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# Mass schedule

St. Lawrence Saturday Vigil 5:30, 7:30pm (Spanish) Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am, 12:30, 5:30pm (Youth Mass) Monday-Friday 8:30am Saturday 9:00am

# Sacred Heart

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Sunday 10:30am

St. Lawrence Cemetery Plots and cremation niches are available for purchase. Cemetery office 845-279-2021 x201 call to schedule an appointment.

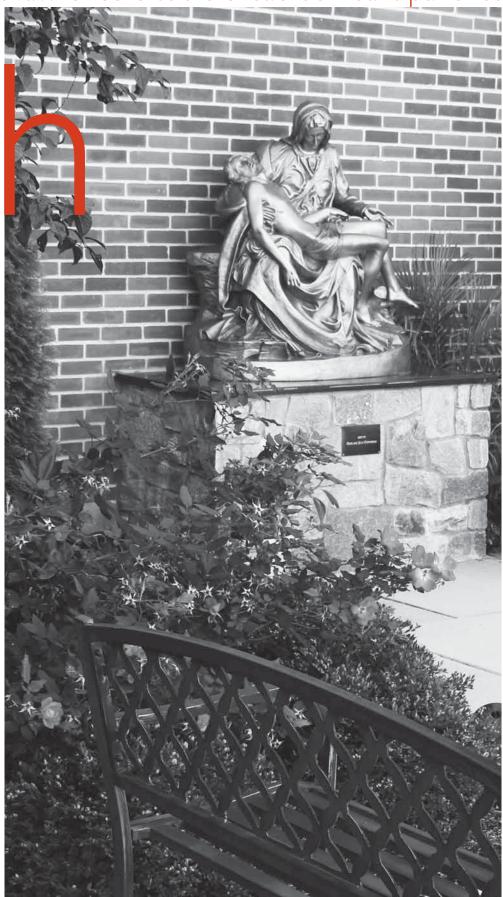
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414 Haviland Drive Patterson, NY 12563 845-279-4832

# st. lawrence o'toole & sacred heart parishes



# **Dedications**

Sacred Heart

The **Sanctuary Candle** is dedicated for: At the request of: ትዮዮዮ The **Altar Flowers** are dedicated for: At the request of:

# St. Lawrence O'Toole

The **Tabernacle** candle is dedicated for: **Raphael Prado** At the request of M. Prado ቁቅቁቁ The candle before **Our Lady** is dedicated for: **Raphael Prado** At the request of M. Prado ቁቅቁቁ The Paschal Candle is dedicated for: **Mary Kunert** At the request of Justin, Lauren & Calvin ቁቅቁቁ The Bread & Wine at Daily Mass is dedicated for: **Mary Kunert** At the request of John & Janet Strilowich

# THE POWER OF PRAYER

Join the parish in praying for the following daily prayer intentions

Oct 8 - Hurricane Victims

Oct 9 - Earthquake Victims

Oct 10 - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade EDGE teens

Oct 11 - Alpha Team

Oct 12 - Las Vegas shooting Victims

Oct 13 - Jesus meets the teens during Adoration

Oct 14 - Peace

# **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00AM Raffaela & Giovanni Finno 4:00PM Sacred Heart Gladys O'Connor 5:30PM Mario Norelli 7:30PM Spanish Mass Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> 8:00AM Edward Boos 9:30AM Nancy Coldrick 10:30AM Sacred Heart **Bill and Joseph Lewis** 11:00AM Peter Esposito 12:30PM Mary Matro Mary & Michael Canarozzi 5:30PM Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM **Giorgio Petoscello** Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM John & Anna Anderek Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM Gabriela Alves Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM Raphael Prado Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM Davis Hagan Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00AM Intentions of CDA **Memorial Donors** 4:00PM Sacred Heart Jean Buonsante 5:30PM Mario Norelli 7:30PM Spanish Mass Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 8:00AM Dominic DeSanctis 9:30AM Galileo Maragni 10:30AM Sacred Heart Joseph Velardi & Michael Turnyanszki 11:00AM Jeannette Gatti 12:30PM Vincent K. Murtha 5:30PM Rose Cecere

