

st. lawrence o'toole & sacred heart parishes

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

Instagram: stlawrenceotoole_brewsterny **Facebook:** St. Lawrence O'Toole **Twitter:** St. Lawrence O'Toole Church









power of prayer

Please keep these special intentions in your prayers this week

April 27 For our civic leaders

April 28 Intentions of those mourning a loved one

April 29 For all those working on a vaccine for the corona virus

April 30 Intentions of Pope Francis

May 1 For all those who suffer from addictions

May 2 Intentions of Deacon Greg

May 3 Intentions of all those struggling in their health due to the Corona virus

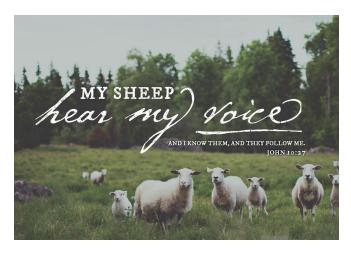
readings for sunday

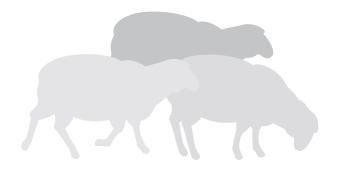
First Reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6

Second Reading: First Peter 2:20-25

Gospel: John 10:1-10





pray for

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

Marilyn Squeo • Joan Quinn • Michaelene Kamin • Jill Moundroukas • Michael Taylor • Larry Tobin • Joan Vesey • Sofia La-Rocca • Victalino Garza • Hanora Campbell • Ryan McMahon • Eleanor Jensen • Sheila Richie • Jessica Fitzpatrick • Rose Maragni• Peggy Cunningham • Vilma Gjuraj • David Weldon • Barbara Hansbury Weldon • Joseph J. Tierney • Patricia Stone • Denise Kurtz • Roseann Blum • Chuck Fox • Frank & Carol Vaccarelli • Elaine Steinhardt • Nina Ricciardi • Mary Thompson • Rebecca Harris-Moreira • Marie Amy • Freddy Lyons • Jennifer Grieves • Dotty Lahm • Maria Middleton • Lawrence lazzetti Sr. • Mark Lapham • William Fallon • Walter Garecht • Roseanne Barker • Marianne Gallacher

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

Because Jesus loves you infinitely, unlimited is the joy you bring to His Sacred Heart when you come to spend an hour with Him in the Blessed Sacrament.

-St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

Keep him company for an hour stlawrenceotoole.org/Adoration

Adore him where ever you are **stlawrenceotoolelive.org**



the best time you will spend on earth

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is the source of the vast blessings we are witnessing here at St. Lawrence O'Toole. We have 24/6, (24-hours a day/6 days a week) Adoration in our Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel.

We need your help to expand perpetual Adoration -24 hours a day/ 7 days a week - and we invite you to join us or add another hour. Discover the love and peace found only in Jesus Christ.It will be the best time spent on earth.

We have Adoration time slots open from **Saturday 7:00 pm to Sunday 11:00 pm**, as well as a few others.

Contact Paul Lavelle to discuss the best options for you. Email Lavelleslot@comcast.net, Sign up for an hour at stlawrenceotoole.org/Adoration or Phone 914-318-8523.



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,

Three quick points this week -

Every tragedy, as bad as it is, also brings opportunities and blessings that would never have happened otherwise.

1.That's the case with the coronavirus too... one thing that happened in our parishes is a real awareness of the needs of our neighbors – many out of work, struggling financially to feed their families and with an uncertain future. To meet the needs of so many, our Giving Help & Hope Campaign was born. This week volunteers are collecting household items, grocery gift cards, nonperishable foods – anything that can help a family make it through.



I'm really proud of our parishioners... in just over a week, we've gotten \$20,000 in donated items and cash gifts, and we'll be distributing it on May 4 to the needy.

If you can help, **stlawrenceotoole.org/GivingHelp&HopeDonate** or if you need help **stlawrenceotoole.org/GivingHelp&Hope**, check out the article in this bulletin so you can sign up.

- 2.Because of the inability to get to Mass, many of our parishioners who are used to using collection envelopes are switching to WeShare for their giving. Switch by going to stlawrenceotoole.churchgiving.com or sacredheartpattersonny.churchgiving.com. Before the crisis, about 37% of our donations came through WeShare... with more people signing up, we will be closer to 50%. Thank you this steady giving has helped our parishes make it through these tough times! And thank you to all the envelope users who faithfully mail in their contributions! We count on your loyalty to our parishes.
- 3. The ban on Masses and sacraments have pushed us to develop our on-line streaming capabilities to keep connected with our parishioners. It's a different kind of outreach for us, but one that will permanently change the way we "do Church" in the future...that's a good thing because we can reach more people this way.

