

# st. lawrence o'toole & sacred heart parishes

#### **Summer Mass schedule**

#### St. Lawrence

Saturday Vigil 5:30, 7:30pm (Spanish) Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00am Monday-Friday 8:30am Tuesday-Thursday 7:00 pm

#### Sacred Heart

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Sunday 10:30am

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## mass intentions

Saturday, August 1

4:00PM Sacred Heart Doi 5:30PM Ma 7:30PM Ca

Don Parfitt Madelyn Smith Catarino Galindo

Sunday, August 2

8:00AM Jean Franchi 9:30AM Kenny Holler 10:30AM Sacred Heart Lori Jabara 11:00AM William G. Fischer

Monday, August 3

8:30AM

Patrick J. Martin

Tuesday, August 4

8:30AM Caroline & Leonard Schneider 7:00PM Myles Tombline

Wednesday, August 5

8:30AM 7:00PM Michael & Elizabeth Leahy Helen Bozza

Thursday, August 6

8:30AM 7:00PM Edwin Gabucay Intentions of Msgr. McCabe Scholarship Fund

Friday, August 7

8:30AM 7:00PM Sacred Heart of Jesus Society Intentions of Chloe Hermann & Garrett

Saturday, August 8

4:00PM Sacred Heart 5:30PM 7:30PM Julus Salas John Gress Spanish

Sunday, August 9

8:00AM 9:30AM 10:30AM *Sacred Heart* 11:00AM

Bill & Peggy Sullivan Joan Culleton Thomas Fitzpatrick Mary & Robert Cleary & Kathleen King

# power of prayer

Please keep these special intentions in your prayers this week

Aug 3 Intentions of our homeless

Aug 4 Safe travels for those on vacation

Aug 5 For our young adults to grow in faith

Aug 6 For peace to be restored in our country

Aug 7 For God's Divine Mercy to protect our parishes

Aug 8 Intentions of Deacon Mark

Aug 9 Intentions of Pope Francis

## dedications

St. Lawrence O'Toole

The **Blessed Mother Candle** is dedicated for **Christopher & Eileen McBride**At the request of the Kathleen McBride

# pray for

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

Marilyn Squeo • 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 • 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 lazzetti Sr. • Mark Lapham • William Fallon • Walter Garecht • Roseanne Barker • Marianne Gallacher • J.P. Schlick • Kathy Pellecchia • Cathy Falciglia • Joseph Czeladko • Sue Richards • Kaitlyn King • Mary McMahon • Joseph P. Massimo • Michael Brady • Cathy Durkin Mannfolk

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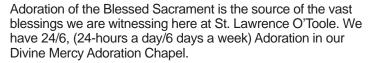
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-Gertrude the Great

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# call musicians and singers

The choir is looking for those who are natural born singers and musicians. If you feel the Holy Spirit is prompting you to get involved with sharing your gifts please contact Peter Ryan at peterryanmusic@gmail.com



# 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,

Such a beautiful weekend last week for our parishes! Our RCIA, like most everything had been postponed over Easter with the pandemic, but our candidates continued to meet by Zoom online and then recently started in-person classes. At the Spanish Mass Saturday night we confirmed 13 adults and Sunday Mass with 2 adults newly baptized and they and 8 others receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation! That's 23 adults who stepped forward to commit to Christ and put him at the center of their lives! Let's pray for them as they start out living as serious disciples of the Lord.



I also want to thank everyone in both parishes for your loyal support on the financial side. I've talked to many priests all over New York and in other dioceses and most are getting only half to three-quarters of the usual collections. But our St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart, we are approaching 95%, thanks to all of you!

And not only that, but many more of you are using **WeShare** electronic giving. At St. Lawrence it has increased to more than 50% of a typical week's collection, and at Sacred Heart it has grown from 10% to over 25% of the usual collection. This is a great way to give, because it saves the parish time and administrative costs, and provides a predictable stream of revenue each week and month. Thank you!

One thing the pandemic has forced us to do is find creative ways to reach our flock. Our parish staff members have sponsored the Daily Bread, Divine Mercy, and the Psalms each day on Facebook Live, Eucharistic Processions through the streets throughout the parish neighborhoods in the pickup truck, online adoration, the Corpus Christi Procession in downtown Brewster, the Candlelight Vigil for Peace and Reconciliation, the LIVESTREAMED Masses, the LIVESTREAM Rosaries...

