



november 7, 2021 the thirty-second sunday in ordinary time

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

Sacred Heart

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm

Sunday

10:30 am

Daily Rosary

9:00 am

St. Lawrence Cemetery

Plots and cremation niches are available for purchase.

Cemetery office 845-279-2021 x201
call to schedule an appointment.

stlawrenceotoole.org

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Coffee & Donuts at Sacred Heart



Are you in need of intercessory prayer and healing prayer? The new **Arise Prayer Ministry** may be for you. A small team of trained parishioners will pray with you for whatever need you have: life struggles, temptations, family problems, grieving lost loved ones, emotional and physical healing, and so on. The team will call upon the Holy Spirit to intercede and bring his grace and light into your life and show you how the power of God changes things for the better.

PRAYER SESSIONS BEGINS

- **Starting November 15 and every third Monday of the month at Seasons of Praise** after priests' talk.
- **November 21, after the 11 am Mass**, and weekly thereafter. Our teams will be available for an hour and will get to as many people as possible.
- **November 23, after the 12 pm Healing Mass**



Healing Mass and Anointing of the Sick
Tuesday, November 23 at 12pm

All are welcomed since anyone may receive healing prayers, both Catholics and non-Catholics, those experiencing physical, emotional, spiritual or psychological illness, or those praying for a loved one.



welcome new members!

TINA PENNACCHIA

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas is the largest organization for Catholic women, with the motto: **Unity and Charity**. At Sacred Heart, Court 2585 continues to grow and we now have forty-three members.

Just recently our court was blessed with three new members: Annette Nielson, Deb Lawlor, and Nina Eckwerth, who have joined our court with their sponsors.

We provide local spirituality, sharing and activity under the support of a vibrant national organization. Members donate to charities, administer scholarship programs and strive to be helping hands whenever there is pain, poverty, sorrow or sickness and we also double the happiness of someone's joy. We enjoy each other's company at monthly meetings on the first Monday of each month. We also work hard for our parishes and community. Please consider joining us.

Contact Melody Salas-Curra at 845-702-8190 or msalas@mccarthyfigar.com





November 7, 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,

150 years old and **BETTER THAN EVER!** It's something to celebrate in grand style because it is a great history.

We're continuing our celebrations for our **150th Anniversary** into January, when Cardinal Dolan will join us on the evening of Saturday, January 15.

But in the meantime, we've got the weekend of **November 13-14** all prepared for **Heritage Weekend**. We'll reproduce our town in 1871 when our Church was founded. Everything from Brewster farm animals at our petting zoo, people in period dress, tours of our parish museum, the Putnam Chorale singing songs of the 1870s, the Southeast Museum director giving us town history, and to top it all off, a pig roast featuring food from the time. Come on out for a great time that weekend celebrating our origins and the pioneer Catholics who got our parish off the ground.

On Monday, November 15, we'll have **Fr. Tom DeSimone** preach at our **Seasons of Praise** Holy Hour.

On **Thanksgiving**, we'll continue our traditions of serving the poor. We'll be helping feed 500 homeless in the South Bronx with **St. Anthony of Padua Parish** and the **Knights of Columbus** and **San Damiano** will serve hundreds of shut-ins in our area.

We'll have an evening on **December 1** to explore how the Catholic Church developed in New York in the 1800s amid immigration from Italy, Poland, and Ireland. We've invited **Fr. Mike Bruno** from St. Joseph's Seminary to teach us how we got to the point where a church would be built in Brewster, NY, in 1871.

On Sunday, **December 19**, we'll host **Fr. Carlos Martins**, who will bring us through the **long tradition of the Church in the veneration of relics** of the saints – a fascinating connection to the lives of those who have lived the faith and won the race in life.

When we learn our history, we learn more about where we came from and how we got here. We learn more about ourselves, and about who God wants us to be. Hope to see you at our anniversary events!

God bless,

Fr. Richard Gill



Packing meals at St. Anthony of Padua on Thanksgiving day.

