



march 14, 2021 fourth sunday in lent

st. lawrence o'toole & sacred heart parishes

Mass schedule

St. Lawrence

Saturday Vigil

5:30, 7:30 pm (Spanish)

Sunday

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm (Spanish)

5:30 pm

Monday-Friday

8:30 am

Wednesday

7:00 pm

Sacred Heart

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm

Sunday

10:30 am

St. Lawrence Cemetery

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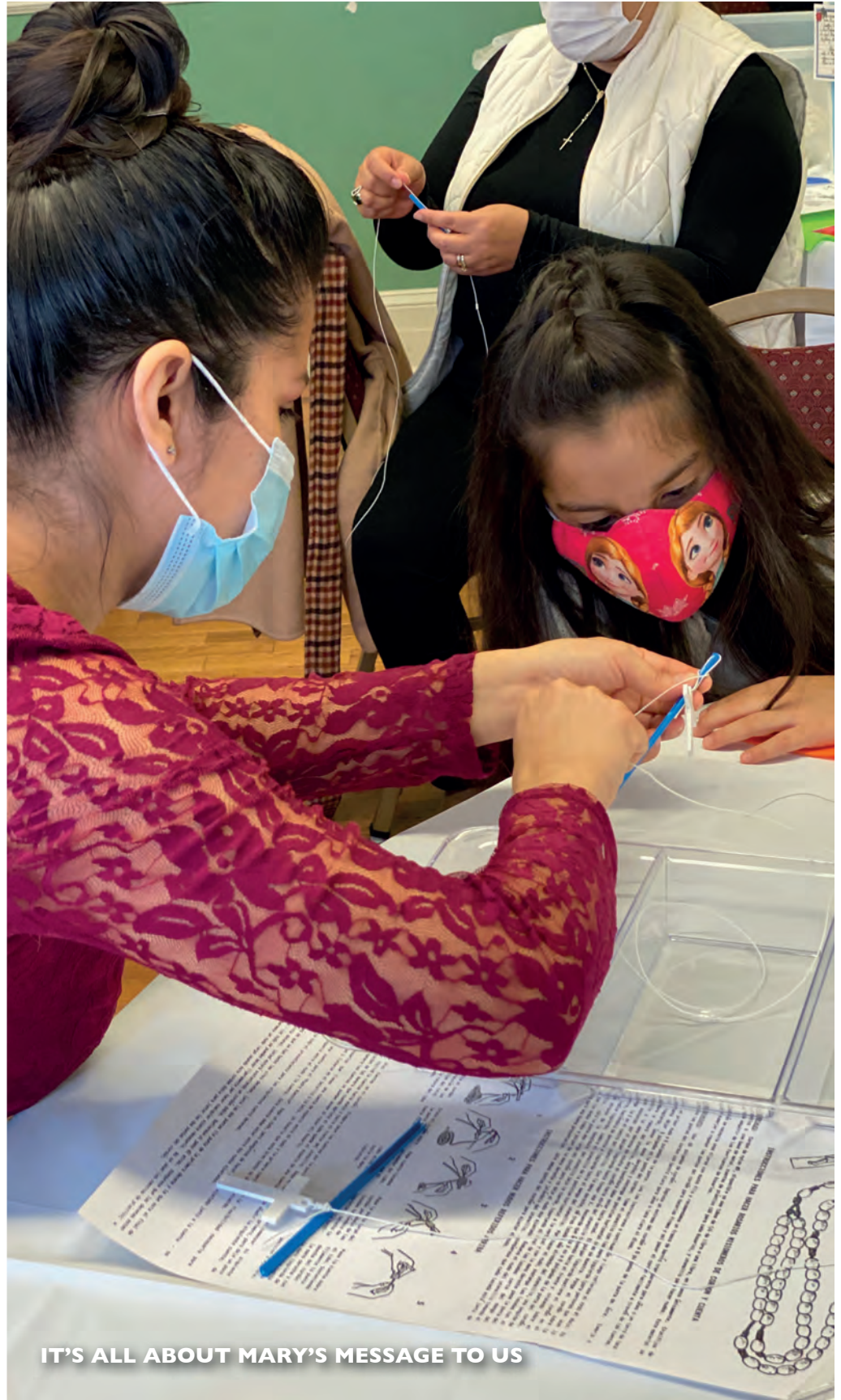
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IT'S ALL ABOUT MARY'S MESSAGE TO US



the
CARDINAL'S
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

Sharing God's Gifts

Commitment Weekend

This is a defining moment for our generation, where we are called to be more, to give more of ourselves out of love for one another.

