

SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9am-4:30pm
closed for lunch 12:30-1:30pm

Religious Education/Teen Ministry

Pre-K-8, Sundays 9:45-10:45am
All Teenagers, Sundays 12:30-2:30pm
September - May

Instructions in the Catholic Faith - (O.C.I.A.)

Tuesdays, 7pm, August - April

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday (Vigil): 4:30pm
Sunday: 8:30 & 11am

WEEKDAY MASSES & HOLY DAYS OF

OBLIGATION

as announced

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3-4pm in the FLC & by appointment

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays 9-10am

WEDDINGS

Six months notification required.

BAPTISM

By appointment - Parent Class required and must be registered three months in the parish.

*Jesus returned from the Jordan
and was led by the Spirit
into the desert for forty days*

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday, March 9, 2025



March 9, 2025 ~ First Sunday of Lent



This weekend, March 8/9, is Commitment Weekend for the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal.

Our parish goal is \$60,800.

Please complete your pledge card, indicating your gift or pledge to our diocesan church. If you do not have a card, please fill out a commitment card located in the Narthex. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocesan church.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

OCIA is held on Tuesdays at 7pm in the old school building.

This week's topic is

"The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick".

You do not have to be a participant in the class to attend.

All are welcome!



The St. William

Women's Club will

meet this Wednesday, March 12th, at 7pm in

the Family Life Center.

Newcomers are welcome!



LENT

We will not have a Penance Service during Lent, but we will have **additional confessions available** on: Sunday, March 9, March 16, March 23, March 30 and April 6, from 9:45-10:45am.

Lenten Fridays

Lenten Fish Fries will be held during the Fridays of Lent from 5-6:30pm in the Family Life Center. Take out meals will be offered as well. Proceeds go to benefit various programs supported by our local Knights of Columbus Council. Cost per plate is \$10, children ages 6-12 are \$8, and kids 5 and under are free. Please note we will be unable to offer second helpings as we have in the past.

Stations of the Cross will be held at 7pm in the Church on Fridays during Lent.

Lenten Rules for Fasting & Abstinence

In the United States, the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are days of **fast and abstinence**. The law of fast obliges all those from ages 18-59 to refrain from eating between meals and to limit their eating to one full meal and two lighter meals for the day. The law of abstinence obliges those 14 years of age and older not to eat meat.

What should I do with palms after Mass?

Since palms are blessed, they can be returned to the Church before the following year's Ash Wednesday, burned and may be used for ashes; the other way to properly dispose of the palms would be to either burn them or bury them, but never discard them with the trash.



"You shall worship the Lord, your God, and Him alone shall you serve" (Lk 4:8)

This Lenten season, reflect on your life's direction. Are you being called to serve God with an undivided heart as a priest, deacon, or religious brother or sister?

Visit: www.memphisvocations.com

Or call the Office of Vocations at 373-1244

Ready to answer the call? Scan the QR code & fill in the form, we'll get in touch with you





Mission Statement

We the people of St. William Parish, accept as our mission: to love God with all our heart and mind, and our neighbor as ourselves. We seek to know our faith, to live our faith, and to authentically teach our faith by word and example. We carry out this mission by lovingly promoting the traditions and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church and through prayer, evangelization, and service to others; while always remembering that the primary mission of the Church is the salvation of souls.

Out of consideration of our Lord's presence in the tabernacle and for those wishing to pray before or after Mass, please refrain from talking in the church worship space.

PARISH *Clean Up Day*

SATURDAY
29
MARCH
2025

STARTS AT
8:30 AM

MEET IN
CHURCH
PARKING LOT

Inside & Outside Activities:

- WEEDING OF FLOWER BEDS
- CLEANING IN THE CHURCH
- GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Many Hands Make for Light Work

WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP

TO GET THE CHURCH LOOKING GOOD FOR THE MISSION

APRIL 7TH - 9TH



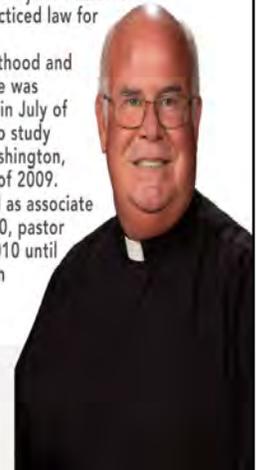
SAINT WILLIAM CATHOLIC CHURCH LENTEN MISSION

WHY DO BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE, AND GOOD THINGS HAPPEN TO PEOPLE WE THINK ARE BAD?

Fr. James Brady was born in Philadelphia, PA to Dr. Eugene F. and Joan J. Brady. He is one of seven children, and his older brother is a priest serving the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. His father was a permanent deacon for the Diocese of Baton Rouge.

After high school, Fr. Brady attended Spring Hill College in Mobile, AL and received a BS in Accounting in 1987. He then attended the University of Mississippi School of Law and received a juris doctorate in 1990. He then moved to Lafayette where he practiced law for 11 years.

