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St. William Catholic School is committed to developing young people who know their faith, proclaim it in life, and are academically strong.

St. William Catholic School

Introductory Information

- Kindergarten through eighth grade
 - Full day (5 days per week) kindergarten with ½ day a.m. optional
 - Reading/math instruction reduced to half of class size
 - Advance mathematics classes grades 5-8
 - Advanced English studies in grades 5 through 8
 - Advanced Vocabulary studies in grades 7 and 8
 - Resource Room with certified Special Education teacher available to all students
 - Fully supported curriculum in areas of the arts and physical education
- Reaccredited by Michigan Non-Public Schools Accrediting Association (MNSAA)
- Reaccredited annually
- State certified faculty
- Religious Education certification of faculty
- Quarterly Report Cards
- Quarterly Progress Reports
- Frequent communication with faculty and parents
- Conduct (CARE) reports every third week
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Daily Assignment Books
- Parish/school website (stwilliam.com and stwilliam-school.com)
- On line grade book program
 - Stwilliam.edtrac.com
- Networked computer lab with internet access
- Laptops for student instruction
- Weekly liturgical celebrations
- Annual standardized testing grade K-7
- Kindergarten readiness testing
- Televisions, VCRs, DVDs, laptops and networked computers available for classroom instruction
- Weekly parent newsletters
- Bus service available at dismissal for Walled Lake district students
- Educational Assemblies
- Numerous enrichment field trips

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Saint William Catholic School

Faculty Members

Mrs. Liz Riehl - Kindergarten Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Central Michigan University
Elementary Education
Language Arts/Creative Arts
Graduate Studies- Oakland University/Reading

Teaching Experience:

Robinson Institute (1 year) Kindergarten
St. William Catholic School (24 years) Kindergarten

Mrs. Lori Kmet– First Grade Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Eastern Michigan University
Bachelor of Science
Elementary Education
Graduate Studies- Madonna University
ZA Endorsement for Early Childhood Education

Teaching Experience:

St. Michael Christian School (2 years) preschool and grade 1
St. Dunstan Catholic School (one year) grade 1
St. William Catholic School (one year) grade 1

Ms. Lori Zoulek- Second Grade Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Bachelor of Business Administration- Walsh College
Post Graduate Studies- Teaching Certificate- University of Michigan
Major- Elementary Education, Math and Science Endorsements

Teaching Experience:

Substitute Teacher- Walled Lakes Schools/St. William (1 year)
St. William Catholic School (2 years) grade 2 reading.

Miss Jackie Nay- Third Grade Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Madonna University
Mathematics
Elementary Education

Teaching Experience:

St. William Catholic School (3 years) grade 1 and grade 3

Mrs. Sandy Gallagher - Fourth Grade Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Bowling Green State University
Elementary Education
Graduate Degree- Eastern Michigan University
Reading

Teaching Experience:

St. Mary's- Ohio (2 years) grade 2
St. William Catholic School (16 years) grade 4

Mrs. Kathleen Haller - Fifth Grade Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Eastern Michigan University
Elementary Education
Reading Endorsement
Social Sciences
English/Language Arts
Graduate Studies- Eastern Michigan University

Teaching Experience:

St. Patrick (1 year) grade 1
St. William Catholic School (14 years) grades 5 and 6

Affiliation: Michigan Reading Association

Mrs. Valerie Studt – Sixth Grade Teacher

Educational Background

Undergraduate Degree- Western Michigan University
Elementary Education
English
Graduate Studies: Oakland University

Teaching Experience:

Walled Lake Public Schools (10 years) Substitute Teaching
St. William Catholic School (14 years) grades 5 and 6

Mrs. Pat Bilas - Seventh Grade Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Madonna University
History
Social Science
Secondary Education (gr. 7-12)
Graduate Studies- Eastern Michigan University

Teaching Experience:

St. Linus (4 years) grade 7
Fenton High School (4 years) Adult Education
Linden High School (4 years) Adult Education
St. William Catholic School (28 years) grade 7 and 8

Mrs. Barbara Jones - Eighth Grade Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Madonna University
Secondary Education
English
History
Graduate Studies- Wayne State University and
Eastern Michigan University

Teaching Experience:

Livonia Public Schools (6 years) Junior High School
Fenton Public Schools (25 years) Adult Education
Fenton Summer School- Remedial Math and Reading (25 years)
Linden Public Schools (5 years) Adult Education/Summer School
St. William Catholic School (28 years) grade 7 and 8

