

40th Year *St. William the Abbot* 1985-2025



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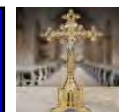
Monday—Friday, 9:30AM—1:30PM
Also Wednesdays 4:00PM—6:30PM
(Closed on Holy Days & Legal Holidays)

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.



1985-2025



August 31, 2025

Twenty-Second 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.

 Check us out on FB with now over 600 followers for Parish Anniversary happenings and a daily inspirational message, including “William Wednesdays”.



Weekly Collection for August 17, 2025

Number of registered families. . .1209
 Number of weekly envelopes returned. . .119
 Envelope contributions. . .\$4,726.00
 Loose contributions. . .\$693.00
 Solemnity of the Assumption . . .\$1,788.00

 WeShare. . .\$1,140.00

Total. . .\$8,347.00

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.

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 Eadicicco: 195mead2@aol.com
- Lorrie Gratton: lorrie915@aol.com



Reading I: Sirach 3: 17-18, 20, 28-29 Here is a discourse on humility and pride. Humility is the right attitude before God, for true wisdom lies in being unpretentious, aware that one can always be wrong.

Reading II: Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24a The author makes his final appeal to keep his readers from sliding back into Judaism. He contrasts the Old Covenant with the New.

The Gospel: Luke 14: 1, 7-14 **Jesus teaches a lesson on humility**, where greatness is measured by one's concern for others, together with a modest estimation of self. Never presume that your position will automatically win God's favor.

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.



We joyfully welcome our students and families back to another year of growing in faith at St. William the Abbot's School of Religion. A heartfelt thank-you to our dedicated catechists who so generously give of their time and talents to share the love of Christ with our children. Please keep our students, families, and catechists in your prayers as we begin this new school year and the 40th Anniversary of our Parish together.

Brightest Blessings!,

Dawn Cappetto
School of Religion Administrator

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

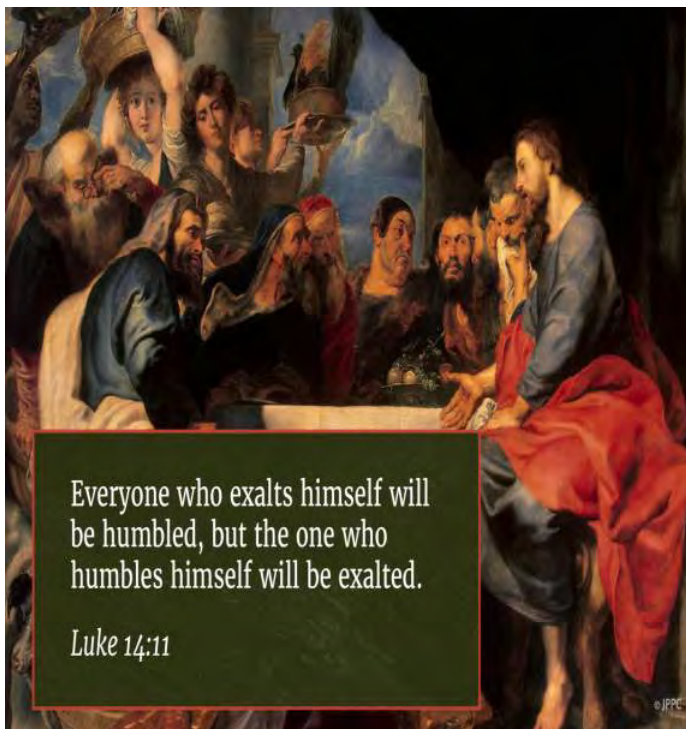
St. William is a tax-exempt non-profit Organization and gratefully accepts donations from last will and testament and/or stock to assist our parish. For more information on how to have your wishes known, please talk to your personal banking representative. May God Bless you for your generosity!

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.



Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.

Luke 14:11

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 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

Monday, September 1 Labor Day / World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation / Office is closed

9:00—Raul Villanueva
r/b Villanueva Family

Tuesday, September 2

9:00—Dudley Loveland
r/b Shannon & Robert Taber

Wednesday, September 3 Pope St. Gregory the Great

9:00—Lucy Cisko
r/b Sal Ciardiello
7:00—Barbara & Deborah Gates
r/b Liz Cerbie

Thursday, September 4

9:00—Donald B. Deacon
r/b A loving family

Friday, September 5 First Friday

9:00—Andrew & Helen Chmielewski
r/b David Chmielewski

Saturday, September 6 First Saturday

9:00—Robert Rigby
r/b Gloria & John Messina
4:00—Edward Truax
r/b Mary & George Kauffmann

Sunday, September 7

8:00—Sandra Campos
r/b Ron Campos
10:15—People of the Parish
11:45—Joseph & Sue Iacangelo
r/b Barb & Rich Capitan

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, Randy Zawacki & 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 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



The Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of Sime & Leonor Hidalgo r/b Tapnio Family



The Flowers for Jesus are in memory of Lilian Tapnio r/b Tapnio Family



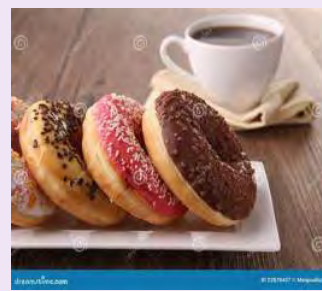
Pray to your Guardian Angel everyday:
Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide.

**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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**ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS!
ANNIVERSARY KICKOFF EVENT #3 COMING UP ON
OCTOBER 11TH AT ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT
“WILLKOMMEN ZUM”**

Mark your calendars on Saturday, **October 11th at 5pm**, for our **OKTOBERFEST CELEBRATION!** Featured foods will include: Bratwurst, Sauerbraten, Red cabbage, Seasoned potatoes, and more... Sign up to purchase a SWA Anniversary Celebration Mug! Check the bulletin for updates!



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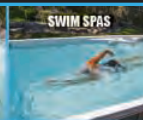
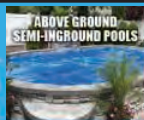
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in remembrance of *samantha josephson*

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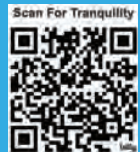
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