But we have to do more to reach all our people and be a witness that Christ is with us even in this national crisis.

So mark your calendar for the big **Outdoor Mass at Sacred Heart on August 30**, with a barbecue afterwards.

And we're starting to plan a new initiative with outdoor neighborhood rosaries people host on their lawn with friends and neighbors, and other outdoor Masses in different parts of the parish. Stay tuned.

At our parishes, we bring Jesus to you.

God bless,

Fr. Richard Gill

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P.S. This week at the 9:30 am and 11:00 am Masses we honor all our **2020 Graduates** – coffee and donuts after the Masses!



## no small miracle

#### JOE BUKOWSKI

During the homily at the Confirmation Mass Father Gill called this particular Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) process "no small miracle." Truer words have never been spoken. For me, it was a miracle and a blessing. I was blessed to help direct the class through their journey to confirmation—a journey that started as a group gathering together, moved into social distance classes, to Zoom classes, to being interrupted by illness, back to Zoom classes, to social distance classes and finally the ultimate blessing of confirmation. As Father Gill said: "We pulled it off."

We started our classes and shared our motivations for participating in the process. Having worked primarily with youth confirmation classes, I was used to the standard answer to the question of "Why are you here?" as being "Because my mom is making me." The answers from this group were beautiful and the exact purpose of wanting to be part of the program. There were promises to be fulfilled to family members, desires to be good examples to children and be able to guide them in their faith and wishes to continue with the sacrament of marriage. I saw deep emotions being shared and knew for a fact the Holy Spirit was present.

As the class went on, we had no idea what was about to happen. At the start of the class, I introduced the "call narrative" - an event in a person's life which calls them to do something for God, that person objecting or facing a challenge in answering this call and then being told that God will be with you. The classic example is Mary's call narrative. Mary said "yes" and we say "Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee." The "miracle" of this class is that at the start we all had a call narrative, we all faced great challenges and we all said yes - and God was with us. And on Saturday, July 26, the Holy Spirit descended on ten people as promised in every other call narrative.



#### **GEORGE SOHN**

On July 25, at the 7:30 pm Spanish Mass, thirteen adult parishioners received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Six of them received Holy Communion for the first time. The RCIA course focused on the importance of living as a missionary disciple of Jesus who sent forth his apostles to share the Good News of salvation. To live as a confirmed Catholic is to be conscientious of one's mission in life to serve others. The words of Jesus are prescient with meaning: "As often as you did this to one of the least of my brothers, you did it to me", referring to feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the immigrant, clothing the naked and visiting the sick and imprisioned.

Although the study was interrupted by COVID 19, the group remained steadfast and enthusiastic. When class resumed they were all looking forward to confirming the faith they had received as children in Baptism. Their hopes and aspirations were fulfilled on Saturday evening with the celebration of a beautiful Mass. The spirit of gratitude was palpable.

We are forming a group to come into the Church next year. Who are the non-Catholics you know who might be interested in becoming Catholic? Who are the Catholics you know who have never been Confirmed or perhaps even received First Communion? We can give them what they need in the new RCIA class. Contact Irene Westin at the rectory at 279-2021



















# i know in my soul, god's love for me



BRIAN SULLIVAN
When I first came to this
parish, I would go into the
adoration chapel whenever
I had time before a class, a
meeting, Alpha, or choir. I
would have around a halfhour to pray. This gave me
the opportunity to grow accustomed to adoration and
to see how other adorers
spent time with Jesus. I

wanted my own hour, but had difficulty finding a time. Then in March, Lynda Holler called to let me know that some hours were available. Since I was working from home at the time, I was able to sign-up. There's nothing like being invited!

One thing I have asked from the LORD, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the LORD And to meditate in His temple. Ps 27:4 (NASB)

To me this verse describes the heart of Eucharistic adoration. I am in the presence of the Lord Jesus. This is not just an expression. Jesus, the Son of God, in his risen, ascended, glorified humanity, who is in the presence of God the Father, is there before me. In humility, he presents himself in the form of the host, the consecrated bread of life. He does this in love so I can be present and behold him in quiet solitude.