Stay tuned... next Sunday is **Mother's Day** and we've got some things for moms planned. We want to give all the moms in the parish a blessing but at a safe distance!

God bless.

Fr. Richard Gill

For Richard Sill



need help making ends meet?

Have you lost your job? Are you feeling financially pulled? St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart Parishes are pitching in to help each other in this time of need.

If you are able to make a donation here is what we are looking for:

- · Diapers, baby wipes, baby cereal
- · Pet food, kitty litter
- Household cleaning solutions, toilet cleaner,
 Windex, dishwashing detergent, laundry detergent
- · Bounty towels, toilet paper, tissues
- Toothpaste, mouthwash, shampoo, conditioner, razors, shaving cream
- Cereal, oatmeal, granola, granola bars
- · Canned goods, gallons of water
- Gift cards for local supermarkets: Kobackers, Acme, Tops

GIVING HELP & HOPE

Distribution Day – **MONDAY, May 4th 9 am-2 pm. YOU MUST REGISTER.** Signup genius for pickup: sign up genius ½ hour increments – 10 people at a time or Signup for home delivery

SIGN UP HERE:

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/60B0448ABA629A3FE3-stlawrence

Drivers needed – based on demand.

DONATION DROP OFF

between 9 am-4 pm at the rectory or donate:

SIGN UP TO DONATE \$ Or mail gift cards to 31 Prospect Street, Brewster NY 10509 **TEXT TO GIVE**: Text GIVESLOT or GIVESH to 833-694-0460

as of may 1, 2020

We pray for the repose of the soul of Marie Palumbo, Peg Romano, Maureen Costa, Fiona Lundy, Josephine Pucherelli, Maureen Dooner, Joan Haege, Louise Palmer, Fr. John Bida, Catarino Galindo, Ann Garamore, Dorothy Lahm

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, Nels Soderquist

U.S. Marines Sam Kaplan, Michael Monti, Alex Aliaj,

Michael Liguori

U.S. Air Force James Friedlander, Christopher Pragoff,

Michael DeSandra

fr. john bida, rest in peace



Fr. Bida, who served at St. Lawrence from 1991-2003, passed away from the Coronavirus last week. He was 72 and retired, living in a nursing home. He is remembered well at our parish, having served as parochial vicar with Fr. Robert DeJulio during his years here. He had a series of assignments in Dutchess, Orange

and Ulster Counties since his ordination in 1972. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.



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Single or double plots or columbarium
for interment of ashes are available.
Contact the Cemetery Office at 845-279-2021 x201
for more information

ST. LAWRENCE CEMETERY 20 Turk Hill Road, Brewster, NY 10509

VIRTUAL CHURCH

Go to stlawrenceotoole.org for links

We've turned St Lawrence and Sacred Heart into a "Virtual Church" delivering formation and prayer online throughout the day. Join us in these tough times for some renewed hope that Jesus is with us always.



Go to our Facebook page at St. Lawrence O'Toole.





Daily BreadFr. Richard Gill
Mondays -Saturdays 12 pm



Divine Mercy Chaplet Cecilia Britez Monday-Saturday 3 pm



psalm you to sleep every night at 11pm

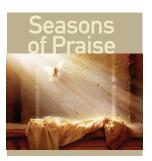
Psalm you to Sleep Lynda Holler Mondays-Saturdays 11 pm



stlawrenceotoolelive.org



If you over sleep, watch the Mass when you wake up and make it the most important part of your Sunday.



Livestream Seasons of PraiseMondays 7 pm

Livestream Mass Sundays 9:30 am Spanish Mass 11:30 am

psalm you to sleep

"As a parishioner, volunteer and employee of St Lawrence O' Toole, I am often asked about what prayers are comforting to me in these scary and challenging times. I pray the Rosary often as it comforts me and brings me solace. I gave the same advice to my niece who suffering from medical issues. She became more unsettled by the fear of these scary times. My niece asked me about additional prayers or suggestions that may help her deal with her stress of the day and help her relax in the evening. I suggested that she watch St. Lawrence O'Toole's Psalm You to Sleep with Lynda Holler on Facebook at 11 pm every day. My niece said to me that Lynda's readings and prayers comforted her because her voice is very calm and reassuring. This helped my niece let go of her anxiety and get to the point where she could rest easy and sleep comfortably. Psalm You to Sleep can take your fear and anxiety away as you are putting your anxiety or problems in God's hands. I am grateful that Lynda does these readings and prayers as it helps people grow closer to the God."