Prayerfully consider supporting the mission of the Church to make Christ known in the world with a gift to the ***Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal.***
Every gift counts!

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cardinalsappeal.org/donate

St. Lawrence O'Toole

Goal:	\$77,000.00
Average Gift:	\$ 352.00
Total:	\$28,895.00
No. of gifts	82
Percentage of goal	37.5%

Sacred Heart

Goal:	\$11,500.00
Average Gift:	\$ 283.00
Total:	\$ 7,365.00
No. of gifts	26
Percentage of goal	64%

Thanks for continuing to support the Cardinal's Appeal in these hard times. This appeal provides the funds for the Cardinal to support poor parishes around the Archdiocese.



LYNDA HOLLER DIRECTOR OF DISCIPLESHIP

Virtue – Justice: Economic Justice

The virtue of justice has many spokes maintaining its balance and scope. When any of them: social, commutative (reciprocal), or religion are damaged or weakened the entire wheel is compromised.

As we dig deeper, we recognize that commutative justice owns several of the spokes in the wheel. In addition to interpersonal relationships, commutative justice addresses ownership, debt, and borrowing; topics that are prominent in our society today. It bids us, to avoid theft by individuals, but also sellers and manufacturers. Businesses are obliged to avoid defrauding people.

Injustice seems to reign: spam phone calls and emails, false advertising, fine print consumer policies... Those of us in business need to take heed, but all of us, when we find honest retailers, need to reward them with our business. They may not be the cheapest, because they may be paying their employees an honest wage, paying their taxes and paying their suppliers for quality merchandise. Let's enhance God's Kingdom to support businesses that display the virtue of justice and avoid the ones who do not.

Justice requires us to pay our debts and to return borrowed goods in good condition. Our nation's borrowing and debt is so out of control that it is incomprehensible to most of us. Astronomical college loan and credit card debt and inflated mortgages have led to financial instability for millions. Justice is violated on both sides of these financial equations: bankers burdening people with loans they can't repay and people borrowing irresponsibly.

Defrauding persons of their money and belongings can have long-term ramifications on their health and wellbeing. The way to eliminating injustice in business and finance starts with us: by shopping and investing in honest businesses and handling our borrowing and lending with this virtue in mind.

Scripture: Proverbs 24:23-25. What's God saying to you?

Call to Action: Analyze your buying, selling, borrowing, and lending through the lens of Justice and see what changes you should make.



March 14, 2021

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 weeks till Easter – where did Lent go? Well, there's still time to get back to those good resolutions and sacrifices you promised to do.

Let's all remember the **key parts of Lent: prayer, fasting, almsgiving** for the forgiveness of our sins and those of others. We should especially be concerned for those around us who are not in a good place right now with the Lord, and be offering our sacrifices for them too.

First of all, **PRAYER**. Every Monday in Lent at 7:00 pm we have the Seasons of Praise Holy Hour. It's an awesome way to get close to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Tomorrow, the 15th Fr. Tom Berg will be giving the talk at 7:00 pm, so join us. Next week is Fr. Joe Espaillat from St. Anthony of Padua. And remember there is Confession every Monday from 4:00 to 8:30 and every Friday from 4:00 to 7:00.

FASTING: This is a great spiritual practice that has largely been forgotten because the Church has made it largely voluntary and optional. But combined with daily prayer, it is a spiritual practice going back all the way to the Old Testament that purifies the soul and detaches us from our impulses and disordered desires. It can be as simple as skipping one meal a day, or cutting out snacks or going 24 hours. Do it and see the spiritual fruits!