Mrs. Dianna Diffenderfer - Mathematics Teacher grade 4-8

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Western Michigan University
Business Administration
Advertising
Music
Elementary Education- Armstrong State University (GA)
Math Endorsement Coursework/EMU

Teaching Experience:

Mercer Middle School (2 years) grade 7 and 8
St. William Catholic School (13 years) music, grade 6, and mathematics

Affiliations:

Detroit Area Council of Teachers of Mathematics
National Council of Teachers of Mathematics

Mrs. Terry Dunlap- Kindergarten Support Classes, Math grade 2, Reading grade 4, Resource Room Assistance

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree-Hope College
BA Learning Disabilities
Graduate Degree

Teaching Experience:

Indiana- Special Education Teacher (5 years) grade K-4
Utica Community Schools- Resource Room (2years) grades K-3
St. William Catholic School (1 year)

Mrs. Anne Donato- Resource Room Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- University of Michigan- Dearborn
BA Language Studies Language Acquisition
Elementary Education
Mathematics/Social Studies Minor
Graduate Degree- University of Michigan- Dearborn
M.Ed. in Special Education
Learning Disabilities Endorsement
Doctoral Studies at Michigan State University

Teaching Experience:

Redford Union School District (11 years) grade 1, 2, 5, and 6
St. William Catholic School (5 years)

Mrs. Avis Hermans

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- Madonna University
Language Arts, Social Studies
Secondary Education Certification

Teaching Experience:

Junior Achievement (2 years) K-12
St. William Catholic School (6 years) grade 6 and Resource Room

Mr. Brian Savage - Physical Education Teacher

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree: Wilmington College of Ohio
BS Education
Health/P.E.

Teaching Experience:

Goshen Local Schools, Ohio
Farmington Public School District (1 year)
Walled Lake Public Schools (13 years)
St. William Catholic School (1 year) grades 1-8

Mrs. Sandy Bell - Art Teacher grades 4-8

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree: Eastern Michigan University
BA Education K-8
Graduate Degree: Oakland University
Guidance/Counseling
Course Work in Gifted/Talented Program

Teaching Experience:

Huron Valley Public Schools (1 year) grades 1-4
Walled Lake Consolidated Schools (32 years) grades K-grade 5
St. William Catholic School (3 years) Art grades 6-8

Affiliations:

National Art Education Association
Michigan Education Association

Mr. Phil Miller- Art Teacher grade 1-5

Educational Background:

Undergraduate degree- Wayne State University
BS Art Education
Graduate Degree- University of Michigan
Special Education

Teaching Experience:

St. Scholastica Art Education (1 year)
Farmington Public Schools- Art Education (1 year)
Walled Lake Public School- Art Education (15 years)
St. William Catholic Schools- Art (2 years)

Affiliations:

Michigan Art Education Association

Mrs. Bethany Bean - Music teacher grade 1-8

Educational Background:

Undergraduate degree- Maryhurst College
BM Music Education
Graduate degree- University of Phoenix

Teaching Experience:

Walled Lake Consolidated School District, General Music K-5 (5 years)
Music Together Livingston County (3 years)
St. William Catholic School, General Music gr. 1-8 (2 years)

Memberships and Affiliations:

Michigan Education Association
Music Educators National Conference
American Choral Directors Association

Mrs. Ann Kearney- Computer Applications Teacher/Librarian

Educational Background

Undergraduate degree- Central Michigan University
BA Elementary Education
Math Endorsement K-8
Language Arts Endorsement K-8
Graduate Degree- Wayne State University
MLIS- School Library Media

Teaching Experience:

West Bloomfield Schools- Student Teaching Experience Grade 3
Cesar Chavez Academy Elementary Grade 1-2 (1 year) grade 3 (5 years)
St. William Catholic School grades 1-8 (2 years)

Memberships and Affiliations-

MAME- Michigan Association of Media Educators
MACUL- Michigan Association of Computer Users and Learners

Ms. Ann LaFleche - Computer Science Teacher/Systems Administrator

Educational Background: Ferris State University

A.A.S. Legal Assisting
B.S. Business Administration

Teaching Experience:

St. William Catholic School (11 years)

Mrs. Linda Jackson - Principal

Educational Background:

Undergraduate Degree- University of Michigan
Elementary Education
Social Studies
Graduate Studies: Eastern Michigan University
Madonna University
Educational Leadership

Teaching Experience:

St. Gabriel (2 years) grade 7 and 8
Our Lady of Grace (3 years) grades 5-7
St. Anselm (4 years) grades 5-8
Our Lady of Victory (9 years) grades 5-8
Our Lady of Victory (7 years) principal
St. William Catholic School (8 years) principal

