

november 21, 2021 our lord Jesus Christ, king of the universe

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

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Cemetery office 845-279-2021 x201

call to schedule an appointment.

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Heritage Weekend



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 BEGIN

- **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.

st. lawrence o'toole church

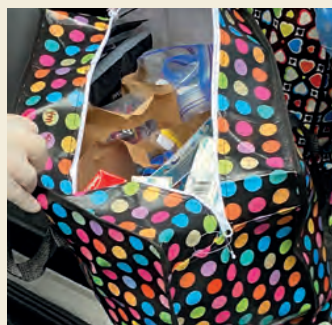
4 ways to give thanks by giving back this thanksgiving

1. Make an urgently needed financial donation to help feed 500 Bronx homeless people.

2. Donate items by placing them in the bin in the Narthex of St. Lawrence O'Toole Church by **Monday, Nov 22 by 12 noon. We are collecting only the following items** for families living in the homeless shelters in the city.

Items needed are:

- dish detergent (no more than 24 ozs)
- laundry detergent (if fluid, no more than 92 ozs)
- soap (if liquid, no more than 13 ozs)
- shampoo (no more than 26 ozs)
- conditioner (no more than 26 ozs)
- toothpaste (no more than 6 ozs)
- disinfectant/household cleaning products (no more than 30 ozs)
- toilet paper
- paper towels
- tissues
- women's hygiene products
- women and mens deodorant
- disposable razors
- shaving cream
- baby diapers (all sizes)
- Advil/Tylenol
- Band-aids
- Tums
- Chapstick



3. Help pack gift bags in the St Lawrence gym: Monday, Nov. 22 at 4:00 pm and Tuesday, Nov. 23 at 10:00 am

We will make up gift bags worth \$100 for each family using these items that are donated. **Gift bags will be transported to the Bronx on Tuesday, Nov. 23 at 5:00 pm**

4. Volunteer to help on Thanksgiving Day at St. Anthony's Parish, Bronx, NY.

- 7:00 am — Meet in the rectory parking lot & carpool to St. Anthony's.
- 8:00 am — Work at St. Anthony's packing meals
- 10:00 am — Mass with St. Anthony parishioners
- 11:00 am — Finish packing food & deliver food to shelter
- 1:00 pm — Return to Brewster

GO TO stlawrenceotoole.org/Thanksgiving

to sign up to volunteer or donate or Text to Give Text -- GIVESLOT or GIVESH to 833-694-0460





November 21, 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,

What an awesome weekend celebration of our **150th Anniversary** last week! We had hundreds of kids, families, parishioners, and visitors come along to see the exhibits of the history of Brewster and our parish. They all enjoyed good fun while thanking God for the great things he has done here at St. Lawrence during this century and a half, since the Catholic faith first arrived to Brewster, New York.

Inside this bulletin, we capture some of the special moments as people learned the history of our parish, and the local and world situation at the time we were founded. We've got a great history, but we keep making it better... **Better than Ever**. We don't just look backward with nostalgia for the "good ole' days", but we press ahead to make the Church bigger, holier, and more present in our society than ever.



So our celebration of our history is far from over. We have some great events coming up:

Wednesday, **December 1 at 7:30 pm. Fr. Mike Bruno, S.T.D.**, who teaches at our seminary in Dunwoodie, is a Church historian. He's coming to give us a fascinating presentation on how the Church in the New York area developed through the 1800s – what was going on in the country (War of 1812, Civil War, etc.) and in the Church (Vatican I, attacks on the pope in Europe, spread of Catholicism in the US through waves of immigration).

Sunday, **December 19, at 2:00 pm. Fr. Carlos Martins, CC** will join us for a presentation on the **Treasures of the Church**. He's bringing hundreds of relics of the saints with him and will explain how veneration of these relics connects us to the history of the Church and especially the great saints of the past who proved to us holiness is the calling of all and is possible to achieve today.

Saturday, **January 15, at 5:30 pm. Cardinal Timothy Dolan** will round out our celebration of the 150th Anniversary with a celebration of Mass and a reception afterward in the gym. Join us to meet our Shepherd in person and hear his encouragement to be **Better than Ever**.