-Clara Segreti







Rest in peace with **Psalm You To Sleep**Monday-Saturday at 11 pm on Facebook with
Lynda Holler Director of Discipleship

safety squad delivers

"When **Safety Squad** was first announced, I thought it was such a great idea and planned to join. I wanted to help out because in the past I have always depended on others to care for my family that lived too far for me to visit frequently. It is because of kind neighbors and dedicated healthcare providers that my grandmother, uncle and father always had what they needed. As the news about the impact of the CoronaVirus got worse, I decided that it would not be safe for me to leave the home. I did not want to put my asthmatic son and mother at risk. When I got emails about opportunities to help out, I would ignore due to fear.

I was finally motivated to join Safety Squad, after listening to Father Gill's homily in which he said something along the lines of, "What a shame it would be if as Catho-



lics we did not behave differently than others during these trying times." I tell my sons and students how critical it is to help others whenever possible. Right now I am healthy and can help, so I must. I volunteer on Mondays to help dis-

tribute weekly meals from the school district. Armed with a mask and gloves, I enjoy meeting other parishioner volunteers. I continue to be inspired by everyone's acts of kindness and appreciate the opportunity to do my part during these scary times"

-Catherine Georges

"This past week I got the chance to give back to our community and our church. I delivered 3 meals to different families from the Clock Tower Grill. It was a good feeling but yet at the same time sorrowful. I never realized how many families do not have enough. And I have aways had enough. That is why I decided to do something to help as a member of the **Safety Squad**. That and the fact I have become closer to God and the church in the past



four years after attending St. Lawrence after many years. Fr. Gill has become sort of a hero to me since day one. As has the entire congregation. Judy, myself, and our grand-daughter Layla have attended almost every Sunday since. I have prayed for something to do to give back and got my answer. Thank you one and

all for giving me this opportunity and for always being with our family in Christ. Stay safe and God bless".

-Tom Walsh



pope francis urges catholics to unite through praying the rosary in may

HANNAH BROCKHAUS | CATHOLIC NEWS AGENCY

Pope Francis sent a letter encouraging Catholics to pray the rosary throughout May. He also shared two new prayers to implore the help of the Virgin Mary during the coronavirus pandemic. "Contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial," Pope Francis said in a letter April 25.

He urged families and individuals to "rediscover the beauty of praying the rosary at home in the month of May," which is traditionally a time of increased devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. With his letter, the pope included two prayers to Our Lady to recite at the end of the rosary, which he said he would also pray throughout May "in spiritual union with all of you."

First Prayer:

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

Second Prayer:

"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God". In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek

refuge under your protection. Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health. Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone. Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity. Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future. Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course. To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

TEACH • SERVE • SANCTIFY

The Cardinal's Appeal provides assistance to parishes in need.





St. LawrenceGoal:\$73,500.00Pledged:\$40,322.00Gifts95Average\$424% of goal54.8%

 Sacred Heart

 Goal:
 \$12,500.00

 Pledged:
 \$7,205.00

 Gifts
 21

 Average
 \$343

 %of goal
 57.6%





Thank you for continuing to give to our parishes in this time of crisis.

Many donations in ordinary times come in cash and now none of that comes in.

Would you consider switching from cash or checks to easy to do online giving through WeShare?

It saves us administrative work and costs and time, and is more steady income.

give online stlawrenceotoole.churchgiving.com or sacredheartpattersonny.churchgiving.com



We have searched out programs that are perfect for this place in time. There are a variety of options to strengthen your body, mind, and soul and grow closer to Jesus.

Some of the programs require books and we will not be able to order them for you.

The registration page will provide a suggested resource to order books directly if necessary.

Also, note shipping times are unreliable, so decide which programs you want to take and order any books immediately.

The program sessions will be run on Zoom, so you will need a computer or phone with a working camera and a mic or headphones to participate. Zoom link will be emailed to participant after registration.

Our Story -- Tuesdays, April 28 – June 23, 7:00 pm – 7:40 pm on Zoom Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/OurStory

Prayer with Peter-- Thursdays, April 23 – May 14, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm on Zoom Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/PrayerWithPeter

Freedom to Love -- Wednesdays, May 6 – June 10, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm on Zoom Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/FreedomToLove

Consoling the Heart of Jesus -- Wednesdays, May 13 – July 15, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm on Zoom Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/HeartOfJesus

Pietra Fitness -- Saturdays, April 25 – May 16, 9:00 am – 9:40 am on Zoom Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/PietraFitness

Living our faith in a Pandemic -- Sundays, April 26 – May 24, 11:00 – 11:45 AM on Zoom Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/Pandemic

Women's GIFT -- Our Relationship with the Saints, Saturdays, April 25 – May 30, 1:00 pm –2:00 pm on Zoom Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/WGift_Saints

Men's Ministry -- Saturdays ongoing, 7:00 am - 8:30 am on Zoom

Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/MensMinistry

From Mourning to Joy Bereavement Ministry -- Tuesdays ongoing 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm on Zoom Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/GriefShare

33 Days to Morning Glory -- Starts April 28 - Consecration May 31, The Visitation or Starts May 18 - Consecration June 20, Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary Register: stlawrenceotoole.org/33DaysToMorningGlory



divine mercy *LIVE* according to cecilia!

