

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

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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st. lawrence o'toole & sacred heart parishes



mass intentions

Saturday, August 22

4:00PM Sacred Heart 5:30PM

7:30PM

Sunday, August 23

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

Monday, August 24 8:30AM

Sean Baker

Maffie Clair

Mike McDermott

Scholarship Fund

Rocco & Lucy Ceo

John DeMartino

Joseph Moran

Sadie Sharma

Intentions of Msgr. McCabe

Tuesday, August 25 8:30AM 7:00PM

Parmenio Sanchez Antoinette & Joseph Natoli

Wednesday, August 26

8:30AM 7:00PM Thomson & Radak Families

Thursday, August 27 8:30AM 7:00PM

Friday, August 28 8:30AM

Saturday, August 29

4:00PM Sacred Heart 5:30PM 7:30PM

Sunday, August 30 8:00AM 9:30AM 10:30AM Sacred Heart 11:00AM

Delores Mejia Myles Tombline Florentina, Jose Isais, & Luis Serafin Pauta

Moran & Allen Family Ellen & Theodore Galgano Bill & Joseph Lewis Jenny, Michael & Pelligrino Cavalluzzo

power of prayer

Please keep these special intentions in your prayers this week

Aug 24 For peace for our country

- Aug 25 Intentions of those who are hurting the most
- Aug 26 Intentions of the lost souls in our area
- Aug 27 For the homeless in Brewster & Patterson
- Aug 28 Intentions of Deacon Mark
- Aug 29 Intentions of all our students
- Aug 30 For all who will come to our outdoor Mass

save the date

GOLF OUTING - The Knights of Columbus, St. Lawrence Council will be having a fundraiser golf outing on Friday, October 2. More details coming soon.

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 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 Falciglia · Joseph Czeladko · Sue Richards · Kaitlyn King · Mary McMahon · Joseph P. Massimo · Michael Brady

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

Without the Blessed Sacrament a position like mine would be intolerable.

- Father Damien

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 to perpetual Adoration - 24/7 days a week. We invite you to join us or add another hour. Discover the love and peace found only in Jesus Christ. We have Adoration time slots open from Sunday 2:00 am to Sunday 11:00 pm.

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.

dedications St. Lawrence O'Toole

The Blessed Mother Candle is dedicated for the Damian Mancini At the request of the Mancini Family



Joseph Crusco

Bridget & Edmond Harney Myles Tombline, Bridget & Patrick Clark

Elizabeth Lorraine Feroleto





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,

I got away for some days in one of my favorite places – the Berkshire mountains in Western Massachusetts. There I spent time at the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge for spiritual renewal. It's a sacred place where you feel God's love just walking the grounds and stopping to pray and meditate a while.

The other part of the trip made me feel like the Shrine was an oasis in a desert.

I drove through the towns of Lenox and Lee and Pittsfield, Williamstown, North Adams, and Cheshire amid all the beauty of the mountains and the valleys. Coming into each town I could see several church spires rising high above the other buildings making me think of the faith of generations of people who built them. But as I got near, in case after case, what had been a church in the past was now an art museum, or a university building, or just empty and up for sale. One Catholic campus with its church, convent, rectory and school were all being converted into upscale apartments. Elegant Christian churches no longer dedicated to worshiping God – just pretty buildings repurposed for secular goals.

The few churches still functioning had very few services – Catholic parishes with only one or two Masses per weekend. Doors locked. Yet everywhere - lawn signs and banners with political slogans featuring the cause of the day... all secular fads. I passed aging baby boomers in the town square carrying on a protest for this or that cause. But no God, nothing transcendent or spiritual.

I passed a cemetery with beautiful monuments and headstones - a reminder to me that life is very short. All this will pass away and eternity begins. I felt like I was in a spiritual wasteland.

I wondered, could it happen here in Brewster and Patterson? I thought of the churches of Brewster that have closed: Methodist and Presbyterian, and next door to us, the Episcopal Church... and of how casual we Catholics are about our need to worship God and make him the center of our lives. And our neglect of Mass and the sacraments. Without God, all we have left are political slogans...

We can turn it around. But we have to make St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart vibrant parish communities where God is our center and our lives are lived for him rather than the lesser things that pass away.

Bring your children and grandchildren back to worship him every week. The slogans don't cut it.

God bless,

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Fr. Richard Gill







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end your day by asking god's forgiveness

PHILIP KOSLOSKI

This prayer helps you look back at your day to see your faults and resolve to do better tomorrow.

