

may 17, 2020 sixth sunday of easter

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](https://www.instagram.com/stlawrenceotoole_brewsterny)

Facebook: St. Lawrence O'Toole

Twitter: St. Lawrence O'Toole Church



Blessing Moms in times of Coronavirus

power of prayer

Please keep these special intentions in your prayers this week

- May 18 Participants in the 33 Days to Morning Glory
- May 19 Intentions Fr. Richard Gill
- May 20 For all those who our Safety Squad help
- May 21 Protection of those in nursing homes
- May 22 Intentions of those suffering from COVID 19
- May 23 For all our first responders
- May 24 For our civic leaders

readings for sunday

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

Second Reading: First Peter 3:15-18

Gospel: John 14:15-21



mass intentions

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| Saturday, May 16th | Henry & Peter Block |
| Sunday, May 17th | Ronnie Durante
McCluskey & Ebert Families |
| Monday, May 18th | Intentions of
Genevieve Fiorito |
| Tuesday, May 19th | William & Maureen Murphy |
| Wednesday, May 20th | John P. Harley |
| Thursday, May 21st | Theodora Farrell |
| Friday, May 22nd | Antoinette Nanna |
| Saturday, May 23rd | Intentions of Msgr.
McCabe Scholarship Fund |
| Sunday, May 24th | Robert Rocco Russo
Joan Gasson |

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 LaRocca ◦ 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 ◦ Maria Middleton ◦ Lawrence Iazzetti Sr. ◦ Mark Lapham ◦ William Fallon ◦ Walter Garecht ◦ Roseanne Barker ◦ Marianne Gallacher ◦ J.P. Schlick

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

Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament has His hands full of graces, and He is ready to bestow them on anyone who asks for them.

-St Peter of Alcantara

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 **Sunday 12:00 am 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.



May 17, 2020

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,

You may have seen in the news that some churches around the country are reopening this month, at least slowly and partially. Since New York is the hardest hit area and we aren't far from the city, it will take a little longer before we get the green light from the governor and the Archdiocese.



When we do, we'll be following safety protocols like those in other places. Those might include limiting the number of people at each Mass to a half or a quarter of capacity, wearing masks, social distancing, and so on. Things we have gotten used to but are a little strange in Church where we gather as God's people to worship him together. We don't know exactly what it will involve yet. I'm hoping we get some clarity in the next few weeks. But be assured we will put safety first.

In the meantime, hundreds of people are tuning in to our livestreamed Masses Sunday mornings, or touching base with our daily Facebook LIVE **Daily Bread** Gospel reflections at noon, the **Divine Mercy** Chaplet at 3:00 pm, and the **Psalm You to Sleep** at 9:00 pm. We are still a parish family despite the temporary complications. Thank you for your faithfulness.

God bless,

Fr. Richard Gill

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P.S. People have been switching to **WeShare** electronic giving, and now at Sacred Heart it has grown to more than a third of our collection and nearly half at St. Lawrence. Thanks for doing this to keep up your support of our parishes.

rest in peace sr. mary theophane

Maureen Herbstritt



Sr. Susan Greene, RDC, (formerly known as Sr. Mary Theophane), a Sister of the Divine Compassion, died peacefully on April 17, 2020.

Sr. Susan taught at St Lawrence O'Toole from 1962 to 1971. She received her BS in Chemistry from Good

Counsel College in White Plains, she was an accomplished artist. Her St. Lawrence bulletin boards were known to have won awards. Sr. Susan spent many years in elementary education. She also taught at St. Anthony's, West Harrison, Sacred Heart School, Hartsdale, and St. Joseph's, Croton Falls. In 1976, she taught Art at Preston HS, followed by Kennedy Catholic and Good Counsel Academy Elementary School.

Former students, remember her as being a wonderful teacher who was kind and funny. She was known for telling students she had feathers instead of hair and would wear a feather peeking out of her habit. Sr. Laura Donovan, President of the Sisters of the Divine Compassion said, "Sr. Susan was a nun without borders. So strong was her charity and dedication to God's work that she was in mission until her last breath."

