

december 1, 2019 first sunday of advent

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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

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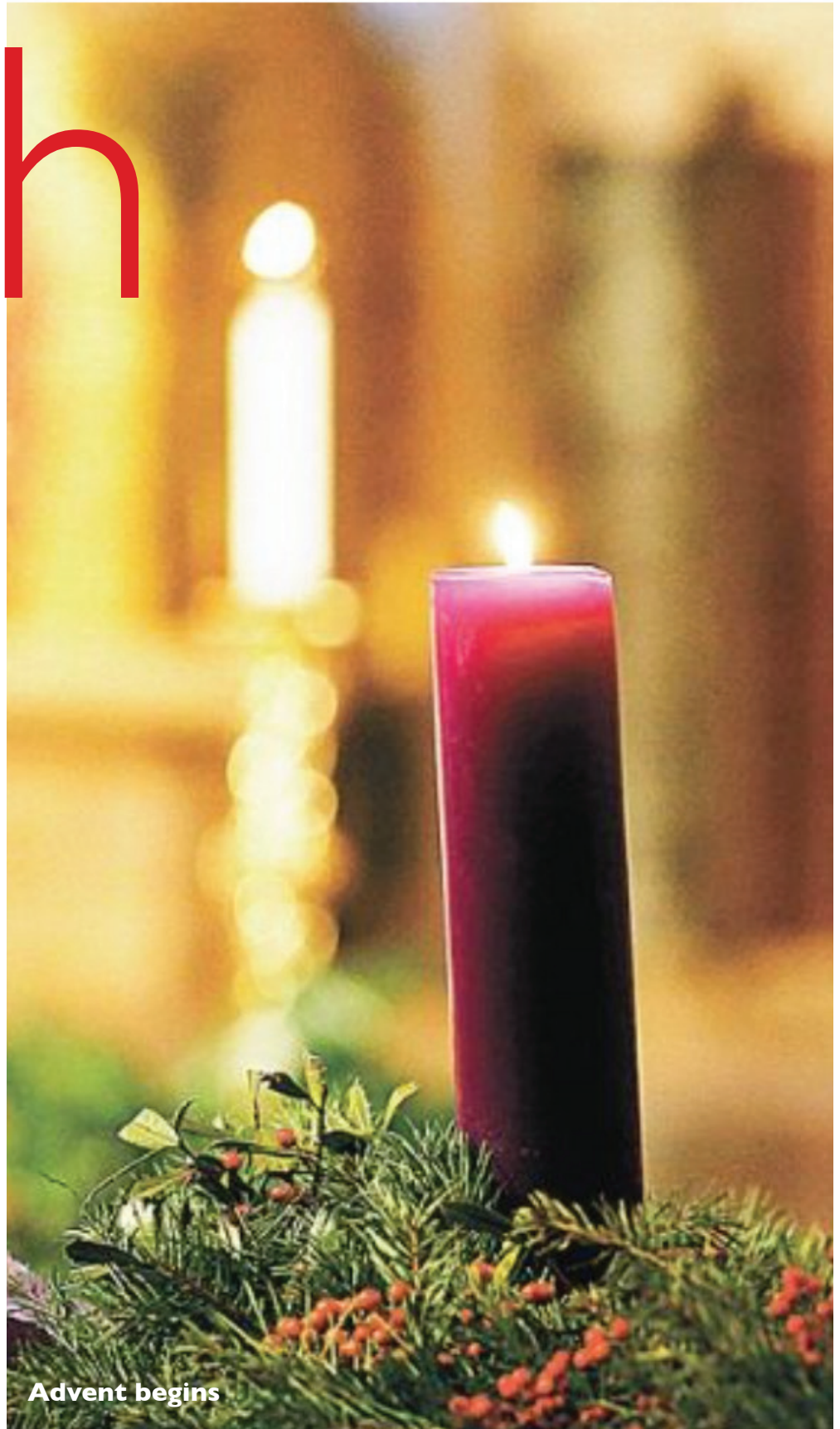
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Advent begins

mass intentions

Saturday, November 30th

9:00AM Parmenio Sanchez
4:00PM *Sacred Heart* Mike McDermott
5:30PM Westin Family
7:30PM Spanish Mass

Sunday, December 1st

8:00AM Intentions of Susie & Ted Barnes
9:30AM Mary Welsh
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Bill & Joseph Lewis
11:00AM Gregory Taylor
12:30PM Harry Zutell
5:30PM Anthony Curcio, Jr

Monday, December 2nd

8:30AM Marg Hanft

Tuesday, December 3rd

8:30AM Patrick Lundy

Wednesday, December 4th

8:30AM Patrick J. Martin

Thursday, December 5th

9:00AM Anthony Bello

Friday, December 6th

8:30AM Sacred Heart of Jesus Society

Saturday, December 7th

9:00AM St. Lawrence O'Toole Society
4:00PM *Sacred Heart* Donald Margotta
5:30PM Chris & Eileen McBride
7:30PM Spanish Mass