ALMSGIVING: An old word for the practice of sacrificial giving to the poor. Many people drop something in the **poor box** every time they stop into the Church. Others give a gift to **Brewster Cares Homeless Shelter** that houses an average of a dozen local homeless every day. This month we're trying to help our sister parish – **St. Anthony of Padua in the Bronx** fix it's roof with \$14,000. St. Anthony's is in a really poor section of the Bronx and is barely scraping by. They never have money for this kind of repair. We're bringing up families from St. Anthony's on Easter Sunday, and sending them back with food, clothing and support for their local homeless too. We need financial help and volunteers – whatever you can do will be so appreciated.



Roof of the sacristy annex at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Bronx NY

God bless,

Fr. Richard Gill



COMMIT TO AN ACT OF KINDNESS FOR EASTER

This Easter Sunday our parish is hosting St. Anthony of Padua at the 12:30 pm Mass. After Mass there will be a dinner in the Parish Center for those of St. Anthony of Padua.

We need volunteers to serve at the dinner, set up games and Egg Hunt.

We also ask for your generosity if you can help out with a donation. St. Anthony of Padua is also in need of extensive repairs to the roof over their sacristy - right now it is in danger of collapse.

You can give a monetary gift for the roof repairs or an Easter gift for the children of St. Anthony's. Please drop off your donation to the rectory or mail it to 31 Prospect Street, Brewster NY 10509

To volunteer or to give go to:

stlawrenceotoole.org/EasterforStAnthonyOfPadua



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA ROOF:

The sacristy dates back before 1927 and its skylights are deteriorating badly. Tarps are being used to cover them and keep rain and snow from seeping in and damaging the ceiling as has happened several times already.

The roof drains clog up regularly and back up - requiring constant maintenance to prevent more flooding inside the Church as has happened over the years. Each time it floods it requires costly repairs in replastering and repainting. St. Anthony's is looking for a permanent solution and the estimate for full repair is \$14,000. St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart charity fund is committing to cover the cost of these repairs for our sister parish.





the wonder of the rosary-prayers and so much more

PEG SMITH



On March 6, St Lawrence and Sacred Heart launched the Missionary Rosary Ministry with a retreat led by Ania Szurowski. Twenty-three women joined together for prayer, Adoration, food and companionship with a goal to serve. At the heart of this day was Our Lady, Mother Mary. She wants us to come to know her Son through the power of the rosary. Fr. Don Calloway, MIC

in his book *26 Champions of the Rosary* states, ***“We will never be able to say enough about the power and wonder of the blessed beads of Our Lady.”*** He goes on to say that by praying and promoting it, we can be a champion and a hero of the rosary of Our Lady too.

During the introduction Ania and Deacon Mark shared the 15 promises of Our Lady to those who are devoted to pray the rosary. First we had Adoration in the chapel and then said the Sorrowful Mysteries. **Each decade began in a different language, reminding me of the universal world connection to Our Lady’s request to prayer.**

After, we began the process of making rosaries. Some made rosaries for loved ones, others rosaries of red, white and green to fill a request from Lebanon. In answer to a call from Our Lady, Ania, her family and friends have been making hundreds of rosaries and distributing them in our area, the country and the world. Hopefully, we can help support this call.



Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lebanon

The rosary retreat was an opportunity to spend time focused on Our Lady and the mission she gives me on my journey to grow closer to her son Jesus. Each time I pray, not say, the rosary and

meditate on the mysteries, my love for Jesus deepens especially during my time at weekly Adoration. I left feeling a sense of peace and contentment for helping myself and others grow in their love of God.

This ministry will meet the first Saturday of each month to share our desire to fulfill Our Lady’s request to spread devotion to the rosary and live through the life, death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lynda Holler - I found it very moving to say the rosary with people from many nations and hear the prayers in their native languages. It illuminated how people all over the world are dedicated to the Rosary and that every minute of day someone, somewhere is appealing to our Blessed Mother in the same words I do.

Janet Ward - What a beautiful gathering of believers sharing their love for Jesus and Mary and praying together. Enriching to my soul.