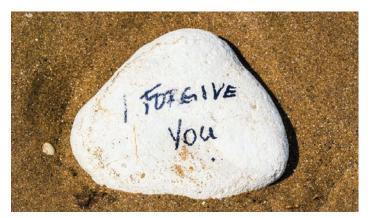
We don't always like to admit it, but we make mistakes on a daily basis. Some of us are clearly aware of them, while others rarely recognize what they did wrong. Whatever the case may be, the key to a successful spiritual life is the ability to admit our mistakes and ask God's forgiveness. One effective way to keep tabs on ourselves is to perform a nightly examination of conscience, where we end our day reflecting on what happened and where we failed. It is a healthy spiritual exercise to do each day and helps us to see where we need to improve.

Here is a brief prayer from the Golden Manual that we can add to our nightly routine as we seek to live a better Christian life.

O God, I firmly believe that you are here present, and perfectly see me, and that you observe all my actions, all my thoughts, and the most secret motions of my heart. Grant me the grace to discover the sins which I have committed this day; and help me to have a true sorrow for them, and a sincere repentance.

O my Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten me, and give me a humble and contrite heart, that I may see wherein I have offended your infinite Majesty. Let us here examine what sins we have committed this day, by thought, word, deed, or omission. [Pause here for a moment to think over the day]

O my God, I detest these and all other sins which I have committed against your divine Majesty. I am extremely sorry that I have offended you. I love you with my whole heart; and firmly purpose, by the help of your grace, never more to offend you. I resolve to avoid the occasions of sin; I will confess my sins, and will endeavor to make satisfaction for them. Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy, and pardon me, a wretched sinner. In the name of your beloved Son Jesus, I humbly beg of you so to wash me with his precious blood, that my sins may be entirely remitted. Let us endeavor, as much as possible, to put ourselves in the dispositions in which we desire to be found at the hour of death. Amen.



until we forgive

MARY LOU HYATT

WHY FORGIVE? This class has really been a experience that has brought peace to my heart and my soul. Deacon Mark and my fellow classmates have been an inspiration to me. I realize that at times we can grow bitter and in the past I have grown away from my beliefs with my negative thoughts about the past.

As others shared their experiences I realized I was not alone in my thoughts and feelings. At times listening to some stories I felt like forgiveness could be easier than I thought. I have gained a more spiritual prayer life as I read *Why Forgive?*

Forgiveness is a gift you give yourself. Why do I say this? I was not treated well by my father as a child. Finally, I went to Father Stephen Wright at Holy Rosary Parish in Shreveport Louisiana for advice. He told me that I should forgive my father so that I could move on with my life. Since my father was deceased he suggested I write him a letter and let him know what he did to hurt me and that I forgive him. I wrote the letter and went to the cemetery on my next trip to North Carolina. I read him the letter and as I left the cemetery that day a weight was lifted from my shoulders.

Forgiveness in marriage is a hard one to handle. I was in a bad marriage for 20 years and I stayed to keep the family together for my children's sake. So the day after my daughter graduated I left for New York. After a couple years he came down with lung cancer. He got better for awhile and then he got to the point where he was in hospice and he didn't have long to live. My daughter called and said, " Daddy has been calling out for you. He says he is sorry and he needs to have your forgiveness to die in peace Momma. Will you talk to him? I said put the phone up to his ear. I said, "Bud I forgive you for what you did to hurt me and I want you to die in peace. A part of my heart will always belong to you." We hung up and 5 minutes later he died. I spoke at his funeral from my heart. We had a child together and a part of my heart will always belong to him for that.

There is a hard law... When an injury is done to us, we can never recover until we forgive." Alan Paton

So let's forgive each other and move forward in life. Thank you Deacon Mark for the gift of your experiences and your time. God Bless you all.



brings me closer to jesus

PATRICK C. FORD



I have been going to adoration every morning with my Dad for three years now, and I am disappointed that I didn't start sooner. Even though I wake up early in the morning and wish I could still be sleeping when I get there, I realize why I woke up and it is worth it.

From when I walk in, I feel the presence of the Blessed Sacrament pour over me. I have a full hour where I can just let go of all my troubles, worries, plans, everything, and give them to the Lord. I feel the weight of them come off me, and it feels so good. Adoration lets me become closer to God, which I should always be striving for. I sit right in front of God in the Body of Christ and let His presence come over me and work within me. Even if I sit there in silence I can still listen to God and He can still work through me even if I don't know it. Just looking upon the Blessed Sacrament gives me a sense of peace and joy. It gives me a time to really worship God, because I take for granted what He gives me.

