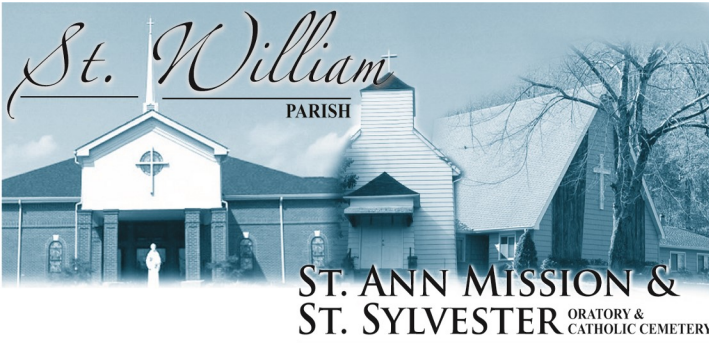


January 23, 2022



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MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. William, London
Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Ann Mission, Manchester
Sunday 10:45 a.m. Mass at St. William, London
Sunday 6:15 p.m. Misa en Español at St. William, London
Monday 12:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Chapel, London
Tuesday 9 a.m. Mass at St. William, London
Wednesday 6 p.m. Mass at St. William, London
Thursday 9 a.m. Mass at St. William, London
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45 pm., St. William, London

ST. WILLIAM PARISH OFFICE & STAFF

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<http://www.saintwilliamcatholicchurch.org>

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NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION:

New parishioners are most welcome. Please register by calling the Parish Office. You may also register online at cdlex.org/London or St. Ann Mission at (606) 598-2718.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION:

For information, call Sr. Marge Manning DRE, St. William's Religious Education office 401-0050, or home 330-0268

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FORMATION:

St. William— Grades pre-K through 12 classes are held Sunday at 9:20–10:30 am.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual abuse or sexual misconduct by church personnel, contact the Diocese of Lexington's Victim Advocate, Laura Napora (859)253-1993 or Lnapora@cdlex.org.

PASTORAL CARE

The celebration of Baptism, Confirmation, and Marriage are very important events in the lives of families.

Please contact the church office to arrange for preparation for these sacraments. **Please remember, Marriage preparation requires at least six months.**

Anointing of the Sick and Communion for the Homebound: The parish wants to be of service in these times of need.

If you or someone you know is sick or homebound, please call the church office.

PRAYER CHAIN:

Offering prayers for those in need contact Cathy Campbell at 606-524-0142 or ccampbell_48@hotmail.com

Office Hours: Monday thru Wednesday 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Thursday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Office is closed on Fridays.

ST. WILLIAM MISSION STATEMENT

We are the people of St. William Roman Catholic Church, a diverse and welcoming community in Southeast Kentucky. Our purpose: **nourishing** the spiritual growth through worshipping and walking with Christ, gratefully **caring** for God's creation and **responding** to our community needs, sharing in **proclaiming and affirming** the healing **love of Christ**, and moving us toward a deeper communion with God.

ST. ANN MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of St. Ann Catholic Church residing in the Appalachian Region of Southeastern Kentucky, are members of an active, welcoming faith community.

Energized by our Sacramental life, we are called to support and love one another and to enhance our spiritual growth and development. We will strive to give witness to our Catholic faith and be the presence of Jesus on earth by promoting justice, peace, and evangelization.

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me”

Back in the old times my grandmother was a midwife who helped to bring many children into the world. Midwives were so popular due to the lack of hospitals and health professionals in those far away provinces and towns of Colombia where the government officials and educational institutions had a barren presence. My father told me that she probably during her lifetime could have helped hundreds of mothers with laboring, helping to deliver many babies.

“Mama Juana” as we used to call her was the only midwife in her town, where there were not enough presence of medical care, and many women had to learn from her ancestors, parents and friends traditional medical procedures without having the opportunity to go to any college or university, also because education at that time was not available for the entire population, especially in distant places, and women either were not in the plan of the educational system at that time. I would say that most of the women who dedicated great part of their lives to serve as a midwife didn't have any other educational formation other than that they could learn from others because the access to the education system was far from their possibilities, that was only a privilege for a few, living mostly in urban areas. Nevertheless, many of these women developed great abilities and self-knowledge in pediatrics and maternity to make possible, safe, and healthy delivery of babies. They only had their great humanity and Spirit of love and care for others.

My dad told me that Mama Juana, always before attending a woman in labor, she used to pray to her favorite Saints, among them were the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Ignatius of Loyola and San Benito (Saint Benedict), she prayed to them as a preparation of her job, asking their intercession. She was assured her hands were “anointed” by the presence of God through their Saints and her Mother. She was so grateful for receiving lives in her hands and placing them in the arms of those mothers she used to attend. There were some families, in which she helped to deliver 5, 6 or more children in the same family. Mama Juana died when I was 14 at 83 years old. I have memories of people she helped at the birth of their children who used to bring her flowers and gifts in gratitude for her job.

