

## Third Sunday of Lent March 15, 2009

Monday	7:30 a.m.	Robert B. Byrnes Sr. & Family
	9:00 a.m.	Louis Buonforte†
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Katherine Cordray†
	9:00 a.m.	Michael & Michele Wellinghurst
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Anicasio Cruz†
	6:30 p.m.	Zenda Ducharme†
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Anna Walton†
	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of J. Bradley Kennedy
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Laurie Edwards†
	7:00 p.m.	Adam Bielarczyk†
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Evelyn S. Stamborski†
	5:00 p.m.	David M. Toigo†
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of J. Bradley Kennedy
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Erinda Jalipa†
	9:00 a.m.	Anicasio Cruz†
	10:30 a.m.	In Reparation
	12:15 p.m.	Kelly Lucky†
	5:00 p.m.	People of St. William of York

On Fridays during Lent, Stations of the Cross will be prayed starting at 6:30 p.m. followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m.

### † Confession Schedule

**March 16<sup>th</sup> – March 21<sup>st</sup>:**

Tuesday:	9:30 a.m.
Thursday:	9:30 a.m.
Saturday:	9:30 a.m.
Saturday:	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.*
Saturday:	6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

(\* The penitent in the confessional at 4:30 p.m. will be the last confession heard.)

### Sunday Collection for 3/1/09

Offertory:	\$16,097.00
Black and Indian Missions:	\$ 2,891.00
Total:	\$18,988.00

### Sunday Collection for 3/8/09

Offertory:	\$14,036.00
Debt Collection:	\$ 5,913.00
Total:	\$19,949.00

Thank you and may God bless you for your continued support and generosity!

## Parish Exceeds Bishop's Lenten Appeal Goal

**We have done it. Congratulations.** I want to thank the 690 Saint William of York families who pledged to the 2009 Appeal. As of March 4<sup>th</sup>, the diocese received pledges of \$162,885, which is 27% more than the diocesan established goal of \$128,000.

I was hoping that more families would contribute to this year's Appeal. Therefore, if you are one of the almost 1,900 parish families who have not yet pledged, I ask that you prayerfully consider doing so. Any gift - large or small - is appreciated. Please fill out a pledge card today. If there are none in your pew, please see an usher or contact the parish office.

Faithfully yours in Christ,  
Father DeMartino

## We Joyfully Welcome into the Catholic Faith

*Abigail Salinas* daughter of Lino & Rosa Salinas.

*Kimberly Vanessa Urrutia-Lara* daughter of Jesus Escobar & Cristina del Carmen Urrutia.

*Audrey Elizabeth Mullarkey* daughter of Matthew & Pamela Mullarkey.

*Aiden Nathaniel Trautman* son of Melissa Trautman.

## Parish Easter Egg Hunt

The parish will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday at 3:45 p.m. This event is free and open to all children up to age 12. It will be located in the school field. For more information, or if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Patricia Davids at (540) 446-3814.

## Memorial Mass for Bishop Welsh

A memorial Mass for the repose of the late Bishop Thomas J. Welsh, founding Bishop of the Diocese of Arlington, will be celebrated by Bishop Paul S. Loverde in the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More, Arlington, on Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. All are encouraged to attend.

## Religious Education

We have First Communion items for sale in the religious education office.



## St. Raphael Ministry

Liturgy of the Hours Prayer Group is cancelled on March 18<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday).

'Knitting for the Needy' Program meets March 26<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) in Brent Room from 1-2 p.m.

Liturgy of the Hours Prayer Group will meet on March 25<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) in the Brent Room at 9:30 a.m.

'All Aboard the Senior Brain Train' meets March 31<sup>st</sup> (Tuesday) in Brent Room from 1-3 p.m.

*All other events are as usual during the weekdays unless otherwise posted.*

## Support CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)

Please support Workcamp 2009 by purchasing high-quality hardwood mulch for \$3.50 per bag. Mulch orders will be taken through March 28<sup>th</sup> in the parish center after all Masses. Mulch can be picked up in the rear parking lot of the church on Saturdays. Delivery is \$15. Spreading is an additional \$2 a bag. For orders or more information, please call Karen Clemente, (540) 287-5864 or Stacie Ferry, (540) 373-8617.

## Tree and Brush Removal and Spring Yard Cleaning

CYO fundraiser supporting WorkCamp and World Youth Day. An experienced adult organizes work, with labor provided by our teens. Call for availability: Paul – (540) 288-9940.