HERITAGE WEEKEND

NOV 13-14



A Celebration of 150 Years

Saturday, Nov 13 • 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

PETTING ZOO • FUN GAMES • FESTIVE FOOD • PERIOD COSTUMES
TOUR of ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE SACRED ART

Sunday, Nov 14 • 9:00 am - 5:30 pm

EXHIBITS AND ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT DAY in Gym

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE MUSEUM TOURS

BREWSTER'S HISTORY Presented by SOUTHEAST MUSEUM in Gym at 10:00 am

PERIOD SONGS from the PUTNAM CHORALE ENSEMBLE at 3:30 pm

____ PLUS ____

A TRADITIONAL PIG ROAST at 4:30 pm

RSVP at stlawrenceotoole.org/PigRoast



UPCOMING 150th ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

Thursday, Nov 25

**HELPING ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA HELP
THE HOMELESS IN THE SOUTH BRONX**

TO DONATE, GET A LIST OF DONATIONS NEEDED,
REGISTER TO SERVE ON THANKSGIVING DAY

stlawrenceotoole.org/Thanksgiving



Wednesday, Dec 1 • 7:30 pm • DINING HALL

**FR. MICHAEL BRUNO, S.T.D. IS A PROFESSOR OF CHURCH HISTORY
at St. Joseph's Seminary in Dunwoodie.**

Fr. Michael Bruno will give a presentation on "The Church in New York in the 1800s." He will give some fascinating insights on how the Church grew from a single parish in the entire state of New York in 1785. Plus, he will outline the main developments that led to the surge in the Catholic population in the city and northward to our area, culminating in the founding of St. Lawrence O'Toole in 1871.



Sunday, Dec 19 • 2:00 pm • CHURCH/GYM

EXPOSITION OF SACRED RELICS - TREASURES OF THE CHURCH

Presentation by Fr. Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross

Our parish invites you to a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics. There are over 150 relics, some as old as 2,000 years. Among the treasures will be the relics of St. Joseph, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Maria Goretti, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. There will also be a fragment of the Veil that belonged to the Blessed Mother and some of the largest remaining pieces of the Wood of the True Cross in the world.

Saturday, Jan 15 • 5:30 pm • CHURCH/GYM

**150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MASS
with CARDINAL DOLAN**

RECEPTION FOLLOWING MASS





Early automobiles in front of Jacob Schneider's garage, previously Hall's Carriage Factory, on Main Street opposite the Brewster Public Library.

a beam of light

TINA GRANT



Fr. Richard Burns

In May 1899, our Pastor, Fr. Patrick J. Clancy transferred to Immaculate Conception at Port Jervis, NY. **Fr. Richard J. Burns**, the Pastor there, came to St. Lawrence. Fr. Burns, was one of fourteen children, born in Roundout, NY, and ordained at St. Joseph's in Troy, NY. He served St. Lawrence for 13 years.

The local newspaper reported that at the turn of the century, two heavenly lights shined on St. Lawrence – the appointments of Fr. Burns and his successor, Fr. Thomas P. Phelan.

Just as Fr. McKenna tirelessly spearheaded the building of our first wooden church, Fr. Burns began the fundraising efforts for our stone church with the help of the newly formed Knights of Columbus.

Fr. Burns' fundraising events included grand balls, dinner dances with raffles, performances at the Town Hall, and festivals. His fundraising efforts were no small feat. The skilled craftsman and master carpenters earned \$1,200/year. Factory workers and teachers earned \$600/year. Fr. Burns' kindness combined with his interest and dedication to St. Lawrence endeared him to parishioners especially when he rode his carriage throughout the parish community tending to the sick and those in need.

At a Holy Communion celebration, Fr. Burns addressed the young children on the importance of the occasion, "one of the most important but one of the most happy actions of your lives, if well performed." It had not been the practice in the Catholic Church to give

Holy Communion to children, but Pope Pius X (later canonized a saint) was promoting it for children and that all receive Communion frequently. Fr. Burns quickly followed through on this recommendation by the Holy Father.

