

Church of St. William

May 24  
2020

# SEVENTH SUNDAY OF

# *Easter*

ONE THING I ASK OF THE LORD;  
THIS I SEEK:  
TO DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD  
ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE.

**Psalm 27:4**



# Church of St. William

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## CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS (postponed)

### **BAPTISM** (Lower Church)

Spanish: 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:00PM  
English: 2nd or 4th Sunday of the month at 1:00PM

### **Pre-Baptismal Instructions (Rectory Basement)**

Spanish: 2nd Wednesday 7:00PM  
English: 1st Sunday at 1:00PM

For information or scheduling a Baptism, please email Deacon Bill Moser (English) or Sister Rose (Spanish) at the following:

deaconmoser@churchofstwilliam.com  
s.rose@churchofstwilliam.com

### **CONFIRMATION**

Bishops are Ordinary ministers of Confirmation.

### **RECONCILIATION IN CHURCH**

Saturday: 4:00—4:45PM  
Eve of Holy Days: 4:00—4:45PM  
Eve of First Fridays: After 12:00 Noon Mass only  
For personal request, contact the Rectory.

### **MATRIMONY**

Weddings are scheduled on Saturdays at 11:00AM, 1:00PM, or 3:00PM in the Upper Church; 2:00PM in the Lower Church. Couples intending marriage must contact our Pastor at least six months prior to the intended date of marriage. Contact: [pastor@churchofstwilliam.com](mailto:pastor@churchofstwilliam.com)

For required marriage preparation contact the rectory or [PhillyCatholicMarriagePrep.com](http://PhillyCatholicMarriagePrep.com)

For wedding music contact Ken Houser, Music Director at [music@churchofstwilliam.com](mailto:music@churchofstwilliam.com).

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Sacrament of healing and God's blessings for those who are sick or in serious condition. Parishioners in serious illness, please contact our parish priests. Anyone unable to attend Mass due to illness may call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Communion in their home.



## Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 24, 2020

**FOCUS:** God makes himself known to us.

Knowing God in a way that brings eternal life is no casual acquaintance, but an intimate friendship. When we know someone as a friend, we know likes and dislikes, character and personality. God knows us intimately and, amazingly, desires to be known, and makes himself known to those created in his image.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD:** In the first reading, after Jesus' Ascension, the disciples went to the upper room and devoted themselves to prayer. In Peter's Epistle, he encourages the beloved community to rejoice in persecution; privileged to suffer with Christ, they will also glorify God. In John's Gospel, Jesus, nearing the end of his earthly life, prays for his followers who remain in the world.

**REFLECTION:** What can be so "glorious" about the death of this good man Jesus? What is there to stand up and cheer about? Maybe because in his death people will see how much he trusted God. He remained faithful even through his pain and death. That's something to cheer about. Glory to God!

**So we ask ourselves:**

- ◆ How would you describe the "glory of God?"
- ◆ Does that glory show itself frequently in our world?
- ◆ Can you give a few examples?

### *A Prayer for Memorial Day*

God of power and mercy,  
you destroy war and put down earthly pride.  
Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,  
that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters.  
Keep in your mercy those men and women  
who have died in the cause of freedom  
and bring them safely  
into your kingdom of justice and peace.  
We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## Masses for the week of May 24, 2020

### Sunday, May 24

5:00pm (Vigil) Mark Czyzewski  
 7:30am Sr. Irene Loretta Cassady, IHM  
 9:00am Helen Handley (birthday memorial)  
 10:30am Christina Marin & Jose Manual Martinez  
 12:00pm Carmella Dick  
 8:00pm PPH Family Community

### Monday, May 25 (Memorial Day)

9:00am Parishioners who served in the Military

### Tuesday, May 26

6:30am Fr. Laurence Gleason  
 12:00pm Fr. John Shelley

### Wednesday, May 27

6:30am Fr. John Farry  
 12:00pm Fr. Richard McLoughlin

### Thursday, May 28

6:30am IHM Sisters in Camilla Hall  
 12:00pm Special Intention

### Friday, May 29

6:30am Ines Tobon  
 12:00pm Charles J. Dick

### Saturday, May 30

8:00am Mary Ann Falasco  
 5:00pm Richard Kurth

All Masses are being offered privately by our priests every day.  
 The 12:00 Noon Mass is being live streamed Monday through  
 Friday along with Sunday Mass.  
 Please join us virtually by visiting our Facebook page at  
[www.facebook.com/StWilliamPhila/](http://www.facebook.com/StWilliamPhila/)