In 2001 Fr. Brady entered formation for the priesthood and attended Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans. He was ordained a deacon in January of 2006 and a priest in July of the same year. After ordination, he was assigned to study Canon Law at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. and received a licentiate in canon law in May of 2009. Upon his return from Washington, Fr. Brady served as associate pastor of St. Michael's Church in Crowley until 2010, pastor of St. Landry Catholic Church in Opelousas from 2010 until 2018, and was named pastor of St. Pius X Church in Lafayette in July of 2018.



Mass at 5:15pm.

Dinner to follow Mass.

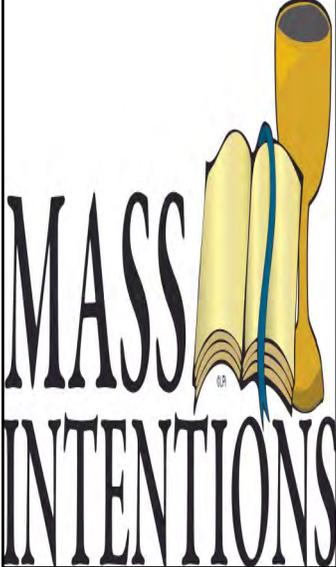
Mission starts at 7:00pm.

FR. BRADY

First Communion

Mandatory Parent Meeting

There will be a mandatory parent meeting on **Sunday, March 30**, for PARENTS of students receiving their First Communion on April 27. The meeting will begin at 10:30am in the school cafeteria. Please be there and signed in by 10:30 so it can start on time and you don't miss any of the information.

	Monday	March 10	11:30am	+Tucker Parish
	Tuesday	March 11	11:30am	+Luz Parfan by Rexie Conopio
	Wednesday	March 12	8:30am	+Marian O'Connor by Rev. John Hourican
	Thursday	March 13	11:30am	+Leandro Vivo Sr. by Josie Austin
	Friday	March 14	8:30am	+Pat Hunt by Terry Hunt
	Saturday	March 15	8:30am	Spec Int of the Beirne Family by Rev. John Hourican
			4:30pm	+Vernon Luze by Karen Overschmidt
	Sunday	March 16	8:30am	+Bonnie Graham by Evelyn Cox
		11:00am	Intention of the parishioners of St. William	

Please note that Mass this Monday, March 10, will be at 11:30am, NOT at 8:30.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE ILL AND/OR RECUPERATING OF OUR PARISH: *Guy Avanzi, Earl Baker, Bill Beckmann, Jeanne Brannock, Dee Burke, Alex Domingo, Ken Gregory & family, Terry Hunt, Angelo LoBianco, Evelyn Lynn, the Marcello Family, Mary Morrison, Marion Nadrchal, Linda Norman, Howard & Ruthann Olson, Rick Ortiz, and Chase Weston.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER OUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES: *Debbie Barkowski, Edward & Holly Berger, Fr. Bill Burke, Diana Carroll, Brenda Cline, Donna Cordle, David & Essy Cragin, Virginia Duff, Dianne Langley, Babette Lopez, Jamie Neal, Michelle Neal, Dennis Stephens, Donald Stephens, Marie Sublett, Dave Wainwright, Cathy Whaley, Jane & Martin Wiseman, all caretakers, all the unborn babies, and for all abused children.*

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR FAMILY MEMBERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY: *HM1 James Allen, Zachary Andrews, PFC Anna Grace Beckmann, E5 Nate Beckmann, SP4 Patrick Beckmann, BM1 Shane Blevins, LCDR Evan Bower, Airman David W. Brandt USN, CS2 (SW/AW) Michael Domingo, Msgt Jonathan A. Duncan USMC, CS2 (SS) Michael T. Duncan, PFC Dylan Kirkpatrick, Cody Michael Maglio, Sgt. John Messene, Arthur Metcalfe IV, MAJ Ian A. Netzel, LCDR Leah Ortiz, Joseph Stephens, Turner Weston OSSA, and 1SG Nathan Wright.*

WEEKLY OFFERING

WEEKLY OFFERTORY—Last Weekend:

Offertory Actual \$9,624
 Offertory Budget \$6,788

YTD Offertory-actual \$274,103
 YTD Offertory-budget \$237,596

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND

YTD Offertory-actual \$39,853
 YTD Offertory-budget \$40,385

Please note there are no flowers in the Church during the Season of Lent.

Email Prayer Request

Thank you to all of our prayer warriors! St. William has an email prayer request line that is available to ALL of our parishioners. Please email Lisa if you would like to be added to the list of recipients as well.

Please send all requests to:
lisaschmidt319@yahoo.com

		March 15	March 16	March 16
		4:30pm	8:30am	11:00am
	Lectors	Scott Ewen	Donn Rodocker	“Children’s Mass”
	Ministers of Holy	Scott Ewen*	Teresa Elliott*	Scott Ewen*
	Communion			
	Altar Servers	Scott Ewen	Josphe Marcello	Addison Strevel
		Janis Nichols	Alex Marlow	Cole Strevel
		Chris Pond	Delia Rodocker	Sophia Rosas