WESHARE ONLINE GIVING



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

1. **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.

as of may 15, 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, Bridget Mary Hession

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, Johnny Noce
U.S. Navy	Kyle Stanley, Matt Lestrangle, 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



CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD DISTRIBUTION

MAY 18, 2020
10 AM TO 12 PM

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE
11 EASTVIEW AVENUE, BREWSTER, NY 10509

OPEN TO THE PARISH COMMUNITY

One ONE Food Bag Pick-Up Per Family While Supplies Last.
PLEASE FOLLOW 6 FT SOCIAL DISTANCE



pentecost eucharistic procession



May 31 starts at 12:15 pm.

Sign up your neighborhood at
stlawrenceotoole.org/PentecostProcession

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.



stlawrenceotoolelive.org



Livestream Mass

Sundays 9:30 am
Spanish Mass 11:30 am

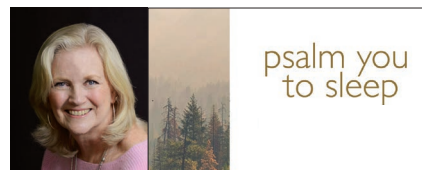
If you over sleep, watch the Mass when you wake up and make it the most important part of your Sunday.



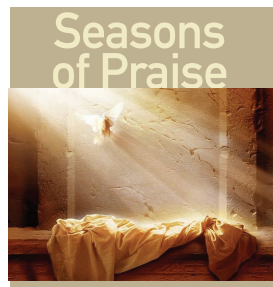
Daily Bread
Fr. Richard Gill
Mondays -Saturdays 12 pm



Divine Mercy Chaplet
Cecilia Britez
Monday-Saturday 3 pm



Psalm you to Sleep
Lynda Holler
Mondays-Saturdays 9 pm



**Livestream
Seasons of Praise**
Mondays 7 pm



blessing our mothers!

Tina Grant

Each year we celebrate Mother's Day, honoring the women we love in our life. We hold celebrations for the women who molded us into who we are today, who taught us how to love and pray, who were our cheerleaders, who grounded us, who comforted us when we were sick, and the women who truly loved us no matter what.

This year was different. The pandemic broke those celebrated traditions, but it failed to break the love we have for these special women. We became creative, we found ways to accomplish what needed to be done. While we were not sitting in a restaurant surrounded by family and friends honoring the lady of the day, we showed them in other ways how much we truly loved and appreciated them.



St. Lawrence came through once again. At the online Masses Fr. Rich blessed the mothers with a beautiful prayer. Afterwards, at St. Lawrence O'Toole and Sacred Heart

churches, Brewster High School and Kohls parking lots Fr. Rich blessed all the mothers with holy water, recited a special blessing and they were given a gift. It reminded me of a bible class discussion that was had of the disciples of Jesus. One of my bible buddies remarked, "the men had all the important roles". Our instructor smiled and said, "I disagree. God gave women a great gift. . . the ability to bring life into this world." How blessed Mary must have felt to be chosen to be the mother of the Son of God. Mary is such a beautiful example of motherhood and a true disciple.

During this pandemic, despite the struggles and heartbreaks, I see the blessings. It has forced us to pause. . . to provide us with a chance to witness milestones that may have otherwise been missed, to heal and reconnect with those we lost touch with, to not be stressed over chaotic social events. Our pleasures have become simple - long walks, being truly "present" with our family, more time in prayer, and an opportunity to do things we never had time to do before.

