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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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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, December 14th

9:00AM

4:00PM Sacred Heart 5:30PM 7:30PM Catholic Daughters of America Spiritual Bouquet Donors Teresa Milanowski Quinlan & Calise Families Spanish Mass

Sunday, December 15th

8:00AM 9:30AM 10:30AM *Sacred Heart* 11:00AM 12:30PM 3:00PM 5:30PM

Milka Kesic Robert Rocco Russo James P. Moore, III John & Olivia Bellini Vincenzo Catalanotto Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass Anne Goetze

Monday, December 16th 8:30AM James Lynch

Tuesday, December 17th8:30AMBlanche Gagnon

Wednesday, December 18th 8:30AM Eileen Broker

Thursday, December 19th8:30AMJohn & Muriel Hanley

Friday, December 20th8:30AMM

Margaret, Stephen & John Spodnik

Saturday, December 21st

4:00PM Sacred Heart

9:00AM

5:30PM

7:30PM

Intentions of Dora Raquel Devenuti Howard Gombert Andrew J. Durkin Spanish Mass

Sunday, December 22nd

8:00AM	Josefina Hurtado
9:30AM	Veronica Paduano
10:30AM Sacred Heart	Edward Richardson
11:00AM	Angela Zapata
12:30PM	Eileen McBride
5:30PM	Anthony R. Curcio

power of prayer

Please keep these special intentions in your prayers this week

- Dec 16 For the homeless in Brewster
- Dec 17 Families who are struggling
- Dec 18 Intentions of Deacon Mark
- Dec 19 Those who are alone
- Dec 20 Souls in Purgatory
- Dec 21 Students preparing for sacraments
- Dec 22 For more teens to join LifeTeen

dedications

St. Lawrence O'Toole

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

The **Blessed Mother Candle** is dedicated for **Michael Carleton** At the request by his parents

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 lazzetti, 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 McSpedon • 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 • Joan Vesey • Sofia LaRocca • Victalino Garza • Hanora Campbell

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



Those who spend time in the Divine Mercy Chapel for adoration find themselves inspired by Jesus. They also enjoy a deeper relationship with Him.

Keep him company for an hour **stlawrenceotoole.org/Adoration**

Adore him where ever you are **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,

This past Tuesday I attended the ordination of our two new auxiliary bishops at St. Patrick's in Manhattan, along with hundreds of priests and religious and thousands of the lay faithful. It was a grand event, and as the new Bishop Whalen said, our Church has "needed a happy" for some time. Today was definitely a "happy".

Those new bishops join the other three active auxiliary bishops and Cardinal Dolan in leading our Church in these tough times. We're hurting because of our own sins – those of priests who should never have become priests, and of bishops who didn't have the courage to act when they should have done the right thing in justice. Not to mention the sins of lay people who forgot their Catholic values and bought into a secular culture that leads nowhere fast.

We'll be suffering for those sins and doing prayer and penance for a long time. So be it. Let's get to work renewing our Church and our own spiritual lives.

That is the urgent task of the Church today – to re-establish its credibility as the Church Jesus Christ founded. A Church guided by his Holy Spirit and which speaks the hard truth to a society that is wandering, dangerously wandering - away from God and from the spiritual and moral values we have always lived for.

But that isn't just a job for bishops down at St. Patrick's.

Our parishes of Sacred Heart and St. Lawrence are ground zero for this renewal of faith. We on the local level, are the people who put into practice what Jesus taught. We live out and testify to what the Church of the ages has always known: there is "no other name by which we can be saved" than the name of Jesus Christ. And that every human person, without exception, is called to a life-transforming encounter with him.

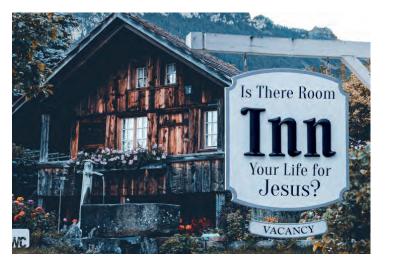
That is the work we are carrying out every day in Patterson, Brewster, and North Salem. That is the message addressed to every person who lives in our area – **Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior** -. As St. Pope John Paul II would say: "Do not be afraid – open wide the doors to Jesus Christ. Allow him into your life.Only he has the words of eternal life!"

