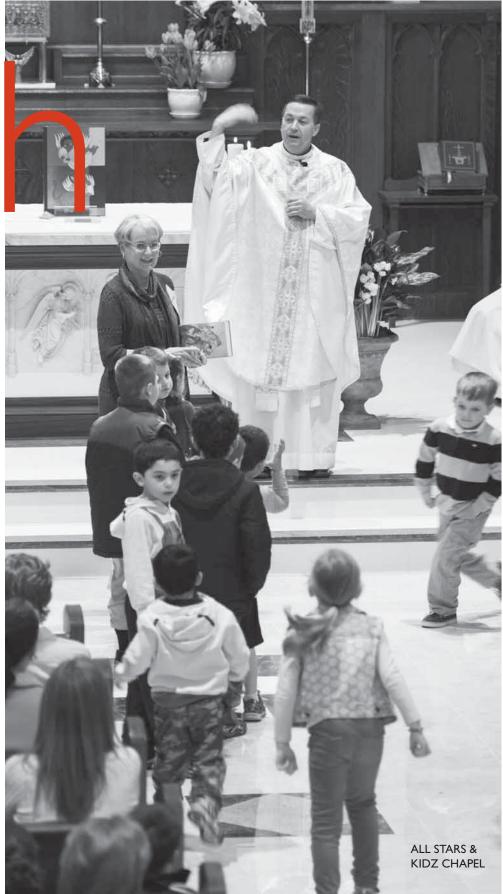
st. lawrence o'toole & sacred heart parishes



Mass schedule

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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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31 Prospect Street Brewster, NY 10509 845-279-2021

sacredheartpattersonny.org

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Dedications

St. Lawrence O'Toole

The **Tabernacle** candle is dedicated for: Joseph Raccioppi & Helen Bozza At the request of Maryann O'Kelly

The candle before **Our Lady** is dedicated for: **Caitlin Giamundo Cardona** At the request of her parents

The Paschal Candle is dedicated for: Ivan Luketic At the request of the Kesich Family

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Join the parish in praying for the following daily prayer intentions

Nov. 4—Ask God to call more sacramental prep catechists

Nov. 5–CYO Athletes

Nov 6.—Stephen's Ministry Team

Nov. 7—All Elected Officials

Nov. 8—Alpha Participants

Nov. 9-Success of Faith, Family and Football

Nov. 10—Sustained Stewardship

PLEASE NOTE There will be no Confessions heard on Monday November 6th.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 4th 9:00AM Intentions of CDA Memorial Donors Deceased members of the 4:00PM Sacred Heart Bowe & O'Connor Families 5:30PM John C. O'Sullivan 7:30PM Spanish Mass Sunday, November 5th 8:00AM Melissa Fusco 9:30AM Intentions of Blake Barnes 10:30AM Sacred Heart Bill & Joseph Lewis 11:00AM Glenn & Mark Bisogno 12:30PM Jennie Furco 5:30PM George & Ann Rogers Monday, November 6th 8:30AM Mary & Hannah Leahy Tuesday, November 7th 8:30AM James Leahy Wednesday, November 8th Jane Butcher 8:30AM Thursday, November 9th Intentions of the 8:30AM Msgr McCabe Scholarship Fund Friday, November 10th 8:30AM Jerome Casey Saturday, November 11th 9:00AM Gabriela Alves 4:00PM Sacred Heart Bridget & Thomas Cairney William Zambraski 5:30PM Mary & James O'Sullivan, Sr. 7:30PM Spanish Mass Sunday, November 12th 8:00AM Monica Boscia 9:30AM Gerri-Ann Celio-Bersito 10:30AM Sacred Heart Jim & Marion Murtha 11:00AM Vittorio Scipioni & Leonard DeLorenzo 12:30PM Domenick Yezzi 5:30PM Everett "John" Fransen

Prayer List

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

Joseph Wolf • Joe McGee • Charles Lilley • Sue Scofield • Maria Racano • Karina Rivadinera • Robert O'Hara • Mort Kealy • Linda Puglise • Harold & Patricia Willis • 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 • Natalie Williams • Susan Klemm • Sharon Misyak