# **Prayer List**

### Please remember our Brothers and Sisters in the Lord who have asked for Prayers:

Andrea Lichtenberger • Ana Brenes • Steven Roderiques • Joey Cipriani • Joseph Wolf • Joe McGee • Charles Lilley • Sue Scofield • Maria Racano • Nancy Durkin • Karina Rivadinera • Robert O'Hara • Mort Kealy • Linda Puglise • Harold & Patricia Willis • Denis O'Connor • Stella Chico • Socorro Marin • Nosh Shkreli • Angela Millman • John Moran • Larry Tobin • Jane Cirino • Michael Taylor • Sr. Celestine Costello, OSU • Karen McIlvenny-Schlick • Kathy Tolan • Terri Ciarmello • Diana Westin • Mark Gearing • Christopher Sarlo • Mary Kelly • Maria Lopane • Sofia Larocca • Mary McQueeney • Terry Dress

If you or a loved one has returned to good health, please call the Parish Office and ask that your name be removed from our list.

# WHILE WE'RE AT IT ...

Dear Friends,

It can seem like the tragedies just keep on adding up – hurricanes and earthquakes and floods we call "natural" disasters but still take a huge toll.

But then there are the "man-made disasters" such as the massacre in Las Vegas that defy explanation. It would be shocking and staggering if it were just a stand-alone incident but instead we seem to have such outbursts of inhuman attacks more and more frequently – from Columbine to Sandy Hook to Orlando and so many others.

And in another category altogether are Islamic terrorists who look to promote their twisted ideology by randomly slaughtering Muslim and Christian alike.



Our reactions to the savagery run the gamut between fear, grief, outrage, anger, despair, hatred, a thirst for vengeance... and all those reactions are understandable. But in responding, we must not become barbarians ourselves.

Perhaps the word "diabolical" is the most appropriate label for all of these events. Sacred Scripture presents the devil as the "father of lies" who roams the earth seeking the ruin of souls. He sows division and hatred, discord, violence, and cares about nothing but our destruction.

Most people today no longer believe in the devil as real, and dismiss the scriptural accounts as superstitious, old-fashioned - from a less enlightened age in history.

Let me suggest that we recover a healthy realism: that the devil truly is the cause of so much human evil and suffering. He is real, and he is our mortal enemy. And when we freely choose evil and sin it only makes him stronger and more powerful in the world.

I don't know if the devil was directly responsible for the carnage in Las Vegas. What I do know is we need to renounce Satan and all his works. We say that at our Baptism, but we need to renounce him "and all his works" every single day.

The Bible and the Church have always taught us: Jesus Christ is the only Son of God, and King of the Universe. He is Almighty. By his death and resurrection has broken the power of the devil. The devil and his evil cannot win in the end.

But we must obey the Lord and trust in him and commit our lives totally to him. He is the answer to our human condition of brokenness and the chaos of this world. He is the "way, the truth, and the life". In Him we place our trust, and we shall not be put to shame.

God bless,

Fr. Richard Gill

P.S. I was planning to discuss at all the Masses our upcoming Stewardship Campaign, but in light of the tragedy, I felt it would be more appropriate to wait a week. You'll be receiving a letter in the mail this week. Read it over, pray over it, and I'll discuss it at Mass on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

~Visit our website at www.stlawrenceotoole.org for more information on our parish activities~ ~Visit our website at www.sacredheartpattersonny.org for more information on our parish activities~

No where does Jesus hear our prayers more readily than in the Blessed Sacrament -Blessed Henry Suso

Hours still available from Saturday I I am to Monday 3am. Wednesday 2pm, 9pm, Thursday 2an

Contact Angela to schedule your hour 914-482-0325 or slotadore@aol.com



st. lawrence o'toole church

# ROSARY AT SACRED HEART

Every Tuesday evening at 6:30, all parishioners and community members are welcome to come to Sacred Heart Church in Putnam Lake, to join in praying the Rosary for everyone impacted by the recent natural disasters affecting our world.

# **OUR PARISH VISION:**

Create a parish of missionary disciples whose personal relationship with Jesus Christ inspires others into a life-changing relationship with Him.