As I was remembered her story, come to my mind the word of Jesus in the gospel today, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind to let the oppressed go free”.

These words of the book of the prophet Isaiah in the lips of Jesus proclaiming it in the synagogue Jesus could have so many meanings, but among them the meaning of the sanctity of life. Jesus has come to proclaim liberty to the captives, bring glad tidings, let the oppressed go free. How precious and necessary are all lives, my grandmother knew this truth when she helped to deliver many babies, while mothers were laboring and expecting to have the joy of life in their hands.

Sometimes I think if everyone would have the experience and the chance to reflect more on their own “life-process” and see how painful and difficult it was for their mothers and fathers to bring them into the world they would really appreciate more other lives. If they just would see with their own eyes the process of human life on how a baby is forming in the womb, then growing in it, and then delivering in the middle of sufferings and pains they should respect life from natural conception to natural death.

Today as we hear the words of Jesus, let us inspire our hearts, our minds, our jobs, our occupations calling the presence of God who also is sending us to bring good tidings to all, and proclaim liberty to captives through our own prayer, jobs, and testimony of life.

Finally, this week we celebrate the day of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. A man who promoted the sacredness of life. We should always remember his dreams that have become the dreams of many in our nation. Truly the Spirit of the Lord was also upon him. I also have a dream, “That one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, the crooked places will be made straight, and the Glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together”.

Have a blessed Sunday.

Father Carlos

WEEKLY READINGS AND MASS INTENTIONS

From January 22, 2022 to January 30th, 2022

SATURDAY: January 22nd Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Readings: [2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27](#) / Ps [80:2-3, 5-7](#) / [Mk 3:20-21](#)
5:00 p.m. Mass (St. William)
Mass Intention: *Doug Hayes+*

SUNDAY: January 23rd Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: [Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10](#) / Ps [19:8, 9, 10, 15](#) / [Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21](#)

8:00 a.m. Mass (St. Ann)
Mass Intention: *Missionary Servants of the Most Trinity*
10:45 a.m. Mass (St. William)
Mass Intention: *Geedle Jody Peters+*
6:15 p.m. Santa Misa Mass (St. William)

Monday: January 24th

Readings: [2 Sm 5:1-7, 10](#) / Ps [89:20, 21-22, 25-26](#) / [Mk 3:22-30](#)
12:00 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Hospital
Mass Intention: *Catholic Extension*

Tuesday: January 25th

Readings: [Acts 22:3-16](#) / Ps [117:1bc, 2](#) / [Mk 16:15-18](#)
9:00 a.m. Mass (St. William)
Mass Intention: *Raymond Walker+ (Birthday)*

Wednesday: January 26th

Readings: [2 Tm 1:1-8](#) / Ps [96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10](#) / [Mk 4:1-20](#)
5:00—Adoration (St. William)
6:00 p.m. **NO Mass (St. William)**

Thursday: January 27th

Readings: [2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29](#) / Ps [132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14](#) / [Mk 4:21-25](#)
9:00 a.m.—**NO Mass (St. William)**

Friday: January 28th

Readings: [2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17](#) / Ps [51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11](#) / [Mk 4:26-34](#)

SATURDAY: January 29th Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: [2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17](#) / Ps [51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17](#) / [Mk 4:35-41](#)
5:00 p.m. Mass (St. William)
Mass Intention: *Don & Pat Clausen*

SUNDAY: January 30th Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: [Jer 1:4-5, 17-19](#) / [1 Cor 12:31—13:13](#) / [Lk 4:21-30](#)
8:00 a.m. Mass (St. Ann)
Mass Intention: *Stephan Charles+*
10:45 a.m. Mass (St. William)
Mass Intention: *Jerelene Davis+*
6:15 p.m. Santa Misa Mass (St. William)

Monthly Meetings

- St. William Property Cmte : First Monday at 6:00 pm
- St. William Christian Service Mtg: First Tuesday at 6:00
- St. William Joint Finance Cmte. Third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
- St. William Formation Cmte.: Second Monday at 5:00 p.m.
- St. William Parish Pastoral Con: Third Wednesday at 6:45 p.m.
- St. William Liturgy Committee: Fourth Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Parish News:

FATHER CARLOS WILL BE OUT TOWN VISITING HIS FAMILY IN COLUMBIA FROM JANUARY 27TH TO FEBRUARY 17TH...FATHER BOB DUEWEKE WILL BE DOING ALL ENGLISH WEEKEND MASSES EXCEPT FOR THE 13TH. BISHOP JOHN STOWE WILL BE HERE ON THAT DAY AND WILL PRESIDE ALL THREE MASSES. FATHER DANNY WILL PRESIDE SPANISH MASS ON JANUARY 30TH. FURTHER UPDATES WILL BE IN THE FOLLOWING BULLETINS.

***PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES WHILE HE IS GONE**

Congratulations to our students who celebrated their First Reconciliation this past week. Each Sacrament is special. May they always know God’s mercy and love.

Religious Education classes continue on Sunday mornings, 9:30 – 10:30 am. We are considering offering a class for confirmed students and adults during this time period. Interested, talk to Sr. Marge or Tracy House.

RCIA class meet in person or online on January 24th, Fr. Carlos will present on Baptism.

January is Sanctity of Life month. We will pray the Rosary for protection of life before Masses on January 22 – 4:35 and 23rd - 10:20. Please join us. We support the work of the Laurel Life Center. Please note the items they are collecting during January. Maybe some would like to contribute money so together we can purchase a larger item. Sign up on Kiosk or bring items and put in basket.

Please notice Right to Life materials available for your taking on the table in the gathering space. For more information on the celebration of Sanctity of Life go to USCCB website - Under Topics click on Right to Life. There you can sign up for the Novena, January 19 – 27 and read additional material. You can also go to our parish web page for the Novena for Life.

Shoe Collection - One item that the New Life Distribution Center for the needy (Used to be Y gym) needs is shoes! Do you have a pair in good condition that you no longer wear? There is a box in the Gathering Space for shoe donations. Thank You.

The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 January 18 – 25 was selected by the Middle East Council of Churches and originates from the churches in Lebanon. Present times in Lebanon are extremely difficult and economically disastrous. All this combined with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic have made the situation quite stressful. The power of prayer in solidarity with those who suffer is a demonstration of Christian unity and a sign of communion. Let us join in prayer for the unity of all Christians. Google Christian Unity Week for more information.

St. William’s and St Ann Catholic Church Collections

January 9, 2022

Offering:	\$1,428.00
Youth Ministry.....	\$180.00
St. Ann.....	\$210.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$20.00

“El espíritu del Señor está sobre mí”

En los viejos tiempos mi abuela era una partera que ayudó a traer muchos niños al mundo. Las parteras eran tan populares debido a la falta de hospitales y profesionales de la salud en esas provincias y pueblos lejanos de Colombia donde los funcionarios del gobierno y las instituciones educativas tenían una presencia estéril. Mi padre me dijo que ella probablemente durante su vida podría haber ayudado a cientos de madres con el trabajo de parto, ayudando a dar a luz a muchos bebés.

“Mamá Juana” como la llamábamos era la única partera en su pueblo, donde no había suficiente presencia de atención médica, y muchas mujeres tenían que aprender de sus antepasados, padres y amigos los procedimientos médicos tradicionales sin tener la oportunidad de ir al colegio o universidad, también porque la educación en ese momento no estaba disponible para toda la población, especialmente en lugares lejanos, y las mujeres tampoco estaban en el plan del sistema educativo en ese momento. Yo diría que la mayoría de las mujeres que dedicaron gran parte de su vida a servir como parteras no tenían otra formación educativa más que la que podían aprender de otros porque el acceso al sistema educativo estaba lejos de sus posibilidades, eso era solo un privilegio para unos pocos, que vivían principalmente en áreas urbanas. Sin embargo, muchas de estas mujeres desarrollaron grandes habilidades y autoconocimiento en pediatría y maternidad para hacer posible un parto seguro y saludable de los bebés. Solo tenían su gran humanidad y espíritu de amor y cuidado por los demás.

Mi papá me decía que Mamá Juana siempre antes de atender a una mujer en trabajo de parto, le rezaba a sus santos predilectos, entre ellos estaban la Santísima Virgen María, San Ignacio de Loyola y San Benito (San Benito), les rezaba como un preparación de su trabajo, pidiendo su intercesión. Le aseguraron que sus manos estaban “ungidas” por la presencia de Dios a través de sus Santos y de su Madre. Estaba tan agradecida por recibir vidas en sus manos y ponerlas en los brazos de aquellas madres a las que solía atender. Hubo algunas familias, en las que ayudó a dar a luz a 5, 6 o más niños en la misma familia. Mamá Juana murió cuando yo tenía 14 años a los 83 años. Tengo recuerdos de personas a las que ayudó en el nacimiento de sus hijos que le llevaban flores y regalos en agradecimiento por su trabajo.