Beatrice Jacobsen - I went to this event with my two most faithful friends and learned that there is another prized relationship waiting for me... my relationship with Mary. She has been patiently waiting for me to come to her, to trust her, to honor her. I am truly grateful for having had this experience.

Anna Gabrielli-Testani - I attended the Rosary Retreat last Saturday and it was very rewarding and relaxing! I loved reciting one decade of the Sorrowful Mysteries in Italian. Also, I enjoyed learning how to make rosary beads and interacting with so many parishioners. I am sure Our Blessed Mother loved to see all of us reciting the Rosary together for reparation of sins.

Danielle Thompson - I have always loved the rosary, and it has comforted me from my teens until now... Yesterday, I learned how the rosary helped other people and how we, by making rosaries, can bring comfort to others. I never knew there was a demand for rosaries! It’s a beautiful new ministry that will help people all over the world.

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mary keeps showing up all around the world.

CARA SCHANBACHER & COLIN HOLLER



It's amazing to see how many times Mary has appeared on earth and the impact she left on the communities she visited. It was interesting to see the similarities between all of the apparitions and we look forward to seeing the prophecy that still is yet to come. Hopefully, it will positively impact people all over the world, during our lifetime.

Marian Apparition Expert, Tony Bellizzi, helped us understand the importance of these Marian apparitions and understand the truth and power behind them. It is interesting to understand that Mary doesn't always appear in communities with a majority Catholic population, which speaks to how she wants to spread the word of her Son, and helps turn away any thoughts that might point to these sightings as fake. It was very powerful to hear Tony speak about the statues of Mary that remained intact after devastating events occurred, such as hurricane Katrina. We saw how the land surrounding the statue of Mary was completely torn apart, yet miraculously the statue remained unscathed. Events like these still stand as signs of hope and peace for many people in times of hardship.



Colin has been to Knock, Ireland and Quito, Ecuador and he was able to see the differences these sightings had on the surrounding communities. In Knock, it was a sacred experience and it was evident how much the shrine brought together the community. In Quito, it was different because even the tour guide had never heard of it.



It would be amazing to see other apparition sites because from Tony's examples, it clearly leaves a big impact on the people who visit. In the future we wish to visit more of these shrines and we are excited to see the ways Mary appears in our lives, even if it's less obvious than these apparitions.



pray for

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

Kaitlyn King ◦ Mary McMahon ◦ Joseph P. Massimo ◦ Michael Brady ◦ Betty Lou Lawlor ◦ Maryann & Jackie Civita ◦ Carol Garcia ◦ Laura Faul ◦ John Donovan ◦ Hailey ◦ Bonnie Grant ◦ Andy Morehead ◦ Robert Sarlo ◦ Larry Tobin ◦ Michael Taylor ◦ John Curra ◦ Patrick Joyce ◦ Dawn Sarlo ◦ Amy Laura ◦ Patricia Lichtenberger ◦ Judy Bruen ◦ Henry Joyce ◦ Kayla Pinzur ◦ Clifford Gale ◦ Brian Seibert ◦ Ed Dolan ◦ Baby Noah Martinez ◦ Jodee Koontz ◦ Jason Morales ◦ Illya Beckett ◦ Brianna Martinez ◦ Orlando Serran ◦ Aurora Koontz ◦ Diane LaMoureux ◦ Daniel Lyons ◦ Justin Lyons ◦ Filiberta Gutierrez ◦ Denise Merkel ◦ Jennifer Lipari ◦ Janice Labatte ◦ Donald LaMere ◦ Jackie Pasquale ◦ Addyson Ashley Anello ◦ Roy Delanoy ◦ Alfred Schuster ◦ Ted Rozzi ◦ Marianne Gallacher ◦ Bridget Kenny ◦ Betty Dobbins

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

dedications

The Tabernacle Candle at St. Lawrence is dedicated to Toni Akanewich at the request of Irene Westin

The Blessed Mother Candle at St. Lawrence is dedicated to Kathleen Civetta at the request of friends.

