

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. Loren Christie
Parish Secretary
Mrs. Maria Davidson,
Director of Faith Formation
Mr. Christopher Koch,
Cemetery & Business Manager
Mrs. Lorraine Magyar,
Director of Parish Outreach
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 December, February, April and August.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 17, 2017

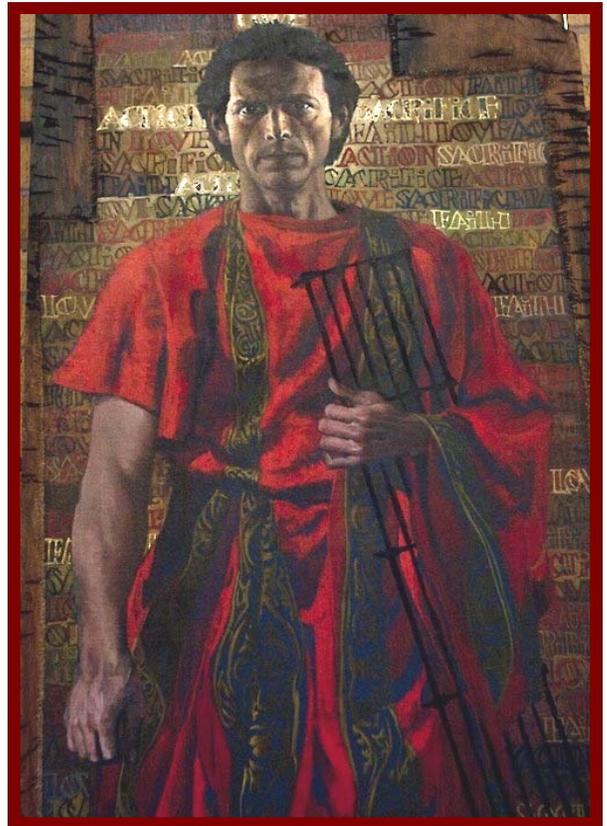


Image of our patron, St. Lawrence the Martyr, reproduced from an original painting in the church by Louis S. Glanzman.

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.

Saturday September 16, 2017

9:00 Vincent Vicidomini +
5:00 Anna Flynn Fitzgerald + Rose Sanguedolce +
 Mildred Wittman + Grace Krampe +
 Joseph J. Fontana + Thomas A. O'Rourke +

Sunday September 17, 2017

7:30 The Deceased Members of Saint Lawrence
 Knights of Columbus
9:00 Claire Jeanne & Thomas Jackson +
11:00 All Our Parishioners

Monday September 18, 2017

9:00 John Greco +

Tuesday September 19, 2017

Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr
9:00 Jean Dayton + Anna Scheider +
 June & Charles Ruiz +

Wednesday September 20, 2017

Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha sang and Companions and Martyrs
9:00 Lucy Martino +

Thursday September 21, 2017

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
9:00 Anne H. Brandt +

Friday September 22, 2017

9:00 Grace Krampe +

Saturday September 23, 2017

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
9:00 John Jordan +
5:00 Gary Barone + Charles Schlener + Lilian Milana
 John W. Hunt Jr. + Robert J. Seyffart +

Sunday September 24, 2017

7:30 Marion & John Cohalan +
9:00 All Our Parishioners
11:00 Jeanne Sullivan +

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. 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 12 noon 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.

Weekly Collections

"How shall I make a return to the Lord, for all the good he has done for me?"

Sunday, September 10, 2017 = \$13,578.00
 (includes Faith Direct)

Amount budgeted for the current fiscal year: \$13,078.00

Catholic University Collection = \$2,191.00

A Message from Father Brian ~

This weekend, the whole of our diocese is celebrating **Catechetical Sunday**. A **catechist** or catechetical aide, is someone charged with handing on the faith that they themselves cherish, teaching not only *what* we believe as Catholics, but *how* that belief can transform the way we live.

With Faith Formation classes just around the corner, we ask that God pour out his blessing on each and every person involved in one of the catechetical ministries of our parish. We naturally think of the parishioner (in some cases still in their teens) standing in the midst of a class of second, or fifth, or eighth graders, with the hope of instilling a deeper knowledge of who Jesus is and how the children can come to know him, heart to heart. I'd have to double-check with Maria Davidson, our Director of Faith Formation, but I believe that our parish has one of the largest numbers of catechists of any parish in the Diocese! We have ample reason to be proud of them, and of the extra-ordinary gift they give to our children each time they begin a lesson.