Sunday, December 8th

8:00AM Sr. Catherine McGrath
9:30AM Christine Persampieri-Brew
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Elizabeth Turnyanski & Esther Gaspar
11:00AM John Byron
12:30PM Nellie Tavino
5:30PM Eichhorn Family

power of prayer

Please keep these special intentions in your prayers this week

Dec	2	Intentions of our Women's Cornerstone Ministry
Dec	3	For an increase of adorers for adoration
Dec	4	Those who suffer from mental illness
Dec	5	Lonely and sick of our parish
Dec	6	For the assistance of the Divine Mercy
Dec	7	Edge Confirmation students on their retreat
Dec	8	Participants of the Discipleship retreat

dedications

St. Lawrence O'Toole

The **Pascal Candle** is dedicated for **Mary Ortiz**
At the request by Lillian Markowitz

pray for

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

Maria Middleton ◦ Michael Ercole Sr. ◦ Kevin Gilliland ◦ John Vilardi ◦ Kevin Morgan ◦ Chiara Cardiello ◦ Grace Egan Wright ◦ Andrea Lichtenberger ◦ Matilda Travis ◦ Marie Lanza Migliaccio ◦ Patricia Lyons ◦ Greg Westin ◦ Margaret Hughes ◦ Dawn Colabatistto ◦ Debra Colabatistto ◦ John Ragonesi ◦ Andrew Pesco ◦ Mark Lapham ◦ Ann Kegelman ◦ Paul Pember ◦ Theresa Cafiero ◦ Katie Henry ◦ Lawrence Iazzetti, Sr ◦ Jim Heigman ◦ Megan Gersch ◦ Amy Rotondo ◦ Bill Plume ◦ Charles Mulligan ◦ Cathy Mannfolk ◦ Lois Zutell ◦ Penni-Anne Craft ◦ John Grasso ◦ Tara Jennings ◦ Fred Lyons ◦ Donald Bowe ◦ Zoey Rolon ◦ Walter McSpadon ◦ David Cassidy ◦ Diane McSpedon ◦ Daniel Lyons ◦ Justin Lyons ◦ Rosa Lyons ◦ Barbara McGuire ◦ Mary McQueeney ◦ Margaret McDonald ◦ Doreen Madonia ◦ Lucyann LaGuardia ◦ Gjon Karaqi ◦ Dolores Stout ◦ Jeanne Mullaney ◦ Joan Bloom ◦ Noreen Kearney ◦ Maya Torres ◦ Scotty Yaremko ◦ Nora Higgins ◦ Marilyn Squeo ◦ Joan Quinn ◦ Michaelene Kamin ◦ Jill Moundroukas ◦ Michael Taylor ◦ Larry Tobin ◦ Jim Thomson

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, please email: SLOT.SH.Office@gmail.com

Go to
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flocknotes

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December 1, 2019

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,

Today we begin the season of **Advent**, and our preparation for Christmas... before it gets too late into the month and Christmas is already upon us, let's make sure to get the priority things done to prepare for the coming of Christ. The most important preparation is spiritual – we're all aware that people did not recognize Jesus when he came, because they were too busy about other things than God and his promise of a Messiah – they had forgotten him. Let's not do the same and let Christmas just rush by...

- Time for Confession: **December 16 is Confession Monday** and we'll have 2 priests available from 4:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Take advantage to make a good confession and make things right with God. If something has been nagging at you, that's a sign from Him to get it straightened out with absolution for your sins. We won't have confessions tomorrow, Dec. 2, but we will on the 9th and the 23rd from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm as usual. And also on Christmas Eve from 9:00 am to 12 noon. Saturdays at 3:15 pm at Sacred Heart.
- Time for the Eucharist: Maybe Christmas is too much about giving gifts these days and that distracts us from what is most important. God's greatest gift to us is the Eucharist. On December 16 we will have our **Seasons of Praise** Holy Hour from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Deacon Art Weiner from St. James will join us.
- Time for Divine Mercy: Mass at 7:00 pm every **First Friday** of the month... this month Friday, December 6. We do some Adoration afterwards to make up for some of the sins of sexual abuse...

Participating in those will get you ready...

What is it you most need this Christmas? What is the one thing you need God to really do for you? Ask for that, and pray for it every day.