Robin Liguori

"Hello my friends!" For the past six weeks or so, those are the three cheerful (and I emphasize cheerful) words welcoming us every afternoon at 3:00 o'clock by Cecilia, as we tune into Facebook Live from our homes for Divine Mercy. Not only does Cecilia lead us in the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, but she takes us through the entries of St. Faustina's Diary to help us better understand the true love and mercy promised by Jesus to each and every one of us. What better time than during this pandemic do we need to be reassured of God's love and protection towards us?

Cecilia's excitement as she reads the entries is endearing. It's almost as if she was best friends with St. Faustina and was witness to her personal interactions with Jesus. But not so fast...Cecilia has let us know on more than one occasion that when she first started reading the diary, she didn't like St. Faustina and was even jealous of her. Typical of women, right? Except this is Jesus we're talking about. His love, mercy and forgiveness is waiting for each one of us if we just allow Him into our hearts and Cecilia helps to open our hearts through the writings of St. Faustina. She helps us realize we're not alone when we experience darkness and dryness in prayer and she assures us that we are all entitled to the graces that God is willing to bestow on us just for the asking and placing our trust in Him.

Check it out every Monday through Saturday at 3 pm Divine Mercy LIVE on Facebook. Cecilia Britez is our Director of Evangelization and the Family Program.

I've prayed the chaplet many times, but never thought about reading the diary until recently. I'm now reading my very own copy that I like to call "The Diary of St. Faustina, according to Cecilia." If only her positive energy and love of Jesus could be bottled up, we'd have a cure for a lot of lost souls and there would be a world full of happy hearts!

I'm noticing the difference that the Divine Mercy afternoons are making in my daily life. I find myself reflecting more instead of reacting to challenges I might face throughout my day. I stop and remind myself how much Jesus loves me and the suffering he endured to prove that love. If He can do that for me, then I can offer up whatever struggles I face as an act of love for God. A simple prayer of "Jesus I trust in You" or just a "thank you Jesus" (sometimes repeated many times) is all it takes to put me back on track and realize just how blessed I am.

As terrible as this pandemic has been, I believe that it has brought me to a higher level in my faith, and I credit the Divine Mercy Series for a big part of that. Thank you to Cecilia for the reminder everyday that we have a God that loves us so much and is merciful! We are all sinners, but He is our hope and our salvation!

parish support st. lawrence parish support

Weekend of April 26

In Pew Collection \$ 6,660.00 March *WeShare* weekly \$ 4,086.60

sacred heart parish support

Weekend of April 26

In Pew Collection \$ 1,642.00 March *WeShare* weekly \$ 204.13

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.

Easter Fundraising Campaign

St. Lawrence \$ 37,354.75 Sacred Heart \$ 6,925.56

parish staff

Rev. Richard Gill	Pastor
Rev. Thomas Berg	Weekend Associate
Mark Shkreli	Deacon
Gregory Miller	Deacon
Julie Noce	Pastoral Assistant
Maureen Herbstritt	Business Manager
Lynda Holler	Director of Discipleship
Sally Silvestro	Director of Communication
Cecilia BritezDirector of Ev	vangelization 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



No one should be without someone to check on them. SEND SAFETY SQUAD.

St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart will call the elderly and those with health issues. **Safety Squad** members will keep in touch to make sure the most prone to illness are looked after properly to prevent infection, offer prayer, encourage them and help them obtain any needed supplies.

Sign up your loved one stlawrenceotoole.org/SafetySquad

EALLA PRIEST

If you need to speak with a priest, Fr. Tom Berg, Fr. Joe Heim and I will be "on-call" and available during the following hours if you have questions, issues or need some guidance in these hard times or just some prayers.

FR. JOE HEIM

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Mondays-Fridays Phone: 914-941-7636 x2792



FR. TOM BERG

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Mondays -Thursdays Cellphone: 914-261-9639



FR. RICH GILL 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Tuesdays - Fridays Cellphone: 301-873-8418

WESHARE ONLINE GIVING



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

- I. **Go to** stlawrenceotoole.churchgiving.com or sacredheartpattersonny.churchgiving.com
- 2. Click Make a Donation
- 3. **Click** Recurring Donation

Once you've added your account information, donations will automatically deduct from your account.

EVERY MONDAY IN EASTER

Seasons of Praise



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Confessions 4 pm-7 pm

May 4, 7pm

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MAY 4

