

# *Church of St. William*

January 17, 2010 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



## **ROSARY**

Wednesday 4:45 pm  
(Reservation Chapel)

## **RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm  
(Reservation Chapel)

## **MARRIAGE**

Please call 6 months in advance

## **BAPTISM**

Please call the office at least one month before the baptism of your child.

## **FIRST EUCHARIST, FIRST RECONCILIATION, CONFIRMATION, RCIA**

Please call the Parish Office

## **PRAYER LINE**

Mary A. 763.571.1677

## **SMALL FAITH GROUP**

Mary M. 763.571.0251

## **EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES**

Tuesday 8:00 am, Wednesday 5:15 pm

Thursday 8:00 am, Friday 12 Noon

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 8:45 am & 10:30 am

*Please check "Calendar of Events" inside bulletin for any changes or additional Mass times.*

## **TODAY'S READING**

First Reading— As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen Zion and Jerusalem (Isaiah 62:1-5).

Second Reading—All the varied gifts and talents found in the Christian community are products of the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Gospel— Celebrating at a wedding festival in Cana, Jesus replenishes the wine supply by changing water into wine at his mother's request (John 2:1-11).

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations

Psalm 96

## **STATEMENT OF MISSION**

*We, the members of the Church of Saint William, accept responsibility for this Catholic parish by calling one another to live in a spirit of community and share the gifts of community as a sign of our faith. As witnesses of God's presence in the world, we dedicate ourselves to:*

Centering our lives on the Eucharist and prayer so that all we do finds its source and fulfillment in the worship of God; Reaching out to welcome others regardless of faith, race or diversity of lifestyle; Making formation in God's saving word and the vision of the church a lifelong journey;

Modeling for our youth and children the core teachings of Christ in our lives and actions;

Ministering to all those in need of comfort and support that they might find in our care the healing love of Jesus Christ; Promoting the causes of justice, peace and unity in cooperating with other denominations and across civic boundaries.

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends:

As we enter into another New Year together, I thought you might enjoy reading this historical reflection on the development of the secular, and religious, aspects of our New Year's celebrations:

"The celebration of New Year's Day on January 1 with a special theme is not a universal tradition. Different people began their secular calendar on different days. It was common to observe it on March 25, the vernal equinox. Such was the case in England until the mid-18<sup>th</sup> century...A January 1 date was set for the Roman Empire in 45 A.D. by Julius Caesar with the creation of the Julian calendar. In 1582, Pope Gregory XII sponsored a reform of the Julian calendar. This was accompanied by a method of calculating and dividing the year still in force today. Protestant countries rejected this calendar and therefore the January 1 observance of New Year's Day until 1700 in Germany, 1752 in Great Britain, and 1753 in Sweden.

January 1 has had many religious themes in Christian history. None of them are associated with the secular understanding of New Year's Day so popular in our society today...The Church promoted penitential liturgies and fasting to offset the influence of pagan New Year's practices...The Church never succeeded in curtailing boisterous New Year's Eve celebrations with its penitential emphasis. Therefore, other religious themes evolved for this day.

Today January 1 combines a number of themes: the Octave of Christmas; Mary, the Mother of God; and, more recently, the theme of peace in the world. The theme of Jesus' circumcision was dropped in 1969. A Christmas theme continues by way of songs, music, and decorations."(Catholic Customs and Traditions, Author: Greg Dues, 23<sup>rd</sup> Publications, 1992).

May God bless you with peace, contentment, and well-being in all things in this New Year of Grace.