Al recordar su historia, viene a mi mente la palabra de Jesús en el evangelio de hoy “el Espíritu del Señor está sobre mí, por cuanto me ha ungió para dar buenas nuevas a los pobres. Me ha enviado a proclamar libertad a los cautivos y dar vista a los ciegos para dejar en libertad a los oprimidos”. Estas palabras del libro del profeta Isaías en labios de Jesús proclamándolas en la sinagoga Jesús podría tener tantos significados, pero entre ellos el significado de la santidad de la vida. Jesús ha venido a proclamar la libertad a los cautivos, traer buenas nuevas, dejar en libertad a los oprimidos. Cuán preciosas y necesarias son todas las vidas, mi abuela sabía esta verdad cuando ayudó a dar a luz a muchos bebés, mientras las madres estaban dando a luz y esperando tener la alegría de la vida en sus manos.

A veces pienso que si todos tuvieran la experiencia y la oportunidad de reflexionar más sobre su propio “proceso de vida” y ver lo doloroso y difícil que fue para sus madres y padres traerlos al mundo, realmente apreciarían más otras vidas. Si tan solo vieran con sus propios ojos el proceso de la vida humana, cómo se forma un bebé en el útero, luego crece en él y luego da a luz en medio de sufrimientos y dolores, deberían respetar la vida desde la concepción natural hasta la muerte natural.

Hoy mientras escuchamos las palabras de Jesús, inspiremos nuestros corazones, nuestras mentes, nuestros trabajos, nuestras ocupaciones llamando la presencia de Dios que también nos está enviando para traer buenas nuevas a todos, y proclamar la libertad a los cautivos a través de nuestra propia oración, trabajos y testimonio de vida.

Finalmente, esta semana celebramos el día del Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Un hombre que promovió el carácter sagrado de la vida. Siempre debemos recordar sus sueños que se han convertido en los sueños de muchos en nuestra nación. Verdaderamente el Espíritu del Señor también estaba sobre él. También tengo un sueño "que un día todo valle será exaltado, toda colina y montaña será bajada, los lugares ásperos serán allanados, los lugares torcidos serán enderezados, y la gloria del Señor será revelada, y toda carne juntamente la verá”.

que tengas un bendecido domingo

Padre Carlos

Jesus Loves You

Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you – for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart... Go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love.” - St. Therese of Lisieux

-Sunday Missals for the Liturgical Year 2022 are available for purchase in the Gift Shop for \$3.00. Interested in St. Michael - there are some materials in the Gift Shop.

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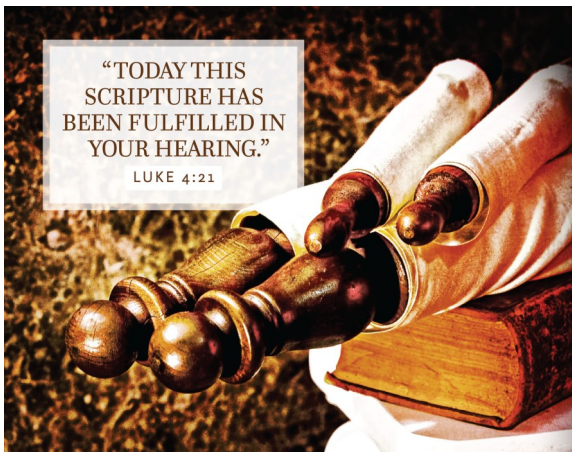
Men's:

January 25th-Frisch's Big Boy
Feb. 1st— The Kitchen by Brandon
Feb 8th—The Depot (Corbin)
Feb 15th—Durham's Pit BBQ
Feb 22nd—Frisch's Big Boy

Women's:

January 25th: Dino's Italian Restaurant
February 1st: The Abbey Restaurant
February 8th: Seasons (Corbin)
February 15th: Mi Casa Mexican
February 22nd: Cracker Barrel

For the Children:



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-Gather with your family today to read a passage of Scripture. Try to reflect on its meaning in our own lives.

-Do you know anyone in the Church who is a Reader? Think about what is required of someone who wants to proclaim the Scriptures at Mass?

On the way to or from Mass...Why is it important to listen to the Readings in Mass?

The Property Committee has recently changed their name to

ENVIRONMENTAL PRESERVATION

Some ideas to think about if you are interested:

- A Community Garden
- For this Summer: "Adopt a Pot" - where a person would take care of planting and nurturing the plant/arrangement in the pot (outside in the Oasis)

There will be a meeting on Sunday, January 23rd after Mass in Stern Hall for whoever wishes to come and discuss these ideas.

The Environmental Preservation Committee would like to welcome any new members/persons.

If you have any questions/concerns, please contact DeAnna Ulbert @ (847) 507-1175.