

Divine Mercy Sunday

2018
April 8

Saint William Church



Pope John Paul II instituted the feast of Divine Mercy on April 30, 2000, which is the Second Sunday of Easter. On the same occasion, the Pope also canonized Sister St. Faustina, now known as the Apostle of Divine Mercy. St. Faustina was a Polish Roman Catholic nun. Throughout her life, Faustina reported having visions of Jesus and conversations with him. On one occasion when Jesus appeared to her as the 'King of Divine Mercy' he was wearing a white garment with red and pale rays emanating from his heart. In her diary, she wrote that Jesus told her: Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: 'Jesus, I trust in You.' I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and then throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. A Plenary Indulgence can be obtained by a Sacramental Confession, Holy Communion, and prayers for the intentions of the Pope.

All are welcome to join us today at Saint William Church

Confessions: 2:00-3:00PM

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 2:45PM

Mass: 3:00PM with Celebrant Msgr. Mortimer

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Rectory Office Hours: 8:45 AM to 11:45 AM and 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Convent Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (Tel.) 215-745-3513

Parochial Religious Education Program (PREP) (Tel.) 267-831-8046

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Alfonso J. Concha (Fr. Al), Pastor
Rev. Msgr. James E. Mortimer, Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Tariq Isaac, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Augusto Concha (Fr. Gus) Retired, Resident
Rev. Alfred Lauricien, O.M.I., Resident
Deacon William Moser
Deacon Felipe Cruz
Deacon Angel Alicea, Retired

CONVENT

Sr. Rose Patrice, Superior & Hispanic Ministry
Sr. Bernadette Taraschi, Dir. Religious Education PREP

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM (Lower Church)

Spanish: 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00PM

English: 2nd or 4th Sunday of the month at 1:00PM

Pre-Baptismal Instructions:

Spanish: 2nd Wednesday 7:00PM Rectory basement

English: 1st Sunday at 1:00PM (Church)

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. On special occasions priests can do the same.

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 parish priest at least six months prior to the intended date of marriage.

To reserve a wedding please contact :

pastor@churchofstwilliam.com.

For required marriage preparation contact the rectory or

PhillyCatholicMarriagePrep.com

For wedding music contact Ken Houser, Church Organist at

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.



Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to these new members of our church and Catholic faith who received the sacraments at the Easter Vigil on March 31, 2018.

Rony Boanerges Ipina Rodriguez
Xavier Cabrera
Maria Avalos
Andrey Montero
Mario Ramos
Natalie Henderson
Ashley Rodriguez

We also welcome these children who are newly baptized into the Catholic faith.

Ashley Avalos
Samantha Ramos
Isaac Webb

We ask our St. William Church family to please keep all of them in your prayers.

Special Thank You

Thank you to everyone who attended Mass and participated in all the special Holy Week and Easter services.

Thank you for your generous support during Lent and Easter.

Thank you to Ken Houser who decorated our Church so beautifully for Lent and Easter.

Thank you to all the Lectors, Cantors, Choir, Altar Servers and Ushers for the beautiful Holy Week and Easter liturgies.

May you be blessed during this Holy Easter Season.

Father Al



A big *Thank You* to all our parish musicians for their hard work and dedication to this year's Holy Week Masses and services. We are truly lucky to have such a wonderful group of talented folks among our Spanish and English Choirs.

Ken Houser - Director of Music

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FOCUS: Like the early Christians, let us be filled with gratitude and love for the Lord.

The Church continues to celebrate and give thanks for the mystery of the resurrection of Christ. We acknowledge that God has appointed the risen Jesus judge of all creation. Therefore, with hearts full of hope and faith, we seek to be reconciled in his divine mercy and to share in his eternal life.

LITURGY OF THE WORD: In Acts, Luke recalls how the early Christian community was filled with gratitude and love for the Lord, and was willing to share everything they had as a sign of that love. Saint John reassures the struggling community in the second reading that by loving God they have the strength to love each other and remain faithful to the Lord. In the Gospel, Jesus convinces Thomas of the truth of his resurrection.

REFLECTION: The question for us today is whether we will allow ourselves to be changed by the resurrection of Jesus; to change our own way of living and being in order to be revealers of God by the witness of our own lives.

