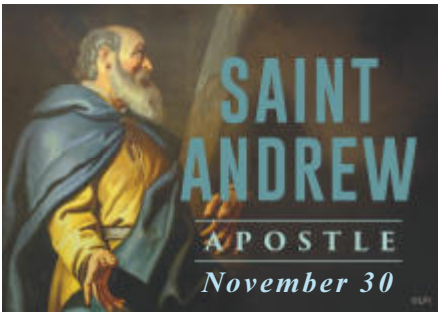


# St. William Church



## St. John Mission

6 Church Street  
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November 29, 2020



**Clergy** Pastor, Rev. Benton Clift, Sr. 859-824-5381

## Celebration of the Eucharist

### St. William

**Saturday Vigil Mass**..... 4:30 pm  
**Sunday Mass**..... 10:30 am  
**Daily Mass (Tues, Thurs, Fri)**..... 8:30 am  
**Wednesday Evening Mass** ..... 6:00 pm

Adoration of the Holy Eucharist is offered Friday after the 8:30 am Mass until 11:00 am.

### St. John Mission

**Sunday Mass**..... 8:30 am  
**Wednesday Mass** ..... 10:30 am

The Rosary is prayed each Sunday at 8:00 am and each Thursday at 6:00 pm



**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**WATCH**

Jesus said to his disciples:  
 "Be watchful! Be alert!  
 You do not know when the  
 time will come... What I say  
 to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

- Mk 13:33, 37

### ~Mass Intentions ~

<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 pm	<b>November 28, 2020 Vigil</b> †Thelma Greene
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am 10:30 am	<b>November 29, 2020</b> Members of our Parishes †Mary Ann Cook
<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 30, 2020</b> No Mass
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:30 am	<b>December 1, 2020</b> †Michael Thomas Ritter
<b>Wednesday</b> 10:30 am 6:00 pm	<b>December 2, 2020</b> †Claire Sorrell Members of our Parishes
<b>Thursday</b> 8:30 am	<b>December 3, 2020</b> †Vivian Bates
<b>Friday</b> 8:30 am	<b>December 4, 2020</b> †Elizabeth Shipwash
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 pm	<b>December 5, 2020 Vigil</b> †Bobbie O'Hara
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am 10:30 am	<b>December 6, 2020</b> Members of our Parishes †MacKenzie Merz

† - denotes deceased person



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## What is Advent?

The Church's feasts and celebrations run on a year-long cycle, which we call the "liturgical year." The "liturgical year" starts on the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is a season in the Church's life intended to renew the experience of waiting, and longing, for the Messiah. Though Christ has already come into the world, the Church invites us to renew our desire for the Lord more deeply into our lives, and to renew our desire for Christ's triumphant second coming into the world.

Advent is the time in which we prepare for Christmas, the memorial of Jesus Christ being born into the world. Preparations are practical, like decorating a tree or stringing lights, but they're also intended to be spiritual. During Advent, we're invited to enter more frequently into silence, into prayer and reflection, into Scripture, and into the sacramental life of the Church, all to prepare for celebrating Christmas.

Advent comes from the Latin word meaning "coming." Jesus is coming, and Advent is intended to be a season of preparation for His arrival. While we typically regard Advent as a joyous season, it is also intended to be a period of preparation, much like Lent. Prayer, penance and fasting are appropriate during this season.

Although Advent is not as strict as Lent, and there are no rules for fasting, it is meant to be a period of self-preparation. The colors associated with Advent have meaning. Purple is the color of penance. The faithful should fast during the first two weeks in particular and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The color of the Third Sunday of Advent is rose. This color symbolizes joy and represents the happiness we will experience when Jesus comes again. It is a day of anticipatory celebration. It is called "Gaudete" Sunday; gaudete means "rejoice" in Latin. Sundays during Advent, just as during Lent, should not be given to fasting, but instead to celebration because we celebrate the resurrection of Our Lord every Sunday. It is important to remember, however, there are no particular rules for how the laity should observe Advent.

Blessings!

Father Benton Clift Sr.



Winter is Coming!



