

The Parish of St. Lawrence the Martyr

THE PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Brian J. Ingram, Pastor
Rev. Thomas Pers, Associate Pastor
Deacon Patrick J. La Bella
Rev. Msgr. Thomas D. Candreva,
Weekend Assistant
Mrs. Maria Davidson,
Director of Faith Formation
Mr. Christopher Koch,
Cemetery & Business Manager
Mrs. Lorraine Magyar,
Director of Parish Outreach
Mrs. Diana Palumbo, Parish Secretary
Mrs. Jean Rico,
Assistant Director of Faith Formation
Mrs. Gloria Ryan, Baptism Coordinator
Mrs. Jeanmarie Smith, Pastoral Associate
Mrs. Marie Winn, Director of Music

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Arrangements for preparation and celebration of infant baptism may be made by calling (631) 589-8934, Monday through Thursday.

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements should be made with the church at least six months prior to the wedding celebration. Either the bride or the groom, or one of their families, should be associated with the parish.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Confession)

Celebrated each Saturday in church from 3:45-4:45 P.M., or by appointment with one of the priests.

VISITATION TO THE SICK:

May be arranged through the rectory office for the purpose of Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. For emergency sick calls, phone the rectory at any time.

COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Anointing of the Sick is celebrated communally immediately following the 9:00 A.M. Mass on the first Saturdays of February, June, August, and December.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 19, 2017

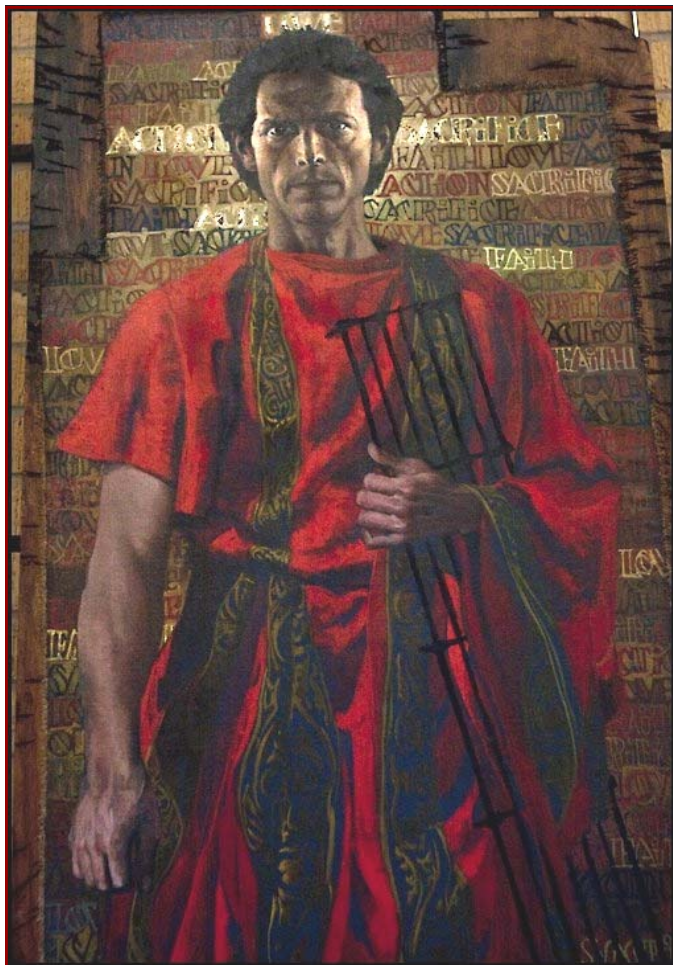


Image of our patron, St. Lawrence the Martyr, reproduced from an original painting in the church by Louis S. Glanzman.

PARISH PHONE NUMBERS

RECTORY	(631) 589-0042
RECTORY FAX	(631) 589-5318
FAITH FORMATION OFFICE	(631) 589-3160
CEMETERY OFFICE	(631) 589-3887
OUTREACH OFFICE	(631) 589-6155

To place an announcement in the bulletin please email:
bulletin@stlawrencesayville.org

240 West Main Street, Sayville, New York 11782

Parish Website: www.stlawrencesayville.org (631) 589-0042 Email us at: office@stlawrencesayville.org

MASS SCHEDULE

The celebration of the Eucharist will be offered in a special way for each of the names or intentions listed below. The donation received for each of these Mass intentions helps support the work of the parish, and our priests who minister at the Lord's altar.