So we ask ourselves:

- Can we truly express merciful care for others?
- Can we be compassionate and in solidarity with those who are different than us?
- Can we focus on the common good when it might mean giving up personal goals?

Holy Name Society

On Saturday, April 14, the Philadelphia Parish Holy Name Society will visit St. William Church for the 8:00AM Mass. Following Mass we will pray together the rosary and venerate the relic of Blessed John Vercelli, founder and promoter of the Holy Name Society. Please join us!

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

<i>Palm Sunday, March 25</i>	\$8,539
<i>E-Giving</i>	\$615
<i>Rice Bowl</i>	\$2,118
<i>Holy Land (Good Friday)</i>	\$373
<i>Easter Flowers</i>	\$960
<i>Regular Sunday, April 1</i>	\$8,890
<i>Easter, April 1</i>	\$6,855

May God bless you for your continued support of Saint William Parish and all the special collections.

Father Al—Pastor

St. William Centennial Committee Meeting

This is an invitation to those who attended the meeting last November to begin the planning for our parish centennial. You are welcome to attend a meeting on Wednesday, April 18 at 7:00PM in the rectory basement.

St. Helena's Cupboard

Next weekend will be our monthly food collection for St. Helena's Cupboard. The items most in need are—peanut butter, jelly, mac & cheese, juice, cereal, rice, canned beans, evaporated milk. God bless you for your generosity.



RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Interested in being baptized Catholic? Would like to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? NOW IS THE TIME!

For more information, please contact Sister Bernadette at sbernadette@churchofstwilliam.com or 267-831-8046.

St. William Sunday Concert Series

Next Sunday, April 15
2:00PM - Lower Church



Please join us next Sunday for 'Philomela' a women's vocal ensemble, who will perform a variety of pieces from liturgical to kid friendly music. They have performed at many concerts in the Washington, DC area including the White House. This is a FREE concert, with refreshments following.

Malvern Retreats

- ◆ *Evening of Reflection*—Thursday, May 3
Theme: Forgiveness, the Best Revenge given by Sr. Sheila Galligan, IHM
- ◆ *Young Adult Retreat*—May 11-12 This 24 hour retreat will be directed by Fr. Matt Guckin for young adults (ages 18-35)
- ◆ *Be a Man*—June 8-9 This 24 hour retreat for men of all ages will feature Fr. Larry Richards (international author, evangelist, TV and radio host)

Register at www.malvernretreat.com or 610-644-0400.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Vigil 5:00PM (Saturday)
7:30AM, 9:00AM,
12:00PM, 8:00PM (Upper Church)
10:30AM - Spanish
4:00PM - Pakistani
5:30PM - Haitian (Upper Church)

Monday through Friday

6:30AM and 12:00 Noon

Saturday

8:00AM

Masses for the week of April 8, 2018

Sunday, April 8

5:00 PM (Vigil) Richard Kurth (5th anniversary)
7:30 AM Marie Gerdemann (9th anniversary)
9:00 AM Edna Jamil (living—birthday)
10:30 AM Palmira Ramos
12:00 PM Peter Higgins
8:00 PM St. William Parishioners

Monday, April 9

6:30 AM Joseph Tran
12:00 PM James J. Halpin

Tuesday, April 10

6:30 AM Ed Krause (birthday memorial)
12:00 PM Danny & Mary Logue

Wednesday, April 11

6:30 AM Special Intention
12:00 PM Ann Tran (living)

Thursday, April 12

6:30 AM Parishioners of St. William
12:00 PM Benjamin Vargas, Jr.

Friday, April 13

6:30 AM Doria Santamaria
12:00 PM Joseph Tolstoy

Saturday, April 14

8:00 AM Blessed John Vercelli
5:00 PM Joseph Caltagirome (3rd anniversary) &
John Lundy (1st anniversary)

Matrimony: Rediscovering Its Truth

You are invited for a day of prayer and reflection at the Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter and Paul.