The beauty of the autumn is quickly giving way to winter's long chill. Once again, the Parish Kitchen is in need of new sleeping bags and blankets for our guests. Seize this opportunity! Many of our brothers and sisters spend these long winter nights in unheated spaces or even sleeping outdoors. This winter, your simple gifts of new sleeping bags and blankets will not only warm their hearts and souls, but may even save their lives. Thanks for your warm support for those in need! Donations can be dropped off at either:

**Parish Kitchen**, 1561 Madison Avenue (Corner of 16th & Madison) Covington, KY 41011 from 8 to 11 am Mon.-Fri. or **Catholic Charities**, 3629 Church Street, Latonia, KY 41015 from 9 am to 5 pm Mon.-Fri.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):**

Thursdays from 5:00 - 6:00 pm.

Saturdays before Vigil Mass from 4:00 to 4:20 pm.

Also available upon request. Please contact Fr. Clift.

**Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and Sacrament of Anointing:** Please contact Fr. Clift.

**Marriage:** Please contact the Rectory at least six months in advance.

**Parish Secretary, Carol Rector** [crector@saint-william.org](mailto:crector@saint-william.org)

**Coordinator of Religious Education, Suzi Noel**  
859-760-1376 [snoel@saint-william.org](mailto:snoel@saint-william.org)

**Prayer Line Roberta Poole** 859-824-4198

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul** 859-341-3219  
10:00 am-2:00 pm

**Knights of Columbus David White** 859-801-5338

**Website:** [saint-william.org](http://saint-william.org)

**Mass Intentions - please give to Carol Rector**

**Ministry Schedule - contact Pat McDonough**  
[pkmed1989@gmail.com](mailto:pkmed1989@gmail.com)

**Bulletin - Jenny Breeden** [jennybree054@yahoo.com](mailto:jennybree054@yahoo.com)

**Worship Music** — **Songs for the weekend Masses:**

**Saturday**

**Sunday**

PROCESSIONAL :	“Save Us O Lord”	“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”
RESPONSORIAL PSALM:	<b>Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.</b>	
OFFERTORY:	“Ready the Way”	“Maranatha”
COMMUNION:	“Bread of Life”	“Let Us Break Bread Together”
RECESSIONAL:	“Let the King of Glory Come”	“Soon and Very Soon”

**ADVENT WREATH KITS**

Don't forget to pick up a Advent wreath kit available in the gathering area. Simple assembling instructions and a prayer card are included, but if you have any questions, Marylin Sininger will be available to explain after Mass. ALWAYS REMEMBER: Small children and pets need constant attention around lighted candles

You are encouraged to take a kit home and have the family participate in assembling the wreath. The lighting of the candles and reciting the prayers during the Advent season will enhance your anticipation of the coming of the Christ Child on Christmas.

**Organization News**

**Parish Ministries**

The monthly ministry schedule will be published on the back of the new monthly calendar which will be distributed by or on the first weekend of each month. It will also be available on the stand at the front entrance to the church and on the saint-william.org website. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Pat McDonough at [pkmcd1989@gmail.com](mailto:pkmcd1989@gmail.com).

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month.

**Worship Committee**

Meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month after the 6 PM Mass. All are welcome to participate.

Bible Study is on Thursday evenings at 7 PM.

**Mass Intentions**

We need mass intentions, especially for weekdays. Please contact the office to schedule one. If you requesting a specific date, please submit at least three (3) weeks in advance. Dates are assigned on a “first come, first served” basis. Please indicate the church and if the person is living or deceased.

**Giving Tree**

Please take a tag from the giving tree for the gifts for the Jonesville Center residents. Gifts are due back on Sunday December 13. Please fill out the information on the clipboard to help us keep track.

**SPLIT-THE-POT RAFFLE**

Due to COVID-19, the Parish of St. Augustine Church in Covington is unable to host our annual Turkey Festival. However, we will be having our split-the-pot raffle and tickets are on sale now for \$10.00 each. The 1st place winner will take home 35% of the pot; 2nd place 7%; 3rd place 3%. The parish will benefit with 55% of the pot. We will only sell a total of 3,000 tickets. The winners will be drawn on Thanksgiving Day immediately following the 9AM Mass and the drawing will be live-streamed on our website. Tickets can be purchased at the parish office at 413 West 19th Street, Covington (open from 9:00 to 1:00), by mail, or online at <https://staugustines.weshareonline.org/>. Thank you for your support.



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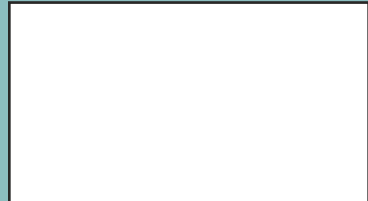
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