<u>Saturday</u>		<u>February 18, 2017</u>	
9:00	George Gillespie +		
5:00	John Scully + Joyce Walsh + Janice Ross + Thomas P. Coleman(13th Anniversary) + John Gonzalez +		
<u>Sunday</u>		<u>February 19, 2017</u>	
7:30	All Our Parishioners		
9:00	James Jordan Jr. +		
11:00	Geraldine Burriciello +		
<u>Monday</u>		<u>February 20, 2017</u>	
9:00	Amelia D'Angelo +		
<u>Tuesday</u>		<u>February 21, 2017</u>	
<i>Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>			
9:00	Thomas Taylor +		
<u>Wednesday</u>		<u>February 22, 2017</u>	
<i>The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle</i>			
9:00	Linda Lynch +		
<u>Thursday</u>		<u>February 23, 2017</u>	
<i>Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr</i>			
9:00	Mark Christie +		
<u>Friday</u>		<u>February 24, 2017</u>	
9:00	The Intentions of the King Kullen Executives		
<u>Saturday</u>		<u>February 25, 2017</u>	
9:00	George Gillespie +		
5:00	Jodi Belzak Chamier + Joseph Murphy + Joseph Devers + Robert Hoek + The Deceased Members of St. Lawrence Knights Of Columbus		
<u>Sunday</u>		<u>February 26, 2017</u>	
7:30	All Our Parishioners		
9:00	Peter Maione +		
11:00	Jeffrey Driver +		

GENERAL INFORMATION

THE PARISH OFFICE: Open Monday to Friday, from 9:00 A.M. to 12 Noon and 1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.; Saturdays by appointment.

THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE: Open Monday through Thursday, from 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., and Friday by appointment.

PARISH OUTREACH (SOCIAL MINISTRY): Open Monday through Friday, from 10:00 A.M. to 12 Noon; Closed on weekends and holidays.

THE PARISH CEMETERY OFFICE: Open by appointment weekdays from 9:00 A.M. to 12 Noon

SAINT LAWRENCE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. Please call (631) 317-9027 for more information.

SAINT LAWRENCE COLUMBIETTES: Meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Please call Diana (631) 589-0042 for information or email stlcol.pres@gmail.com

PARISH DEVOTIONAL LIFE

THE ROSARY: Prayed in common from Monday through Saturday immediately following the 9:00 A.M. Mass in the church.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Meets in the school on Mondays at 7:30 P.M.


QUEEN OF PEACE ROSARY AND MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Mondays in church 6 to 7:15 P.M.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Come worship the Eucharistic Lord on the First Friday of the month, from 12noon to 3:30 P.M., with the Divine Mercy Chaplet recited at 3:00 P.M.

There is also a holy hour every Wednesday, dedicated to prayer for priests and priestly vocations, from 6 to 7:00 P.M.

MINISTRY OF PRAISE: Members pray at home for the intentions of the Church and parish. Designed for the homebound, senior citizens, etc.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP: An ancient form of prayer that sets aside words and images in favor of sitting silently and receptively in the presence of God. Please contact Mrs. Barbara Shea at (631) 589-5257.

	<p>Stewardship <i>A Way of Life</i></p>	<p><u>Weekly Collections</u></p>
	<p>Sunday, February 12, 2017 _____ \$11,260.00</p>	
<p>Weekly amount budgeted for the current fiscal year: \$13,327.00</p>		

A Message from Father Brian ~

An Episcopal Challenge

During the homily at his Mass of Installation on January 31st, our new diocesan bishop, the Most Reverend John O. Barres, issued a ringing challenge—not only to those who were present in the cathedral that afternoon, but to every practicing Catholic here in the Rockville Centre Diocese. With an inviting smile and an urgency in his voice, Bishop Barres asked that each of us invite a fellow Catholic home. Sometime before March 1st, Ash Wednesday, he urged all of us who value our faith to set our sights (and our hearts) on just *one person*—someone who no longer participates in the life of the Church—and not only pray for them, but muster the courage to invite them to join us around the Lord's altar.