DATE: Saturday, April 21 (10AM-6:15PM)
AGENDA: Speakers: His Eminence Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke, Reverend Gerald Murray, Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill
COST: \$50
REGISTER: 215-247-2585
saintjohnneumannchapter.org

Charismatic Mass & Healing Service

DATE: Friday, April 27
TIME: 6:45PM Prayer/Praise; 7:15PM Liturgy
PLACE: St. Martha Church, 11301 Academy Rd. 19154
INFO: 215-637-5441

REMINDER for Tuition Assistance

Families who have children attending St. Cecilia School or Presentation BVM School must be fully participating members of St. William Parish to receive tuition assistance. Families must attend Mass weekly, participate in parish activities, and support the parish financially. Letters and applications were sent to families in the mail and all tuition assistance applications must be submitted to the rectory no later than **May 1, 2018**. A review of your applications and contributions will be completed in May. Tuition assistance is only for students in grades 1 through 8. Please call the rectory office if you have any questions.

Please keep the sick of our parish in your prayers.

Livia Genobel
Loretta LaBarge
Carmella Dick
Linda Richardson
Bob Edmonds
John Dick
River Fisher Ritter (10 months)

Catherine Winsey
Sally Masorli
Jeremiah Butler
Peter Feledick
James Trainor

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed, especially those in our parish.

Saint William Seniors

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, April 11 at Wesley (Oxford Ave) - 11:00AM Board meeting; 12:00PM General meeting.

Upcoming Trips:

- **May 10**—Pines Dinner Theater in Allentown—Lunch and Comedy Show
- **September 9-13**—Wildwood, NJ
- **November 8**—American Music Theater Christmas Show and Lunch at Shady Maple

New members are always welcome and you do not have to be a member of the parish to join. For more information about the Seniors, please contact Betty Harding at 215-745-7199.



*God bless our newly
married couples*

Sean Maher & Kimberly Regan

Rony Ipina & Odelma Gutierrez

Feast Day of St. Gianna Beretta Molla

Everyone is invited to celebrate St. Gianna's Feast Day on Thursday, April 26 at Nativity of Our Lord Church, 625 West Street Rd., Warminster beginning with the rosary at 6:30PM, and Mass at 7:00PM. Info call 215-657-3101.

Presentation BVM School—\$1,500 Grant

New students in grades 2-7 who transfer from a non-Catholic school into Presentation BVM School for the 2018-2019 school year, may be eligible for \$1,500 toward their tuition (\$1,000 first year; \$500 second year). For more info, contact Admissions Dept. at 215-379-3798 or email Principal at mrs.garnham@presbvmschool.org.

National Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia (located at 1166 S. Broad St., 19146)

- *First Annual Little League Baseball Mass*—Sunday, April 8 at 10AM All Little League players are welcome to Mass (wear your uniform) for a special blessing for sportsmanship and safe play for the season.
- *Hail, Mary: Lecture on Marian Art*—Tuesday, May 1 (7:00-8:30PM) Presentation on art and iconography of Blessed Mother.

More info at www.saintritashrine.org or 215-546-8333

CONFESIONES: Todos los Domingos: 10:00-10:20AM.

BAUTISMO: Coordina con Diácono Felipe o Hna. Rosa

2° Miércoles del mes a las 7:00 PM: **Charla**

3° Domingo del mes a las 1:00 PM: **Bautismo**

Visitas y Comunión a los ENFERMOS y ANCIANOS:

Consulta con Padre Al. Asistente: Ida Jiménez

CÍRCULO de ORACIÓN:

Los viernes a las 7:00 PM en el sótano de la Rectoría

ROSARIO: Están invitados a rezar el Rosario cada domingo a las 10:00, antes de la Misa.

LOS SACRAMENTOS:

Para niños: Contacta a Sister Bernadette

Para adultos: Contacta al Diacono Felipe Cruz



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Domingo, 22 de abril,

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

en el Salón Parroquial

Todos están invitados



RIFAS - Rifa por el día de las Madres organizada por el Ministerio de los Servidores del Altar Hispano.

El costo de los boletos o tickets es \$1.00



Rifa por el día de las Madres organizada por la Hermandad del Señor de los Milagros.

