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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.

#### stlawrenceotoole.org

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

#### sacredheartpattersonny.org

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



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# st. lawrence o'toole & sacred heart parishes



#### mass intentions

#### Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> 9:00AM

4:00PM Sacred Heart 5:30PM 7:30PM

Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00AM 9:30AM 10:30AM Sacred Heart 11:00AM 12:30PM 5:30PM

Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup> 8:30AM

Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:30AM

Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:30AM

Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM

Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM Gasson, Insogna & Taylor Families Mike Mc Dermott Francis C. Palmer Spanish Father's Day Novena

Joe Johnson Colin Quinn Bill & Joseph Lewis Nellie Tavino Brandora Diamond Father's Day Novena

Patrick J. Martin father & son

John Viniello

Eleanor Lasch

Father's Day Novena

Sacred Heart of Jesus Society

#### Saturday, July 6th

9:00AM 4:00PM *Sacred Heart* 5:30PM 7:30PM

Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> 8:00AM 9:30AM 10:30AM Sacred Heart 11:00AM 12:30PM 5:30PM St. Lawrence O'Toole Society Joseph Velardi The Grant family Spanish Father's Day Novena

Nellie Tavino Vernon Welsh Amelia & Anthony Paradise Ted Goetze Mark & Sosae Prekelezaj Bart Mahon

# power of prayer

Please keep these special intentions in your prayers this week

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- July1For the success of the VBS camp
- July 2 For all those mourning a loved one
- July 3 Intentions of Fr. Richard
- July 4 For our nations independence
- July 5 For the souls who need reparation
- July 6 For all those in difficult marriages

#### dedications

#### **Sacred Heart**

The Altar Flowers are dedicated for Mary Vander Drift At the request of Maureen Lerner

The **Sanctuary Candle** is dedicated for **Julie Danile** At the request of Frank & Felicia LaBanca

#### St.Lawrence O'Toole

The **Pascal Candle** is dedicated for **Tony & Joan Gasson** At the request of Maryann Taylor

The **Tabernacle Candle** is dedicated for **Elizabeta Novosel** At the request of Gabe Novosel

The **Blessed Virgin Mother Candle** is dedicated for the intentions of **Josephine Keegan** At the request of the Keegan family

# pray for

# Please remember our brothers and sisters in the Lord who have asked for prayers:

#### Names will remain on the Prayer List for 90 days and then will be transferred to the prayer list in the Adoration Chapel

To add names to or remove names from the Prayer List,

9:30 am Mass will stream LIVE every Sunday stlawrenceotoolelive.org



# while we're at it

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

Dear Friends,

June is the month of many great feasts in the Church: Pentecost, the Most Blessed Trinity, Corpus Christi and the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Last Sunday we celebrated the beautiful Feast of Corpus Christi with 200 parishioners processing through the streets of Brewster, from the train station to the Church - with the Blessed Sacrament held high. That brought home to us all what is at the center of our Faith – the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. After we walked through the streets giving witness of what we believe and cherish as Catholics, we received Benediction in the Church. Renewing our love for Christ in the Eucharist renews our spiritual life and is essential for us to persevere today.

We need that renewal and that grounding, and spending time before the Blessed Sacrament each week is something I recommend every one of us do. In the end, it is Jesus Christ who will keep us faithful and close to his heart.

Many parishioners are concerned, as we all should be, that our politicians in New York City and State are increasingly promoting agendas in conflict with our Catholic values. The whole nation was shocked earlier this year as the Governor celebrated the signing of an abortion bill making it legal to abort a baby right up to the time of birth.

And now there are efforts to decriminalize the drugs and marijuana devastating our people as if it were a good thing. Each time I officiate at a funeral (two more the past two months!) for a drug-related death, I wonder how people can be so short-sighted to legalize such dangerous substances.

And now there are moves to legalize prostitution. Who thinks that is healthy for society?

All these moves reflect a society that no longer embraces a set of convictions we all hold in common. We no longer have a consensus on what is good and healthy. Without that, we allow everyone to do whatever he or she wants.