School Secretarial Staff

Mrs. Denise Darga

Mrs. Karen Blankstrom

St. William Parish Staff

Reverend Michael Savickas
Pastor

Deacon Mike Sommerville
Deacon Robert Dryer

Mr. Ed Thomas
Parish Business Manager

Office of Faith Formation

Mrs. Jeanne Martin
Director of Religious Education
Youth Ministry

Mrs. Lil Spiterey- Section Head PK-1

Mrs. Karen Sommers- Section Head grade 2
First Reconciliation, First Eucharist Coordinator

Mr. Bob Costello- Section Head grades 6-8 & High School
Confirmation Co-Coordinator

Mrs. Tabitha Stasie
Confirmation Co-Coordinator

Mrs. Susan Wolff
Secretary Faith Formation

Mrs. Nancy Thomas
RCIA

Deacon Jene Baughman
Christian Service

Mr. Dan Sutton
Maintenance Supervisor

Mr. Paul Sommes Mr. Tim Rohde Mr. Steve Barrell Mr. Chris Natzel
Maintenance Department

St. William Catholic School

Curriculum

The individual learning needs of the students are monitored and addressed through the study of standardized testing history, parent survey responses, and tracking of student progress by the faculty members.

Some of the features of our curriculum that are of importance include the following:

- Weekly all school liturgies with homilies geared to children
- Daily religion classes
- Full day kindergarten program (5 days/week) is available
- An optional half day (a.m. only) kindergarten program is available
- Monthly service projects that encourage stewardship to our students
- Peaceful, safe environment in which Christian values and caring discipline are hallmarks
- Teachers, who are interested in your child's wholeness, communicate with you frequently
- On-line grade book program allows you to constantly monitor your child's progress
- Honors mathematics program for students in grades five through eight
- Small math and reading groups at all levels that allow for no more than 15:1 student/teacher ratio enhance instruction and learning
- School staffed resource room with a special education teacher who addresses the various learning needs of all students
- Support classes including Art, Computers, Music, Physical Education and Library for all grade levels
- Numerous local, state, and national competitions for student participation in areas of math, science, spelling, writing, art and physical education
- Fully networked with internet and wireless connections available in the computer lab and classrooms
- Laptops for student instructional uses
- Textbook revisions/updates on a yearly basis
- Annual standardized testing in all grade levels
- Active parent groups including PSA (Parish School Association), Dads' Club and School Committee allow parents to be involved in their child's school
- CYO cheerleading, football, basketball, volleyball, and baseball

Primary Grade Levels (K-4) General Curriculum

- Religion
- Language Arts
 - Reading
 - Spelling
 - Phonics (K-3)
 - Handwriting
 - Writing
 - Grammar
- Mathematics
- Social Studies
- Science
- Art
- Music
- Computers
- Physical Education
- Library

Grade Level Curriculums

Kindergarten

Religion

- The world is a gift from God
- God loves us
- We are friends of Jesus
- We live as friends of Jesus
- We celebrate special days
- Bible stories
- Gospel stories
- Prayers
 - “Our Father”. “Hail Mary”, “Sign of the Cross”
- Proper Mass behavior

Language Arts/Reading

- Phonemic awareness
 - Rhyming words
 - Beginning and ending sounds
 - Blending phonemes
 - Reading color words
 - Number words
 - Letter recognition
 - Capital/lower case
 - Sight words
- Reading strategies
 - Predicting/infering
 - Decoding
 - Summarizing
 - Cause and effect
- Comprehension skills
 - Compare and contrast
 - Noting important details
 - Story structure (beginning, middle, and end)

- Characters and setting
- Inferences
- Drawing conclusions
- Sequence of events
- Fantasy and realism

Vocabulary

- Concept words
- Naming words
- Describing words
- Action words
- Rhyming words
- Singular and plural naming words

Writing

- Drawing and labeling
- Writing description
- Journal writing
- Writing class stories and books
- Making books

Handwriting

Mathematics

- Sorting
 - Color, shape and size
- Geometry and Patterns
- Positions
- Numbers 0-10
- Numbers to 31
- Comparing, more than, less than, equal to
- Basic shapers/solid figures
- Tables, graphs, and fractions
- Addition readiness
- Subtraction readiness
- Money- recognize coins and value
- Time
- Measurement
- Numbers to 100
- Counting by 1's. 5's. 10's, to 100