## Please keep the sick in your prayers.

Mike Montgomery	Christopher Browne
Clifford Browne	Joe Fenuto
Shawn Downey	Irene Coyle
Stephanie Morgan	Jeffrey Jubelirer
Michael Griffin	Sher Anne Shea-Jubelirer
Richard Shea	Conor F. Donnelly
Matthew Koreck	Anne Krause
Carmella Dick	Donna Griffin
Patricia Jordan	Michael Wilson
Loretta LaBarge	Elizabeth Junod
Betty Harding	Francisco Perez
Walter Aguilar	Avila Aguilar
Nelson Hernandez	Norberto Palanco
Carmen Hernandez	Domingo Teletor
Linda Richardson	River Fisher Ritter
Francisco DeJesus	Luz Pena DeJesus
Josephine Starkman	

Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed.



## Mass Book for 2020

There are many Masses available for your loved ones and your special intentions. Please either email [office@churchofstwilliam.com](mailto:office@churchofstwilliam.com) or call the rectory at 215-745-1389 and leave a message.

Please include the name for the Mass intention, date and time of the Mass, and your name and phone number. We will then contact you to verify that the date and time are available.

Your donation may be mailed to St. William Church, 6200 Rising Sun Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111. When sending your donation, please indicate the date and time of the Mass you selected.

*Not all heroes wear capes - some heroes wear collars.*

This is the time traditionally when Ordination to the Priesthood takes place in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. A time when seminarians' years of prayerful and devoted studies would culminate in their consecration as priests in our Church. Many priests are celebrating anniversaries of their own ordinations over the next few days. Please remember them in prayer and know that in these unprecedented times, our priests are still saying Mass every day, anointing the sick, and celebrating funerals. They are there for us, and so we must be there for them and for our parish communities.



## Prayer for Priests

*Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.*

*Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people.*

*Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.*

*Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.*

*Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.*

## Tentative Dates of Installation

Ordination of Transitional Deacons and  
 Ordination of Permanent Deacons  
 Saturday ~ June 13, 2020 at 10:00am  
 Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter & Paul

Ordination of Priests  
 Saturday ~ June 20, 2020 at 10:00am  
 Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter & Paul

Mass with the Institution of Acolytes  
 Saturday ~ September 20, 2020 at 10:00am  
 St. Martin Chapel at St. Charles Seminary



We send  
 Happy Birthday Wishes  
 to  
 Fr. Al  
 who is celebrating  
 his birthday this week.

Hope you enjoy  
 your special day!

## **Arise: Restoring Catholic Life after the Pandemic**

### *The Power of the Resurrection*

This is a summary of the video by Meghan Cokeley and printed in the Parish Bulletin with her permission.

Jesus' Resurrection is an historical event that is present to us now. In Luke 24:36-43 Jesus appeared to the disciples and they were afraid because they thought they were seeing a ghost. Jesus showed them his hands and side and eats fish in front of them because he wants them to know that the same body that was nailed to the cross is present to them now.

Jesus invites us to welcome the power of His Resurrection into our lives to bring healing, restoration and new life. Identify the tombs in your life and bring them to Jesus. Pour your heart out to him about the tombs in your life, some of which may be, being stuck at home in this pandemic, the loss of a loved one, especially if you were not able to be with them when they died, the loss of a job, a broken relationship that is newly exposed or with which you have never dealt, the pain of isolation, loneliness or depression and right now the separation from Jesus in the Eucharist. Follow him as he leads you out of the tomb through regular and sustained prayer. Prayer will allow you to hear his voice and be attuned to how he is leading you. This new life may not come instantaneously or in a way we recognize.