At the same time, we see the increased tendency to punish and ostracize anyone with a different way of thinking or with traditional values on marriage, sexuality, or family life. We're in a time like the early Christians found themselves in when the culture around us is at odds with what we believe and increasingly hostile to our values.

Like those early Christians, we need to return to the Eucharist as the center of our life, because Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. He promised he would remain with us all days.

God bless,

For Richard

Fr. Richard Gill

#### mass celebrants

Saturday, July 6 <sup>th</sup>	
4:00PM Sacred Heart	Fr. Lewis
5:30PM	Fr. Lewis
7:30 PM	Fr. Gill (Spanish)
Sunday, July 7 <sup>th</sup>	
8:00AM	Fr. Gill
9:30AM	Fr. Gill
10:30AM Sacred Heart	Fr. Berg
11:00AM	Fr. Gill
12:30 PM	Fr. Berg
5:30PM	Fr. Gill

## confessions/st. lawrence 4:00 pm-7:00 pm

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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 Irene Westin at 845-279-2021.

**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 Saturdays.....3:30 - 4:00 PM Sacred Heart

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Monday - Friday......24 hours daily St. Lawrence

Holy Hour of Praise & Worship 3rd Monday, 7:00 - 8:30PM

Contact Angela at 914-482-0325 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** Saturday...9:30 AM Miraculous Medal Novena **St. Lawrence** 

Monday - Saturday......9:00 AM Rosary Sacred Heart Tuesday.....6:30 PM Rosary Sacred Heart

#### hear us

**Fr. Richard's Homilies** and **Wednesday Wisdom** are Flocknoted, posted to website, Facebook, Instagram, & Twitter feed.

# send a kid to camp fund

Every dollar you donate goes to the St. Lawrence O'Toole "SEND A KID TO CAMP FUND". We believe every child should have the opportunity to experience God's love.

To donate to the camps:

For children ages 4 years old to 10 years old to go to Vacation Bible School, Early Childhood Learning Center Summer Camp, or Sports Camp contact Kim Santerre at kimby622@gmail.com

For teens to go to Camp Veritas or Steubenville NYC contact Greg Rabito at brewsterlifeteen@gmail.com

# green thumbs needed

If you have a love for gardening and want to help keep the gardens at St. Lawrence beautiful please contact the rectory 279-2021 X200

#### teens who love children

Volunteer opportunity for teenage girls to help out at the Sunday Morning babysitting program - KidZone. Contact Maureen Herbstritt at **maureenherbstritt@gmail.com** 

## membership drive

The Knights of Columbus are currently doing a membership drive. If any Catholic males 18 or older are looking to make a difference and join the largest men's Catholic Fraternity please consider joining us at the St. Lawrence council. Please contact **Ed at 914-629-4184 or elestrange@comcast.net**.

#### bereavement

St. Lawrence's Bereavement Ministry: From Mourning to Joy, meets weekly on Tuesdays from 7:00 pm -9:00 pm in the New York Room. For more information contact slotbereavement@gmail.com or register at stlawrenceotoole.org/GriefShare

#### opening the word

Weekly Saturdays 10 am -11 am Large Conference Room

## wednesday wisdom

Mid week check out what Fr. Rich has to share about little anecdotes to the faith. Please like and share these with friends and family members.

#### teen car wash

Have your car washed on Sunday, July 14th, during the 9:30am, 11:00am, and 12:30pm Masses. The LIFETEEN teens are raising money for the teen program and for the Steubenville NYC Youth Conference. Before Mass, park your car in the rectory parking lot or along the street and let us know you would like your car washed! We will have it done before you leave the Church to drive home in a squeakyclean ride. Donations will be accepted for the teen program!