I'm proud to be pastor of two great parishes and grateful for the wonderful staff and volunteers who have made our celebrations of our heritage so powerful and so much fun.

God bless,

Fr. Richard Gill



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a night out on the knights

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Tom Radak at 845-279-7934 or any Knight of Columbus.

lessons of charity, unity & fraternity on nov. 21

The St. Lawrence Council 1495 will be hosting the **Lessons of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity** on Sunday, November 21 following the 5:30 pm Mass. Parishioners are invited to attend as we hold our first public Ceremonial Degrees for members! These Ceremonials have been available to members only until now.

On this night we invite the public to join us. St. Lawrence Council has a long history as the right arm of the parish. We are committed to faithful and unparalleled service to our parish and the Church.

Membership in the order helps Catholic men, their families, and their parishes grow closer to Christ.

If this sounds like something you want to be part of, come see what we are about!

Interested in joining, contact Tom Healy at 845-490-8799, tomhealy57@hotmail.com, or www.kofc.org/join



Thanksgiving Masses at St. Lawrence O'Toole

NOVEMBER 24

Wednesday

7:30 pm

NOVEMBER 25

Thursday

9:00 am

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UPCOMING 150th ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

Thursday, Nov 25

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

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REGISTER TO SERVE ON THANKSGIVING DAY

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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





a nod to our ancestors

TINA GRANT

Our first wooden church was dedicated in 1871. On Heritage Weekend, St. Lawrence captured this era for two days. We were given the wonderful opportunity of experiencing life as our early parishioners once did. Our parish gym was transformed into several learning centers; each depicting an event from years ago.



There was a replica of an altar with Latin prayers. The Latin Mass, also known as the Tridentine Mass, established by Pope Pius V in 1570, featured a highly formal ritual where the priest faces the altar rather than the congregation. In 1963, the Second Vatican Council modernized the Roman Catholic liturgy and allowed more participation and understanding of the Mass by the congregation. Newspaper articles of Brewster from the 1800s

were displayed on a large banner. Another banner outlined the history of the Catholic Church. A video portrayed pictures of Brewster and St. Lawrence during the last 150 years. Visitors tried homemade stew and brown bread, and timely snacks including popcorn, pretzels, and ice cream.

An enclosed tent was set up to replicate the Tilly Foster Mine. Plaster trays were distributed with hammers and mining hats. Kids and adults alike realized how difficult mining was in the 1800s. An alpaca, goat, sheep, pig, ducks, chickens, ferrets, a turtle, and guinea pigs were a big hit at the petting zoo. Maureen Herbstritt and Carrie O'Donnell brought their chickens and ducks for the children to pet and taught them how different chicken and duck eggs were. In one corner of the gym, decked out with corn stalks and hay bales, children learned how to plant seeds. They also played games from the 1800s. Lynn Lamont of Brewster Library read nature stories and led the children in the Turkey Trot and Hokey Pokey. The parish staff, including Fr. Gill, and several parishioners dressed in the attire of the 1800s.

A scavenger hunt had families seeking out symbols and statues all around St. Lawrence's campus. Children and adults were given miniature chalkboards to try their hand at the cursive alphabet, from the past. A handmade quilt laid across the back of a rocking chair and nearby a basket was filled with knitting needles and a wooden spindle used to turn raw wool into yarn. There was even a Bible from the 1800s. Amy Campanaro of Southeast Museum gave a presentation on the history of Brewster as she shared photos from the 1800s - Tilly Foster Mine, Borden Milk Factory, Main Street, Brewster Railroad Station, the first firehouse, Southeast House, Morningthorpe, Stonehenge and more! Ken Clare and Fireman Bill of Brewster Fire Department spoke on fire safety and demonstrated fire equipment from the 19th and 21st century. We discovered how beehives work and evolved from the 1800s and the health benefits of honey from beekeeper Janet Ward. In our stone church, The Putnam Choral performed wonderful melodies such as Beautiful Dreamer, Home Sweet Home, Down in the River to Pray and Eternal Father (Hymn of the Navy) from the 1800s.