God bless,

Fr. Richard

Fr. Richard Gill

P.S. December 8, the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** falls on Sunday this year, so it is not a special day of obligation for the feast. But be sure not to forget Our Lady on her feast, or on **Our Lady of Guadalupe** December 12. She is the mother of Jesus and our mother too.



mass celebrants

Saturday, December 7th

4:00PM *Sacred Heart* Fr. Gill
5:30PM Fr. Everson
7:30 PM Fr. Everson (Spanish)

Sunday, December 8th

8:00AM Fr. Gill
9:30AM Fr. Gill
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Fr. Meccia
11:00AM Fr. Berg
12:30 PM Fr. Berg
5:30PM Fr. Gill

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

December 2 No confession
December 9 Fr. Gill
December 16 Fr. Berg, Fr. Mollenhauer
December 23 Fr. Gill
December 24 9am-12pm Fr. Gill
December 30 Fr. Gill

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.

scholarship opportunity

The Catholic Daughters are offering a college scholarship of \$400 to a senior who is a parishioner of St. Lawrence O'Toole parish. The applicant needs to write a 150 word essay on what it means to be a Catholic. The essay and application needs to be submitted to the Catholic Daughters by April 1, 2020. For the application and any questions call Mary Thomson 845 279 6949.

calling all high school teens

Join the **St. Lawrence O' Toole's Lifeteen** group. **Lifeteen** is our parish youth program opened to all high school aged teens. We meet in the Parish Center Attic after the 5:30 pm Mass each Sunday from 6:30pm to 9:00 pm. Call or text our youth minister, **Greg Rabito**, at 203- 917-1885 or email **brewster.lifeteen@gmail.com**.

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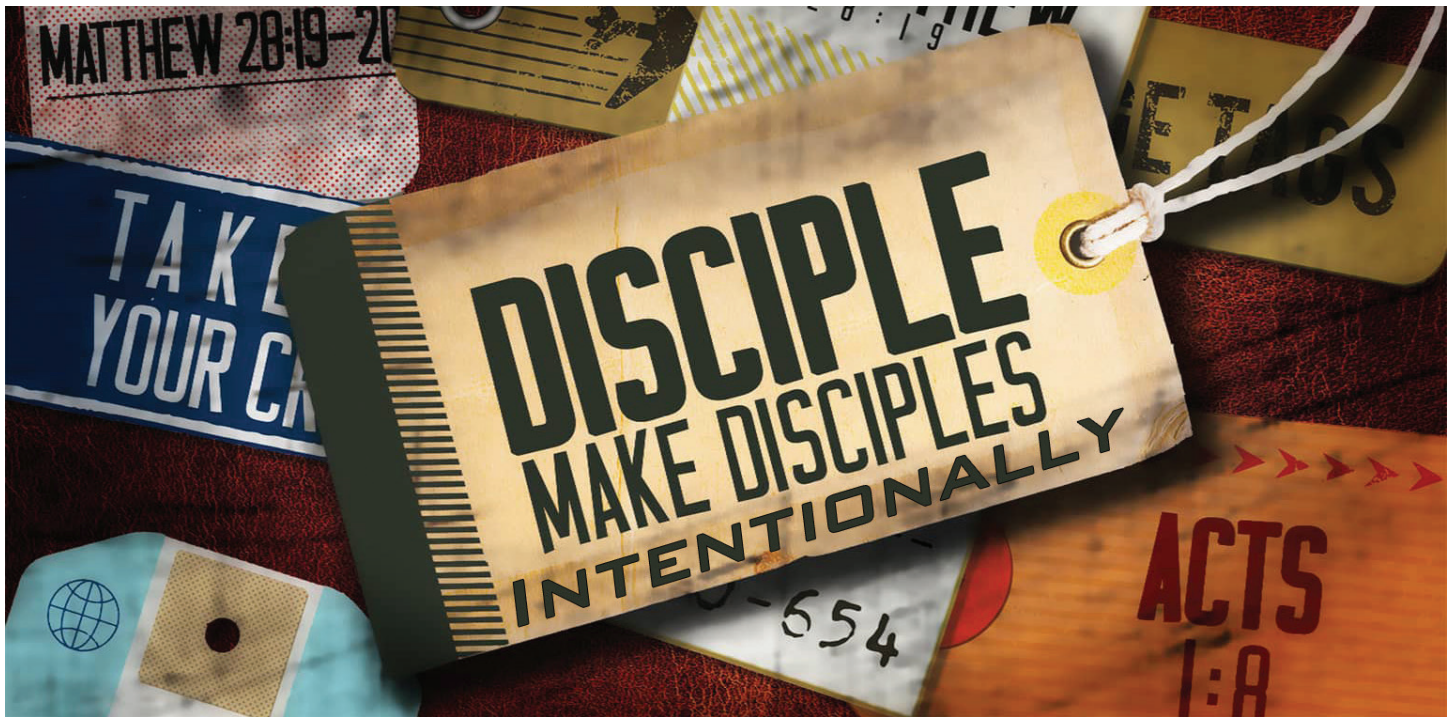
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our vision

To become parishes of missionary disciples with a personal relationship with Jesus Christ who seek to draw as many people as possible into a life-changing relationship with him.