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.



our vision

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

while we're at it

November 5,2017

Dear Parishioners,

At St. Lawrence we've been reflecting on time, talent and treasure together the past few weeks and last week at Sacred Heart we enjoyed a reception for all the many wonderful volunteers who give of themselves so generously to the parish. We thank every person who sacrifices their time and gives their talent to make our parishes great. Our parishes are places people **serve.**

Next Sunday, November 12 at St. Lawrence we'll be having a "Ministry Fair" in the gym after all the Masses in which all the various organizations and ministries will have a chance to showcase what they do and you'll have a chance to browse around and think about ways you might get more involved.

Come on over after Mass for a cuppa joe and a bite to eat and check out what is going on. We'll find just the right match for your talents.

The strength of our parishes is everyone's responsibility. As I said, we don't get financial support from the Archdiocese – that is reserved for poor and struggling parishes. In fact, we contribute generously to the Cardinal's efforts to help poor parishes and schools.

And people are responding well to our *Increased Offertory Campaign* called **"Stewardship 17"**. If you haven't had the chance to consider increasing your weekly offering, pick up one of the envelopes in the vestibule or go to the St. Lawrence website and click on **WeShare** to do so. Thank you.

Giving of your time and talent as well – your personal involvement – has many benefits for you:

- 1. People who get involved always find a sense of fulfillment and peace when they give time. God is never outdone in generosity.
- 2. When we volunteer and step into a ministry we have the satisfaction of knowing we are not neglecting our talents but putting them to good use. It makes us feel better when we know we have something to give that others need.
- 3. Volunteers make connections with others and form strong friendships that are priceless.
- 4. We get a deeper sense of meaning and purpose for our lives when we are doing something to help the parish and other people.
- 5. You'll live longer. (Not sure about that one... but it can't hurt!)

Bottom line: We become happier the more we give ourselves in service to others.

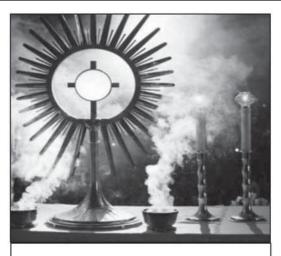
So many hundreds of people have already stepped up to serve and we would love for every single parishioner to serve the parishes generously. Come on along and check it out... there's a place for you.

And don't worry that you don't have the time – we'll tailor your service to what's practical with all the other responsibilities you have.

And don't worry you'll get stuck in something you don't know how to do and mess up – you're unique and we'll find the right fit for you.

Come and serve others through the parish... everyone wins.

God bless,



A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Padre Pio

HOURS STILL AVAILABLE FROM Thursday 2am and 3am. Saturday3am to Monday 3am. Wednesday 2pm

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



St. Lawrence O'Toole Religious Education is collecting items for the Troops. Help us!

There will be a box labeled "United For the Troops Donations" at the Hospitality Desk in the Narthex during each Mass beginning on 10/21/17 until 11/12/17. List of items on box or go to unitedforthetroops.com. Contact Kim at kimby622@gmail.com for more information.



how to sign up for We Share automatic giving

It's simple and easy and takes just a minute. You can go back in at any time and change your amounts.

I. Go to: stlawrenceotoole.org/WeShare or sacredheartpattersonny.churchgiving.com

2. Click "Give Online"

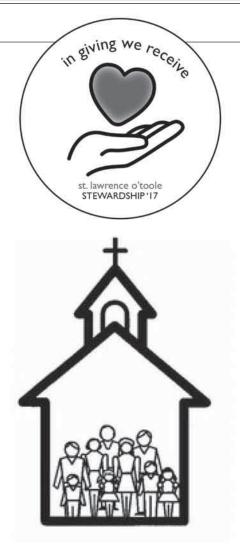
3. Click on the collection you wish to donate to.