El costo de los boletos o tickets es

\$2.00



En la Arquidiócesis:

Un día para la familia en el seminario San Carlos Borromeo
22 de abril 11:30–5:30 Info: 215-667-2820

Conferencia de Mujeres Católicas: Santuario de Czestochowa
Sábado, 27 de octubre Info: catholicwomensconference.org
Registrarse por medio de la Oficina Hispana y recibir un descuento

Siervos de Cristo de San Vicente de Paul: Info: Jesús Ortiz
Retiro para Hombres: Abril 20,21 y 22 del 2018

Renovación Carismática: Taller: Hall de Sta. Verónica
Los lunes a las 7:00 PM : 16 de abril hasta 21 de mayo

<https://rezandovoy.org/> Una oración diaria en mp3
www.DailyCatholicGospel.com Obispo Robert Barron
Reflexiones del Evangelio enviadas a su bandeja de correo electrónico durante todo el año

ABRIL 8, 2018 - SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE PASCUA- DOMINGO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA

"HEMOS VISTO AL SEÑOR"!

La Iglesia Católica sigue proclamando la Resurrección del Señor que es el corazón de nuestra fe. Cristo Resucitado está vivo en el corazón de cada creyente. CRISTO VIVE y está presente en medio de nosotros, aléluia! En este segundo Domingo de Pascua, Cristo Resucitado, se aparece a los discípulos estando cerrada las puertas por miedo a los judíos. Y les dijo: "la paz esté con Ustedes". "Mientras decía esto, les mostró sus manos y su costado"! Este encuentro fue inolvidable. Los discípulos decían: "hemos visto al Señor", pero Tomás se resistió a creer. Nos puede suceder también a nosotros. A veces somos intransigentes, duros de corazón y nos resistimos a creer. Jesús reprendió a Tomás con bondad y energía y dijo: "dichosos los que creen sin haber visto"! Muchas veces, el Señor Resucitado se deja ver y tocar a los que tienen fe!

DOMINGO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA!

El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica dice: "el Evangelio es la Revelación, en Jesucristo, de la Misericordia de Dios con los pecadores"! La Divina Misericordia es el Evangelio, la Buena Nueva que tanto necesitamos cada uno de nosotros. El Papa Francisco en el cincuenta aniversario del Vaticano II abrió en Roma la Puerta de la Misericordia y decía: "cualquiera que entre podrá experimentar el amor de DIOS que consuela, que perdona y que ofrece esperanza"! Y añadía en la Solemnidad de Cristo Rey: " Encomendamos la vida de la Iglesia al Señorío de Cristo, esperando que difunda su Misericordia como rocío de la mañana para una fecunda historia todavía por construir"! La Misericordia de DIOS hacia nosotros es inagotable! Y cuánto lo necesitamos en el mundo en que vivimos. Nuestra misericordia tiene que llegar a todos. Es el fruto del amor más elocuente. Cristo es el modelo de la Misericordia! Y nos dijo: " dichosos los misericordiosos porque ellos alcanzarán misericordia"! Recordemos en este Segundo Domingo de Pascua, Jesús tiene un mensaje para nosotros: LA MISERICORDIA!

En la Parroquia St. William:

Jueves: 12 de abril; Reunión del Comité Hispano

Viernes: 13 de abril: Misa a las 6:30 PM

Celebrante: Padre Agustín Bollini

Domingo: 15 de abril: Retiro para familias de **Primera Comunión** en el Hall Parroquial

Domingo: 15 de abril: **Colecta** para Banco de Alimentos

Domingo: 22 de abril: **Evento Multicultural Colombiano**

Banco de Alimentos de Sta. Helena

El tercer domingo de cada mes: (15 de abril)

Lleva una bolsa para asistir a los necesitados. Gracias.



INMIGRACIÓN:

Llame a sus legisladores sobre la inmigración:

Senator Robert Casey: 202-224-6324

Senator Patrick Toomey: 202-224-4254

Representative Brendan Boyle: 202-225-1904

Consultas sobre la INMIGRACIÓN:

HIAS 2100 Arch St. 3rd floor 215-832-0900

Servicios Sociales Católicos: 222 N. 17th St. 215-854-7019

Welcome Center 215-634-1696

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