In the early 1900s, drawn by the reservoirs with scenic beauty and fishing, summer boarders came by train from NYC to our quaint town. In January 1904, Mr. Frank Bennett took a party of friends on a sleigh ride through Brewster followed by supper at the Southeast House on Main Street. How fun it must have been to ride on a horse-drawn sleigh through the quiet snow-covered streets of Brewster under the light of the moon! On April 1, 1904, the first locomotive made a trip from Danbury to Brewster in 45 minutes! The July 4th, 1904, celebration made the front page! On this day, residents played golf and baseball, the Tonetta Club held a clam bake, and Fr. Burns hosted a large reception at the Town Hall. The hilltops of Brewster devoted the evening to a display of lanterns, balloons, and fireworks and one of the residents aroused the village with thirteen shots at sunrise with his six-pound signal gun! WOW!

Fr. Burns led St. Lawrence financially, spiritually, and through tragedies. In 1901, President William McKinley was assassinated. In 1904, the General Slocum (an excursion steamer) caught fire and sank in the East River, killing over 1,000 people.

St. Lawrence parishioners supported Fr. Burns' vision of a stone church. Unfortunately, Fr. Burns would not see his dream come true. He died suddenly in February 1912.

I am so appreciative of the rich history of St. Lawrence and our town. On **November 13 and 14, St. Lawrence will host a Heritage Weekend**. We have been learning about our history, but then we can experience it!

seasons of Praise

7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Holy Hour • Benediction •
Praise & Worship Music

Confession available
from 4:00 pm to 8:30 pm

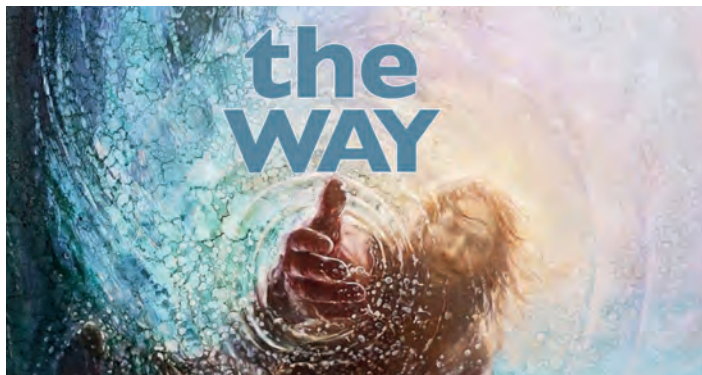
NOV 15

TALK 7 PM



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Remember how surprised you were back in elementary school when you saw your teacher out in society, like in the grocery store or the beauty parlor or at the county fair? Strangely, I still am caught a bit off guard when I see my dentist hanging out at a bar with his friends or my doctor dressed in street clothes interacting with his wife and children. Innocent chance meetings are one thing, but when we see a person behaving poorly in public, it can impact not only their personal image but also that of the community from which we know them.

Recently, I was waiting for service at the local Acme Pharmacy. The pharmacist and assistant were working at a very fast pace

trying to satisfy the ever-growing line of people needing prescriptions and vaccinations. They were very patient and polite, yet some customers were rude and disrespectful. Clearly, they had more work than two people could handle at that time and we know that many businesses are struggling with staffing since the Covid unemployment phenomenon. I saw a woman that I recognized from JFK Elementary school who received a disappointing answer to a request, yet she remained polite and respectful. My impression of her elevated and reciprocally she shined well on her school. In contrast, a man, who showed no regard for how hard the pharmacy staff was working, left an ugly impression on me.

I am sure that those two people were oblivious to the fact that a bystander was forming a perception of them. Everywhere we go, people are watching us too. Our behaviors represent us personally, but we are also a face to the world for Christianity, the Catholic Church, and St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart parishes. Jesus tells us to be kind to our neighbors, but the benefits extend beyond the direct target of our compassion. When we are patient in store lines, smile at strangers, allow cars to merge ahead of us and do a hundred other simple kindnesses each day, we are teaching bystanders what it means to be a disciple of Christ.

Scripture: Read 1 Peter 3:8-12. What words stand out?