4. Click "**Recurring Donation**," then enter your donation amount and frequency.



SILENT BAZAAR RAFFLE EARLY RETURN DRAWING WINNER

Congratulations to the Silent Bazaar Raffle Early Return Drawing \$100 Winner, Bob Kucmierowski.

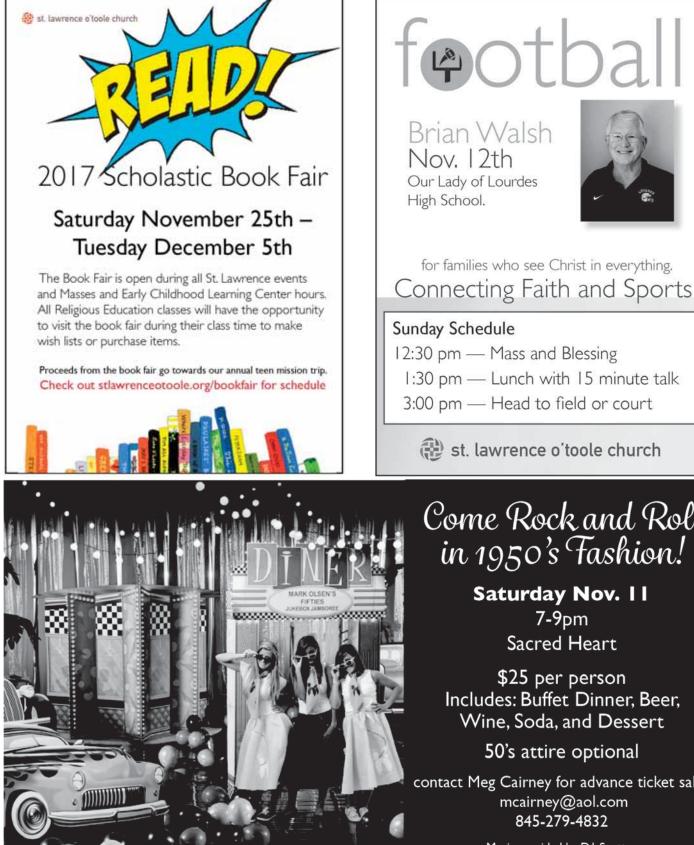


We Need Your Help

Our parish was built by a hardworking and dedicated faithful community. The *In Giving We Receive* campaign will help our parish continue to be a house of worship for the faithful generations to come.

Please join your fellow parishioners and participate in this vital campaign to increase our regular offertory.

go to stlawrenceotoole.org/WeShare to enroll



NO TICKET SALE AT THE DOOR ON THE NIGHT OF THE EVENT

Come Rock and Roll in 1950's Fashion!

Saturday Nov. II

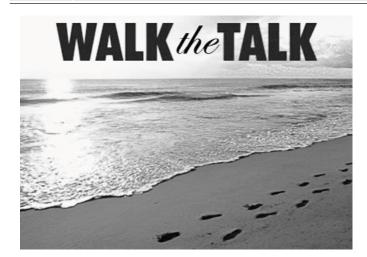
7-9pm Sacred Heart

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

50's attire optional

contact Meg Cairney for advance ticket sales mcairney@aol.com 845-279-4832

Music provided by D.J. Scottso



Gospel Reflection Matthew 23:1-13

www.sacredspace.ie

We begin today chapter 23 of Matthew which consists of a severe indictment of the Pharisees and Scribes by Jesus. This is not to be taken as a blanket condemnation of every individual Pharisee and Scribe because we know that many of them were good people. One outstanding example is Gamaliel who appears in the Acts of the Apostles as a man of justice and integrity. Nicodemus, who came to Jesus by night and was involved in Jesus' burial, was also a Pharisee.

The passage certainly reflects some of the conflicts which arose between the early Christians (especially those who were Jews themselves) and those Jews who were opposed to the Christian Way, who saw it as a heresy and who often subjected the Christians to verbal and even physical attacks and harassment.

