

St. William Church

St. John Mission

6 Church Street
Williamstown, KY
41097

January 2-3, 2021



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

~Mass Intentions ~

Saturday	January 2, 2021 Vigil
4:30 pm	†Virginia Oliver
Sunday	January 3, 2021
8:30 am	Members of our Parishes
10:30 am	†John A. Ober
Monday	January 4, 2021
	No Mass
Tuesday	January 5, 2021
8:30 am	Mary Swarthwood
Wednesday	January 6, 2021
10:30 am	†Claire Sorrell
6:00 pm	Members of our Parishes
Thursday	January 7, 2021
8:30 am	Aiden Ashcraft
Friday	January 8, 2021
8:30 am	†Michael Thomas Ritter
Saturday	January 9, 2021 Vigil
4:30 pm	†Vivian Bates
Sunday	January 10, 2021
8:30 am	Members of our Parishes
10:30 am	†Harold Breeden Jr.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

MAGI

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem. - Mt 2:1



The Whole World Receives an Epiphany

The word “epiphany” originally meant a manifestation or appearance of something, often a divine being. The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates the first manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. When someone has an “epiphany,” it also means they’ve had a sudden insight into its deeper meaning. The Magi coming from distant lands come from afar bearing gifts; the gifts of Gold, Francincense, Myrrh, symbolic of Christ coming as Priest, Prophet and King.

Their epiphany seeing the signs in the stars that a great king has just been born, great enough to warrant leaving their countries behind to see him and pay him homage. The very fact of their arrival is the sign of something even greater sign. The Magi presents a realization that the Messiah was not just for the Jews, but also for the Gentiles.

The stars and prophecies, signs from the heavens made by God and inspirations of the Holy Spirit, both point to a great king being born. The Magi themselves coming to pay homage to a newborn king is also an epiphany: it gave a sudden insight into the deeper meaning of the Messiah.

Today our culture is plagued by people seeking a higher meaning to things in all the wrong places. Astrology, once a science before it became a way of living for horoscope writers and fortune tellers, was not enough for the The Magi. They knew there was a deeper meaning than just a star.

Blessings!

Father Benton Clift Sr.

FREE SUPPORT GROUP

Parents of Addicted Loved Ones, (PAL) PAL meets EVERY Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Catholic Charities. It provides continuing education and support, at no charge, for parents with a son, daughter or spouse suffering from addiction to alcohol or drugs. No cost. Just come. Catholic Charities, 3629 Church Street, Latonia, KY 41015 Contact Paula Weber at 859-581-8974 or www.covingtoncharities.org for more information.



Winter is Here!



The beauty of the Holiday Season is quickly giving way to winter’s long chill. 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 you 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

Coordinator of Religious Education, Suzi Noel
859-760-1376 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

Mass Intentions - please give to Carol Rector

Ministry Schedule - contact Pat McDonough

pkmed1989@gmail.com

Bulletin - Jenny Breeden jennybree054@yahoo.com

Worship Music — Songs for the weekend Masses:

Saturday

Sunday

PROCESSIONAL :	81: "Joy to the World"	105: "We Three Kings"
RESPONSORIAL PSALM:	Lord, ev'ry nation on earth will adore you.	
OFFERTORY:	96: "What Child Is This"	85: "Of the Father's Love Begotten"
COMMUNION:	109: "The First Nowell"	320: "Gift of Finest Wheat"
RECESSIONAL:	100: "Go, Tell It On the Mountain"	89: "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"

FRIDAY



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 pkmc1989@gmail.com.

Parish Pastoral Council

Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month after the 6 PM Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month after the 6 PM Mass.

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.

Youth Group is on Sunday afternoons at 5 PM.

Mass Missalettes

The 2021 missalettes are available for personal use. The missalettes will have the identity of a parishioner or parishioners labeled on the front of the book. Please take the book home and bring it back for Mass use and may be used at home. Additional copies can be given upon request while supplies last. Remember the missalettes are not to be left in the Church. They must go home with the parishioner after each Mass.

Food Pantry

The next Food Pantry event is scheduled for Monday January 11, 2021. Any one who wants to participate in the distribution MUST be Virtus compliant. Please see Bud Barnes if you need help with getting compliant. Also an application must be filed with Catholic Charities at the time of the event.

Mass Intentions

We need mass intentions, especially for weekdays. Please contact the office to schedule one. If you are 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.

Parish Treasure	
December 24-27, 2020	
<u>General Collection</u> (St. William)	\$2537.00
<u>General Collection</u> (St. John)	\$365.00
<u>Christmas</u> (St. William)	\$2062.00
<u>Christmas</u> (St. John)	\$1316.00



Leanna Atwell	Patricia Bowman	Kendall Burke
Ethel Clemons	Cathy Davis	Norb DeJaco
Sally DeJaco	Ellie Hammons	Andrea Kirk
Connie & Wayne Link	John Northcutt	Dennis Pettit
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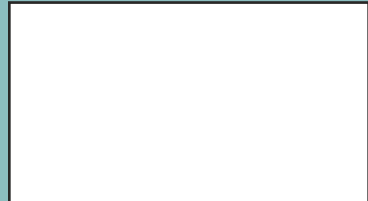
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