

# St. William

Sunday December 7, 2025

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**Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm**

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Reader Coz Rich  
Wine Lucy Nielsen

## ST. WILLIAM WREATH SALE

32" decorated balsa evergreen wreaths

Greens are freshly cut and are made

by parishioners. **\$30.00**

Available to purchase after Mass

or call Joannie Thompson at 715-399-2743.

## ST. WILLIAM'S FAMILY BINGO

**Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>**

Concessions will be available at 5:30

Bingo starts at 6:30

Come for a fun evening of

Bingo, Food and Prizes

\$200 in prizes to be given away and a 50/50 raffle. Bring your family and friends.

Bingo is free.

St. William 2025/2026

CSA Goal: \$5,605.00

ENCOUNTERING CHRIST,  
TRANSFORMING LIVES



Happy  
New  
Year!

The 2026 Catholic Calendars  
are available at the  
entrance of the church.



## Weekly Contributions November 29, 2025

Envelopes.....	\$ 250.00
Loose.....	\$ 31.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 355.25
Thanksgiving.....	\$ 20.00

*Thank you to all of our parishioners who continue to support our parish at Mass, on Line, or by Mail.*

## Pray for Their Health and Welfare

Fr. Ron Olson Fr. Jim Tobolski Mary Kunz  
Maryann Grymala Krista Hudacek Lambert  
Wendy Johnson Carolyn Ward Carl Schultz  
Julia Dalbec Chris Litchke Marreddy Yannam  
Scott Hockenbrock

## Pray for Those in the Armed Services

Nathaniel Grymala Joe Austin  
Nathan Blair Brandon Anderson



## Second Sunday of Advent

*The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus." - Lk 1:30-31*

## ST. WILLIAM'S PIES FOR SALE

Dutch Apple Pie



Take and Bake (raw frozen)



Pecan Pie

Frozen and Baked (thaw and enjoy)

**\$20 each**

Call Amy at 218-590-7354. Pick up after Mass or make arrangements to pick up.

## WEEKLY MEDITATION

Let's take a look at some of the themes that we find in the readings for the 2nd Sunday of Advent.

1st Reading - Isaiah 11:1-10

- The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon an ancestor of the line of Jesse, and he shall judge with justice, wisdom, and strength.
- Creation will experience profound peace, and the Gentiles shall seek out the dwelling of God.

Psalms - 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

- "Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever."
- The king shall rescue the poor and judge with justice.

2nd Reading - Romans 15:4-9

- Through Christ, God gives us hope, endurance, and encouragement.
- We welcome one another, as Christ welcomes us.

Gospel - Matthew 3:1-12

- John the Baptist proclaims, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"
- John speaks of one who is coming after him, who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Fr. Andrew

**Question for Children:** Beyond toys and other things, what do you hope will happen in your family this Christmas?

**Question for Youth:** What are the greatest challenges you face as a young person today in terms of allowing Christ to be your teacher and following him?

**Question for Adults:** Name the one thing in your life which you must "move out of the way" in order to make more room for Christ – a grudge, a possession, a memory, hurt, or feeling.

### Readings for the week of December 7, 2025

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)  
Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4  
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab  
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16,  
18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 10-11  
(see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11



## CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS

### IMPORTANT DATES:

- December 8<sup>th</sup> - Immaculate Conception (**Mass will be on Monday instead of Wednesday**)
- December 12<sup>th</sup> - Reconciliation 1:00pm
- December 18<sup>th</sup> - Middle School Concert 5:30pm in the Gymnasium

- December 19<sup>th</sup> - Preschool Concert 10:00am in the Gymnasium (**Doors Open at 9:30am**)
- December 19<sup>th</sup> - Elementary Concert 1:00pm in the Gymnasium (**Doors Open at 12:15pm**)
- December 22<sup>nd</sup> - January 2<sup>nd</sup> - No School - Christmas Break

### Cathedral School is posting a position for an afternoon Janitor

~ Job description and application forms are available at the Cathedral Parish Office.  
~ Include cover letter & resume to Colleen and return to the Cathedral Parish Office.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Religious Ed. Classes

**Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>** in Cathedral Kress Hall.  
PreK – 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes from 5:30-6:30pm.  
7<sup>th</sup> grade - Confirmation class from 7-8pm.