# from barely brushing her teeth to celebrating her husband's life

#### Laurie Voehl

A little over a year ago, I suddenly lost my husband, the love of my life for over 40 years. In the weeks and months that followed, life seemed so overwhelming without Ed by my side. As Thanksgiving and Christmas approached, I prayed to God to give me strength to get through the holidays for the sake of my children and grandchildren. God answered my prayers last fall when a parishioner of St Lawrence O'Toole told me about a seminar they were running entitled: **Surviving the Holidays**. I wanted to attend, but I am not from the area and I was terrified to attend by myself. I asked my son to go with me. We both walked away from this seminar with realistic strategies. Even though we all missed Ed tremendously, we were able to smile, laugh, and find joy in the holidays.

In January, the weekly *From Mourning to Joy, GriefShare Bereavement Program* began and I knew God was speaking to me again. I found myself in a room with people who cared about me and understood what I was going through. No one can tell us how to grieve or how long to grieve, but the practical **GriefShare** videos and compassionate group discussion have allowed me to progress from a woman who could barely brush her teeth in the morning to one who celebrates her husband's life and the time we had together.

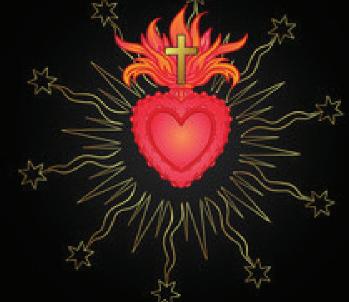
Whether your loved one has been gone for one month or many years, grief is an emotion that needs to be worked through, not avoided, if we are to move forward with joy and purpose.

Now I am a parishioner of St. Lawrence and a member of the *Bereavement Ministry*. I want to give back and help others find the peace and joy that I have found. *St. Lawrence O'Toole Bereavement* meets on Tuesday nights from 7:00-9:00 pm in the New York Room.

**Register at**: stlawrenceotoole.org/GriefShare. **For more information email**: slotbereavement@gmail.com.

# MASS OF REPARATION

Every First Friday we will offer a special evening Mass of Reparation for the sins of those responsible for the sex abuse crisis in the Church and those who covered up crimes, as well as for the victims of abuse. Join us in prayer asking for God's forgiveness and mercy.



First Friday July 5th 6:00 pm–Confessions 7:00 pm–Mass 7:45 pm–Adoration 8:15 pm–Benediction



# Five-Day Icon Writing Workshop

Participants will be given step-by-step instructions to complete thier own icon using traditional material of gold leaf and acrylic paint.

# July 15-July 19

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Maximum of 10 participants, 4 spots left **Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/ICON** Cost \$150 includes supplies

# Respect Life 🏈 Dinner & Movie

# Night



## Gosnell: The Trial of America's Biggest Serial Killer

July 12, 7pm-10 pm Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/RespectLifeMovie

# LEAVE A LEGACY OF LOVE



It is important for everyone to have a will in order to insure your assets are directed according to your intentions and that everything is clear when you go back to God. Many people distribute what they have among loved ones and also generously leave a portion of their assets to the parish.

You can leave a gift to build up the future of your parish (St. Lawrence or Sacred Heart) with a bequest in your will. Some people leave a percentage such as 10% of their estate to the church, and others leave a fixed amount.

Previous generations of Catholics built up the church we inherited... leave your legacy for the Catholics to come after us.

Call the rectory to find out more information: 845-279-2021

# Every week, a chance to welcome hundreds of people to God

Become a greeter or an usher. Work with God.



Discover more about the Greeter/Usher Ministry

Contact Sally Silvestro at sallysilvestro@gmail.com

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# a pilgrimage to dc and training on alpha

#### Lynda Holler

At 6:00 am Friday, June 4 th a wide-eyed group of 16 parishioners and staff met Father Gill in the St. Lawrence parking lot to begin our two-day pilgrimage to Washington DC. The 5-hour caravan's first stop was the **St. John Paul II National Shrine** where we attended noon Mass, followed by a guided tour. The renovated chapels are lined with breath-taking mosaics that encourage us to contemplate the Sacred Scriptures and Mysteries of the Rosary in very intimate and personal ways.

