ST. WILLIAM CHURCH
765 Andrews Rd.
Mail: P.O. Box 546, Murphy, NC 28906
Church Bldg. # (828) 837-2000
Mass Schedule: Sat. 6:00 PM Sun. 11:00 AM
www.st-william.net

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY
1433 Hwy. 64 West, Hayesville
Church Bldg. # (828) 389-3758
Mass Schedule: Sat. 4:00 PM Sun. 9:00 AM
www.ihmhayesville.com

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Sacrament of Reconciliation—Twenty (20) minutes before each weekend Mass.
Bulletin Deadline: Monday by 10 AM—Weekend Announcement Deadline: Thursday by Noon
Information Must Be In Writing
GRIZZLE, HURTING, SUFFERING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE. Please join us January 26th at 10AM at the Seiglie Center on the St. William Campus. The group will meet every Thursday for 6 weeks. Please contact Mark March for more information at: 940-452-8548.

CENTERING PRAYER WORKSHOP: Join us for a workshop on Centering Prayer on February 4th from 10AM to 3PM at St. Clare’s Episcopal Church at 707 Ledford Road in Blairsville. The program will be presented by Vernon and Mary Joyce Dixon of Contemplative Outreach. Centering Prayer is a type of contemplative prayer that helps one to still the mind and, in that stillness, to open up to God at the deepest level of our being. There is no charge for the workshop but donations are gratefully accepted. Bring a bag lunch and for more information please contact Vernon or Mary Joyce Dixon or call the Parish Office.

"I SAW THE SPIRIT come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him." Encourage the Holy Spirit to enrich your marriage by taking part in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekends are: Feb 3-5, 2017 in Myrtle Beach, SC and Mar 24-26, 2017 in Atlantic Beach, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL will be accepting your free will offering after all Masses next weekend. As always, we are forever grateful for your continued support of the less fortunate in Cherokee and Clay Counties.

MASSES: if you desire to have a Mass said on a specific date, it is necessary to call the office a few months ahead of that date. With one priest, two churches and over 500 families, Masses tend to fill up at least 5 months ahead of time. Also remember, you can have the Gifts carried to the Altar during the Offertory in memory of a loved one.

ARE YOU NEW TO OUR AREA and visiting our Parish for the first time? Are you looking for your “home church” here in the mountains of North Carolina? We warmly welcome you to St. William in Murphy and Immaculate Heart of Mary in Hayesville. We hope you feel at home, and we are blessed to be a part of your faith journey. If you are interested in joining our stewardship community, please see one of the ushers after Mass for a Parish Registration Form.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Stewardship involves the conscientious, firm decision, carried out constantly in action, to conduct one’s self as a follower of Jesus, regardless of the cost.
CELTIC SPIRITUALITY will be explored in a two-part presentation on Wednesday, February 1st in the Commons. Session 1, Celtic Monasticism: Seeking Good while Saving Civilization will be at 11AM followed by Session 2, Celtic Spirituality for the 21st Century at 1PM. A light lunch will be offered with a free will offering appreciated. Both sessions will be presented and led by John Tuffy. Please call the office to register.

THE FINANCE COUNCIL will meet Tuesday at 9:30AM in the Conference Room followed by the PASTORAL COUNCIL at 11AM in the Commons.

THE WEDNESDAY STUDY GROUP will meet Wednesday at 10AM in the Sieglie Center for Session 2 of its study of “Pivotal Players”, covering St. Francis of Assisi. In coming weeks the group will consider St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Catherine of Sienna, Blessed John Newman, G.K. Chesterton and Michelangelo, using DVD presentations by Bishop Robert Barron. All who are interested are welcomed.

SAVE THE DATE: The Men’s Club will be hosting their annual Valentine’s Day Brunch on Sunday, February 12th after the 11AM Mass. Bring your favorite “Valentine” and enjoy brunch with fellow parishioners. A “love” offering will be taken.

EVANGELIZATION is asking for donations of artificial flowers and fillers to be used to create centerpieces for use at the Ladies Tea in May. Please put your donation in a plastic garbage bag marked “Evangelization” and leave it under the table in the Commons. Thanks for your donations!

BACKPACK MINISTRY: We are looking for donations and food to fill the back packs for the Head Start Program. The main items we need are 15oz flip top spaghetti and meatballs. Big Blue Back Pack Bucket is in the back of the Commons to place your food items. Thank you for your continued support.

AMORIS LAETITIA: If anyone is interested in reading “Amoris Laetitia”, “The Joy of Love,” Pope Francis’ Encyclical on family life, please call the Parish Office: we have copies available for you at St. William for $5.00. This wonderful Encyclical on love in the family is the prelude to a couples Morning of Reflection to be held at IHM on Sunday, April 30th starting at 10AM. Dr. Ruth Chalesworth and her husband, Bob, giving the reflection on The Joy of Love.

IN SPIRIT, I SAW THE THREE DIVINE PERSONS
Diary of St. Faustina, 911

In spirit, I saw the Three Divine Persons, but Their Essence was One. He is One, and One only, but in Three Persons; none of Them is either greater or smaller; there is no difference in either beauty or sanctity, for They are One. Their will is One, one God, though in Three Persons.
PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Rochelle Andrews, Brett Benfer, Josh Boyts, John Buckley, Jr., Courtney Caron, Christa Casselberry, Paul E. Cluverius, Fred Coon, Patrick Cusak, Aaron Darty, Jamaul Davis, Blake Elliott, Jr., Andrew Filewood, Chris Goergen, Ben Goergen, Christopher C. Hatch, Jason Hemsley, Austin Holecheck, Jeremy Holecheck, Daniel Hopkins, Devon Jones, Timothy Keeton, Robert Kerr, Ari Kliemon, Justin Lansford, Bradley Mahoney, Matthew Marks, Kyle Maher, Anthony Particini, Martin Price, Robert Raber, Robert Rankin, James Rihn, Kelsie Rodges, David Ruiz, Rachel Schmitt, Jacob Spaulding, Danny Spiker, Dennis Spiker, Ben Studybaker, Melica Thayer, Stephen Thompson, Jackie Twitty, Carlton Van Buskirk IV, David Vivian, Christopher Wall, Ross A. Webb, Eric Wilson, Lynda Wilson, Jimyjo Williford, Jason Williford, Clay Woody, Clint Woody, Reid Woody, Michael Wyderka

And all who serve to protect our freedom—you are our American Heroes.