Jesus wants us to be certain his Resurrection is a bodily Resurrection. This reality is the center of our lives as Catholics. Our bodies and souls are saved through the Resurrection of Jesus. We are an incarnate people and that is why we are required to be present at Mass on Sundays and confessions can only be heard in person. We are separated from this reality, from the Eucharist and each other right now. We are not home. Home is the in person, in flesh, life of the Church where we encounter Jesus in the sacraments in the presence of one another.

Seek him now. Seek the risen Christ and give him your tombs. Ask Jesus to enter the places that are dark in your life and bring his Resurrection to them. Ask him to restore your life and the life of the Church and pray. Pray for an end to this pandemic so we may come back to Mass and one another in the fullness of the life of the Church.

## **CORA vs. COVID**

These times may be uncertain, but what is certain is the need for what CORA provides the community and the dedication of our team to guiding children and families through challenges. Don't hesitate to reach out to CORA at 215-342-7660 if there is anything we can do to support you and your family. We can provide support for Academics, Parent Consultation, Early Childhood Education and Development, and Community Resources. Service is FREE and you can call Monday through Friday 9:00am to 1:00pm.



Be a Good Neighbor ~ Pick up a Church Bulletin when you visit on Sunday and give one to a neighbor.

### **Sunday Collections for May 17**

Church \$4,359; Utilities \$206; Ascension \$295; Easter \$170; Catholic Home Missions \$45; Rice Bowl \$5; Military \$5

E-GIVING: Church \$165; Utilities \$10; Ascension \$30

Thank you for continuing to support the parish.  
We are sincerely grateful. God bless you! Fr. Al

## **Call to Action from the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference**

Governor Wolf and the PA Department of Education are looking to take most of the funding that Congress wants distributed equitably in COVID-19 relief to ALL schools in PA and across the country.

Pennsylvania received \$471 million in funding from Washington. But PCC Education Director Sean McAleer says "the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) created its own set of rules to distribute that money that blatantly ignores federal guidance. The end result significantly lowers the amounts to be given to Catholic and nonpublic school students."

McAleer broke down the disparity this way: "the Wolf Administration is calling for roughly \$19 million to go to Catholic and nonpublic schools students, while Washington is calling for \$66 million. The Wolf administration is misappropriating some \$47 million in federal funds and harming families who have chosen to send their children to Catholic and nonpublic schools."

"Catholic and nonpublic school students matter," said McAleer. "We are asking Mr. Wolf and Education Secretary Pedro Rivera to please follow the federal guidelines! In a time when thousands of Pennsylvania's children and families are suffering and struggling to make ends meet, the administration has chosen to cause further harm by refusing to allocate money as directed by the federal government." Please urge Governor Wolf and Secretary of Education Gerald Zahorchak to not divert Federal CARES Act Money from Catholic and nonpublic schools.

Send your message to: [https://www.votervoicenet/BroadcastLinks/R\\_EYF60cmCEIHGvzjZPvOA](https://www.votervoicenet/BroadcastLinks/R_EYF60cmCEIHGvzjZPvOA)

Contact information for Governor Wolf can be found at: <https://www.governor.pa.gov/contact/#OnlineForm>.

You can find contact information for your local state representative and senator by visiting <https://www.pacatholic.org/resources/voter-voice/?vsrc=%2fAddress>.



### **Job Opportunity**

St. William's Rectory is looking for a cook to work 3 to 4 days per week. Please send your resume to Fr. Al at [pastor@churchofstwilliam.com](mailto:pastor@churchofstwilliam.com).

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### **RECTORY OFFICE**

Due to the current situation with COVID-19 the rectory office is closed. If you need assistance in an emergency, please call and leave a message.

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### Comida para la familia

- Sitios abiertos **los lunes (alimentos secos) y jueves** (frutas y verduras) **de 10 a.m. a 12 p.m.**
- Los residentes pueden recoger una caja por hogar.
- Los residentes no necesitan identificación

### Algunos sitios cerca de St. William:

- Shekinah SDA 531 W. Chew Ave. (19120)
- Keep the Faith Ministries 1906 Harrison St. (19124)
- Philadelphia Citadel 5830 Rising Sun Ave. (19120)
- Feast of Justice 3101 Tyson Ave. (19149)
- Salvation Army 5830 Rising Sun Ave. (19111)

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### Comida para los estudiantes

- Sitios abiertos **los lunes y jueves de 9 a.m. a 12 p.m.**
- Cada niño recibirá 4 desayunos y 4 almuerzos
- Cualquier niño es elegible en cualquier sitio.
- No necesitan identificación.

