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2nd Sunday O F L E N T

While he was praying his face changed in appearance
and his clothing became dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

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BAPTISMS ~ Twice a month on Sunday at 1:00pm. Please make arrangements at least one month in advance.

WEDDINGS ~ Arrangements should be made at least six months prior to marriage.

RECONCILIATION ~ *by appointment* or Saturdays: 3:00pm - 3:45pm and First Fridays: 8:45am

COMMUNION CALLS ~ On First Fridays by appointment only - please call the office

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday– Friday:
9:00am to 4:00pm
Saturday:
10:00am to 1:00pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday– Friday
9:00am
5:30pm
(Labor Day-Memorial Day)
Saturday
9:00am & 4:00pm
Sunday
7:30am; 9:30am;
11:30am; 5:00pm
Family Mass
11:30am
2nd & 4th Sunday



LOCATION:

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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

MASST INTENTIONS

Saturday, Mar 12

4:00 P.M. Pius & Margaret Moran and
Mary Ellen Hurley

Sunday, Mar 13

7:30 A.M. St. William's Parish Family
9:30 A.M. Vincent Baroni (13th Anniv)
11:30 A.M. Jay Traynor (3rd Anniv)
5:00 P.M. The Walsh Family &
Mike Callaghan

Monday, Mar 14

9:00 A.M. Henry Fino (6th Anniv)
5:30 P.M. Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality

Tuesday, Mar 15

9:00 A.M. Priest's Intentions
5:30 P.M. Steve Cambio (Month's Mind)

Wednesday, Mar 16

9:00 A.M. Thomas Brennan (Health)
5:30 P.M. Leonora Doherty (19th Anniv)

Thursday, Mar 17 - *St. Patrick, Bishop*

9:00 A.M. Herbert Alari (26th Anniv)
5:30 P.M. Yvette Dupuis (3rd Anniv) &
Robert Mederios, Jr. (41st Anniv)

Friday, Mar 18 - *St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of
the Church*

9:00 A.M. Priest's Intentions
5:30 P.M. Catherine Schmebling

Saturday, Mar 19 - *St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed
Virgin Mary*

9:00 A.M. Eduarda Ibanez (11th Anniv)

FUTURE MASSES

Saturday, Mar 19

4:00 P.M. Clarence D'Souza (1st Anniv)

Sunday, Mar 20

7:30 A.M. St. William's Parish Family
9:30 A.M. Salvatore Listro (17th Anniv)
11:30 A.M. Fr. Joseph Smyth (1st Anniv)
5:00 P.M. Margaret Scanzillo (2nd Anniv)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Religious Education News 2022

March 13-15 Breaking of the Bread for Grade 2 -
10:15 & 4:30 (School)

March 13 Grades 7 & 8 Only - No Class

March 14-15 Grades 7 & 8 Penance - 7:00pm (Church)

March 20 Children's Liturgy of the Word - 11:30
(Church)

March 21-22 Stations of the Cross for Grades 3&4 - 4:30pm
(Church)
Stations of the Cross for Grades 5-8 - 7:00pm
Church

March 27-29 Interviews for Grade 2 - 10:15am; 4:30pm
(School)

March 28 Home School Program Meeting - 7:00pm
(School)

April 3 Volunteer Appreciation Mass, 11:30 LC

April 10-12 Last week of classes

Confirmation Registration Information

The sacrament of Confirmation is a TWO year program for public school students (Grade Nine and Grade Ten) and a One Year program for Catholic School Students (Grade Ten). If your child is attending a Catholic High School in tenth grade and would like to register for Confirmation please attend an informational meeting on Wednesday May 11 at 7pm in the upper church. For students entering grade nine please attend an information meeting on Wednesday May 11 at 6pm in the upper church. If there are any questions please contact Andrew Genovese, Confirmation Coordinator at stwilliamconfirmation@gmail.com. We are happy to assist you..

Help Wanted

Immaculate Heart of Mary
486 Chandler Street
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Cook positions – Prepare meals for retired Oblates two days per week. Work is done between 6 am & 2 pm. Available days are Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and occasionally Saturdays. No Sunday nights. Banquet experience a plus but not essential.

CNA/HHA positions – Pleasant work environment. Day and night shifts available. Will provide training. We offer competitive wages.

If you are interested in any of the above positions, please call Jennifer Fournier at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Residence, 978-851-7258 between the hours of 9am and 2pm, Monday—Friday.



**SANCTUARY LAMP
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MARCH 13TH**
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Sunday
March 20th
at 11:30 AM

MARCH 13, 2022

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.