Social Studies/Science

- Fall/Johnny Appleseed
- Seasons and weather
- Five senses
- Animals
- Dinosaurs
- Solar System
- Transportation
- Community helpers
- Friends and family
- Under the sea
- Plants
- Fire safety

Grade 1

Religion

- Prayers
- Respectful church behavior
- Seven sacraments
- Liturgical year
- Key biblical figures
- Projects pertaining to unit studies
- Eucharist
- Gospel
- Descriptions of significant biblical locations
- Christian growth/reflection

Language Arts/Reading

- Phonetic/level approach
- Fostering word attack skills
- Story sequencing
- Parts of a story
- Real literature combined with skill assessment activities
- Varied materials to support literacy enjoyment
- Extending into higher level questioning
- Predicting outcomes

Grammar/Phonics

- Initial/ending sounds
- Long/short vowels
- Initial/final consonant blends/diagraphs
- Nouns, verbs, and adjectives
- Pronouns
- Contractions
- Writing activities
- Upper/lower case letters and usage
- Sentence/paragraph/story construction

Mathematics

- Recognizing/writing number sentences and story problems
- Addition- all facts
- Subtraction- all facts
- Beginning geometry
- Learning/using mathematical language
- Time
- Money
- Calendar skills
- Graphing
- Estimation
- Predicting outcomes
- Patterning
- Using manipulatives

Grade 2

Religion

- Holy Trinity- God, Jesus, Holy Spirit
- Baptism and Confirmation
- Great Commandment
- Ten Commandments
- Making choices
- Prayer
- Liturgical Year- Advent, Christmas, Lent, Holy Week, Easter

Language Arts

- Capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
- Grammar, correct usage
- Writing complete sentences
- Recognizing nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, and pronouns
- Writing paragraphs and stories
- Master manuscript
- Begin cursive writing

Reading

- Introduction of fiction and non-fiction
- Comprehension
 - Main idea
 - Cause/effect
 - Predictions
- Vocabulary- classifying, webbing, etc.
- Phonics- consonants, clusters, diagraphs, and silent letters

Mathematics

- Adding and subtracting
- Understanding numbers
- Money
- Measurement
- Time
- Problem solving
- Geometry
- Fractions

Social Studies

- What is community?
- Geography and how it helps us
- Why we learn about history
- Why people work
- How our government works

Science

- Living things- how they grow and change
- Homes for living things
- Exploring Earth's surface- space and weather
- Exploring matter
- Energy in motion

Grade 3

Religion

- Creed
- Sacraments
- Ten Commandments
- Scriptures, bible readings
- Prayers
- Liturgical year
- Psalms
- Professing our faith
- “Good News” for children

Language Arts

- Sentences- definition and kinds of
- Subjects, predicates, and sentence combining
- Common and proper nouns
- Singular, plural, and possessive nouns
- Commas
- Capital letters
- Verbs- action, tenses, linking, helping, and irregular
- Contractions
- Apostrophes
- Pronouns- singular, plural, and possessive
- Adjectives
- Adverbs
- Writing- expository, descriptive, narrative, explanatory, informative, and creative

Reading

- Listening, speaking, and viewing skills
- Review alphabetic principles, sounds, and symbols
- Introduce vocabulary and word identification skills
- Comprehension strategies
- Study skills
- Literature appreciation
- Interpret graphs, tables, and graphs

Handwriting

- Continue mastery of manuscript
- Development of cursive

Mathematics

- Adding and subtracting
- Understanding numbers
- Money
- Measurement
- Time
- Problem solving
- Geometry
- Fractions
- Statistics
- Graphing
- Probability
- Decimals
- Division- one and two numbers
- Multiplication- one and two numbers

Social Studies

Maps and globes
Graphics, charts, and tables
People/communities
Government
Cultures and diversity
“Time for Kids”

Science

Life sciences
Plants and animals/interactions
Earth sciences
Earth's land
Cycles on Earth and in space
Solar System
Physical sciences
Investigating matter
Exploring energy and forces

Grade 4**Religion**

Based on the Four Pillars of Faith
Creed
Worship
Sacraments
Morality
Christian Prayer
Liturgical Seasons

Language Arts

Sentences
Parts of Speech- nouns, verbs, pronouns, adjectives, adverbs and introduction to
Prepositions
Mechanics of writing
Study skills
Writing process
Spelling-weekly tests and spelling patterns
Handwriting- applying cursive

Reading

Comprehension
Vocabulary
Study skills and graphic aids
Literary appreciation
Language usage
Predictions

