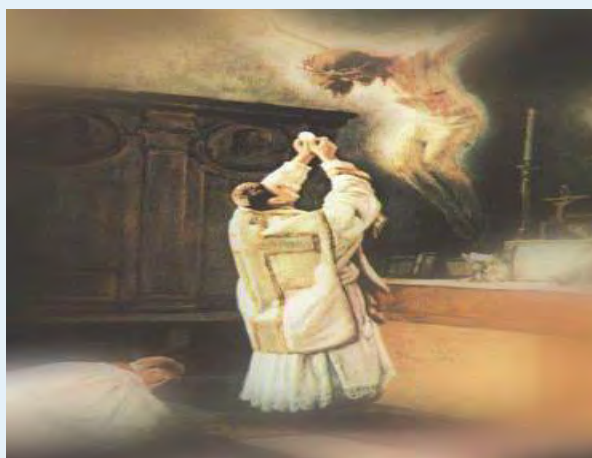
**ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS!
ANNIVERSARY KICKOFF EVENT #2 COMING UP ON
SEPTEMBER 13TH AT ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT!**

Mark your calendars on Saturday, **September 13th** for a Communion
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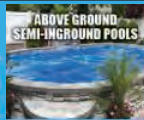
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