Christmas will be here in ten days. Will you open the door to Christ, or tell him you have no room?

Open your heart and your life to Christ. He has a beautiful plan for your life. If you open it to him, he will enrich you and give you the joy and peace no one and nothing else can ever give you.



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Fr. Richard Gill

mass celebrants

Saturday, December 21st

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4:00PM Sacred Heart	Fr. Meccia
5:30PM	Fr. Gill
7:30 PM	Fr. Mollenhauer (Spanish)
Sunday, December 22 nd	
8:00AM	Fr. Heim
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

December 16Fr. Berg, Fr. Mollenhauer, Fr. GillDecember 23Fr. GillDecember 24 9am-12pmFr. GillDecember 30Fr. 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.

help make christmas special for the homebound

We will deliver a dinner to anyone in Brewster or Patterson/ Putnam Lake who is ill, homebound or alone on Christmas. Referrals come from parishioners, neighbors, and friends. **To contribute:** On Christmas morning, volunteers arrive at 9:00 a.m. to package the meals. The delivery volunteers arrive at 10:30 am to deliver the meals to their destinations.

If you would like to make a donation of Italian bread, salad, dessert or to volunteer to package dinners, or to deliver the meals or if you know of someone who would like to receive a dinner, please call the rectory at 845-279-2021.

To contribute financially, make checks payable to St. Lawrence O'Toole and mail it to the rectory. Please indicated in memo CHRISTMAS DINNER DONATION.

USE THIS LINK TO SIGN UP OR TO DONATE: stlawrenceotoole.org/ChristmasDinner

giving tree at st. lawrence

Please take a gift tag from our **Giving Tree** in the Narthex of St.Lawrence O'Toole Church to help a needy family. Kindly, put the gift in a gift bag with tissue paper and attach the gift tag. **Return all gifts by Monday, December 16** and place under the tree.

christmas caroling-cda

Please join **Sacred Heart Catholic Daughters**, Our Lady of the Lake Court 2585 for **Christmas Caroling at Putnam Ridge** on **Sunday**, **December 22 at 2:00 pm**. We will meet in the lobby and then go to the Great room. All are welcome to help us celebrate Christmas.

pray for our men and women serving

You are invited to send in names of our parishioners who are part of our military. We will be praying for them.

U.S. Army	Christopher Monteferante, Andrew Noce Brandon Villegas, Evan Brady, Michael Tiffany, Elvin Garza
U.S. Navy	Kyle Stanley, Matt Lestrange, Kevin R. Duffy, Connor P. O'Rourke
U.S. Marines	Sam Kaplan, Michael Monti, Alex Aliaj, Michael Liguori
U.S. Air Force	James Friedlander, Christopher Pragoff, Michael DeSandra





the alpha retreat young adults

Bob O'Donnell

On December 7, the **Alpha Young Adult Retreat** took place after 8 weeks of in-depth enlightenment and discussion about the Bible and what makes us faithful Christians, as well as dispelling common misconceptions about our faith, which all came to a head in the discussion about the Holy Spirit. Some retreatants felt connected to the Holy Spirit. This retreat was full of conversations, introspection, and prayer.

Nicole LaRusso:

The Alpha retreat was wonderful and just what I needed! It was nice to disconnect for a few hours and put my faith first with discussion, prayer, confession, and adoration. This course has not only strengthened my faith but also brought many amazing individuals into my life and I greatly enjoyed spending this time with them!

John Chuma:

Two things that hit home for me from the retreat... The first was the story Fr. Rich told at Mass regarding the two blind men who Jesus cured. This resonated with me during one of the post-video discussion. It instantly came to mind and was "dead-on" with what we were discussing. The second happened before I went into confession. I had this notion of what needed to occur - it came out of nowhere. The Holy Spirit was at work during my confession. That blew my mind!



dancing the night away!