Mathematics

Numbers
Addition and subtraction
Measurement
Multiplication and division
Geometry
Fractions and mixed numbers

Tables
Problem solving
Probability
Decimals

Social Studies

Basic geography skills
Michigan history
Regions of the United States- history, geography, culture, and economy

Science

Living things
Ecosystems
Earth's surface
Patterns on earth and in space
Matter and energy
Forces and Motion

Middle School Grades (5-8) General Curriculum

Religion
Language Arts
 Reading/Literature
 Spelling
 Vocabulary
 Advanced Vocabulary grades 7 and 8
 English
 Advanced English grades 7 and 8
 Writing
Mathematics
 Honors Mathematics
 Pre-Algebra
 Algebra
 Geometry
Social Studies
 U.S. History grade 7
 Geography grade 8
Science
 Life Science grade 7
 Physical Science grade 8
Art
Music
Library
Computers
Physical Education

Grade Level Curriculum

Grade 5

Religion

- What we believe
- How we worship
- How we pray
- Liturgical celebrations and seasons
- Scripture stories
- Church doctrine- past and present

Language Arts (Level 6)

- Sentence structure and diagramming
- Parts of speech
- Mechanics of writing
 - Spelling
 - Punctuation
 - Grammar
 - Capitalization
 - Vocabulary
- Writing Process
- Literary elements and devices

Reading

- Predictions
- Previewing
- Inference of story meaning
- Comprehension
 - Independent
 - Group based
- Listening skills
- Vocabulary strategies
- Study skills
- Informational resource skills
- Literary skills
- Writing skills

Mathematics

- Place value of whole numbers
- Adding and subtracting whole numbers
- Place values of decimals
- Adding and subtracting decimals
- Multiplying and dividing
 - One-digit numbers
 - Larger numbers
 - Two-digit numbers

Decimals
Analyzing and graphing data
Circle, bar, and line graphs
Probability
Measurement using metric units

Social Studies

Map reading
Basic geography skills
Map identification/features
U.S. history from 1500 through current events
Study of cultures
 Geography
 History
 Economy
Relating past events to personal life and current events
Introduction of Constitution
 Bill of Rights
 Declaration of Independence
 Democratic system of voting

Science

Living systems
Systems and interactions in nature
Processes that change the earth
The solar system and beyond
Building blocks of matter
Energy and motion

Grade 6

Religion

Identification of major prayers
Bible and scripture studies including the use of the Bible
Prophets and saints
Special liturgical seasons
Catholic doctrine

Reading

Novels, short stories, non-fiction, and poetry
Literary elements
Point of view
Main idea/details
Comprehension
Use of library
Book reports
Figurative language
Word origins, suffixes, prefixes, and root words

Spelling/vocabulary

Word meaning
Correct spelling
Proper use of words to complete sentences
Word classification and relationships

English

- Sentence structure
- Parts of speech and their proper usage
- Punctuation
- Subject, object, and predicate
- Study skills
- Use of references
- Types of writing including essay, research, and creative

Mathematics

- Number sense and operations
- Fractions
- Geometry and spatial reasoning
- Statistics, graphing, and probability
- Algebraic equations, relationships, and integers
- Proportional reasoning
- Measurement: one, two, and three-dimensional
- Geometric patterns and operations

Social Studies

- Early history of man
 - Fertile Crescent
 - Nile River
 - Huang He River
 - Indus River Valley
- Ancient World
 - Greece
 - Rome
 - Arab worlds
 - Africa
 - Europe
 - South America
 - Asia
- The world expands and changes
- Stormy century
 - WW I and WW II
 - Cold War
 - Conflicts in the Middle East
 - Struggles in India
- Geography and map skills
- Biographies of important people
- Integration of music and literature

Science

- Introduction to Science and Scientific Method
- Forces, Motion, and Energy
- Changes In and On the Earth
- Electricity and Magnetism
- Sound and Light
- Weather

Grade 7

Religion

- Church History
- Church and Sacraments
- Jesus in the New Testament
- Morality
- Mystery of God
- Prayer
- Liturgical year/celebrations

Literature

- Mythology
- Poetry
- Drama
- Short Story
- Novels

English (Level 8)

- Grammar
- Capitalization
- Punctuation
- Writing
 - Exposition
 - Character Sketches
 - Descriptive
 - Outlines

Mathematics

- Number connections and expression
- Operations with whole numbers, fractions, decimals, integers, and rational numbers
- Algebraic expressions, equations, inequalities, and linear equations
- Geometry
- Ratios, rates, proportions, and percents
- Statistics, graphing, and probability
- Measurement

