

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 Plots and cremation niches are available for purchase. Cemetery office 845-279-2021 x201 call to schedule an appointment.

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Mass for the Feast of the SACRED HEART Friday, June 11 at 7:30 pm

Sacred Heart Chruch Patterson, NY



LYNDA HOLLER DIRECTOR OF DISCIPLESHIP



Mary's Mysteries — Illuminating Our Way

Lately, I have been reflecting on how the 20th Century was filled with the Holy Spirit fruitfully inspiring fresh devotions to help us better understand Jesus' love and mercy. Most of us were born in that century; the timing clearly tells us that we are his target audience.

Consider Mary's apparitions at Fatima in 1917, where she appealed through three shepherd children to tell all people to pray the Rosary and accept suffering for the salvation of souls. Fatima, Portugal is now one of the world's top pilgrimage sites and the Fatima Prayer is recited at the end of each decade of the rosary. st lawrence o'toole sacred heart

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SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 16, 2021 AMBER ROOM, DANBURY, CT

Jesus appeared to St. Faustina numerous times in the 1920-30's instructing her to share his message of Divine Mercy with the world. Presently, the image of Christ, with the red and blue rays in the Divine Mercy painting, the Chaplet, the novena, and the feast day have infiltrated the prayer lives of the faithful for over 80 years.

It isn't clear when the devotion of the rosary began, but for hundreds of years there were three sets of Mysteries on which to meditate: Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious. Then during his reign, Pope St. John Paul II was inspired to add five Luminous Mysteries. This addition prompts us to contemplate how the public life and teachings of Jesus light the way for all people.

Fatima, Divine Mercy, and the Luminous Mysteries do not explain anything that wasn't already revealed through Scripture, but through these new devotions, Jesus clarifies his teachings in a distinct way.

Considering that we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet using rosary beads, it is illuminating to recognize that all of these 20th Century devotions involve the Rosary as our "weapon for these times," according to the saint, Padre Pio. Surely Jesus is revealing it to be our choice weapon for today too.

Scripture: Read John 14:26; ask the Holy Spirit to teach you. **Call to Action**: Our Missionary Rosary Ministry is meeting on June 5 to make rosaries to propagate the devotion. Join us to make a rosary and pray it!

May 30, 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,

Most of us – priests included – don't understand much about the **Most Blessed Trinity**, whose Feast we celebrated today. That's because it is a "mystery of faith", which means it is something we believe because God revealed it, and we can know it to be true, but we are limited in what we can comprehend.

That's not because it is murky, hidden knowledge but because God is infinite and so "awe-some" that comprehending Him is just beyond the reach of human intelligence. We can't figure him out like we do all the things on earth. We can know certain things about God for sure, but understanding him fully is something we will have only when we see Him "face to face." That's heaven.



But what we can perceive now about the mystery of the Trinity is that God is not some isolated, solitary power or force in the universe. He is in communion, in a dynamic relationship as three persons in one God, united eternally in love for each other – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That reveals something profound about us mere humans: since we are made "in his image and likeness", we are made to be in relationships of self-giving love as well. Pope St. John Paul II used to say all the time that we can only discover who we are at our core when we make of ourselves a "sincere gift" to others. Apart from those loving relationships, we remain "a mystery to ourselves".

And isn't it true? Isn't our society and our world gripped by terrible loneliness because of lack of true, committed love?

On another note...

You'll be hearing plenty more about our campaign for the **150th anniversary of our original Church at St. Lawrence from 1871**, starting with our **Great Procession of the Blessed Sacrament** for the **Feast of Corpus Christi June 6** and following that with 40 hours Devotion. The week after that is Sacred Heart Weekend, with **Mass of the Sacred Heart June 11** and **Outdoor Mass & BBQ Sunday, June 13**. Then it's on to the **Golf Outing** and the **Gala Dinner Dance**, and the visit of **Cardinal Dolan October 24**. And plenty of great stuff in between.