Most of us don't have very far to look. Whether it be a spouse, a sibling, a child or grandchild, a friend, a co-worker, a neighbor—almost any of us can single out *at least* one person we know who has lost touch with the spiritual community into which they were baptized, and no longer comes to church apart from Christmas, Easter, or the occasional wedding or funeral. Most of these good people continue to identify themselves as Catholic, and would be offended if one were to suggest otherwise. But sadly, they no longer believe that what they hold in their heart needs to find outward expression in how/if/when they choose to worship.

Some have made a very conscious choice to forego sharing in the Eucharist, perhaps because they have been wounded, or disappointed, or disillusioned by the Church in some way. Others are convinced (often mistakenly) that they are not welcome because of a marital situation, an issue of sexual orientation, or a disagreement with some aspect of Church teaching. The largest group, however, has simply drifted away; they're not necessarily angry with the Church or convinced they don't belong, but have allowed the endless responsibilities and pressures of contemporary life to make Sunday worship a very low priority. If they had more time, they would join us. But they've convinced themselves they can't afford that luxury when so many other demands are pressing. Or perhaps they have just never looked deeply enough at the Mass to find it anything but dull and repetitive.

Regardless of the circumstances that have led our sisters and brothers away from living their faith from Sunday to Sunday, we have the challenge to pray for them, to

reach out to them if we can, and to invite them *to come home*. If we treasure what we experience around the Lord's altar, should we not be eager to invite those we know and love to share that same blessing? Bishop Barres is calling on us, just as Lent begins, to be evangelists in our own right. What a wonderful way to prepare for the bright joy of Easter . . . by allowing God to use us as his instruments in bringing *just one person* closer to the heart of Christ.

May our brother and patron, St. Lawrence, pray for us. God love you!

Please Pray for the Sick

Bill Beaudry; Kevin Ferrara; Andrew Wittman Jr.; Kathleen Yaccarino; Allison Ruddick; John Zambito; James & Lorraine Mattimore; Bob McGarry; Jean Fallon; Jane Vlokhos; Eric Softye; Judith Cleary; John Susco; Gloria Portman; Rick LaFrance; John Kupres; Ellen Jordan; Catherine Birong; Thomas Macaluso; Michael Schindlar; Robert Southard; Jim Tisdell; Joan Kennedy; Peter Donato; Evelyn Chavez-Escoboer; Josephine Vallone; Christopher Goetz; Raymond Meigel; Margaret Dempsey; Matthew DeGraw; Dan Lumley; Ruth Hill, Bruce Weiler; Hulda Maiforth, Donald Taylor; Jomarie Anderson; Joanna Holik; Peter Hlywa; Mary Jane Ingram; Joseph Pers; Maureen Grainger; Mary Gehler and Howard Grandjean

Please call the Parish Office (631) 589-0042 if you wish to place or remove someone on our list. The request to have a name placed on the list must be made by the sick person himself or herself, or by an immediate family member.

Remembering Our Departed Loved Ones

We lift up our hearts in prayer for our brothers and sisters who have died, in the sure hope that they will see the Lord face to face:

James G. Ostrom
Father Serafino Anthonio Corali

Lenten Evening Eucharist

Wednesday Nights

March 22nd, March 29th and April 5th

7:00PM in the church

March 22nd

Msgr. Chris
Hellar

March 29th

Msgr. John
Rowan

April 5th

Fr. Sean
Gann

Come and bring a friend!


THE 2017 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL: LEARNING MORE

Last weekend, we were happy to announce that, having exceeded our goal for last year's Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA), we've received word from the diocesan office that St. Lawrence will be receiving a rebate in the amount of **\$14,784.13!** That's *very good news*, especially realizing that other hefty projects like the new HVAC system in the church were forcing us to keep "going to the same well."

Next weekend, February 25th and 26th, **we will be hosting a speaker at all the Masses to explain what the Appeal accomplishes in greater detail.** We hope that having a better understanding of how the Appeal works—and precisely whom it benefits—will help us reach and surpass our 2017 goal even more quickly. Many of you have already received a mailing from the Diocese announcing the 2017 CMA, and a more personal letter from Fr. Brian will be arriving shortly. We hope that our CMA kick-off for 2017 will be a robust one, and that we will reach this year's goal with the same generous spirit we've seen over and over in the past.

DO WE STILL USE THOSE ORANGE ENVELOPES?