Social Studies (American History)

- WWII
- Cold War
- Korean War
- Civil Rights Movement
- Vietnam War years
- 1969- Present

Science

- Introduction to Biology
- Cells
- Body Systems
- Genetics
- Protists
- Plants
- Animal diversity
- Ecology

Grade 8

Religion

- Jesus in the New Testament
- Sacraments
- Morality
- Mystery of God
- Church history
- Liturgical year/celebrations

Literature

- Mythology
- Poetry
- Drama
- Short Story
- Novels

English (Level 9)

- Grammar
- Capitalization
- Punctuation
- Writing
 - Exposition
 - Character Sketches
 - Descriptive
 - Outlines

Social Studies

- Geography Skills
 - World Geography
 - Earth
 - Climate, water, and vegetation
 - People
 - U.S. and Canada
 - Latin America
 - Europe
 - Russia
 - North Africa, Southwest Asia, and Central Asia
 - Southern Africa
 - Australia, Oceania, and Antarctica

Science Skills

- Chemistry
 - Matter
 - Atomic Structure
 - Periodic Table
 - Chemical bonds and reactions
 - Solutions, acids, and bases
 - Carbon and nuclear chemistry
- Physics
 - Motion and forces
 - Work, power, and machines
 - Energy
 - Mechanical waves and sound
 - Light

Electricity
Magnetism
Physical Science
Introduction to Matter
Interactions of Matter
Electricity and Magnetism
Sound and Light

Mathematics- Pre-Algebra (grade 8)

Introduction to algebra
Integers
Data and graphs
Number theory
Rational numbers and percents
Proportion, percent and probability
Real numbers and inequalities
Geometry introductions
Linear equations and polynomials

Mathematics- Algebra (Level 9)

Equations
Exponents/polynomials
Inequalities/absolute value
Graphs and linear equations
Rational expressions and equations
Relations and functions
Quadratic equations

Mathematics- Geometry (Level 10)

Geometric Figures
Writing of Proofs
Theorems
Postulates

Computer Information/Technology Education

Computer History	Word Processing
Vocabulary and General Concepts	Graphics
Computer Ethics	Spreadsheets
Careers Related to Computers	Database
Keyboarding	Programming
Using Internet as Learning Tool	Internet Safety
Desktop Publishing	Graphic Design
Web Design	Information Seeking Skills using The Big 6
Graphic Organizers and Kidspiration	MS Power Point
Career Exploration	Curriculum Integration

Music

Singing	Composition
Rhythm	Expressive Qualities
Melody	Performing and Improvising
Harmony	Interpretation and Appreciation
Form	Using recorders
Orff Instruments	Hand Percussion

Reading Notation
Historical, Cultural Significance

Performing

Art

Pencil
Acrylic
Oil Crayon
Colored Pencil
Pastel
Paper Sculpture

Pen and Ink
Watercolor
Clay
Printmaking
Weaving
Paper Mache'

Physical Education

Flexibility
Cardiovascular Training
Basketball
Baseball
Stretches
Agility exercises
Core and Strength Training
Calisthenics
Speedball
Handball
Loco motor skills

Football
Soccer
Kickball
Hockey
Callisthenics
Volleyball
Yoga
Cooperative Games
Frisbee Games
Jump Rope

Library/Media Education

Enjoyment and Appreciation of Literature	Book Games
Author Studies	Fiction/non-fiction Identification and Location
Use of Encyclopedias, Atlases, Dictionaries, Almanacs	
Use of the Online Patron Access Catalog (OPAC)	
Use/respect of Copyright Laws	Citing Sources of Information
Story time	Author Visits
Birthday Train	Dewey Decimal System
Caldecott, Newberry and other Book Awards	
Books, Books, Books	Use and Care of Books

Textbooks

Religion-

Faith First K-8, Legacy Edition 2007

Reading-

Houghton Mifflin 2001 K
McGraw Hill 2001 grades 1-6
Prentice-Hall 2000 grade 7 and 8

Phonics-

McGraw Hill 2001 grade 1

Mathematics-

New Progress in Math
Sadlier Oxford 2006 grades K-8
Prentice Hall 2001 grade 8
Algebra 1
Holt, Rinehart, and Winston, Inc. 1991
Geometry

Science-

Harcourt Science 2002
Grades 2-5
Holt 2007 (Short Course Series) grades 6-8
Science and Technology