Call to Action: Remember, you are an ambassador for Christ. How can you demonstrate it in your world?

pray for

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

Bridget Kenny ◦ Betty Dobbins ◦ Garecht/Pinzur/Sarlo Families ◦ Patricia Willis ◦ Catherine Sloomaker ◦ Demario Creaco ◦ Barry Newman ◦ Jerry Davis ◦ Danny Hernandez ◦ Russell Snyder ◦ Cindy Agosto ◦ Barbara Mc Guire ◦ Vincent Lambino ◦ Michael Tarr ◦ Lettie Friis ◦ JoAnn Montalbano ◦ Joan DiGioia Lucas ◦ Robbi Blacharski ◦ Judy McDermott ◦ John McCabe ◦ Ava DiBenedetto ◦ Noah Martinez ◦ Thomas Consolato ◦ John Taylor ◦ Marie Taylor ◦ Angelica Rivera ◦ Jason Morales ◦ Brianna Martinez ◦ Carole Manley ◦ Michael Taylor ◦ Larry Iazzetti, Sr. ◦ Kevin Valle ◦ Dianne Lamoureux ◦ Kathy Farina ◦ Megan Gersh ◦ Adran Ramirez ◦ Jerry Ranieri ◦ Arlete Turturro ◦ Daniel Lyons ◦ Andy Quinn, Sr. ◦ Rene Phoche ◦ Karen Scott ◦ Thomas Pavia ◦ James McCaughey ◦ Dulio Prado ◦ Matthew Anthony ◦ Francisco Vega ◦ Robert Schacht

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

help needed: thanksgiving meals for homebound



The San Damiano Fraternity of the Secular Franciscans and the St. Lawrence Council #1495 Knights of Columbus will deliver a hot turkey dinner to anyone in Brewster, Carmel, Mahopac, Patterson or Putnam Lake who is ill, homebound or alone on Thanksgiving.

Contributions will buy the food in quantities. Make checks out to SAN DAMIANO FRATERNITY and mail to Kathy DelBono, 40 Highview Terrace, Brewster, NY 10509.

Dinner Referrals come from parishioners, family, friends, neighbors, and social service agencies. Contact Cathy Quaranta at 845-661-6783.

Volunteer: to deliver meals. Contact Cathy Quaranta at 845-661-6783.

congratulations!

A Night Out on the Knights

Winners of our final monthly drawings for the '20-'21 program: **October 1 st prize: Chris Quaranta** (sold by Alan Patrie) **October Runner-Up prize:** Vin Yade (sold by Alan Patrie) **Grand Prize (Mohonk):** Brenda Hamilton (sold by Sean Hamilton) Thank you for your support of our charitable fund raiser.

Purchase tickets for the new '21-'22 program: Tom Radak at 845-279-7934 or any Knight of Columbus.

mass intentions

Saturday, November 6

4:00PM *Sacred Heart* O'Connor & Bowe Families
5:30PM Marty Johnson
7:30PM Spanish

Sunday, November 7

8:00AM Harry McMaster, Sr.
9:30AM Glenn Bisogno & Lucia Stagno
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Edward Richardson
11:00AM Giovanni Malandrucolo
12:30 PM Monserrate Lugo
5:30PM Angelo & Carol Serman

Monday, November 8

8:30AM Intentions of Catholic Daughters
Spiritual Bouquet

Tuesday, November 9

8:30AM Helen Tolan

Wednesday, November 10

8:30AM Emil & Nancy Anderek

Thursday, November 11

8:30AM Intentions of Vincent Lambino

Friday, November 12

8:30AM Souls of St. Lawrence O'Toole
Cemetery

Saturday, November 13

4:00PM *Sacred Heart* Souls in Purgatory
5:30PM Sadie DeStino
7:30PM Spanish

Sunday, November 14

8:00AM Mildred Fusco
9:30AM Thomas King, Sr.
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Bridget & Thomas Cairney
11:00AM Suor Filomena Lamorte & Family
12:30 PM Spanish
5:30PM Myles Tomblin

dedications

St. Lawrence O'Toole

The **Blessed Mother Candle** is dedicated for **John & Mary Kunert** at the request of Calvin, Henry & Lola Strilowich

o'toole seniors

The O'Toole Seniors will meet on Nov. 8 at 1 pm in the Parish Center Dining Hall.





sharing our gifts

We are blessed to have a faithful parish community where we are able to witness the Word of the Lord each week.