TIna Pennacchia

Sacred Heart's Catholic Daughters, Our Lady of the Lake Court 2585 sponsored their Fall Dinner Dance on Saturday, November 16th, in the church hall. A big THANK YOU goes out to the hard-working volunteers who helped make this dinner dance a huge success, and a sincere thank you to everyone who came to support CDA's biggest fundraiser.





hard as nails retreat

Greg Rabito

Hard as Nails Ministries is a dynamic Catholic ministry team that brings the love of Jesus to middle school and high school students. We were blessed to have them at St. Lawrence O' Toole last week for our 8 th EDGE students. The mostly college-aged missionaries played games with the kids and shared their personal witnesses to how Jesus Christ changed their lives. Hard as Nails' main message is, YOU'RE AMAZING, and that God uniquely created you in His image. We all suffer through trials in your lives, but the trials we have been through, give us the ability to support others who are suffering as well.

The kids learned that our personal Faith witness is powerful! Many of the kids shared with the group some of the struggles they have been going through as well. Each child was welcomed then by hugs and high-fives from their friends! Justin Fatica, one of Hard as Nails keynote speakers, reminded the kids of how strong they were in Christ Jesus. When we are suffering or feel bad about ourselves, "the pain only hurts because



message of Christ's love to the next 8 th EDGE group.

God made us good". Justin told the kids we only feel bad in our suffering because God did not make us feel bad about who we are, he made us good and in His love.

The night was a joyful time of spiritual revival and love. Parents joined for the last few minutes of the time together to experience Hard as Nails as well. We hope to have them back at the parish next year to share their



fearless edge 8th graders

Greg Rabito

A weekend of Mass, Adoration, laser tag, basketball, and Jesus! The 8 th EDGE students Fearless Confirmation Retreat had it all! Hosted at Kennedy Catholic High School the 45 EDGE students joined other youth groups in the area to encounter Christ in a more profound way. Religious brothers and sisters, priests, lay leaders, and our very own Bishop Byrne joined us for the weekend retreat to share their wisdom and love of the Lord. During Saturday night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Bishop Byrne traveled with Jesus present in the monstrance to each of the kids to give them a special blessing. Each period of prayer, whether it was Adoration, Mass, the Rosary, or personal time, was filled with the Holy Spirit and each of the kids witnessed the love of Jesus in a new way.

Free time was spent with many of the kids braving the cold to play outdoor laser tag, or staying in gym to play basket-



ball and frisbee. Many of the religious brothers and sisters spent the whole day with the kids and joined them for sports after prayer. It was such a joy for me to hear during and after the retreat from the parents that their child really benefited and enjoyed the time with their friends and Jesus. We thank Fearless Ministries and all the St. Lawrence O' Toole staff who volunteered to be present over the weekend. sign up today

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Join us on the bus to Washington DC Cost \$30 JANUARY 24TH, 2020

stlawrenceotoole.org/MarchForLifeBus

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stlawrenceotoole.org/TeensMarchForLife

march for life schedule

JOIN US ON FRIDAY, JAN. 24, 2020.

4:30 am Coach Bus Leaves Brewster, NY
10:30 am Cardinal Dolan Mass for the NY Pilgrims

1:00 pm March up Constitution Avenue to Supreme Court and Capitol Building
3:00 pm Finish marching
3:30 pm Bus back to Brewster, NY
9:10 pm Arrive at St. Lawrence O'Toole

Register at stlawrenceotoole.org/MarchForLifeBus For more information contact Irene Westin 845-279-2021 Reserve Your Seat: \$30



CONFESSIONS IN ADVENT

Monday, Dec 9, 23 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Saturdays at Sacred Heart 3:15 pm to 3:45 pm

RECONCILIATION MONDAY Monday, December 16 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm Fr. Berg, Fr. Mollenhauer, Fr Gill

CHRISTMAS EVE

Tuesday, December 24 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

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 Incarnation of the Eucharist Deacon Art Weiner St. James the Apostle, Carmel, NY

Dec 16, Jan 20

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opportunities to serve helping those in times of trouble STEPHEN MINISTRY

Discover a way to help people get through a crisis. After training, meet one on one with a person in need.