Handwriting-

Zaner-Bloser 2008 grades 2-4

English-

Silver Burdett Company 1998 grades 3-4
Prentice Hall 2008
Writing and Grammar grades 5-8 (Levels 6-9)

Vocabulary-

QuickWord grades 1-2 Curriculum Press 2007
Scholastic 2004 grades 5-6 (Levels 6 and 7)
Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success
Prentice Hall Vocabulary/Spelling Practice Book 2003 grades 7-8 (Levels 8 and 9)

Social Studies-

Macmillan/McGraw Hill 2003 grades 2-6
Prentice Hall 2003 grade 7
America- Pathways to the Present
Glencoe/McGraw Hill 2002 grade 8
The World and Its People

Religious Celebrations and Experiences

Overall Objectives

- **The religious instruction centers on the doctrine and traditions of the Catholic faith by fostering moral and educational values.**
- **The involvement in various religious experiences helps students to enter into a deeper personal relationship with God as well as asserting the proclamation of their faith.**
- **Various programs provide opportunities for the students to serve others and build a faith community that extends to those outside the students' immediate academic and social circles.**

Scope and Sequence of Religion Program

Faith First kindergarten guides young children through 24 engaging lessons that lay a foundation for the stories (Scripture), beliefs (doctrine), and celebrations (liturgical year) of our Catholic faith.

Faith First grades 1-8 brings “total catechesis” to life by teaching the pillars of the Catechism- Creed, Sacraments, Morality, and Prayer- every year in every grade level. Each year your teachers will build upon and reinforce what children have previously learned. This “spiral” approach fills in the gaps found in thematic programs. Faith First includes unique Scripture lessons on every level that develops a solid understanding of the Bible and provides students with the equivalent of two complete years of Scripture study. Liturgical year lessons help connect children to Sunday Mass, and transformation is fostered in every lesson as children answer the questions: What difference does faith make in my life?

Sacramental Preparation

General Guidelines for Reception of First Penance, Eucharist, Confirmation

- child has previously been baptized
- received as soon as is reasonable after the child has reached the age of discretion
- Confirmation cannot be received if the child has not reached the age of 13 by the day of the celebration
- Child is participating fully in a parish-run program for one year prior to the sacramental year and the year of the sacrament itself
- Immediate sacramental preparation will take form of several classes/workshops/retreat experiences
 - Three for Reconciliation
 - Four for First Eucharist
 - Four for Confirmation
 - One follow-up session for Confirmation

Registration for the formal religious education programs begins in the spring of the year. This registration process must be completed by families who are in the day school and the after school program. At the time they register for a program, families can indicate

their desire that their child receive the sacrament of First Penance, First Eucharist or Confirmation within the coming year. By early fall, those families who indicated a desire for a sacrament will be advised about the schedule of immediate preparation sessions.

Families not registered in a formal religious education program of the parish, and who are preparing a child to receive First Penance, First Eucharist, or Confirmation within the coming school year must contact the Office of Faith Formation by October 1st of that same year.

St. William Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry is the means by which the Church helps teens become integral members of the parish, as well as the larger Church community. All young people are welcome and have a sense of belonging and acceptance. The Ministry keeps youth connected to other teens in the parish, the Vicariate, the Archdiocese, and the local community.

Goals of Youth Ministry:

- build a sense of community among high school members of St. William Parish
- youth ministry is a faith community where teens can gather to have fun, learn more about themselves and others, grow in faith, and become leaders in the church.
- engage the teens in age-appropriate events that are selected by the Young Ministry Leadership Team, including at least one service project each month.

Youth Ministry activities include the following:

Fall Clean-up	Shelter Week Dinner	Bowling
Winter "BLAH" Breaker	Rainbow Conference	Children's Village Projects
Youth Serve	Cedar Point	Caritas Mission Work Camp
Summer Softball Team	Fish Fry Bake Sale	

Sacramental Programs in Conjunction with parish-

- Reconciliation
- First Eucharist
- Confirmation
- **Weekly Children's Liturgy**
 - Prepared by the children
 - Lectors
 - Children's Choir
 - Children's Bell Choir
 - Altar Servers
 - Gift Bearers
 - Responsorial Psalm
- **Liturgical Seasons**
 - Advent and Lenten Prayer Services
 - Living Rosary
 - Stations of the Cross
 - Holy Day Masses
- **Morning Prayer**
- **Enrichment Opportunities**
 - Seventh Grade Vocations Day at Sacred Heart Major Seminary
 - Vocation talks by pastor, deacon and representative from convent
 - Clergy "Celebrity" Reading Day
 - Holocaust Center- grade 8