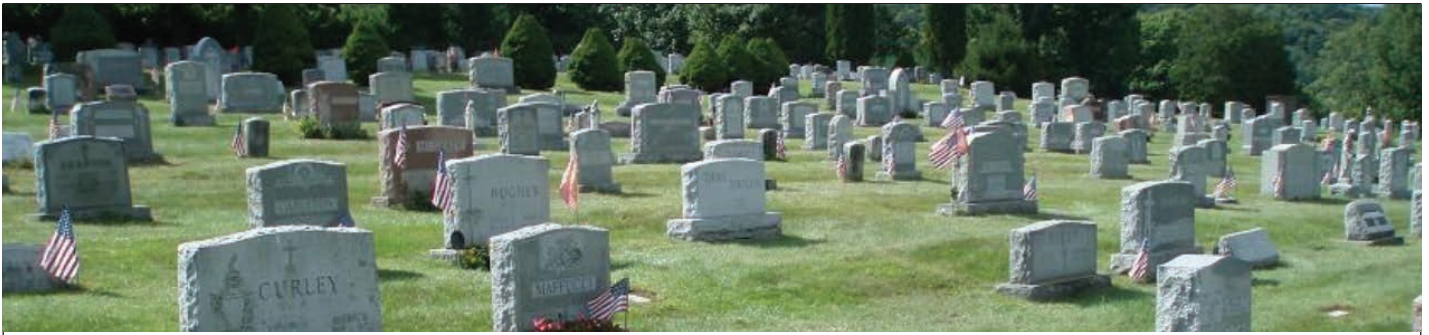


While the pandemic has taken from us so many things, it has also caused us to focus on our lives, the direction in which we are going and given us that extra time with the people we cherish most. As Fr. Rich blessed us, I thought of my own mother and how deeply I miss her but I had to smile – she gave me so much love and left me with so many memories all of which help sustain me in my life and which I have passed on to my own daughter.



Thank you, Fr. Rich and to all the people who made this Mother's Day special, for taking the time to bless those women, past and present, who had a direct impact on our own life and who we loved so much.





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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



st. lawrence o'toole

sat, july 4th

mega raffle

DRAWING at 7:30 pm

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\$100 EACH OR 3 FOR \$250

WIN \$25,000 cash

PROCEEDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ST. LAWRENCE FAMILY PROGRAM



ONLINE GIVING By WeShare

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



send your guardian angel to mass with this prayer

PHILIP KOSLOSKI

When you can't make it to Mass and are stuck at home, send your guardian angel to church to intercede for you!

Our daily life, whether we realize it or not, is surrounded by the protecting presence of angels!

As the Catechism of the Catholic Church affirms, "From its beginning until death, human life is surrounded by their watchful care and intercession. 'Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life.' Already here on earth the Christian life shares by faith in the blessed company of angels and men united in God" (CCC 336)

Angels are here to help us and above all, guide us to eternal life.

Many saints would send their guardian angels on various errands, such as praying at a church for them when they were physically unable to do so. This works because angels are spiritual beings and are able to move about our world with relative ease, going from one place to another in less than a second.

This means that when we ask our guardian angel to attend Mass for us, being stuck at home, they will go instantly!

To attend Mass for them is a great joy, as "Christ is the center of the angelic world. They are his angels" (CCC 331). They love God and will gladly pray for us at Mass anywhere in the world!

The angelic world is mysterious, but we are encouraged to pray to them in faith and trust that they will do what they can to lead us closer to God.

Here is a beautiful prayer, often printed on prayer cards, that dates to the 1920s and sends your guardian angel to Mass when you are unable to attend the Holy Sacrifice.

*O HOLY ANGEL at my side,
Go to Church for me,
Kneel in my place, at Holy Mass,
Where I desire to be.*

*At Offertory, in my stead,
Take all I am and own,
And place it as a sacrifice
Upon the Altar Throne.*

*At Holy Consecration's bell,
Adore with Seraph's love,
My Jesus hidden in the Host,
Come down from Heaven above.*

*Then pray for those I dearly love,
And those who cause me grief,
That Jesus' Blood may cleanse all hearts,
And suffering souls relieve.*

*And when the priest Communion takes,
Oh, bring my Lord to me,
That His sweet Heart may rest on mine,
And I His temple be.*

*Pray that this Sacrifice Divine,
May mankind's sins efface;
Then bring me Jesus' blessing home,
The pledge of every grace. Amen*

pietra fitness!

Jessica Baldwin

I am a wife, homeschooling mother of five children, and parishioner of St. Lawrence O'Toole. In 2012, I suffered a health trauma that affected almost every system of my body. A year into my recovery, doctors recommended yoga for its physical and mental health benefits. After attending yoga classes at a gym for six months, I saw significant physical improvements but I had a feeling of conflict and darkness that covered me. I knew that Christ was asking me to seek healing through a means that did not conflict with my Catholic faith.

Yoga describes an integrated whole of philosophies, spirituality, and physical practices based in Hinduism and found in Buddhism and New Age practices. An exercise program cannot be both because Christianity (coming from Christ) and yoga (based in Hinduism/Buddhism/New Age) have fundamental differences in the theology and philosophy. Christian activities are firmly centered on Christ.