After two days of learning, experiencing our past, touring the church, Parish Center, and museum, we gathered together for a traditional pig roast. Fr. Tom Berg said it best at his homily Saturday evening —“We stand on the shoulders of generations before us who went through challenging times. Jesus remained always with us. It is actually remarkable that we have a church where we have worshipped God for 150 years.” It was a beautiful tribute to our early parishioners, our community, and our faith. Kudos to all who put together an embracing and fun Heritage Weekend. We truly are blessed. God Bless St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart on your 150th Anniversary!



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 ◦ Johanna Dew ◦ Tony Greco ◦ Jackie Pasquale ◦ Michael & Luise Lyons

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.

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mass intentions

Saturday, November 20

4:00PM *Sacred Heart* Don Parfitt
5:30PM Ellen & Ted Galgano
7:30PM Spanish

Sunday, November 21

8:00AM Judy Bruen
9:30AM Raymond Pellecchia
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Esther Gasper & Elizabeth Turnyanszki
11:00AM Bianchini & LaMorte Families
12:30 PM Spanish
5:30PM William Bergen

Monday, November 22

8:30AM Joseph & Edna Allen

Tuesday, November 23

8:30AM John DelBono

Wednesday, November 24

8:30AM Katherine Espesito
7:30PM Johnson Family

Thursday, November 25

9:00AM Quinlan & Calise Families

Friday, November 26

8:30AM John Lynch

Saturday, November 27

4:00PM *Sacred Heart* Gladys O'Connor
5:30PM Theresa Howe
7:30PM Spanish

Sunday, November 28

8:00AM Christopher Walsh
9:30AM Mary Welsh
10:30AM *Sacred Heart* Intentions of Judy McDermott
11:00AM Parmenio Sanchez
12:30 PM Spanish
5:30PM John Lynch

dedications

St. Lawrence O'Toole

The **Blessed Mother Candle** is dedicated for **John & Joan Strilowich** at the request of John & Janet Strilowich

Magnificat companions

The Catholic Daughters at St. Lawrence are selling Advent 2021 and Lenten 2022 Magnificat companions after Mass at St. Lawrence on November 20 and 21. The cost is \$5 each or a set for \$8. Contact Donna Iazzetti at diazzetti@gmail.com or 845-803-6367 if you have any questions or would like to place an order.





LYNDA HOLLER
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Last week, I read St. Paul's words to the Corinthians, "Brothers and sisters: you are God's building. . .like a wise master builder I laid a foundation and another is building upon it. But each one must be careful how he builds upon it, for no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ." In my last article, I wrote about my friend's estranged uncles praying for her and her siblings and I saw a connection with this reading.

If we envision each of our individual families as a building, looking back to our grandparents as the foundation, some of us will claim that our footing is solid. That our grandparents were faithful Chris-

tians who taught their children to love, honor, and obey Jesus. Many of those will continue on to explain that their parents used the tools and training handed down to them to stack the next generation squarely on top of the first. Some of us are still following the carefully executed family blueprint today and handing it over to our children, so that our building remains level and square as it grows taller.

Others of us might admit that there has been some poor workmanship in their structure over the last two generations. St. Paul teaches that Jesus Christ must be our foundation, so if we see that our building is a bit cock-eyed, it most probably means that one or more of our key family members didn't build upon Jesus' bedrock.

But our hope lives in the fact that a master builder can always recognize good architecture and restabilize a structure to be comparable to the best. As disciples, we can throw ourselves into renovating our families too. It is never too late. Learning, praying, talking openly about, and modeling our faith can reveal the flaws that are compromising our family's spiritual integrity. As we lay our own stones, let us make the necessary adjustments so that the next generation appreciates quality workmanship and can build expertly and squarely upon Christ.

Scripture: Read 1 Corinthians 3:9-15. What stands out?

Call to Action: Consider how you might solidify your foundation in Jesus Christ to help the generations to come.

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Weekend of November 14

In Pew Collection	\$	7,240.00
October WeShare weekly	\$	6,017.19
Total	\$	13,257.19

sacred heart parish support

Weekend of November 14

In Pew Collection	\$	1,944.00
September WeShare weekly	\$	393.43
Total	\$	2,337.43

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

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