We're packing the summer and fall with great events and spiritual formation opportunities for everybody to experience an amazing spiritual renewal this year. We're done with pandemics, and we're moving on! Get on board because we're going to be better than ever!

God bless,

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Fr. Richard Gill

P.S. Keep up your prayers for Cindy Agosta, the 11-year-old girl with brain cancer we baptized and anointed two weeks ago... she's at the hospital in Valhalla receiving her chemotherapy, and mom says this amazing kid is in good spirits.





baptized in the spirit

AVA JOSEPHINE FAGIN

After eight years of religious education, I finally received the sacrament of Confirmation. I have to give credit to all of my teachers now and throughout the years and to my mom because she was a great EDGE teacher. I had learned so much through EDGE including how to act according to the teachings of my faith and why this faith is so important. Overall, I think EDGE helped me improve in my faith a lot!

To receive the sacrament of Confirmation, we had to also complete a service project. For my service project, I helped out at *Kidz Chapel* and *All-Stars* with Miss Barbara. I love kids and loved helping them. I was delighted to be able to work with them. In addition, I had to attend a retreat. I felt the retreat really helped direct me to a more unshakeable faith. I had so much fun playing games, hanging out with my friends, and learning things about my friends and missionaries that I had not known before. The retreat genuinely touched me because I felt more intimate to God, my friends and the missionaries because they were so open and honest and not much older than me. We all really connected!

For my Saint I chose Josephine Butler because she was a warrior for women's rights and women's education. I felt connected to Josephine Butler because the issues she fought for are close to my heart. Because of this, my Saint report was very easy to write.



Ava Fagin on right with her grandmother in the middle and her cousin on the left.

grandma, Carletta, for being the greatest of grandmas. She is always there for me in my faith and life. I really trust my grandma was the right choice as a sponsor. Overall, I had a great confirmation experience, and I hope that next year's class will have a great one too!





to be confirmed because after all of our hard work, I thought I was going to mess it up! To be honest, I only had two words to say, and I totally forgot them. Thank goodness Clara was there to help remind me. Bishop Whalen, who confirmed me, made my experience much easier. He was so kind and funny and really knew how to talk to us. I am appreciative to my

I was incredibly nervous



spring/summer faith formation

LIVING JOY: 9 RULES TO HELP YOU REDISCOVER AND LIVE JOY EVERY DAY TUESDAYS: IN-PERSON & ZOOM June 29 – Aug 31 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

Joy isn't a luxury, it's a necessity. But how do we find joy—and hold onto it—when so much in our life stands in the way? With evidence,

experience, and common sense, Chris Stefanick presents nine rules that will empower you to overcome the obstacles that are keeping you from unspeakable joy. Join us and learn how to claim the joy you were created for!

REGISTER: stlawrenceotoole.org/LivingJoy

CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH: THE WONDERS OF OUR SPIRITUAL FATHER

SUNDAYS: IN-PERSON & ZOOM July 11 – Aug 15 9:30 am – 10:30 am NEW YORK ROOM



In the midst of crisis, confusion, and a world at war with the Church, it's time to come home again to our spiritual father,

St. Joseph. In this richly researched and lovingly presented program of consecration to St. Joseph, Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, brings to life the wonders, the power, and the ceaseless love of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church and the Terror of Demons.

REGISTER: stlawrenceotoole.org/StJoseph

ECHO — OUR CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED-WITH SEMINARIAN JOSEPH UKAJ

WEDNESDAYS: IN-PERSON & ZOOM June 2 – July 14 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM



Having a good foundation in any subject is the first step to falling in love with it. Whether you are new to the Catholic faith or maybe a little rusty on its core teachings, join Seminarian Joe to learn about The Creed: why we exist, why we believe, and how we can fulfill our deepest longings for Christ through his Church.