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save. Psalm 72

We count on your support at this season of giving so that we can answer the cries of those in need when there is no one to help.

We are assisting over 150 households a month with basic needs such as rent, shelter, utilities and transportation. Please consider a tax-deductible gift this year to make a critical difference in the lives of so many in our community who are praying in hope.

Voicemail: 715-398-4039

Mailing Address: SVDP P.O. Box 98 Superior, WI 54880

## CLUSTER NEWS

### CLUSTER MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

**Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am – Cathedral  
8:30am – St. Anthony, Superior  
10:00am – Holy Assumption  
12:05pm – Cathedral  
6:00pm – St. Anthony, Lake Nebagamon  
7:00pm – Cathedral



**HOLY DAY**

### MASSES AT ST. MARY HOSPITAL-SUPERIOR

Masses are celebrated at St. Mary's Hospital, Superior, on Wednesdays at 11:15 A.M.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN OUR CLUSTER:

Cathedral – every Thursday from 1-3pm  
St. Anthony, L.N. – every Thursday from 9-10am  
St. William – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday from 5:30-6pm  
Holy Assumption – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday from 7:30-8:00am  
St. Anthony, Sup. – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday from 8-8:30am



**SPECIAL KISA MISSION MEETING** ~ The Kisa Mission group will have a meeting on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 in room 103 at Holy Assumption. We plan to discuss the success of the Lasagna dinner, disbursement of funds for Kisa projects, and other possible events.

We're hoping Fr. Furaha, our contact for Kisa, will be able to join us on Zoom. If you would like to participate in the Zoom call, please call Holy Assumption at 715-394-7919 between 8:00 am and Noon Monday through Thursday for the link.

We will adjourn in time for the 10 o'clock holy day Mass. It's a perfect opportunity for curious folks from anywhere in our cluster to come and learn more about our mission project that began almost 20 years ago.

### **OCIA/ADULT FORMATION**

Thursday, December 11~ 6:30-8:30pm in Kress Hall  
**The Case for Jesus** – This series is presented by well-known author, Dr. Brant Pitre. Each session draws evidence from both early Christian and non-Christian writings attesting to the authenticity, authorship, and dating of the Gospels, and gives an in-depth look at the Gospel accounts of Jesus's Crucifixion, Resurrection, and the proclamation of Christ's divinity.

Session Topics ~ The Resurrection of Jesus

### **PRAYER GROUP MEETING**

Monday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM Cathedral – Kress Hall All are welcome!  
Any questions please call Anna Marie ~ 715-392-1673

### **CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP**

Catholic Men's Group will meet on Monday's at 7:00 p.m. once a month in Kress Hall. Men of all ages are invited for Catholic fellowship and discussion.

#### **Catholic Men's Group 2025-2026: Into the Breach**

Dec. 22 – Aidan Jones presents on Evangelization

Jan. 26 – Isaac Hopke presents on Brotherhood

Feb. 23 – Bill Kovaleski presents on Suffering

Mar. 30 – Brad Montgomery presents on Masculinity

Apr. 27 – Tom Tracy presents on Prayer

### **The Cathedral Book Club 2025-2026**

We meet in the Cathedral Parish Office at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to join us.

Jan. 14 - Ghost Soldiers by Hampton Sides

Feb. 4 - Acts of the Apostles

March 11 - Hope: The Autobiography by Pope Francis

May 6 - Golden Doves by Martha Hall Kelly

### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP**

Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

**Topic:** Our Lady of Guadalupe

**Location:** Janelle's home. RSVP for address.

**Notes:** Mexican food provided. Please bring a baby item for donation to local pregnancy center!

**Time:** 5:00-7:30pm

**Contact:** Janelle – 715-935-0103

### **ST. WILLIAM PIE SALE**

Take and bake (raw frozen) Dutch apple and Frozen and Baked Pecan Pies (Take, thaw and enjoy) \$20 each. Call Amy 218-590-7354. Pick up after Mass or make arrangements to pick up.