- **Support Materials**
 - “Pflaum” magazine- Sunday Liturgy of the Word
 - “Promise” magazine- Kindergarten
 - Children’s Worship Bulletin
 - “Visions” magazine

- **Service Opportunities**
 - “Kids CARE”- monthly service project opportunities
 - Christmas Giving Tree
 - Food Drive
 - Holy Childhood Mission Collection
 - Rice Bowls- school and parish program
 - Monthly Prayer Partners
 - Pen Pals/Cards sent to Senior Citizens
 - Coffee/donuts for St. Vincent DePaul
 - Service journals in classrooms
 - Shelter Week

Student Activities, Programs and Competitions

- **Academic Programs**
 - Fifth Grade Outdoor Education Camp
- **Competitions**
 - Science Olympiad gr. 5-8
 - Catholic Mathematics Competition gr. 3-8
 - National Geographic Geography Bee gr. 5-8
 - Spelling Bee gr. 5-8
 - America and Me Essay Contest gr. 8
 - American Junior High Mathematics Exam gr. 8
 - Knights of Columbus Poster Contest
- **Enrichment Activities**
 - Student Council grade 4-8
 - Choir for Children's Weekly Liturgies
 - Wax Museum grade 5-6
 - Art Show
 - Spring Variety Show
- **Achievement Awards and Recognition**
 - Quarterly Honor Roll
 - Academic
 - Citizenship
 - Highest Honors
 - Youth Leadership Forum
 - America and Me Essay Contest
 - Catholic Mathematics League
 - American Jr. High Mathematics Exam
 - Presidential Academic Fitness Award
 - Presidential Physical Fitness Award
 - Birthday Announcements
 - Lost Tooth Chart
 - New Baby Announcement Board
- **Walled Lake Public School Services**
 - English as Second Language
 - Speech and Language
 - Teacher Consultant
 - Learning Disabilities Support
 - Occupational Therapist
 - Physical Therapist
 - Adaptive PE
 - Social Work
- **Classroom Magazines**
 - "Scope"
 - "Junior Scholastic"
 - Oakland Press newspaper
 - "National Geographic for Kids"
 - "Pflaum" Gospel Weekly
 - "Promise" Religion support for kindergarten
 - "Weekly Reader"
 - "Time for Kids"

- “Science Weekly”
- “Absolutely Advent”
- “Absolutely Lent”
- **Extracurricular Activities**
 - C.Y.O. and Recreational Programs
 - Football
 - Basketball
 - Soccer
 - Baseball
 - Volleyball
 - Cheerleading
 - Scouting
 - Choir
 - Bells
- **Student Performances**
 - Christmas Play/program
 - Spring Plays/musicals
 - Wax Museum grade 5-6
 - Individual classroom plays
- **Art Show/Ice Cream Social**
- **Parent Service Opportunities**
 - School Committee
 - Dads’ Club
 - Parish School Association (PSA)
 - Parish Outreach Committee
 - Resource Room Volunteers
 - Lunchroom/playground monitors
 - Hot Lunch Program
 - Field trip chaperones
 - Classroom aides
 - Morning Drop off

Parent Organizations and Activities

- **School and Parish Organizations**
 - Parish Council
 - Education Commission
 - Stewardship Commission
 - Worship Commission
 - School Committee
 - Technology Committee
 - Youth Ministry Committee
 - Religious Education Committee
 - Parish Outreach Committee
 - Parish School Association (PSA)
 - Jog-a-thon
 - Bowl-a-thon
 - Popcorn Sales
 - Scholastic Book Fair
 - Catholic Book Fair
 - Fun Day
 - Field Trip Coordinator
 - Room Mom
 - Santa Shop
 - Kids' Night Out
 - Middle School Night
 - Daddy/Daughter Dance
 - Mother/Son Dance
 - Enrichment Programs/Assemblies
 - Market Day
 - **Dads' Club**
 - Value Book Sale
 - Fish Fry
 - Golf Outing
 - Athletic Program
 - CYO volleyball
 - CYO football
 - CYO basketball
 - CYO cheerleading
 - Parish baseball
 - Parish soccer
 - Sports clinic
 - CYO Scholar Athlete
 - Christmas tree sale
 - Easter egg hunt/lunch
 - Eighth grade class trip
 - Eighth grade dinner
 - Adult gym time
 - Athletic fundraiser
 - Dads' Club Softball Team
 - Coffee/Donuts for St. Vincent DePaul
 - Spaghetti Dinner