To learn more or to sign up: stlawrenceotoole.org/Stephens-Ministry/caregiver



working with kids KIDZONE, KIDZ CHAPEL, or ALL STARS

Help young families go to Mass without distraction. After safe environment certification and training, volunteer to watch babies 0-3 yrs or participate in lessons for 4-9 yrs.

Seeking Adults and Teens (*teens receive community service hours*). This is a great opportunity for a family to serve together.

Sign up at: stlawrenceotoole.org/ ServeKids

cooking or serving at Putnam CAP's soup kitchen LOOKING FOR COOKS AND SERVERS FOR FRIDAYS THIS WINTER

Cooks:

- Pick up groceries at 9:30 am for a planned menu at Putnam CAP, 121 Main St, Brewster, NY 10509
- Cook meal at First Baptist Church, 460 North Main Street, Brewster NY 10509
- Clean up and bring garbage back to Putnam CAP Servers: Needed 2 to 4 people each Friday
- Arrive around 11 am to set up tables
- Serve lunch •Clean up after lunch Wash dishes

Sign up at: stlawrenceotoole.org/WaystoServe



Serving the homeless BREWSTER EMERGENCY SHELTER PARTNERSHIP

(BESP) is the ONLY homeless shelter in Putnam County. It is a partnership of area religious organizations that relies

upon the generosity of its people to provide for the basic needs of God's vulnerable people.

This years dates at St. Lawrence: Monday-Sunday, Dec 16-22, Jan 6-12, Jan 20-26, Feb 3-9, Feb 17-23 and Mar 16-22

Hosts - Manage dinner drop off, servers, and greet guests. Time commitment: Approximately 2-3 hours per night **Overnight Hosts** - sleep overnight with guests and BESP Supervisor. Time commitment: Overnight

Meal Servers - set table, serve the donated meals, clean up, pack lunches. Time commitment: Approximately 2-3 hours per night

Meal Prep/Donation - prepare dinner and drop off. **Lunch**: prepare a bag lunch and drop off. **Donate Supplies** - laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, paper goods, hand warmers.

Laundry Help - wash sleeping bags for guests.

A great service opportunity for a family to give back. Sign up at: **stlawrenceotoole.org/ServeHomeless**



share the warmth



Accepting clean, gently used winter coats for men, women, and children.

Coats should be hung on coat racks, on the stage in the Sacred Heart Church Hall before or after Masses on Nov 30-Dec I & Dec7-8.



If you or someone you know are in need of a coat, take one on 11/30-12/1, 12/7-8, 12/14-15. On Dec 20, remaining coats will be donated to Putnam CAP. For more information, contact Mike (845) 519-9687

DO NOT DROP OFF COATS BEFORE NOV 30TH OR AFTER DEC 8TH. DO NOT DROP OFF ANY OTHER ITEMS.





parish support

Weekend of Dec 8	
In Pew Collection	\$ 7,613.00
November WeShare weekly	\$ 4,318.12

sacred heart parish support

Weekend of Dec 8 In Pew Collection November WeShare weekly

4,385.00 \$ 264.73 \$

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.



parish staff

	Rev. Richard Gill	Pastor
	Rev. Thomas Berg	Weekend Associate
	Mark Shkreli	Deacon
	Gregory Miller	Deacon
t	Julie Noce	Pastoral Assistant
	Maureen Herbstritt	Business Manager
	Lynda Holler	Director of Discipleship
	Sally Silvestro	Director of Communication
	Cecilia BritezDirector of Ev	angelization and Family Program
	Peter Ryan	Director of Music
	Theresa Scorca	Coord. of Religious Education
	Clara Segreti	Family Program Assistant
	Gregory Rabito	Youth Ministry
	Kim SanterreDirector of	Early Childhood Learning Center
	Irene Westin	Adult Sacramental Administrator.
	Eileen Stokes	Cemetery Administrator





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