## Free Couples Workshops

The office for Family Life and Catholic Charities are offering workshops led by professional counselors for engaged and married couples to learn more about communication, finance and blended families. All workshops will be held at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Vienna. If you have any questions, please call (703) 841-3807. Workshops are free. Please visit our website for more information on workshops

[www.arlingtondiocese.org/familylife/documents/TomDoc2.pdf](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/familylife/documents/TomDoc2.pdf)

## Is Your Marriage in Trouble?

Retrouvaille can help! Please call (703) 351-7211 or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

## St. William of York Catholic School

### Registration

St. William of York Catholic School is now accepting **registrations** for the 2009-2010 school year. Please call or stop by the office for information.

### St. William of York Outreach: Pantry Workers Needed

The Outreach Pantry, located in the basement below the Thrift Shop, needs additional volunteers to help in the pantry. Pantry workers retrieve donations from the church and school, sort and stock donations on the shelves, and issue food to needy clients on Wednesday. For more information or to volunteer, please call (540) 720-6652.

### Thrift Shop Volunteers Needed

The Thrift Shop is looking for a few good volunteers. Would you like to help in our outreach to the poor and needy in Stafford County? Could you devote 3 hours (9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) on a weekday to the Thrift Shop? Volunteers' sort donations, hang and tag clothing, price mark items for sale, operate the cash register and keep the shop tidy. Join us for satisfying hard work and fellowship. For more information, or to volunteer please call (540) 720-6652.

### An Hour a Day ~ An Hour a Week

Parishioners of Saint William of York are challenged to lift their hearts and minds in prayer to The Lord for at least one hour a day. We also are asked to donate at least the equivalent of one hour's wages per household to the regular offertory collection each week.

*Have I prayed for at least one hour a day this week? Was our weekly offertory donation equivalent to at least one hour's wages?*

### Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class in English will be held on **Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** in the Library. The next Spanish Baptismal Preparation Class will be held on **Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.** in the Brent Room. It is **mandatory that all parents register** with the parish office (659-1102) before the class.

## **This Week in our Parish**

### **Sunday, March 15**

8:00 a.m. K of C Pancake Breakfast (Center)  
8:45 a.m. R.E. Class  
9:45 a.m. Choir (Brent Room)  
10:45 a.m. R.E. Class  
2:00 p.m. Living Stations Practice (Center)  
6:00 p.m. Sunday Supper (Center)  
6:30 p.m. Adult Ed (Brent Room)  
6:30 p.m. R.E. Class  
6:45 p.m. Youth Group (Gym)  
7:00 p.m. Venture Crew (K of C Hall)

### **Monday, March 16**

3:10 p.m. Girl Scouts (Art/Brent Room)  
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (K of C Hall)

### **Tuesday, March 17**

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic (Brent Room)  
9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)  
9:30 a.m. Rosary Makers (Brent Room)  
5:00 p.m. Baseball (Gym)  
7:00 p.m. PTO Meeting (Center)  
7:00 p.m. WorkCamp Meeting (Brent Room)

### **Wednesday, March 18**

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Gym)  
7:30 p.m. RCIA (Center)

### **Thursday, March 19**

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Blood Pressure Clinic (Brent Room)  
9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)  
5:00 p.m. Baseball (Gym)  
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (Art Room)  
6:30 p.m. Cantor Practice (Church)  
7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary (Brent Room)  
7:30 p.m. Choir (Church)

### **Friday, March 20**

5:00 p.m. Soup Supper (Center)  
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church)  
7:00 p.m. Jr. Youth Group (Center)

### **Saturday, March 21**

8:00 a.m. Boy Scouts (Center/Gym)  
9:30 a.m. Confessions (Church)  
10:00 a.m. Bible Study (K of C Hall)  
12:00 p.m. Baseball (Gym)  
3:30 p.m. Confessions (Church)  
4:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (Center)  
5:45 p.m. Spanish Choir (Brent Room)  
6:30 p.m. Spanish Confessions (Church)  
7:00 p.m. Spanish Baptisms (Church)  
7:00 p.m. Natural Family Planning (Brent Room)

## **Lenten Soup Supper**

Join us every Friday during Lent, except Good Friday for a Soup Supper in the center from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Join us for a sacrificial meal of homemade soups and a sandwich for a small donation, followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. in the church.

## **Catholic Relief Services Collection "Give Hope"**

In Oromia, Ethiopia, drought has destroyed entire regions of crops, devastating the local agriculture industry and economy. In places like Oromia, where sustainability is based entirely on agriculture, food security is alarmingly low. At a local Catholic church in the Oromia region, hundreds of children are receiving therapeutic milk and medical treatment from Catholic Relief Services (CRS). In addition to funding the important international relief work of CRS, The Catholic Relief Services Collection supports legal and resettlement services for refugees, advocacy, and disaster/emergency relief. When you donate to The Catholic Relief Services Collection, you **give hope**. Please be generous in next week's collection.