I wouldn't be writing this, and the Catholic faith wouldn't exist, nor would forgiveness or eternal life exist, if it hadn't been for the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we should deeply thank Him for that. Adoration is the perfect place to do that.

I can always pray or read scripture or pray the rosary at home, but I get a certain feeling when I do it in adoration. I become focused, more engaged, when I am praying in front of God's real presence. The prayers and readings feel like they bring me even closer to God, and when I leave, I have this certain happiness and love that I only feel from adoration.



sacred heart

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

- 8/23 Expectant Moms, Engaged Couples, New Babies
- 8/30 Outdoor Mass at Sacred Heart

FREE donuts and coffee, plus juice packs for kids after the Sunday Masses.

The 2021 Mass Intentions Book for St Lawrence and Sacred Heart will open at 9:00 am on Friday September 11 at the St Lawrence O'Toole rectory. Please limit your Mass Intentions to 6 Masses. Offering is \$20 announced, \$10 unannounced. Kindly wear a mask.





Many parishioners in both parishes have switched over to this easy way to give. It has helped us tremendously in keeping our churches going in spite of the pandemic. Please consider switching over to electronic giving - it's safe, easy, flexible and you don't have to think about it every week. At the same time, you can change and update your giving anytime you want with a few clicks.

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

OUTDOOR MASS Aug 30 at 12pm

On SACRED HEART lawn.

Bring your lawn chairs and a picnic.

RSVP: stlawrenceotoole.org/OutdoorMassPicnic

A special blessing will be given at this Mass to all those making their Communion and Confirmation in September.

Welcome High Me bringing church to you!

Masses and Rosaries will be coming to a neighborhood near you.

Rosaries on Saturday Mornings August 29-Blackberry, September 5-Brewster Heights

Outdoor Mass Sunday Afternoons September 13-Enoch Crosby, September 27-Sycamore, October 4-Starr Ridge Manor, October 11- Fox Lane

Register Here to get location address **stlawrenceotoole.org/NeighborhoodMassRosary**



Leave your mark for the future generations of our parishes



It is important for everyone to have a will in order to insure your assets are directed according to your intentions and that everything is clear when you go back to God. Many people distribute what they have among loved ones and also generously leave a portion of their assets to the parish.

You can leave a gift to build up the future of your parish (St. Lawrence or Sacred Heart) with a bequest in your will. Some people leave a percentage such as 10% of their estate to the church, and others leave a fixed amount.

Previous generations of Catholics built up the church we inherited... leave your legacy for the Catholics to come after us.

Call the rectory to find out more information: 845-279-2021



Plan ahead and have peace of soul when you or your loved ones go home to the Lord.

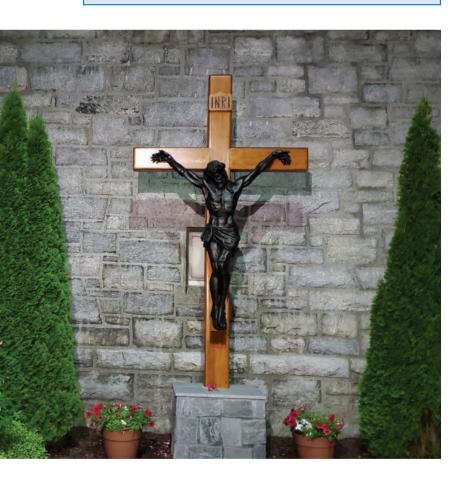
Single and double burial plots available.

St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery 20 Turk Hill Road, Brewster Contact the Cemetery Office at 279-2021 x201

Christ Crucified.

The new Crucifix outside St. Lawrence has been erected as a witness to the love and mercy of Jesus who died for us all. It reminds us of our value in the eyes of God the Father who sent his only Son to die for us, that we might live.

Those who can make a partial contribution to help cover the \$25,000 cost of the sculpture, the woodwork and installation are invited to do so. Please contact Maureen Herbstritt our business manager at 845-279-2021.



parish support st. lawrence parish support

Weekend of August 16		
In Pew Collection		\$ 5,688.00
July WeShare weekly		\$ 6,641.12
	Total	\$ 12,329.12

sacred heart parish support

Weekend of August 16		
In Pew Collection		\$ 1,513.00
July WeShare weekly		563.30
	Total	\$ 2,076.30

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		
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Peter Ryan	Director of Music		
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