Intentional Disciples:

- Are characterized by a **life-changing personal relationship with Christ**.
- Who are people of **prayer and devotion to the Eucharist**.
- Whose **Christian joy** is an authentic fruit of their relationship with the Lord.
- Who are **committed to make the parish a place of encounter with Christ** for all who do not know him.
- Who **form their consciences** in the light of the Gospel and the teachings of the Church.

We believe this sort of discipleship should be the normal, ordinary way a member of our parish lives as a Catholic. And we want all efforts, ministries, worship, and formation work focused to further this vision.

Between 2017 and 2027, we will move from approximately 5% Intentional Disciples of our 2000 “regular” attendees to 25%.

We will be focused on the “LOST” and our discipleship culture will lead us to reach out to fallen-away Catholics and those who never had faith. Our mission is to draw them into a relationship with Christ. We will be a missionary parish.

Some fruits of intentional discipleship

- Sharing the faith with one’s family
- Seeking to know and live God’s will
- Passionate prayer
- Desire to worship
- Sharing the really Good News
- Attend to issues of justice
- Taking risks for the Kingdom of God
- Love for the Church
- Joyful service
- Hunger to learn more about their faith
- Vocational discernment
- Generous giving
- Loving care for the poor



Come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament, participate in Mass and pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet together for Our Lord to spread his mercy to his Church and to the whole world.

6:00 pm—Confessions
7:00 pm—Mass
7:45 pm—Adoration
8:00 pm—Benediction



pope: pre-mass time is meant for silent prayer, not chitchat

Posted by Hannah Brockhaus

On Wednesday, Pope Francis called out the common habit of chatting with people before Mass, stressing that this is a time for silent prayer, when we prepare our hearts for an encounter with the Lord.

“When we go to Mass, maybe we arrive five minutes before, and we start to chitchat with those in front of us,” the Pope said Nov. 15. However, “it is not a moment for chitchat. It is a moment of silence for preparing ourselves for dialogue, a time for the heart to collect itself in order to prepare for the encounter with Jesus,” he said, adding that “silence is so important.”

Continuing his new catechesis on the Eucharist, the Pope recalled his message the week prior, that the Mass is not a show, but a place where we encounter the Lord. In this encounter, he said, silence is what “prepares us and accompanies us.”

But to really understand this, first we have to answer a question, he said. What is prayer? Prayer is, “first and foremost

dialogue, a personal relationship with God,” he said. And in prayer, just like in any dialogue, it needs moments of silence “together with Jesus.” This, he said, is because it is only in the “mysterious silence of God” that his word can resound in our hearts.

Francis explained that prayer is something that Jesus himself taught us to do, first of all by example, when in the Gospels he withdraws to a secluded place to pray. And second, he teaches us again when he tells his disciples that the first word in knowing how to pray is “Father.” This is “so simple,” the Pope said. “So we have to learn ‘Father.’” Then we must take on the attitude of a small child, one full of trust and confidence, knowing that God “remembers you and takes care of you,” he said.

The second attitude we should take is one of childlike surprise and wonder. The child, he said, “always asks a thousand questions because he wants to discover the world; in our relationship with the Lord, in prayer,” he said, “open the heart to wonder.” Jesus surprises us in truth by loving us and calling us even in our weaknesses, he said, adding that just as Christ called his disciples, he also calls us to him at each Mass.

“This is, therefore, the greatest grace: to be able to experience the Mass, the Eucharist. It is the privileged moment to be with Jesus, and through him, with God.”

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Monday, Dec 9, 23

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Saturdays at Sacred Heart

3:15 pm to 3:45 pm

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Monday, December 16

4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, December 24

9:00 am to 12:00 pm



Christmas Storytime

Saturday, December 14

6:30 pm

Join us in the Parish DINING HALL after the 5:30 pm Mass for cookie decorating, hot chocolate and the story of Jesus's birth.

Register;
stlawrenceotoole.org/christmas_storytime

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THIS GREAT GIFT: The Eucharist in the Life of the Church

Seasons of Praise



Confessions
4pm-8:30 pm

Dec 16, 7pm
The Mystery of the
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Dec 16, Jan 20

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cooking or serving at Putnam CAP's soup kitchen

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- Servers: Needed 2 to 4 people each Friday
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parish staff

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- Gregory Miller.....Deacon
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- Sally Silvestro.....Director of Communication
- Cecilia Britez...Director of Evangelization and Family Program
- Peter RyanDirector of Music
- Theresa Scorca.....Coord. of Religious Education
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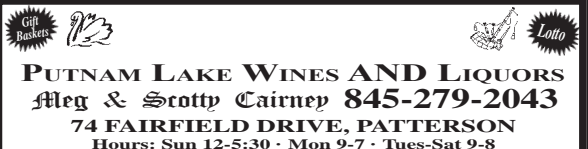
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