Fr. Joe

*(This column is re-printed from Jan. 1, 2007)*

## December Budget, Expense, and Pledge Report

With the turn of the New Year, we have reached the ½ way point of our fiscal year, which will end June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010. For the period July 1<sup>st</sup>-December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009, parish collections totaled \$313,137.00, against a revenue budget of \$299,100.00, resulting in a favorable actual-to-budget ratio of \$14,037.00 (+4%). For the month of December, our collections totaled \$88,007.00, against a budget of \$81,700.00, resulting in a favorable monthly collection of \$6,307.00 (+7%). Compared to last fiscal year 2008/09, at December 31<sup>st</sup> 2008 parish collections totaled \$315,694.00, resulting in a negative year-to-year comparison of -\$2,556.00 (-1%). Totals for expenses for the month and for the ½ year were not available at the time of this bulletin's printing, but will be provided in next weeks bulletin. Generally speaking, our expenses have been below our anticipated budget throughout the year, and that trend should have held throughout December as well.

As of January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 369 households had pledged a total of \$432,052.55. Of those pledges, 244 (66%) were either weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually. An additional 125 pledges (34%) are made through automatic deposit. An additional 27 pledges were received who were unable to make a pledge at this time, totaling 396 households responding to this year's pledge drive, which is roughly 40% of the registered parish households.

Thank you to everyone who has offered your financial support to St. William's parish. Your generosity helps to continue staffing and ministry needs throughout the year. If you have not yet had a chance to fill out your pledge card, it is not too late. If you have any questions about making a pledge please contact the parish office. Thank you everyone for your generosity toward St. William's and the church!

## SHARED MINISTRY



*You will find as you look back upon your life that the moments when you have truly lived are the moments when you have done things in the spirit of love.*

Henry Drummond

**THANK YOU** to all volunteer ministries in our parish for the many things being done by **YOU**.  
**WE COULD NOT DO IT WITHOUT YOU!!!!**

## FAITH FORMATION

**Faith Formation - Wed. Jan. 20th - 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
Grades 1-6 - Session 15 - Review— Parents - Fr. Joe Whalen speaking.

**Wed. Jan. 27th**

7-8th Grades meet - Service Project Sheet and 1st Assignment on Historical Characters due. Confirmation Session - The Holy Spirit in Our Lives

**RECONCILIATION RETREAT** for those preparing for 1st Reconciliation—5th grade and up Saturday January 23rd 9-12 am. for Parents and Youth (Keefe Hall).

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES' OFFICE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE 2010 LEGISLATIVE BRIEFINGS

Join Catholic Charities' Office for Social Justice as we explore the challenges and opportunities of the upcoming session. This year's briefing will feature: Information to get you up to speed on the upcoming legislative session, Perspective, inspiration and encouragement from OSJ's staff, An in-depth presentation on hiring equity and justice in the bonding bill and a look at OSJ's full legislative agenda. **DETAILS:** All times from 7:00-8:30 pm. **January 19, 2010** Corpus Christi Catholic Church (2131 Fairview Avenue Roseville), **January 21, 2010** St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church (4537 3rd Ave S Minneapolis), **January 25, 2010** Office for Social Justice—Hayden Center (328 West Kellogg Blvd St. Paul) For further information please contact the Office for Social Justice: OSJ@archspm.org or 651.291.4477.

## FAMILIES MOVING FORWARD

After celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ and understanding the magnitude of this blessed gift, we are called to love and care for one another by sharing our time and/or talents. During the week of February 7<sup>th</sup> – February 14<sup>th</sup> St. William's will continue its mission in hosting homeless families in our church basement for the Families Moving Forward program. We will need your help in one or more of the following ways:

- Your prayers.
- Your time as a volunteer to set up furniture, do laundry, cook suppers, stay overnight or help with children's activities.
- Food donations needed for the week the families stay with us.
- Cash donations. The Families Moving Forward organization is always in need for cash donations in order to assist families in obtaining affordable housing.

There will be Volunteer Sign up Posters set up in the gathering space after each mass the weekend of January 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up to help out in whatever way you can. Thank you for your prayers and sharing any "Gifts" you are able to provide to Families Moving Forward.