REGISTER: stlawrenceotoole.org/FaithExplained

FRIDAY MOVIE NIGHTS IN THE GYM

THE CHOSEN: SEASON 2 June 4 – July 23 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM

This innovation video series allows us to come to know Jesus through the eyes of the people



closest to Him. These are thought-provoking segments that lead to great discussions. We are excited to continue this summer with Season 2!

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE

THURSDAYS: IN-PERSON & ZOOM June 17 – August 5 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM In person and Zoom NEW YORK ROOM



Many Catholics want to read the Bible because they know it is God's Word, but they give

up because it seems complicated. Get the "big picture" by learning how fourteen narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. Let Jeff Cavins show you how to read the Bible so you will understand it.

REGISTER: stlawrenceotoole.org/UnlockingBible

WOMEN'S GIFT BOOK DISCUSSION

To Heaven and Back by Mary C. Neal, MD MONDAY

July 19 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm PIETA COURTYARD

Dr. Mary Healy's remarkable spiritual journey after drowning in a kayak accident is a moving story from life to death to

eternal life, and back again. Mary's life has been forever changed by her newfound understanding of her purpose on earth, her awareness of God, her closer relationship with Jesus, and her first-hand experience in heaven. **REGISTER BY 7/14:**

stlawrenceotoole.org/WomensGiftBook



CORPUS CHRISTI JUNE 6 AT 3:45 PM

Meet across from the train station for the procession of the Blessed Sacrament through the Village of Brewster

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Kamiti maximum security prison in Nairobi

Our Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel has openings at the following times MONDAYS 1am, TUESDAY 11 pm, SUNDAYS 10 am, 2 pm, 5 pm

Contact Paul Lavelle at lavelleslot@comcast.net

or

sign up for a hour at stlawrenceotoole.org/Adoration or 914-318-8523

pray for

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

Kaitlyn King • Mary McMahon • Betty Lou Lawlor • Maryann & Jackie Civita • Carol Garcia • Laura Faul • John Donovan • Hailey • Bonnie Grant • Andy Morehead • Michael Taylor • John Curra • Patrick Joyce • Amy Laura • Patricia Lichtenberger • Henry Joyce • Clifford Gale • Brian Seibert • Ed Dolan • Baby Noah Martinez • Jodee Koontz • Jason Morales • Illya Becktold • Brianna Martinez • Orlando Serran • Aurora Koontz • Diane LaMoureux • Daniel Lyons • Justin Lyons • Filiberta Gutierrez • Denise Merkel • Jennifer Lipari • Janice Labatte • Jackie Pasquale • Addyson Ashley Anello • Marianne Gallacher • Bridget Kenny • Betty Dobbins • Garecht/ Pinzur/Sarlo Families • Patricia Willis • Catherine Slootmaker • Demario Creaco • Sally Terlizzi • Barry Newman • Baby Wyatt Bowen • Jerry Davis • Danny Hernandez • Lisa Flynn • Shirley Giglio • Cindy Agosto • Barbara Mc Guire •Vincent Lambino

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

scholarships

The **St. Lawrence Council of the Knights of Columbus** provides a scholarship for a parishioner of St. Lawrence O'Toole. Please do not leave any scholarship submissions at the rectory.

HIGH SCHOOL — A scholarship will be awarded to an 8th grade student entering a Catholic high school or a 9th grade student who is enrolled and continuing at a Catholic high school. The maximum scholarship is \$1,000 per year. **Submission due by May 31, 2021**.Contact John Morgan at john.p.morgan@comcast.net for more information.