But catechesis isn't only taking place in the more formal setting of a classroom. It's also happening when a member of our baptismal preparation team visits the home of new parents, to help them prepare for an upcoming christening, and to reassure them that they are most welcome as members of the St. Lawrence community. It happens when married couples from our parish invite engaged couples into their own homes, as part of our In-Home Pre-Cana Program, to help those who have yet to exchange their vows understand more deeply the joys and the challenges of the sacred covenant they're preparing to enter. Catechesis is happening when adults who are not as yet Catholic approach our parish asking to be initiated, and enter into the RCIA process with generous and faith-filled parishioners who are eager to walk that journey with them. Catechesis is happening when a study group meets in the Bethany Center to delve more deeply into some aspect of our faith; when a priest or deacon preaches a homily; when a parade of our youngest parishioners marches out of church to listen to the Gospel during the Children's Liturgy of the Word.

This weekend, let's applaud and thank and pray for all our dedicated catechists, grateful for the tremendously important role they play in instilling the faith in our children and young people, but conscious too that we

are ALL called to teach by word and example what it means to hold Jesus at the center of our lives.

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

PS – Last weekend I enjoyed the opportunity to fill you in on a truly amazing tool we all have at our disposal, 24/7, in the Catholic website called FORMED. St. Lawrence now has a subscription to this treasure trove of presentations, videos, full-length movies, e-books, inspirational seminars and so much more – all of it designed to *catechize* US, to enrich and deepen our understanding of the Catholic faith and our intimacy with Jesus. Get access to this wealth of material by registering on the website, www.FORMED.org. It's free to all our parishioners, and it's waiting for you to enjoy.

Please Pray for the Sick

Michael Schindlar; Steven Michael Keenan; Peter Hlywa; Gina Blenk; Jim & Lorraine Mattimore; Andrew Wittman Jr.; Doreen DeRuiter; Everett Maxwell; Bruce Weiler; Mary Jane Ingram; Kathleen Yaccarino; James Tisdell; Gloria Portman; Suzanne McCarthy and Brian Hunter

Periodically, we intend to update our Sick List in order to keep it as current as possible. Please call the Parish Office if you wish to place someone on our New 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:

Richard A. Crane

SAVE THE DATE



Bishop Barres will be joining us on Sunday, September 24th, to celebrate the 9:00 Mass. All members of our parish are welcome to attend and meet our new Bishop.

Gifts of Love

The **Altar Rose**, which stands to the left of the tabernacle as a reminder of our prayers for the unborn, is donated in memory of

**Anna Flynn Fitzgerald
Bill Zoller**

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn alongside the Tabernacle during the week of **September 17th** in memory of

**Anna Flynn Fitzgerald
from Mimi.**



Please join us as we welcome the newly baptized to our Christian community:

**Dylan Lawrence Betro
Luke Anthony DeLuca
McKenna Ann Flynn
Anna Elizabeth Martocci
Regan Kelly Mullin
Reese Patricia Mullin**

Mark your calendars for our Annual *Taste Of Sayville*

Always a crowd pleaser, the TASTE brings out the very best of our restaurant community! We are so pleased to host this event.

RECRUITING NEW ALTAR SERVERS!

For several weekends now, the bulletin has been inviting boys and girls in the fourth grade and older to think about becoming altar servers. Blue registration forms have been waiting for you to take home. We hope to begin a series of training sessions sometime in October.

Forms can still be found on the tables near the church doors, or at the rectory. If you're interested in signing up, don't waste any time! Complete a form and return it to Father Brian at the rectory as soon as possible. Questions? Call 589-0042 x 18. Thanks!



Last weekend, Fr. Brian announced the beginning of a new program at St. Lawrence.....FORMED, an

incredible online gateway to the best Catholic content, all in one place!

We are asking that you OPEN this wonderful gift of a subscription to FORMED, a gift which has been given to every person in our parish community. All you need to do is register online at www.formed.org with the Parish code NCHP3Y, and begin taking advantage of all the worthwhile videos, talks, study programs, movies, and more available to you at the tap of a finger. You can find videos as short as 15 minutes and movies as long as a full-length feature film.

There certainly is something for everyone!

Suggestion for the week:

After watching the devastation wreaked by two of the worst hurricanes to hit the U.S. in recent history, you may be questioning why there is suffering in the world and would like to learn what our Catholic faith tells us about suffering. There are a few TALKS on FORMED that address that very topic, one in particular is "15 Things to do in the Midst of Suffering" by Jeff Cavins



MINISTERING AS AN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER

WE NEED YOU!! We are always in need of new **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**, and the diocesan training sessions will be beginning soon (the first of several is October 4, 2017). If you feel called to share yourself with our parish in this special way, please call us NOW by contacting Gloria Ryan at 589-8934. All that's required is a love for the Eucharist, and an willingness to let the Lord use you in sharing his precious Body and Blood with your fellow parishioners.