We certainly do! The orange **Building Fund** envelopes included in your donation packets were first used when the parish was raising money to pay for the Bethany Center. Since then, any gifts that come to the parish in one of those envelopes go into a fund for the continuing upkeep of the church, the Bethany Center, and related projects. Most recently, monies from this fund were used to pay for a new roof directly above the brand new HVAC system in the church (something we certainly want to protect!). The cost was approximately \$5,800. So if you're able to contribute to the ongoing upkeep of our buildings and grounds in this way, please do. Every gift is *greatly* appreciated!



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday, February 28 @ 6:00-8:00PM in the Bethany Center
Please join our parish family as we gather together to observe the tradition of eating pancakes on the night before Ash Wednesday.

Tickets are \$5 each/\$15 for a family of 4.
They will be sold after Mass and at the Rectory office by contacting Diana 631 589-0042


Youth Ministry

Join us
Sunday Nights At 7:00PM

Snacks, games, music, prayer, discussion and
so Much More.....
All youth **sixth** grade and above are welcome!

The youth group of St. Lawrence is looking
for donations of snacks and water bottles.
Any donations can be dropped off at the
rectory. Please keep us in your prayers.

*For more information on participating in our youth
group please call Jeanmarie Smith 589-0042*



YOUTH CHOIR:
It's Not Too Late!

It's not too late to sign up . . . just fill out a gold registration form at the doors of the church, and give it to Marie Winn at the organ, or bring it to the rectory. We're hoping to have a large group, and we'd love to have YOU!

SCHEDULE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

March 1, 2017



**The RCIA Team is
looking to expand!**

We need some enthusiastic energetic team members who are excited about their Catholic faith to help with the RCIA process. The commitment is only a few hours each month, but the reward is helping others develop a lifelong loving relationship with Jesus and a deeper personal understanding of our faith.

No experience is necessary, just a desire to help others on their faith journey. If interested please call (631)589-0042.

It's hard to believe, but Ash Wednesday and the solemn beginning of the Lenten season is upon us! We certainly hope that **all** our parishioners will be able to participate in one of the liturgies of Ash Wednesday, and in so doing make a good start to our annual journey toward Easter. The schedule for Ash Wednesday is as follows:

9:00 A.M. Mass

12:00 Noon Prayer Service

4:00 P.M. Prayer Service

7:00 P.M. Mass

Funeral Pre-Planning

Anyone interested in pre-planning his or her Funeral Mass, or learn about the process, please call the rectory at 589-0042 ext. 24.

Pre-planning will give you and your family peace of mind, knowing that your wishes for a Catholic funeral Mass have been made known to your family and parish.

OUTREACH

St. Lawrence Food Pantry

The Parish Outreach food pantry appreciates any and all donations, but this week we are in special need of the following items:

Grits; Bisquick; Any Kind of cereal; Apple juice; Orange juice; Soup all kinds; Jelly/jam; Coffee; Tea; Toothpaste/ mouth wash; Ensure or Boost

Any gift cards \$5,10, 20, 25
Thank you always with love and peace



**BABY BOTTLE
CAMPAIGN TO BENEFIT
THE LIFE CENTER OF
LONG ISLAND**

REMEMBER TO BRING IN THOSE BABY BOTTLES!

The Life Center is a pregnancy help center that counsels women and men who are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. They provide maternity housing, medical care referrals, cribs, car seats, diapers and ALL other baby items that are needed.

Remember, all it takes is your change in a baby bottle and a heartfelt prayer to make a big, positive difference for all those we serve.

St. Lawrence Parish Raffle Is SOLD OUT

Thank you to all who purchased a ticket.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

The Saint Lawrence Knights of Columbus will provide a community service by hosting a defensive driving course in The Bethany parish center behind St. Lawrence the Martyr Church in Sayville.

Save money on your insurance or remove up to 4 points off your license. Good for three years.

Cost of class is \$35.00 when mailed in or \$40.00 at the door. Price includes coffee/bagel breakfast & Wrap/ Salad Lunch

Class limit is 40

Registration is required by calling 631-317-9027.

Make checks payable to: "St. Lawrence Council #2458"

OUR NEXT CLASS IS:

Saturday March 4th 2017 @ 9:00 A.M.



Transportation Ministry

St. Lawrence Parish Outreach will arrange transportation to local stores and or doctor's appointments for those who need a ride. If you are interested in transportation services, please contact Lorraine Magyar at (631) 589- 6155.