25th/50th wedding anniversary mass

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/will be celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in the years 2020 or 2021 at Sacred Heart's **4:00 pm Mass on Saturday, June 5**. To sign up for this event or for more information, please contact Meg Cairney 279-5214.

dedications

The **Pascal Candle** at **St. Lawrence** is dedicated to **Tony & Joan Gasson** at the request of the Marianne Taylor

The **Tabernacle Candle** at **St. Lawrence** is dedicated to **John & Joan Strilowich** at the request of John & Janet Strilowich

The **Blessed Mother Candle** at **St. Lawrence** is dedicated to **Helen, Ernest & Wayne Clark** at the request of Joyce Goetze.

mass intentions

Saturday, May 29

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

Sunday, May 30

8:00AM 9:30AM 10:30AM *Sacred Heart* 11:00AM 12:30 PM 5:30PM

Monday, May 31 8:30AM

Tuesday, June 1 8:30AM

Wednesday, June 2 8:30AM 7:00 PM

Thursday, June 3 8:30AM

Friday, June 4 8:30AM 7:00 PM

Saturday, June 5 4:00PM Sacred Heart

5:30PM 7:30PM

Sunday, June 6

8:00AM 9:30AM 10:30AM *Sacred Heart* 11:00AM 12:30 PM 5:30PM Mary & Dominick Taormina

Maria Jensen

John DelBono

Paddy Killeen

Toni Akanewich

Kay Kealy

Spanish

Sean Tolan

Maria Salas

Spanish

Franco Ruggiero

Fitzgerald & McDivitt Families Judy Bruen

Kasper Todd Kristian

Msgr McCabe Scholarship Fund Sacred Heart of Jesus Society

Couples celebrating 25 & 50 Wedding Anniversaries Martin Curran Spanish

Paul Bruen Francesco LaMorte & Family Mike Brady Maria Gabrielli Spanish Mary & Robert Cleary



JOINT PARISH OUTDOOR MASS COOKOUT

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SAVE THE DATE JUNE 13, 2021 • IPM NO 10:30 AM MASS AT SACRED HEART

BBQ BY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #1495 Blessing of Commemorative Shrine of the Chapel of the Sacred Heart, and the gravesite of Margaret and Spencer Hance.

After blessing and Mass enjoy a Parish BBQ, games and DJ

meet our summer seminarian, joseph ukaj



During the summers, seminarians from St. Joseph Seminary in Yonkers spend ten weeks in parishes to help out and learn the fundamentals of running successful parishes.

Joseph Ukaj, 33 was born in Albania (like Deacon Mark), but his family moved to Croatia when he was five months old, and

spent several years in Germany (he also speaks German), and to Yonkers when he was twelve. He says his family was never very religious and didn't much practice the faith. After high school he started working in a store owned by his family and later in construction and maintenance jobs. But in his early twenties he had a conversion experience connected with the Rosary and started to live his faith in a personal way. He found it liberating and peace-filled. After a year or so, Joseph began to feel God was calling him to more but fought it because the last thing on earth he wanted was to be a priest. But finally, he embraced God's invitation and has felt a great sense of peace ever since.

He enrolled in the seminary and finished college at St. John's University and has spent two years at St. Joseph's in Dunwoodie studying theology. After this summer he will spend a year getting pastoral experience and training in a parish, and then return to finish two more years of study before ordination to the priesthood.

This summer Joseph will be leading an 8 week course (starting June 2) on learning the faith (Echo), and participating in our summer camps, the Lifeteen national training convention, and the Amazing Parish Conference. Most important, he gets to spend time working with all our amazing parishioners here at St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart!

parish support

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Weekend of May 23		
In Pew Collection	\$	8,368.00
April WeShare weekly		6,104.55
	Total \$	14,472.55

sacred heart parish support

Weekend of May 23		
In Pew Collection	\$	1,452.00
April WeShare weekly	\$	512.69
	Total \$	1,964.69

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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parish staff

Rev. Richard Gill	Pastor	
Rev. Thomas Berg	Weekend Associate	
Mark Shkreli	Deacon	
Julie Noce	Pastoral Assistant	
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Lynda Holler	Director of Discipleship	
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Cecilia BritezDirector of Evangeliz	ation and Family Program	
Peter Ryan	Director of Music	
Theresa ScorcaCoo	rd. of Religious Education	
Clara Segreti	Family Program Assistant	
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