Respect Life Month

The month of October is a special time of prayer, reflection, and activism on behalf of the sacredness of human life, whether born or as yet unborn. As a believing community, we are challenged to see the living face of Christ in each and every person, and to do all we can to reverence the lives around us—particularly those who are most needy, vulnerable, or casually brushed aside. As we move through these special weeks, please be mindful of the following opportunities to lend your prayers, energy, and resources to defending the defenseless and reaching out to those whom our culture rejects or diminishes:

- * The weekend of October 1st, we celebrate **Respect Life Sunday**. The second collection taken up at all the Masses will support our parish's pro-life activities, as well as the diocesan Respect Life Office.
- * On Sunday, October 15th, we are inviting parents who have baptized a child here at St. Lawrence during the past year to join us for the 11:00 A.M. liturgy.
- * The following Saturday, October 21st, we invite you to spend time in adoration before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, beginning after the 5:00 PM Mass and ending with Benediction at 8:30 P.M. The Rosary will be recited shortly after six o'clock, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed in common at 8:00PM—all with the intention of asking God to surround each human life with his grace, and to empower those who give so much to advance the spectrum of life issues. Eucharistic Adoration will also take place, as usual, on the first Friday of the month, October 6th, from 12 noon to 3:30.
- * Early next year, we hope once again to participate in the popular "**Baby Bottle Campaign**" to benefit the work of the Life Center of Long Island.

SERVERS' TIP



It's nice to bow, BUT . . . there are times when it isn't called for. Some of you, when you're carrying the candles for the short procession with the Gospel Book, have gotten into the habit of bowing to the altar when you first step in front of it, and then bowing again after the Gospel as you're headed back to your bench. There's no need to bow at that time.

On the other hand, only a few of you are bowing to the priest when you have just handed him (or Deacon Patrick) the wine or the water, or washed the priest's hands. It IS correct to bow slightly before you turn to walk away from the altar at that time.

Annual Mass for Deceased Children

The 29th Annual Mass for Deceased Children will take place on Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Agnes Cathedral. Please come early to inscribe your child's name in the "Book of Families." All are welcome. Light refreshments and fellowship will follow in the Parish Center. For more information please call Ellen Zafonte at (516) 678-5800 Ext. 506.

The Diocese of Rockville Centre **Golden Wedding Celebration Couples** celebrating 50 years or more will be honored at liturgies on Sunday, October 22, St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa OR Sunday, November 19, Christ the King, Commack. Both Liturgies will begin at 2:30 pm. Couples may register for one liturgy. Registration forms are available at the rectory and must be returned to the Office of Worship by October 9 for the October 22 liturgy & November 6 for the November 19 liturgy. For more info call: 631-589-0042



SAVE THE DATE SAINT LAWRENCE K OF C CHARITABLE GOLF OUTING

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 2ND WEST
SAYVILLE GOLF COURSE**

For your \$150.00 per player donation, you get: 18 holes of golf surrounded by the Great South Bay. Continental breakfast, BBQ lunch on the turn and a three hour prize dinner... Proceeds to support local charities and food banks. CALL 631-317-9027 to reserve your place or for more information.

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 the council @ 631-317-9027. Make checks payable to: "St. Lawrence Council"

OUR NEXT CLASS IS:

Saturday, October 7th, 2017 @ 9:00 A.M

Remembering and Caring for our Senior Priests

Do you ever think about a favorite Pastor or Parish Priest and wonder how they are and where they may be living?

Well, for our Senior Priests who are living at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility in Amityville, life is good and sometimes very busy.



"St. Pius X is an inspiring and friendly place. I am happy to be here. The care and company are excellent and I am with priests who have done wonderful things their whole lives."

Rev. Edward Kealey

Even in retirement our senior priests retain roles as our shepherds, and St. Pius X enables these dedicated men who live there to be fully engaged members of the community. "Still on duty," they serve as our teachers, counselors, and spiritual leaders.

The special collection for retired priests living at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility will take place next weekend October 23rd and 24th.

Please be as generous as possible! Thank You!

www.drvc.org/stpiusx

FAITH FORMATION

Important Information for Parents of First Graders-

If you were unable to register your first grader (or older children) for our Faith Formation Program, you still have time. Please visit the Faith Formation Office to complete the registration and receive important information regarding the First Grade Program. The Office of Faith Formation is open Monday through Friday, 10am to 5pm. You may also call 589-3160 for more information.

Our Enrollment Prayer Service for Parents of First Graders is on Wednesday, September 27 at 7:30pm in the Church. Come join the other parents as we thank God and ask for his grace and blessings as we all work together to prepare our children for First Holy Communion in 2019.

Also, our first MANDATORY First Grade Parent Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 4 at 1pm and 7:30pm in the Bethany Center. Please attend one of these sessions. Your child's textbooks and important information for you will be handed out and discussed at this meeting. Please call 589-3160 for more information.