## PARISH MISSION MAY 15TH—18TH, 2010: HEALING LIFE'S HURTS - HOW TO LET GO OF A GRUDGE

Mark your calendars now for a St. William's parish mission May 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2010. We will welcome Fr. Frank Desiderio, CSP (Paulist Fathers), who will facilitate our time together. More information on the content of the retreat will be forthcoming. Here is some biographical information about Fr. Desiderio—we are excited and honored to welcome him to St. William's in May:

Frank Desiderio, C.S.P., as President of Paulist Productions, executive produced more than twenty-five hours of television documentaries and movies. Fr. Desiderio's credits include the ABC/Paramount movie *Judas*, which aired on ABC Television. His latest film, *The Big Question: A Film About Forgiveness* launched him into a new ministry of forgiveness and reconciliation.

Fr. Desiderio also serves as Chairman of The HUMANITAS Prize, which recognizes writers whose work in film and television, not only entertains, but also enriches the viewing public.

Prior to television ministry, he was a parish priest in Los Angeles, director of campus ministry at UCLA, a radio producer for Paulist Communications and director of the Paulist Seminary, St. Paul's College in Washington, D.C. He holds a BA in English from the University of Maryland, an MA in Theology from The Catholic University of America and an MA in Communications Management from the USC Annenberg School for Communications.

His poetry has appeared in various journals and newspapers throughout the US and Canada.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE

Please continue to bring non perishable food items for S.A.C.A. either to church with you on the weekend or to the Administration Center during the week. **Thank you for your continued support of this program. "When I was hungry you gave me to eat, when I was thirsty you gave me to drink"**

## NEWLY BAPTIZED—WELCOME

*Welcome to our new members baptized during the months of November & December 2009.*  
**Alexander Lee Hardel son of Travis & Christine**  
**Lillian Marie Hardel daughter of Travis & Christine**  
**Kaylee Maye Medeck daughter of Michael & Kimberly**  
**Max Musenbrock son of Mike & Kim**

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22  
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28  
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6  
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12  
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19, or any readings from the Mass "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891  
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21  
Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY—JANUARY 23-24

*If you are interested in any of the Liturgical Ministries  
please call Arlene Bernstein 763.571.5600*

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dick Eckert, Jeanette LeBlanc, Doris Mayers  
Tom Corcoran, Cheryl Corcoran, Bonnie Aanestad  
**Lectors:** Helen Chambers, James Ordner  
**Greeters:** Elizabeth Muggli, Mike Martinson  
**Cross Bearer:** need sub  
**Acolyte:** need sub **Mass 5:00 PM**  
**Gift Bearer:** Sally French & Theresa French  
**Sacristan:** Phyllis Colombo

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jim Schoffman, Nancy Schoffman, Chris Lauer  
Jane Larson, Anne Stevenson, Will Stevenson  
**Lectors:** Joe Menth, Barb Rogers  
**Greeters:** Barb Reiland, Mary Hobright  
Avellene Steinert, Zach Green  
**Cross Bearer:** David Collins **Mass 8:45 AM**  
**Acolyte:** Amanda Payne  
**Gift Bearer:** Dan Roeber & Jack Roeber  
**Sacristan:** Maggie Thomas

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Trina Langley, Joanne Bendel, Larry Bendel  
Mary Joy Becker, Bonnie Brenny, Donna Brewers  
**Lectors:** Jon Dahl, Stacy McVary  
**Greeters:** Polly Harmon, Joan Saleck  
Marie Puchalski, Andy Lund  
**Cross Bearer:** Greg Birr **Mass 10:30 AM**  
**Acolyte:** Jacob Becker  
**Gift Bearer:** Michael & Michelle O'Leary  
**Sacristan:** David Langley

## OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Helen Abresch, Kathryn Bayer, Justin Berg, Rosemary Biedron, Bridget Buck, Mary Burmis, Don Dibos, Lewis Doyle, Mary Friedley, Jerry Gorecki, Beth Herold, Phyllis Heutmaker, Mike Jacobs, Larry Johnson, Annette Kirwin, Jeanette LeBlanc, Jim Leaon, James Lewis, Helen Lusian, Joy McConville, Drew McCormick, John McFarland, Duane Motzko, Marge Munson, Angela Ninno, Emily Olesinski, Adolph Olson, Henrietta Olson, Donna Partlow, Junette Passon, Annika Prindle, Florence Quick, Joe Randell, Bob Ritter, Marie Saville, Marilyn Sherry, Dick Stawski, Dan Sullivan, Roger Swanson, Edmond Sworsky, Mary Jean Thorp, Marilyn Virden, Margarete Weber, Dick Weinreich

May the Lord comfort them in their sickness and bless those who care for them.

Please pray for **Fred Bosak**, who has entered eternal life. Survived by sons, James, Gary (Bev), Richard (Nancy), Robert (Debra), & Christopher (Jo).



## WEEKLY COLLECTION 01/10/2010

Regular..\$8755 Electronic..\$8097 Total..\$16,852 Budgeted..\$12,400  
Fiscal year to date...\$342,879 Last Fiscal year to date...\$341,311

*Check out St. William's great website: [www.stwilliams.com](http://www.stwilliams.com)*

## WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**MONDAY—JANUARY 18** *Martin Luther King Day*

**TUESDAY—JANUARY 19**

**8:00 am Mass +Pawel Skabrat (Reservation Chapel)**

**WEDNESDAY—JANUARY 20**

9:45 am Emotions Anonymous (Educational Building)

4:45 pm Rosary (Reservation Chapel)

**5:15 pm Mass +Shirley Bachand (Reservation Chapel)**

6:30 pm 1st-6th grade session Parents/Children (Keefe Hall)

**THURSDAY—JANUARY 21**

**8:00 am Mass +Nelda Felin (Reservation Chapel)**

10:30 am Parish Visitors Meeting (Ad Center/Commons)

7:00 pm RCIA (Ad Center/Commons)

**FRIDAY—JANUARY 22**

**12 Noon Mass +Martin Dykhoff (Reservation Chapel)**

6:30 pm Family Movie Night (Keefe Hall)

**SATURDAY—JANUARY 23**

9:00 am First Reconciliation Retreat Parents/Children  
(Keefe Hall)

10:00 am Emotions Anonymous (Educational Building)

**5:00 pm Mass (Cantor)**

**SUNDAY—JANUARY 24 DONUT SUNDAY**

8:40 am Sunday Preschool (Ed Bldg Room 7 & 8)

**8:45 am Mass (Cantor)**

**10:30 am Mass (Adult Choir)**

+ Mass for the deceased

### **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT FRIDAY JANUARY 22**

**EVERYONE'S INVITED!** Movie & Board Game Night at St. Williams **Friday January 22nd 6:30-9:30 pm** (Keefe Hall)

**FEATURING: The Wizard of Oz** on the BIG screen at 7 pm!  
Family Board Games all night—snacks, beverages & FUN for everyone! **Please bring: a snack or beverage to share.** Pillow & blanket for movie watching if desired!

If you would be willing to help out with set-up or clean-up, please contact Anne Stevenson 763.571.3589.

### **PARISH MINISTRIES**



**PASTOR / FR. JOSEPH WHALEN**

**DEACON / PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: *Jim Wagner***

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***Arlene Bernstein*** *abernstein@stwilliams.com*

**CHOIR DIRECTOR: *Michael Silhavy***

**ORGANIST/ACCOMPANIST: *Matthew Anderson***

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR:**

**RCIA DIRECTOR: *Jennifer Hovland*** *jhovland@stwilliams.com*

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: *MJRozek*** *mjrozek@stwilliams.com*

**PARISH ACCOUNTANT: *Tony Schreiner*** *tschreiner@stwilliams.com*

### **STAFF MISSION STATEMENT**

“We are called to be servant leaders, ministering in the spirit of the Gospel”.

**Admin Office Hours: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm (Monday - Friday)**