### **COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS**

Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at Cathedral

~This will be a Prayer Service with readings, homily and Examination of Conscience

~People will have the opportunity to go privately to one of the Confessors present

~Note: This is **NOT** general absolution

### **MEN'S AND WOMEN'S RETREATS**

**Men's Retreat: Jan. 24-25**

**Women's Retreats: 1st, Jan. 31-Feb. 1; 2nd, Feb 7-8**

The annual Diocesan Men's and Women's Retreats are taking registrations! Information can be found below and on the Diocese of Superior Website. Space is limited for each retreat. Call (715) 234-5044 BEFORE registering online. (Please note: there is a commuter price this year for those who do not want to stay on site. Please call to let us know if you will be staying

off site.) If you are registering with a group of two or more, **ONLY ONE PERSON NEEDS TO CALL**. This must be done first to ensure lodging is available. Once lodging is confirmed, you can let your group know they can register online. Be ready to provide the following information

Name, phone #, and date you called

The retreat you want to attend (Men's, Women's 1st or 2nd). The lodging (see website for options) and number of nights you prefer. The number of people who will be lodging with you and their names. Prices are final as we are being charged a flat rate for each retreatant. The price has already been significantly reduced due to generous donors. The deadlines for registering are very important for us to ensure enough food is available for everyone. Please register by the following dates:

Jan 2nd: Men's Retreat

Jan 9th: Women's Week 1

Jan 16th: Women's Week 2

On the registration link, you will note that you have an option for a refund for an extra fee. Please know that you will have to go through Active, the registration platform, for that refund. Unfortunately, we are not able to offer refunds after the deadlines.

### **Formed QR**



### **Hallow QR**



## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **UW-SUPERIOR SEASON OF SONG CONCERTS**

The Music Department will present their annual Season of Song concerts on **Sunday, December 7, at 4 p.m.** and **Tuesday, December 9, at 7:30 p.m.** at Cathedral of Christ the King.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the door.



Cathedral of Christ the King 1111 Belknap St, Superior



# Cenacle Prayer Group

Would you like to be part of a faith sharing small group? Are you looking for a weekly opportunity to pray and reflect on how God is working in your life, but in a way that respects your time and is both focused and positive? Our cluster is looking for people who want to grow together in faith through a Cenacle prayer group.

**Cenacle – a faith sharing small group (it refers to the “Upper Room” where the disciples met.)**

## Cenacle Key Points

The group is ideally composed of 4-7 people.

Each week, a different person in the group leads the Cenacle.

The group meets weekly (with rare exceptions based on holidays and life situations).

The Cenacle lasts between 30-60 minutes; it never goes beyond an hour.

The group can meet in person or digitally

- If in person, do it at a regular time that suits everyone (after Mass, over coffee, at home, etc.)
- If online, use what works for your group (FaceTime, Google Meet, a Zoom call, etc.)

## Cenacle Format – THIS IS WHAT YOU ACTUALLY DO

- Opening Prayer (1-2 minutes)
  - Led by whoever is leading the meeting that week; when in doubt, use the Our Father!
- Check in with each other (10-15 minutes)
  - Each person takes 2-4 minutes (never more than 5!) to share events from the past week
- Reflection (15-30 minutes)
  - Sunday Gospel Reading
    - The Gospel is read out loud
    - People share something (a word/phrase/image) that touched them from the reading
- Goals for the coming week (10-15 minutes)
  - Each person takes 2-3 minutes to share their goals and objectives for the coming week.
- Closing Prayer
  - Each person names any specific prayer intentions that they have.
  - The Leader offers a concluding prayer; if you're not sure what prayer to use, say the Hail Mary!

## Hallmarks of a healthy Cenacle

- Positivity – the focus is always on personal growth when sharing struggles; “venting” is to be avoided.
- Vulnerability – requires participants to be real in their joys and burdens.
- Leadership – group is accountable: gossip, toxic behaviors, being present, not monopolizing time, etc.
- Investment – participants make the Cenacle a priority and are thoughtfully present and prepared.

## Who can join?

- Anyone! What's required is someone who wants to make a weekly commitment to grow in faith.
- In fact, if you connect each week on a Zoom call, you can be anywhere in the world!
  - Note: the big thing is that people make this a priority in their lives.
  - Once a week, they come together to pray, reflect, and support each other.
  - It's not complicated, but over time we find ourselves growing closer to God and each other.

## Choose a Group Leader and connect with Fr. Andrew to begin

- The Leader keeps the group organized and communicates with Fr. Andrew.
- This person emails Fr. Andrew at [fatherandrew97@gmail.com](mailto:fatherandrew97@gmail.com) to let him know the group has formed.