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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.

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**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**

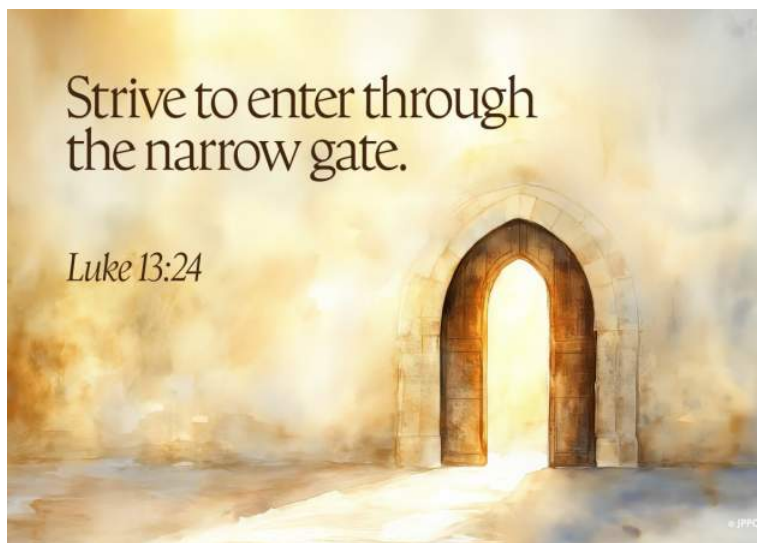
Monday—Friday, 9:30AM—1:30PM  
Also Wednesdays 4:00PM—6:30PM  
(Closed on Holy Days & Legal Holidays)

**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.

Strive to enter through  
the narrow gate.

Luke 13:24



*August 24, 2025 Twenty-First 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.

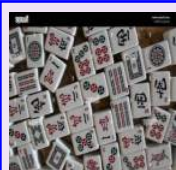
- An active parishioner is a person who has received or is preparing to receive the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation.
- An active parishioner is a person who attends Mass regularly at St. William the Abbot and actively supports the sacramental programs for Penance, Eucharist and Confirmation. Parents 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.



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.



**Weekly Collection for August 10, 2025**

Number of registered families. . .1209  
 Number of weekly envelopes returned. . .124  
 Envelope contributions. . .\$7,578.00  
 Loose contributions. . .\$294.00  
 Capital Contribution . . .\$587.00  
  
 WeShare. . .\$2,635.00  
  
**Total. . .\$11,094.00**

**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
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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.

**FALL 2025-2026 SCHOOL OF RELIGION REGISTRATION**

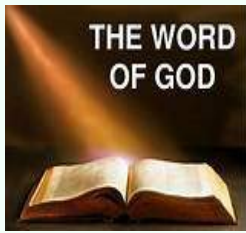
If you have not yet registered your child for the **2025-26 School of Religion year**, registration will be open from **August 18th to August 22nd** during the following hours: **9:00AM—1:30PM 5:00PM—7:30PM**

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 Cappetto  
 School of Religion Administrator



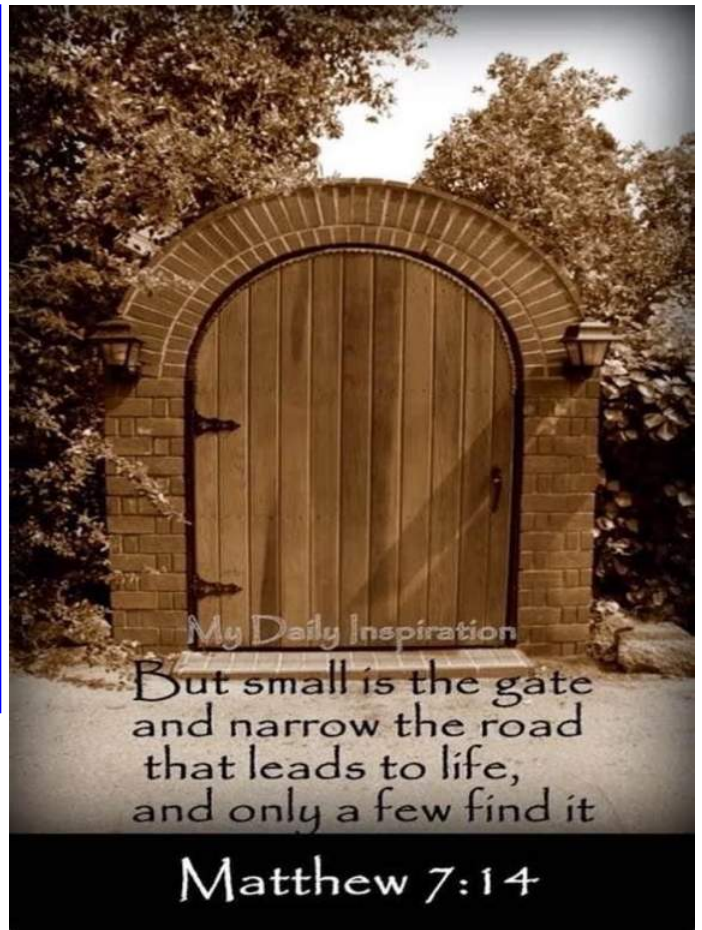
**Reading I: Isaiah 66: 18-21** The Lord will gather all the nations to Mount Zion, and He will reveal His glory to them. This glad event is expected to happen in stages.