# commemorative bricks

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

Memorial brick opportunities are available. Each brick paver can be permanently engraved to honor a loved one. The offering of \$100 includes the engraving of up to 3 lines, with up to 20 characters per line. Each brick will be placed in our upcoming newly designed prayer garden located on the front/ side lawn of Sacred Heart's entrance. Proceed are for beautification of our parish.

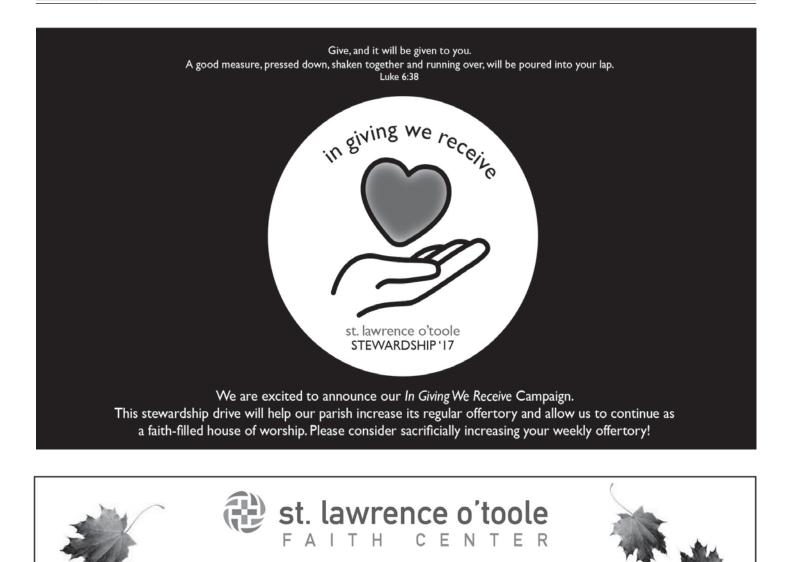
If interested, please contact **Deb Lawlor** at **845-278-4271** or **theem1@comcast.net** (indicate "Buy a brick" in the subject line).

# ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE

RESTORED SHRINE OF THE BLESSED MOTHER The beautiful statue of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal has been restored for a new prayer garden on the Eastview Street side of the Parish Center. Memorial opportunities available and the brick pavers at the base of the shrine can be permanently engraved to honor a loved one. The offering is \$200 for a large memorial (8''x8'') and \$100 for a small (4''x8'') one. They can be engraved with up to three lines.

If interested, please contact Maureen at 279-2021 or polarengraving.com/StLawrenceChurch

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Women's GIFT Mondays, Oct. 2-Nov. 27, 7:30pm-9:00pm, LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

Learn How to Pray: Oremus Tuesdays, Oct. 16-Dec. 4, 7:30pm-9:00pm, JERUSALEM ROOM

> Alpha Wednesdays, Oct. 4-Dec. 13, 6:30pm-8:30pm, PARISH DINING HALL

Galatians: Set Free to Live Thursdays, Sept. 14-Nov. 16, 9:30am-11:00am, 7:00pm-9:00pm JERUSALEM ROOM

Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom Thursdays, Sept. 14-Nov. 16, 7:00pm-9:00pm, NEW YORK ROOM

**REGISTER AT:** stlawrenceotoole.org

# Get Your Tickets After All Masses for the

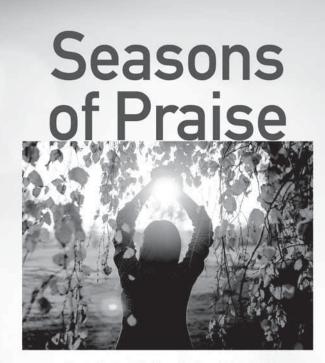
# Early Return Bonus Drawing \$100 Oct. 29th

Silent Bazaar Raffle Nov. 23

at St. Lawrence O'Toole Church



St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery 20 Turk Hill Road, Brewster Plan ahead and have peace of soul when you or your loved ones go home to the Lord. Single and double burial plots available. A new Columbarium for interment of ashes opens January of 2018. Contact the Cemetery Office at 279-2021 x201 for information.



Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 18, Jan. 15

September 18 Holiness Is Not Just for Saints



Fr. Richard Gill, Pastor St. Lawrence O'Toole Church

Join us for an evening of praise and worship with local guest priests.

- 4 -7 Confession available
- 7:00 Worship Music
- 7:10 Spiritual Talk by an area priest
- 7:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 7:45 Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 8:00 Praise and Worship Music and Adoration
- 8:30 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Music led by Sheila Valastro and the Praise and Worship Band of St. Lawrence



# Come Rock and Roll in 1950's Fashion!

Saturday Nov. I I 7-9pm Sacred Heart

\$25 per person Includes: Buffet Dinner, Beer, Wine, Soda, and Dessert

50's attire optional

contact Meg Cairney for tickets mcairney@aol.com 845-279-4832

Music provided by D.J. Scottso



# AN INSIDER: ADORATION HOLY HOUR

Deidre Brown

When I joined the parish a couple of years ago, there was a checklist form for ministries. I felt like checking nothing. That seemed safe! But Adoration caught my eye. Do you remember the scripture, "So, could you not watch with me one hour?" Even at the extreme of tortured anxiety, our Lord wanted companionship. Couldn't I spend an hour telling God how much I appreciate Him? He wants our communing. Yet we feel somehow driven to avoid it.

I say "we" to make myself feel better about the fact that I just did not want to step into the Adoration chapel. Isn't the magnificent crucifix in the alcove special enough? For 2000 years the cross has provided "the peace that passes all understanding." And it seemed so strange for the Host to be separate from the dynamic of the Mass, whereby we become part of the body of Christ. I dreaded the disengagement and isolation of the chapel, I dreaded the "Be still and know that I am God," I dreaded my own cluelessness.

Then by the grace of God, Mrs. Nastasi, as she is known to hundreds of little children, was my table leader for a spirituality class. She decided one day that we go to the chapel. So off we went, like All-Stars but not so cute. Under her eye, I sat there for 10 minutes, and lived! Next, I wanted to go "all by self," as my granddaughter would say. Next, I signed up like an adult for a regular hour. Now I can't get over it: the Presence of the Eternal Christ hidden in what looks like a humble, ordinary wafer, available right here in Brewster. **St. Therese and Her Little Way** *Rev. John F. Russell, O.Carm. Seton Hall University* 

St. Therese believed that the people of her time lived in great fear of Gods judgment. The fear was stifling and did not allow



people to experience the freedom of God. St. Therese knew from her life that God is merciful love; many scripture passages bore out that truth. She loved the maternal images for God in the OT and the love of God for us in Jesus Christ. She wrote that she could not understand how anyone could be afraid of a God who became a child. She also knew that she would never be perfect. She went to God as a child approaches a parent with open arms and a profound trust.

St. Therese translated "the little way" in terms of a commitment to the tasks and to the people we meet in our everyday lives. She took her assignments in the convent as ways of manifesting her love for God and for others. She worked as a caretaker of the altar and the chapel; she served in the dining hall and in the laundry room; she wrote plays for the entertainment of the community. She tried to show a love for all the nuns in the community. She played no favorites; she gave of herself even to the difficult members. Her life sounds routine and ordinary, but it was steeped in a loving commitment that knew no breakdown. It is called a "little way" precisely by being simple, direct, yet calling for amazing fortitude and commitment.

She sensed that everything that she was able to accomplish came from a generous love of God in her life. She was convinced that at the end of her life she would go to God with empty hands. Why? Because all was accomplished in union with God.

Her "little way" puts holiness within reach of ordinary people. Live out your days with confidence in Gods love for you. Recognize that each day is a gift in which your life can make a difference by the way you choose to live it. Put hope in a future in which God will be all and love will consume your spirit. Choose life, not the darkness of pettiness and greed. St. Therese knew the difference love makes by allowing love to be the statement she made each day of her life.

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Our pilgrimage preparations are taking shape and we have our itinerary almost complete.

The pilgrimage to the Holy Land for our parishes will take place **February 21 to March 2, 2018**, led by Fr. Gill. We will visit all the holy sites in Jerusalem as well as spend time in Galilee.

Cost of the 9-day pilgrimage will be approximately \$3400, including air, hotels, and meals.