What Jesus is attacking is not so much a particular people as certain attitudes of mind. And these attitudes can be found just as easily within the Christian community of that time and every period since then. We should listen to Jesus' words, then, directed not so much to abstract "Pharisees and Scribes" but to ourselves. It is for our benefit and reflection that they have been included in the Gospel. The Gospel is written for us and to us; it is not a historical diatribe against certain people in the past.

Jesus, first of all, emphasizes that as people in authority and experts on the subject, the Scribes and Pharisees should be listened to with respect and they should be obeyed when they teach. But Jesus says that in their behavior their example should not be followed. "Their words are bold but their deeds are few." They have no hesitation in drawing up rules which are difficult for people to carry out but they do absolutely nothing to help in their implementation. The Church has not always been without guilt in this kind of thing, even in our own day. Nor have civil legislators or other people in authority, including parents of families or teachers in schools, been without fault. This is the double standard, where people set the rules which they themselves do not keep: "Do as I say, not as I do" or "You will do it because I tell you to do it."

Secondly, the Pharisees are attacked because everything they do is to attract attention to themselves. But it is all on the outside. What we call today 'image'. Their phylacteries were bigger than others' and their tassels huge. The phylactery was a small box containing some of the central words of the Law. It was worn on the arm or the forehead, a literal interpretation of the exhortation in Exodus (13:9), "[the Law] shall be as a sign on your hand and as a reminder on your forehead". There were four tassels, sewn at each corner of one's cloak.

The message is clear: "We are better, we are holier." But it is a sham because it is all on the outside. But when it comes to 'image' our contemporary world has nothing to learn from the past.

They also expect special attention to be given to them: the first row in the synagogue, places of honor at banquets, special honorific titles. Sad to say, we have seen this not infrequently among church clerics in our own lifetime. We see it daily among our politicians, business leaders, our media personalities. They are not only given these things; they soon expect them as a right. It is the VIP syndrome and often it is pathetic: the private jet, the executive lounge in the airport, the special table in the restaurant, the limousine from the hotel...

Even ordinary people become slaves of the image: the brand label on the clothes they wear, the places where they live, the cars they drive, and all the other consumer baubles with which they surround themselves. None of these things, says Jesus, makes a person great.

The greatest is the one who serves, that is, the person who uses his or her gifts for the benefit of others, whose whole life is dedicated to making this world a better place for others to live in. A person to whom such trappings are totally irrelevant.



Pope Francis: God's style is humility, simplicity

"This is how the Lord acts: He does things simply. He speaks silently to you, to the heart. Let us remember in our lives the many time we have felt these things: the humility of God is His style; the simplicity of God is His style. And even in the liturgical celebration, in the sacraments, what is beautiful is that which manifests the humility of God, and not the worldly spectacle. It would do us good to journey through our life and to consider the many times the Lord has visited us with His grace, and always with this humble style, the style He calls us, too, to have: humility."

One time Saint Francis was asked what the greatest thing he could do for Jesus was. Without hesitating he answered that is was to accompany Jesus in the Eucharist.

"It is for love that God has humbled Himself so much; that Christ transformed Himself into nourishment; that He became the means of our salvation; and the reason why He is present day and night in so many Tabernacles."

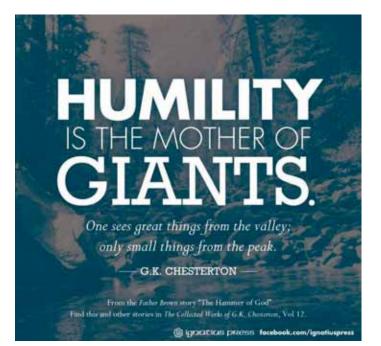


Prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory by **St. Gertrude the Great**

The Church dedicates the entire month of November to praying in a special way for the Holy Souls (their feast day is November 2nd). You can easily memorize this

popular prayer and include it after each decade of your rosary during November, or any time you wish to remember the faithful departed among your family and friends.

"Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen."