As I pray, read, and sing in my heart, Jesus is there. Sometimes I get sleepy or distracted, he is still there. And from time to time, just for a moment, I sense his love for me. This has been my prayer since my first Alpha, that I would know in my soul God's love for me. It is never so clear as in adoration.





At Mass, we will recognize everyone in these groups and offer them a special blessing.

8/2 - 2020 Graduates

8/9 - First Communion Candidates & Confirmandi

8/16 - Moms & Dads who home schooled during Covid

8/23 – Expectant Moms, Engaged Couples, New Babies

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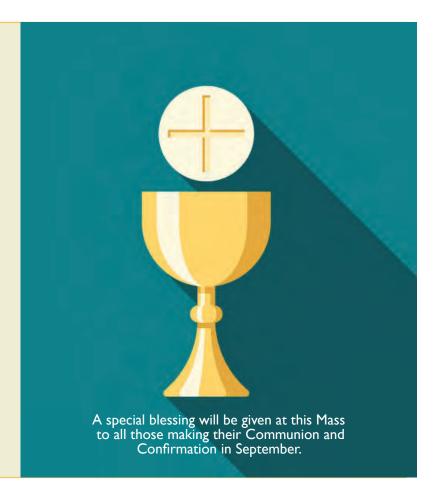
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# welcome HeelenE

#### PHYLIS LARUSSO



What a blessing it is to be back at church every Sunday and being in the presence of the Lord. I have been watching Mass every Sunday via the Livestream since March but it just wasn't the same as being back in my beautiful church and receiving the Body of Christ once again. I am also so happy to see all my friends and family even though I can only see half their faces. I can

still feel the love and warmth generating from them.

I was so impressed with the cleanliness of the church and how everyone is following the social distancing rules. This past weekend I was pleasantly surprised to receive our very own "St. Lawrence O'Toole face mask". Although I strongly dislike wearing a face mask, these new masks are very comfortable and lightweight.

Going to church during this pandemic may not be for everyone, but for those of you who know me, I am not an introvert and I really miss the socialization factor. For me to reunite with my fellow parishioners, hear the gospel readings first hand and catch up with Father Rich and Father Tom after Mass is just wonderful. We truly are blessed to be a part of such a wonderful, caring community and family at St. Lawrence O'Toole and Sacred Heart and I look forward to seeing more of my St. Lawrence O'Toole family each week.



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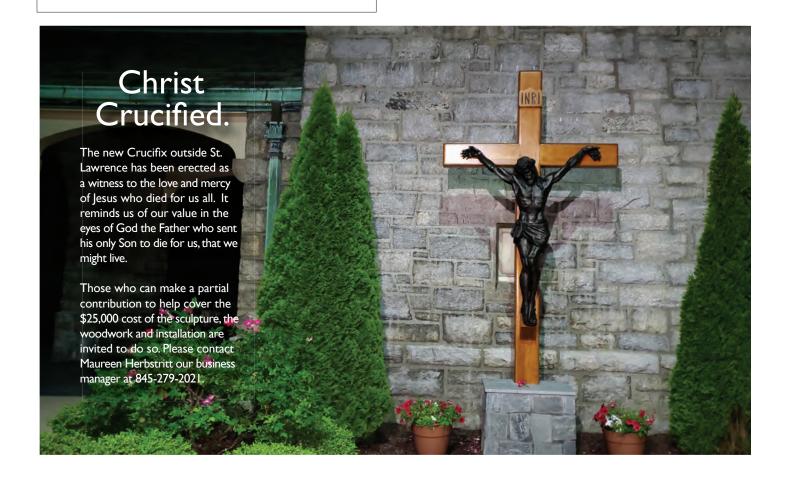
6:00 pm–Confessions 7:00 pm–Mass 7:45 pm–Adoration 8:00 pm–Benediction



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# parish support st. lawrence parish support

Weekend of July 26

In Pew Collection \$ 7,043.50

June *WeShare* weekly \$ 6,939.21

Total \$ 13,982.71

# sacred heart parish support

Weekend of July 26

In Pew Collection \$ 1,364.00

June *WeShare* weekly \$ 658.49 **Total** \$ 2,022.49

**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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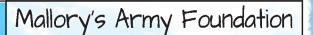
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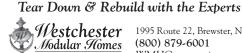
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