Part of the **BEING A STEWARD BEGINS WITH A TITHE** campaign is to encourage stewardship. Let us share the gifts that we are blessed with.

Please consider sacrificially increasing your weekly offering by using the Stewardship '21 envelopes or

Go to stlawrenceotoole.churchgiving.com or sacredheartpattersonny.churchgiving.com to enroll



st lawrence o'toole
sacred heart

what makes a faithful steward?

Jill Foley Turner

Joseph was a confident kid – in fact, maybe too confident. His big dreams and assurance that God would fulfill them led his jealous brothers to sell him into slavery – and to his eventual position in the house of an Egyptian military captain named Potiphar. But because he abided with the Lord, Joseph would steward God's plan to save nations.

Joseph prospered, and everything he managed was blessed. "The Lord was with Joseph" the text says ... four times (Genesis 39)! God's presence and blessing did not go unnoticed. In addition to success, God granted Joseph favor in Potiphar's eyes. So Potiphar made Joseph the steward of everything he had. There was almost nothing Joseph didn't manage for Potiphar. And the blessing from God that Joseph carried extended over the entirety of Potiphar's estate.

The Lord continued to bless Joseph, even in the most unlikely and unpleasant places, and the book of Genesis carefully reminds us that God continued to be with him. Joseph faithfully stewarded every opportunity until he was running the affairs of the most powerful country in the world. It was no mistake that Joseph rose so far. It was God's plan all along. Chapters later, we get a glimpse into Joseph's deep understanding of God's plan for his life, his family, and his nation when he faces his brothers again in Egypt: "God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God."

Joseph's life of faithfulness to God and those he served on earth culminated in an overwhelming show of generosity. In Genesis 45, Joseph was able to lavish forgiveness and mercy and "the best of the land of Egypt" (verse 18) to the same brothers who had be-

trayed him. Trusting the Lord was with him, Joseph stewarded the gifts, opportunities, and assets God gave him with excellence and faithfulness. And he effectively stewarded God's plan to save Israel and Egypt from starvation.

What things might happen among us if we continue to recognize God's presence and remain faithful stewards of what he gives us? Stewards are managers, and good managers seek to please the one they serve. Joseph served Potiphar, and later Pharaoh. But, even when he had command of just about everything he set his eyes on, still he knew who his real Master was.

Like Joseph, we are stewards in this world. None of what we have is our own, not the ability to make wealth (Deuteronomy 8:17-18), not even ourselves, and we are not here on our own business. We are managers and ambassadors of the possessions and affairs of another Person, a King who owns everything. We are here on his business, with a mission to share his character and blessings with the world.

As Christians, we understand something about God's generosity. We imitate it (Ephesians 5:1-2). We trust him, and we know (if we've tried it) that there is a feeling that only sharing what we have can produce. And there's great freedom in trusting him, knowing that our needs will be met when we freely give away the things that weren't ours to keep anyway (Matthew 6:8, 25-33).

Our faithfulness in stewarding what he's given us is evidence of our trust that when he said he would return, he really meant it. But that faithfulness is rooted in our relationship with him. It's rooted in us being "with God" so he can be "with us," just as he was with Joseph.

One day, when the Master returns, we hope to hear his words: "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share in your master's happiness." – Matthew 25:21, 23

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Weekend of October 31

In Pew Collection	\$	7,174.00
September <i>WeShare</i> weekly	\$	7,009.56
Total	\$	14,183.56

sacred heart parish support

Weekend of October 31

In Pew Collection	\$	1,279.00
September <i>WeShare</i> weekly	\$	465.46
Total	\$	1,744.46

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.

MAYBE YOU'RE ONE OF US

parish staff

- Rev. Richard Gill.....Pastor
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