DINNER FOR THE HOMEBOUND

The San Damiano Fraternity of Secular Franciscans and the St. Lawrence Council #1495, Knights of Columbus, will once again deliver a hot turkey dinner to anyone in Brewster, Carmel, Mahopac, or Patterson who is ill, homebound or alone on the holiday. Referrals come from social service agencies, neighbors, and friends.

CONTRIBUTE

On Thanksgiving morning, volunteers arrive at 10:00 a.m. to package the meals. The delivery volunteers arrive at 10:30 to deliver the meals to their destinations.

- If you would like to make 41/2" apple or pumpkin pies, call Kathy DelBono at 845.279.7260.
- To volunteer to package dinners at 10 a.m., or to deliver the meals at 10:30 a.m., call **Josephine Anderak** at **845.279.9513**.
- •Those who volunteered in the past, PLEASE make sure that you sign up again for this year.
- So that food can be bought in quantities, you may contribute by sending checks made out to *San Damiano Fraternity*, to Judy Bruen, 1041 Drewville Road, Brewster, NY10509.
- If you know of someone who would like to receive a dinner, please call Judy Bruen at **845.279.3465**.

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
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Eileen Stokes	Cemetery Administrator
	Coord. Religious Ed. Sacred Heart
Barbara Blank	Principal, Early Childhood Center
	St. Lawrence Parish Trustee
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Lou Milano	Sacred Heart Parish Trustee
John Neubauer	Sacred Heart Parish Trustee

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:

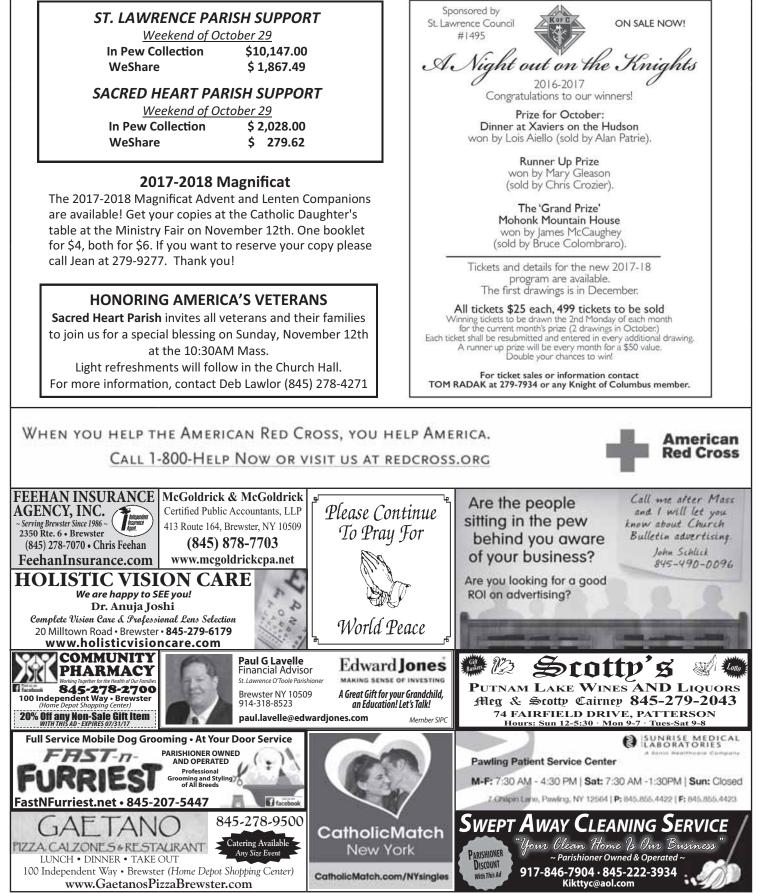
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

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

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY:

Monday - Saturday	8:00 AM Rosary - St. Lawrence
Monday & Tuesday	7:00 PM Rosary - St. Lawrence
Saturday9:30 AM Miraculo	ous Medal Novena- St. Lawrence
Monday - Saturday	9:00 AM Rosary - Sacred Heart
Tuesday	6:30 PM Rosary - Sacred Heart





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