Our next stop was the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception** on the Catholic University campus. We independently ambled through beautiful chapels honoring saints from countries all over the world, praying and giving thanks for the great God who has inspired engineers and craftsmen to build this sacred and majestic landmark. A drive by the Capital Building, the Great Mall, and the Washington Monument led us to Georgetown and the chance to dine and finish our night with a stroll along the Potomac.



Although Friday was lovely, we were all focused on Saturday's **Alpha Training Labs**. We split up and took advantage of all of the sessions they offered to learn how to enrich the opportunities we can provide to our Brewster Community. Over 30 million people have experienced Alpha in 169 countries and 112 different languages. The program is designed for people of all ages and

walks of life. It ministers to youth, to prisoners, in restaurants, bars, workplaces, and more... It is a great tool to help us teach people about Jesus and draw them into a deeper understanding of the Christian faith. We are excited to expand our Alpha offerings. Watch for the big red question marks in the months ahead and join us!

#### Carrie O'Donnell

"The Church is the only society that exists for the benefit of those who are not its members." - William Temple

This quote is from a recent conference that we attended on behalf of the St. Lawrence O'Toole parish. The conference was a one day training seminar for the **Alpha Course**, which was attended by veteran leadership, new team members, and recent attendees alike. Our goal was to learn everything that we could to make our program even better. There were sessions on the history of the program, best practices, building strong teams, and the various offerings like Alpha youth, Alpha prison ministry, and a Catholic Alpha. The attendees were Catholic, Lutheran, Baptist, and non-denominational Christians, all meeting together to learn from each other in a beautiful and open way.

We learned more than just how to run a great program. We were called to be evangelist in our everyday lives, and to inspire others to do the same, though at times it can be uncomfortable. Also, we were reminded sometimes this can be accomplished simply by being witnesses to the lives of others. People want to be known, heard, and loved and we were inspired to open our hearts to the Holy Spirit through prayer, to allow Him to help us on our mission.

What is Alpha? It is a multi-week course that invites us to investigate life's big questions through learning about the Christian faith. Everyone is welcome, including (and especially) non-members of the Church, as we discuss different topics every week with a video (let's laugh/feel/ smile/think!), food (let's eat!), and discussion (let's talk!). Every person and question is welcome at the table. Let us serve you, your family members, neighbors, coworkers and friends, and hopefully allow you to benefit from this amazing program.



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# swing by!



St. Lawrence's Annual Golf Outing Centennial Golf Club

# September 27

This year we are honoring **Kenny Clair** Director of Putnam County Emergency Services

#### RSVP: Friday, September I 3th Register online: stlawrenceotoole.org/golfouting

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# teaching with tablets for over 3,000 years



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Donations to help families in need send their children to Religious Education are needed for Sacred Heart and St. Lawrence O'Toole. Please contact the rectory at 845-279-2021



# Centennial Campaign Phase II

## every donation counts!

 Original Ioan 2014:
 \$3,800,000

 Paid to date:
 \$2,870,000

Remaining balance: \$930,000

**Next interest payment due** July 29, 2019 \$13, 196

Next principal payment due January 2020 \$100,000

We're on track to pay down the full cost of our Centennial renovations by 2024 with your help. Please use the Gold Centennial Campaign envelopes each month to make a gift and drop them in the collection any week. You can also make gifts through *WeShare* at *stlawrenceotoole.churchgiving.com* 

Keep in mind that every dollar raised for this campaign goes directly to our debt payments and is not taxed or assessed by the Archdiocese for anything else.

It is the best way to give to our parish. Thank you for your ongoing support.

## st. lawrence parish support parish staff

Weekend of June 23	
In Pew Collection	\$ 6,997.00
May WeShare weekly	\$ 4,772.59

#### sacred heart parish support

Weekend of June 23		
In Pew Collection	\$ 2,637.00	
May WeShare weekly	\$ 446.18	

Note: Regardless of whether you attend St. Lawrence or Sacred Heart for convenience on a particular weekend, be assured your collection envelopes will be returned to the parish in which you are registered.



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