SAVE THE DATES
2022 Lenten Soup Suppers &
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
MARCH 18
MARCH 25
APRIL 1
APRIL 8

Soup Supper at 6:00pm
Talk at 6:30pm
Lower Church
Followed by Stations of the Cross
at 7:00pm In the Upper Church

(If your ministry/organization is interested in hosting Stations or the Soup Supper, please contact the rectory office.)



WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT
April 28 - May 1, 2022
St. Thecla's Retreat Center,
Billerica, MA

We invite you to join us for a spiritually uplifting weekend. Set aside some time for God and yourself. Get away from your usual busy schedule by joining women like yourself, wise enough to seek His answers to life, family and eternity. Applications are available at the doors of the church and at the rectory. For more information you can contact MaryEllen Day, 978-761-8537 or maryellenday1112@gmail.com.

Father John Hogan will host
7 days – 6 nights
Myrtle Beach Tour
May 22 – 28, 2022

Registration has been extended to
March 22, 2022

For Information and reservations contact:
Father John Hogan
St. William's Rectory
978-851-7331

Tour flyers are available at the doors of the church
and at the parish office



Please Come to the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lent. The Church encourages all Catholics to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation each Lent. In addition to our normal Saturday afternoon confession time, St. William's, and all the Catholic parishes and chapels of the Archdiocese, will be open on **Lenten Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm, beginning on Wednesday, March 9th**. Please take advantage of this opportunity to make a good Lenten confession. Please also reach out to Catholics you know who have been away from the regular practice of our faith and invite them to seize this chance to begin again. The Archdiocese's website for this initiative has great materials to help everyone prepare to make a good confession - www.TheLightIsOnForYou.org



ST. WILLIAM'S BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SODALITY

will be meeting Monday, March 14th at 5:30PM for Mass and Novena followed by a social in the Lower Church. Enjoy an evening of Irish history, light trivia and classic Irish music with Joe Malone, Retirement Home Entertainer.

For the safety of all, **masks will be required**

Is It Good for Us to Be Here? - Illuminating the Ordinary

How many times in our lives do we wonder if God is real, and does God have a face?

God seems so absent from everyday living! Certain privileged people, however, are treated to a God who is "up front and personal." In this second week into Lent, our readings are about two such happenings. More than five thousand years ago, Abram (he's not yet called Abraham) is undergoing a test from God before he receives extensive land in a covenant. God asks Abram to perform a strange animal sacrifice. In the ancient world around the Mediterranean, this sacrifice signified a covenant pact between two parties. The sacrifice is prepared, and Abram is awaiting divine action in consuming the split animals. He becomes frightened as a cloud plunges him in darkness for several hours. After a fiery torch passes through the sacrifice, God completes His promise. God was definitely up-front and personal!

We find another experience of God getting personal in today's Gospel. The story of the Transfiguration is so important to the mystery of Jesus that all four Gospels record it. It takes place on a high mountain as Jesus and a few of His Apostles journey to Jerusalem. Notice how afraid Peter, James, and John are when they see Jesus suddenly transfigured in light. The Master seems quite at home in the glory of Tabor, talking with Moses and Elijah. The great Lawgiver and the great Prophet talk to Jesus, who is the Law and who will fulfill an ancient prophecy. We wonder what they talked about. Perhaps Jesus is telling them that soon He will bring them to an everlasting encounter with light, as soon as He has risen from death. Then, like Abram, they are plunged into the darkness of a cloud. In the cloud, the voice of the Father, thundering from heaven, tells the frightened apostles to listen to His beloved Son. When the three apostles open their eyes, everything is back to normal.

Lent puts us all on the road with Jesus into the desert of purification and toward the mountain of transfiguration. If we allow our Lenten fast, prayer, and almsgiving to focus our full attention on Jesus, we will encounter the same mystery of God in him that was revealed to the first disciples.

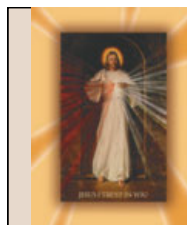
Every life journey is shrouded in mystery, a path through the cloud of faith that hides the presence of God. But we walk with Jesus, who is our light and our guide. His face reveals the mercy of God.

If we are really serious about Lent, we will take the Transfiguration experience as Jesus intended. As He taught a lesson in patience and hope to Peter, James and John, so He teaches us to listen and to wait. Lent is a time for us to do a lot of listening and a lot of praying. Eventually, Jesus will lead us to the light of understanding and joy, at Easter.

Let us pray – *God our Father, help us to hear your Son. Enlighten us with your Word, that we may find the way to your glory. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen*

Stay safe and healthy! I love you and I miss you!