Contact Maureen Herbstritt at the parish office if you are interested in going at: 845-279-2021 or maureenherbstritt@gmail.

> to complete your Sacraments?

•For Catholics who have not completed their Sacraments of First Communion and/or Confirmation

•For Christians who are considering the Catholic faith

•For all who are inquiring.

Contact Todd Stevens toddstevens4@gmail.com

# PARISH STAFF

| Rev. Richard Gill | Pastor                            |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Rev. Thomas Berg  | Weekend Associate                 |
| Rev. Frank Meccia | Weekend Associate                 |
| Mark Shkreli      | Deacon                            |
| John Baffa        | Deacon                            |
| Gregory Miller    | Deacon                            |
| Julie Noce        | Pastoral Assistant                |
| Stephanie Stevens | Youth Minister                    |
|                   | Coord. of Youth Evangelization    |
|                   | Coord. of Religious Education     |
| Kim Santerre      | Coord. of the Family Program      |
|                   | Cemetery Administrator            |
| Meg Cairney       | Coord. Religious Ed. Sacred Heart |
|                   | Principal, Early Childhood Center |
|                   | St. Lawrence Parish Trustee       |
|                   | St. Lawrence Parish Trustee       |
|                   | Sacred Heart Parish Trustee       |
| John Neubauer     | Sacred Heart Parish Trustee       |
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# **SACRAMENTS**

**BAPTISM:** Baptisms are scheduled for the first Sunday of the month at 2:00PM at St. Lawrence. Spanish Baptisms are scheduled for the fourth Sunday of the month at 2:00PM. Contact Mark Shkreli at 917-335-5607.

**MARRIAGE:** Call the Parish Office to arrange an appointment. Plans should be made a minimum of six months in advance.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Please call the Parish Office anytime someone is seriously ill at home or in the hospital.

CONFESSION:

| Mondays   | .4:00 - 7:00 PM—St. Lawrence |
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| Saturdays | .3:30 - 4:00 PM—Sacred Heart |

# ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Monday - Friday......24 hours daily at **St. Lawrence** Holy Hour of Praise&Worship ....Third Monday,7:00 - 8:30PM *Contact Angela Morelli at 582-0573 to register for regular hours.* 

# **DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY:**

| Monday - Saturday |                                       |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Monday & Tuesday  | 7:00 PM Rosary - St. Lawrence         |
| Saturday9:30 AM N | /iraculous Medal Novena- St. Lawrence |
| Monday - Saturday | 9:00 AM Rosary - Sacred Heart         |
| Tuesday           | 6:30 PM Rosary - Sacred Heart         |

# ST. LAWRENCE PARISH SUPPORT

Weekend of October 1 In Pew Collection \$7734.00 \$ 2.515.39

# SACRED HEART PARISH SUPPORT

Parish Pav

Weekend of October 1 \$ 1,871.00 In Pew Collection \$ 385.00 **Parish Pay** 

# **ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING SESSIONS COMING SOON!**

Calling all 5th grade through high school students....ever consider becoming an altar server? Now is your chance! Classes will begin shortly. Please contact Gina Seaman at gseaman2005@aol.com for more information. What a wonderful way to celebrate the Mass!

# SACRED HEART VOLUNTEERS

SAVE THE DATE - Come to 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday October 19th for a blessing and refreshments following.

# **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS' FALL BAKE SALE**

There is a Catholic Daughters' Fall Bake Sale at St. Lawrence O'Toole on Saturday and Sunday, October 14 and 15 after all the Masses. We will have delicious homemade cakes, breads and small bites for you to enjoy. Thank you for supporting our charitable works!

# **OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH!**

The Catholic Daughters of St. Lawrence O'Toole are asking for donations of baby items for the Sisters of Life. Your gifts for the babies may be brought to the CDA bake sale after Masses on October 14-15. Thank you for your generous support of new life!

# SACRED HEART **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS' BAKE SALE**

There is a Catholic Daughters' Bake Sale at Sacred Heart Parish on Saturday and Sunday, October 14 and 15 after the Masses. Thank you for your support!

# WHEN YOU HELP THE AMERICAN RED CROSS, YOU HELP AMERICA.











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