couples celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage

The Catholic Daughters Our Lady of the Lake Court #2585 of Sacred Heart Parish will be honoring couples from Sacred Heart and St. Lawrence O'Toole who have celebrated or will be celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2020 or 2021 at the **4:00 pm Mass on Saturday, June 5th**. To sign up for this event or for more information, please contact Meg Cairney 279-5214.

candy for easter baskets

The Food Pantry will be distributing Easter Baskets to children whose families come to the pantry. If you would like to donate candy, please put it in the Food Pantry Bin located in the rear of the church entrance (across from the Parish Center) by **Sunday, March 28**.

children's stations of the cross activity during lent

On March 26, St. Lawrence will have a **Kids Prayer & Pizza Stations of the Cross** Activity in the Dining Hall. There will be a craft and teaching about the Stations of the Cross so the kids understand the meaning behind each station. After Prayer and Pizza, families can bring home pizza to eat later. **Spanish:** 5:00pm -5:40 pm & **English:** 6:00 pm-6:40 pm

mass intentions

Saturday, March 13

4:00PM *Sacred Heart* Nancy Distefano
5:30PM Quinlan & Dinardi Family
7:30PM Spanish

Sunday, March 14

8:00AM John Murowski
9:30AM Quaranta Family
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Edward Richardson
11:00AM Kathy Civetta
12:30 PM Spanish
5:30PM Claire Hellgoth

Monday, March 15

8:30AM Colleen Murphy

Tuesday, March 16

8:30AM Patrick Martin, Jr.

Wednesday, March 17

8:30AM Marie Harley Oakes
7:00PM Toni Akanewich

Thursday, March 18

8:30AM Duff, Daly, & Kinirons Families

Friday, March 19

8:30AM Anson R. Grover

Saturday, March 20

4:00PM *Sacred Heart* Norman Hamel
5:30PM Durkin Family
7:30PM Spanish

Sunday, March 21

8:00AM Intentions of Carolyn Heagle
9:30AM Giamundo & Paduano Families
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Thomas & Bridget Cairney
11:00AM John "Jack" Gress
12:30 PM Spanish-Maria
5:30PM Magdalena Perez Areas
Patrick Lundy



“Give something, however small,
to the one in need.
For it is not small to one who has nothing.
Neither is it small to God,
if we have given what we could.”

-St. Gregory Nazianzen

LENT

In Lent walk alongside of Jesus to the cross

Fast and abstinence on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Abstinence from meat and penance on Fridays. Every Catholic is obligated to receive Holy Communion yearly between the First Sunday in Lent and Trinity Sunday. Be sure to get to Confession during that time to be worthy to receive Holy Communion

CONFESSIONS:

Mondays 4:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Fridays 4:00 pm -7:00 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS-FRIDAYS

St. Lawrence: 6:15 pm, Spanish 8:15pm

Sacred Heart: 7:30 pm



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**TO WHOM
SHALL WE GO?**



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March 15, March 22,

March 29-RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Confession available from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm



March 15
Hope and the
Reading of Sacred
Scripture

Fr. Tom Berg
Professor of Moral
Theology
Yonkers, NY



March 22
The Holy Spirit and
the Hope to the
Faithful

Fr. Joe Espaillat
Pastor
St. Anthony of
Padua
Bronx, NY



March 29
Hope When all
Seems Lost

Dcn. Mark Shkreli
St. Lawrence
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parish support

st. lawrence parish support

Weekend of March 7	
In Pew Collection	\$ 11,459.00
February WeShare weekly	\$ 5,502.15
Total	\$ 16,961.15

sacred heart parish support

Weekend of March 7	
In Pew Collection	\$ 2,117.00
February WeShare weekly	\$ 472.97
Total	\$ 2,589.97

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.

centennial renovations

February	
Gold Envelopes	\$ 3,341
Other Centennial II Gifts	\$ 2,240
WeShare	\$ 1,037
TOTAL	\$ 6,618

The balance on our loan is now down to \$524,000 from \$3.8 million when we began seven years ago. At this rate, we should have it paid off in 2025!

parish staff

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