## **Pope John Paul the Great Open House March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Discover your new high school, Pope John Paul the Great! Come explore the beautiful campus, meet the exceptional faculty, and learn more about the college prep curriculum and Christ-centered community. Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. For directions to the school, please visit [www.jpthegreat.org](http://www.jpthegreat.org) or call (703) 445-0300. Applications for admission are currently being accepted. All rising 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders are encouraged to apply on-line today!

## **Parish Census Data to be Updated**

Over the next several months, we want to update parish information for all registered families to help ensure that parish census data is as accurate as possible. At the start of 2009, parish records indicated that there were 2,500 registered families, which is a 25 percent increase in the last 9 years. In addition to the increase in the size of the parish, our database is constantly changing because we live in a very transient area. We estimate that the annual turn over of registered families is about 20 percent. During 2008, for example, over 300 new families registered with the parish and another 200 families left due to relocation or other reasons.

Within the next few weeks we will mail a parish registration form to each registered family and ask that the form be completed and returned to the parish office or given to an usher at the weekend Mass you attend.

In advance, we thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

## Live Jesus 2009 Retreat

The sixth annual morning of Salesian reflection and renewal, "Live Jesus 2009" will be held at St. John Neumann Parish in Reston on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. The retreat day will include Morning Prayer and Mass celebrated by Fr. James J. Greenfield, O.S.F.S., Oblate provincial. "Live Jesus 2009" will focus on the theme of "Jesus, Gentle Strength, and Me – Strong, Loving, and Wise." Developing the theme for the day, three Oblates will offer retreat presentations on gentleness and gratitude, and during the Church's Year of St. Paul, Pauline themes will be explored as well. There is no charge for the event, but participants may choose to make a free-will offering equal to at least one hour of personal wages that will support the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales and their various apostolates. Because both a continental breakfast and lunch will be provided, reservations are required. For information and to register for the event, please visit the Oblates' website: [www.oblates.org](http://www.oblates.org).



### Prayer Request...

Please keep everyone who is serving in Iraq and Afghanistan and their family members in your prayers.

Fr. Eric Albertson, Ralph Allison, Caesar Camacho, Daniel Castanon, Shawn Cunningham, Jason Freed, Richard Garver, Lt. Col. Richard G. de Guzman, Lt. Col. Tina Marie G. de Guzman, Keirsten Hage, Maj. Pete Houtz, Ryan Kraft, Nicholas Kubick, Shane Lambert, Kent Larson, Michael Luther, Robert Mills, Shane Montgomery, Timothy Noonan, Derek Rinaldo, Thomas Ryan, Christopher Schap, Justin Smarr, Daniel Stehm, Capt James Stoltz, Bobby Stone, Adam Stoyanac, Col. Rick Swengros, Capt. Richard Swengros, Chris Tolliver, Vincent Torney, Adam Wright, & Eric Wright.

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen*

*If you have a relative serving in Iraq or Afghanistan and would like to have his/her name included in our prayer list, please contact the parish office.*

### Thank You

"We would like to thank everyone for their prayers for our son Mike D'Eredita who has recently returned safely from Iraq." Marco and Sue D'Eredita



## Third Sunday of Lent

### First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

Through Moses, God passed on the commandments he wished all people to follow. He tells us not to worship idols or take the name of the Lord in vain. All the laws God gave to us, if followed, would ensure that we could live in peace and harmony with one another as he had planned.

### Second Reading: I Corinthians 1:22-25

Paul tells the Corinthians that Christ is the power and the wisdom of God. Although they claimed to possess wisdom, "God's folly is wiser than men, and his weakness is more powerful than men."

### Gospel: John 2:13-25

Jesus went to the temple of Jerusalem to find merchants there selling sheep and doves. He knocked over their tables and drove the animals away. The merchants asked him for a sign that he was authorized to do this. He told them to "destroy this temple (referring to his body) and in three days I will raise it up." The merchants misunderstood, and did not believe he could rebuild in three days what had taken nearly 50 years to build. Still many believed in him, after seeing the miracles he had performed.

## Pray for a Priest Each Day...

This week please pray for

March 15 <sup>th</sup>	All Retired Priests
March 16 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Nhi Tran
March 17 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Daniel Hamilton
March 18 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. George Griffith
March 19 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. David Martin
March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Rev. Horace Grinnell
March 21 <sup>st</sup>	Rev. Patrick Holroyd

*Eternal Father, We lift up to you these and all the Priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and Holiness of your son, Jesus, The Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*