**Reading II: Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13** Without divine wisdom, one might mistake the trials of life for signs of God's anger. But, like an athletic coach, imagined by the author as encouraging his runners, He summons our energies, and we easily head to the finish line.

**The Gospel: Luke 13: 22-30** Our salvation depends first and foremost on God's grace. It then comes about by our cooperation and obedience. Christ invites His family from the four corners of the compass, both Jews and Gentiles, to celebrate with Him and the patriarchs of the 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](http://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](mailto:tberwick@live.com)
- Diane Smith: [foodiedcs@aol.com](mailto:foodiedcs@aol.com)
- Pete Gilbert: [pete2516@optimum.net](mailto:pete2516@optimum.net)
- Deacon Kevin: [kmsmith9@aol.com](mailto:kmsmith9@aol.com)
- Sal Ciardiello: [salmaypink@hotmail.com](mailto:salmaypink@hotmail.com)
- Mike Eadiccco: [195mead2@aol.com](mailto:195mead2@aol.com)
- Lorrie Gratton: [lorrie915@aol.com](mailto:lorrie915@aol.com)

Weekly **MASS** Intentions ©PPC

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

**Saturday, August 23 St. Rose of Lima**

9:00—Phyllis Jawidzik  
r/b SWA Parish Family  
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

**Monday, August 25 St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz**

9:00—Elizabeth DeGiulio  
r/b Blaise & Maryann Cannavale

**Tuesday, August 26**

9:00—Hailey Raiser special intention  
r/b Grandpa

**Wednesday, August 27 St. Monica**

9:00—Charles A. Noreika  
r/b Jackie Van Glahn  
7:00—The Haberjan Family  
r/b Liz Cerbie

**Thursday, August 28 St. Augustine, Bishop**

9:00—John Carlucci  
r/b Jill Pavlick

**Friday, August 29 Passion of St. John the Baptist**

9:00—Janice Ciardiello  
r/b Sal Ciardiello

**Saturday, August 30 40TH ANNIVERSARY KICKOFF!**

9:00—Robert Rigby  
r/b Gloria & John Messina  
4:00—Mary Cleary  
r/b Deacon Kevin & Diane Smith

**Sunday, August 31 40TH ANNIVERSARY KICKOFF!**

8:00—People of the Parish  
10:15—Eleanor Sammond  
r/b Joe Mannion  
11:45—Robert Leary  
r/b Leary Family

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., 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 for 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



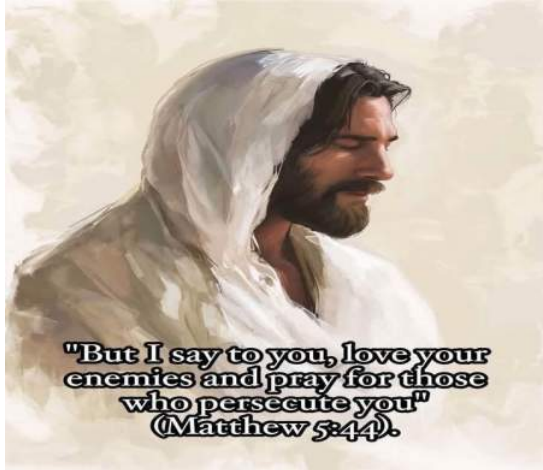
Pray to your Guardian Angel everyday:  
*Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here.  
Ever this day,  
be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.*

**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 Breakfast featuring:

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**"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you" (Matthew 5:44).**

"Peter approached Jesus and asked Him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times? Jesus answered, "I say to you not seven times but **seventy-seven times.**"  
Matthew 18:21,22

**Prayer to St. Monica**

Exemplary Mother of the great Augustine, you perseveringly pursued your wayward son not with wild threats but with prayerful cries to Heaven.

Intercede for all mothers, in our day so that they may learn to draw their children to God.

Teach them how to remain close to their children, even the prodigal sons and daughters who have sadly gone astray.

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.



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**MASS FOR CREATION**

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT  
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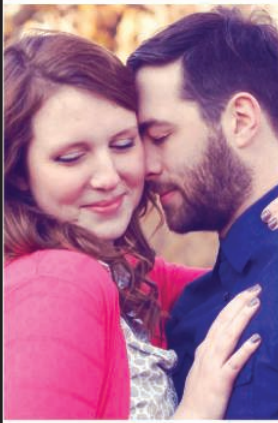
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