Fr. Q, omi



**Divine Mercy Chaplet
Sunday
March 20th ~ 3:00pm
Will also be live-streamed
<https://fb.me/StWilliamsCatholicChurch>**

CHURCH SUPPORT

Total Budget – Offertory	\$517,356.48
Weekly Budget – Offertory	\$ 10,144.42
Offertory 3/6/2022	\$ 7,461.00
WeShare Collection Support of Church	\$ 3,647.00
Fiscal year offertory needed	\$ 357,421.02
Fiscal year offertory collected	\$ 333,306.57

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Join the 40 Days for Life Campaign Now thru April 10!

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. Sign up to pray in front of Boston's Planned Parenthood, 1055 Commonwealth Ave.

at www.40daysforlife.com/boston. Newcomer? Join one of our 30 priest or minister-led sidewalk events. See our flier online for details or call or email 40daysforlifeboston@gmail.com or 781-762-4391. Over 20,782 babies have been confirmed saved since 2007. Come be a voice for those who have no voice!

ONLINE LINK TO VIRTUALLY ATTEND MASS

Because not all of us are able to come together in the Church building for weekend Masses, the 11:30AM Mass will be streamed live on Facebook. Please let others know by sharing this message. If people don't have Facebook they can still click on the link below to view the live feed without creating an account. Please share this with them. <https://fb.me/StWilliamsCatholicChurch>

IN SERVICE:

Ryan Frautten, SPC - US Army, Blake Hiltz, PFC - US Army, Stephen C. Flanagan, Lt. Col - US Army, Nicholas Listro, 1st Lt. - US Marine Corps Michael D'Alleva, Private - US Army, Allan Pepin, General - US Army Rebecca Corbin, Lt. Colonel - U.S. Air Force, Cullen Coulter, 1st Lt. - U.S. Marine Corps, Charles P. McNamara, TSgt - U.S. Air Force, Jesse Fentross, Staff Sgt. - U.S. Air Force, Nicholas Troy - 2nd Lt. - U.S. Marine Corps, Richard Hiort - T. Sgt. - U.S. Air Force, Kevin Carta - Cpl - U.S. Marine Corps, Wayne Scott Knoops, Jr. L.Cpl - U.S. Marine Corps., Tyler Stein, 1st Lt - US Army, Andrew Doherty, Staff Sgt - U.S. Marine Corps; James Farley, National Guard; Matthew Piranian, Captain, US Army; SashJenelle, Ince-2nd Class, US Navy; Vascianni, Airman, Ince- 2nd Class, US Air Force; Catherine Clarke, Airman 1st Class, US Air Force; Patrick Clarke, Airman 1st Class, US Air Force; All Vietnam Vets suffering the effects of Agent Orange

Faith Formation Opportunities

St Williams is pleased to offer the following faith formation opportunities through the remainder of the year on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 in the Conference Room in the Rectory. The presentations are video based, and discussion will follow. Each presentation can be viewed separately.

Please contact the Rectory to sign up for each presentation. We look forward to seeing you for these interesting presentations.

Faith Formation Series


- 03/16 Catholicism The Sacraments: Overview, Confirmation, Baptism
- 03/23 Catholicism The Sacraments: Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, Holy Orders
- 03/26 St. William's Confirmation (10:00am & 12:00pm)
- 04/06 Catholicism - #10 World without End: The Last Things

HOLY UNION ASSOCIATES ANNUAL LENTEN FUNDRAISER

The Holy Union Associates Annual Lenten Fundraiser began the weekend of March 5-6 and runs throughout Lent. As one of their yearly outreach programs, the Tewksbury Associates help the Holy Union Sisters raise money for one of their African missions. Similar to last year, we will support the school lunch program at the Alfred Therese School in the remote area of Maseea, Cameroon, Africa. We ask for your support for this vital mission. Please be as generous as your means allow. Children can't learn without first being fed.

Associates will collect donations at the doors of the church this weekend (March 12-13). Donations will be accepted throughout Lent. Please make checks payable to "Holy Union Sisters". They can also be mailed to: Holy Union Sisters, 940 Main St., Apt. 1, Tewksbury, MA 01876. Thank you for your support!

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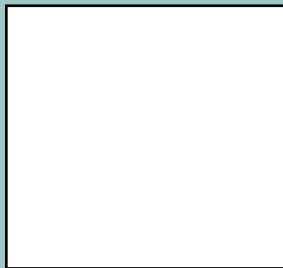


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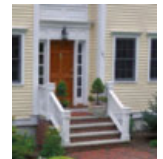


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