### Algunos sitios cerca de St. William:

- Benjamin Franklin School 5737 Rising Sun Ave
- Northeast High School 1601 Cottman Ave. (19111)
- Washington Grover Middle School 201 E. Olney Ave

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### Banco de Alimentos

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6161 N. 5th Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19120

Martes y Jueves: : 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

#### Para más información:

[www.phila.gov/COVID-19](http://www.phila.gov/COVID-19) "Locate a free food site"

[www.philabundance.org](http://www.philabundance.org) "Find food"

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### Panales y Comida para bebés (gratis):

<https://www.phila.gov/2020-04-15-recursos-para-mujeres-embarazadas-bebes-y-ninos-pequenos-durante-covid-19/>

### Los Domingos en St. William

#### **No HAY MISA PUBLICA**

Vea la Misa celebrada por Padre Al o por Padre Gus, en español: entra el sitio web: [www.churchofstwilliam.com](http://www.churchofstwilliam.com) o página de Facebook: [www.facebook.com/StWilliamPhila/](http://www.facebook.com/StWilliamPhila/) a las 10:30 am

La Iglesia estará **ABIERTA** para oración privada y confesión, con Adoración al Santísimo: **12- 3pm.**

Por favor, observe la distancia social de 6 pies y por favor, entrando bancas indicadas.  
Use la máscara cuando venga a la Iglesia.

Vea la Misa diaria en ingles a las 12:00 pm:  
entra : [www.churchofstwilliam.com](http://www.churchofstwilliam.com) o  
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en sus Fiestas Patrias: 24 de mayo

### **DOMINGO, MAYO 24, 2020** **SÉPTIMO DOMINGO DE PASCUA**

"PADRE, HE MANIFESTADO TU NOMBRE A LOS QUE TÚ ME DISTE. ERAN TUYOS, Y TÚ ME LO DISTE Y HAN GUARDADO TU PALABRA ".

Escuchamos el comienzo de la Oración Sacerdotal de Jesucristo. El es El Siervo que se sacrifica por todos. Y se consagra para purificar y santificar al pueblo que va a adquirir, El resto de Israel. Jesus ora por el pueblo que desempeñará una función sacerdotal en el mundo, y que cumple una misión única en el mundo. Esta oración está orientada hacia la Gloria de Dios ! Los discípulos de Jesús son necesarios e irremplazables para la Gloria de Dios. Ahora, en medio de los demás pueblos de la tierra, un pueblo santo tiene el privilegio de conocer a Dios y a su enviado, Jesucristo ! Qué dichosos somos nosotros si con humilde fe conocemos a Dios, Nuestro Padre, y a Jesucristo, El Señor! En esta semana nos ponemos en oración para suplicar al Señor, que envíe sobre nosotros los dones de su Santo Espíritu.

### ARISE: "Levántate"

*"Restaurando la vida católica después de la pandera"*

@Archphila.org/arise

#### En los "Recursos en Español" se encuentran:

- Recursos para la Oración, Adoración, Misa
- Formación en la Fe
- Pastoral Juvenil
- Recursos para Niños... y mucho más...

### Caminando a Pentecostés

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Sábados 9:15—10:15 pm  
Facebook.com/HispanosPhilly

### Serie Virtual: Unidos en Familia: 4 sesiones

Con *Guadalupe y Rolando Da Costa* de nuestra parroquia  
Domingos 17,24,31 de mayo y 7 de junio 8:00-8:45 pm  
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### #IGLESIA VIVA Retiro Virtual Juvenil

Mayo 30 3-5pm: Facebook.com/HispanosPhilly

### Intención del Papa Francisco para mayo

**Intención de oración universal:** Por los diáconos.

**Recemos para que** nuestros Diáconos Felipe, Ángel y Bill, fieles al servicio de la Palabra y de los pobres, sean un signo vivificante para toda la Iglesia.

### CONSULTAS sobre la INMIGRACIÓN:

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