So, when I came across Pietra Fitness, which is founded by Catholics, guided by priests, and approved by bishops- it was an answer to prayer! Pietra Fitness is stretching and strengthening exercises, based on Danish exercise poses which pre-existed postural yoga, and it includes Christian meditation in the Catholic tradition, helping participants to seek God's will and conform their lives

to His will, so they can find true peace and joy. Pietra Fitness is a retreat for the body, mind, heart and soul that invites you to quiet your mind and heart, to start up a conversation with God, and "Ora Et Labora" pray while working.

When you hear the good news, you can't help but share it with those you love! I hope you can join me starting Saturdays, May 23 to June 13th from 8:30 am to 9:30 am, as I share an introduction to Pietra Fitness with you.

For more information about Pietra Fitness and for FREE 24 hour access to the online studio of classes, visit pietrafitness.com.



Peter Ryan facilitator of *Prayer with Peter*.



Jack Kristensen is helping Peter Ryan with class



new session starts may 28th

"The class **Prayer with Peter** has been a beautiful spiritual journey for me so far. Each week we use Lectio Divina to pray

with the Sunday Gospel reading. Discussion revolves around how God responds to each person differently, as His message is different for each person.

Based on the interest of the class, we have learned about the Nine Choirs of Angels, the Surrender Novena and Saint Michael Chaplet. Last week we talked about the love of the Father and Peter played and sang an original song, telling us how the Father wants to heal us and bring us home.

One of the most inspiring aspects of the class is seeing so many young adults attend and share in the discussions. Please join us for the next four weeks!" -- **Janice Nastasi**

"A couple weeks ago, I saw in bulletin that St. Lawrence was offering a study with our director of music, Peter Ryan. Peter is new, and I only hear his music, so I figure I could get to know him better. Helping Peter is Jack Kristensen, a new parishioner and a seminarian. Coming in, I had no idea how this was going to be run or what it was about. For someone like me who does not have one bit of musical talent (God did not pass out any musical notes my way) but loves Christian or Gospel song, I was inspired to take this course.

We start by reading the Gospel for the following Sunday. Jack reads it and Peter plays the guitar, while we are mediating on scripture. Shortly after, we all come together to share what jumps out at us from scripture reading, and there is no pressure to share your thoughts. When sharing, we follow a form that Peter has shared: A.R.R (Acknowledge, Relate, And Receive). They also introduced us to the St. Michael Chaplet, which is a specific Rosary (Rosary of the Angels). Hearing the younger generation's thoughts is incredible. They seem so much more open and expressive. Peter and Jack are so informed and in tune to what Jesus was telling his disciples and us.

It took me 70 years to get to the point in my faith. For anyone who wants to learn more about Jesus and our faith, I recommend this class. You will feel refreshed after."

-Nora Bisignano

parish support st. lawrence parish support

Weekend of May 10

In Pew Collection	\$ 7,769.50
April <i>WeShare</i> weekly	\$ 6,589.79

Total \$ 14,359.29

sacred heart parish support

Weekend of May 10

In Pew Collection	\$ 2,236.00
April <i>WeShare</i> weekly	\$ 880.00

Total \$ 3,116.00

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
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Julie Noce.....	Pastoral Assistant
Maureen Herbstritt.....	Business Manager
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Sally Silvestro.....	Director of Communication
Cecilia Britez...Director of Evangelization and Family Program	
Peter Ryan	Director of Music
Theresa Scorca.....	Coord. of Religious Education
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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

SPRING 2020 ONLINE FAITH formation



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.



NEW CLASS Pray with Peter -- Thursdays, May 28 -- June 18, 7:00 pm -- 8:00 pm on Zoom
Register: stlawrenceoole.org/PrayerWithPeter

Men's Ministry -- Saturdays ongoing, 7:00 am -- 8:30 am on Zoom
Register: stlawrenceoole.org/MensMinistry



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



33 Days to Morning Glory -- **Starts The Visitation on May 18** - Consecration June 20, Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Register: stlawrenceoole.org/33DaysToMorningGlory

NEW CLASS Pietra Fitness— Saturdays, May 23-June 13 on Zoom
Register: stlawrenceoole.org/PietraFitness



EVERY MONDAY IN EASTER

Seasons of Praise



Confessions
4 pm-7 pm

May 18, 7pm

LIVE STREAMED
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