



St. Lawrence the Martyr Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Lawrence the Martyr Roman Catholic Church is a loving and welcoming community of disciples of Jesus who invite you to join us in becoming disciples of Jesus. We are faithful to prayer, to listening to God's Word, to meeting with Jesus in the sacraments, to building community, and to serving others.

Rev. Nicholas Bozza, Pastor

Street Address: 375 Main Street Chester, NJ 07930

Mailing Address: PO Box 730 Chester, NJ 07930

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Yohan Serrano
Permanent Deacons: William DeVizio, Gregory Szpunar
Trustees: Phil Guidone, Margie Scobell
Parish Secretary: Karen Jaworski
Accountant: Sharon McCann

MASSES:

Saturday: 5 pm
 Sunday: 9 am, 11 am, 12:30 pm (Spanish), 6 pm
 Daily Mass: M-F: 8 am & 9 am. Sat.: 9 am
 Daily Spanish Mass: M, F: 4 pm
 Holy Day Vigil: 7 pm (Spanish)
 Holy Day: 8 am, 4:30 pm, 7 pm
 Healing Mass: 7 pm every 3rd Tues. of month. Rosary at 6:30 pm

BAPTISMS:

Baptism Preparation Class: Please call the Parish Office to schedule.
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SPANISH BAPTISMS:

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MARRIAGES:

Please contact the Priest/Deacon whom you wish to officiate at your wedding one year in advance to arrange for Marriage Preparation Sessions.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Every family moving into the parish is requested to register. If you move to another parish or change your address, please notify the Parish Office.

Coordinators of Religious Education:

Dorothy Kudron (Gr. 1-4), Shannon Rossi (Gr. 5-Confirmation)
 Vimala Justin — Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
 Shannon Rossi — Confirmation
 Shannon Rossi — DRE, Youth Protection/Safe Environment
Music Minister: Joseph P. Tamburro
Youth Minister: Quinn Furnal
Mercy Minister: Cindy Zeis

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN:

CGS (3-6 years): Sunday 9:00 - 10:55 am
Gr. 1-6: Sunday 9:00 - 10:55 am
Gr. 3-7: Sunday 5:00 - 7:00 pm
Gr. 8: Sunday 6:00 - 8:00 pm
 (All class times include Mass. No classes during the summer months.)

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

RCIA: Sundays (September-Easter)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 pm, Monday: 6:30-7:00 pm & on request.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Please call the Parish Office anytime for communion calls or visitation of the sick and elderly. Keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital.

Parish Email: parish@stlchester.org
Parish Web Site: www.stlchester.org
Web Master: Joanne Franklin (908-879-6222)

Parish Ministries and Ministry Facilitators

Welcome	Michael & Lunden Scheller	(973) 908-9719	Haiti Twinning Program	Christine Colannino	(201) 314-9824
Bereavement Resource	Don Martone	(201) 274-9723	Lectors	John Kennington	(908) 872-0575
Good Samaritans	Patsy Soden	(908) 879-3374	Eucharistic Ministers	Loretta Stewart	(973) 222-7492
Armata Bianca	Lorna Phillips	(617) 538-5567	Ushers	Bob Holl	(908) 876-3488
Moms & Tots	Meghan Mahoney	(732) 407-1618	Music Minister	Joe Tamburro	(347) 213-0621
Arimathaea	Arlene McDonald	(973) 229-9697	Spanish Ministry	Louis Villafane	(908) 879-3032
Liturgical Environment	Joanne Carr	(908) 879-5543	Youth Ministry	Quinn Furnal	(908) 879-6714
Women's Cornerstone	Lisette Howell	(973) 975-7343	Altar Servers	Andrew Guido	(973) 479-5898
Men's Cornerstone	Tommy Reynolds	(908) 463-0167	Evangelization	Robert Holl	(908) 876-3488
Pastoral Adv. Board	Jerry Frech	(908) 377-2900	RCIA	Jan Richards	(908) 975-3555
Rosary Society	Marie Holl	(908) 876-3488	Respect Life	Robert Holl	(908) 876-3488
Barn Ministry			Family Mass Social	Marc McFeely	(973) 222-9739
Mary's Moonflowers	Karen Jones	(973) 479-5271	Formation for Apostolates	Connie Wieczorek	(908) 397-5986
			Racial Justice Ministry	Bill DeVizio	(732) 236-3361

Parish Office: 908-879-5371 **Priests' Home:** 908-879-1901 **Religious Ed.:** 908-879-6714 **Youth Minister:** 908-879-6714 **Fax:** 908-879-7701

WE'RE AT THE HALF WAY POINT



Father Nick

As always, thank you for your support!

Clergy: Rev. John (Jack) Klein, Rev. Richard Kilcomons, Rev. Joseph Buffardi, Rev. Joseph Lugo, Rev. George Gothie, Msgr. Edward Puleo, Msgr. Herbert Tillyer, Msgr. William Naughton.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022**

8:00 am - Spec. Int. of Margie Scobell
 4:00 pm - Spanish Mass (Chapel)

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2022

8:00 am - Bill Renzetti
 9:00 am - Ed Wiczorek

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022

8:00 am - Beverly Pickering

THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2022

8:00 am - Ellen Penkol
 9:00 am - Conrad & Anna Spring

FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2022

8:00 am - James Saitta
 4:00 pm - Spanish Mass (Chapel)

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022

9:00 am - Stephen & Olga Farbanish
 5:00 pm - Conchita Owens
 - Michael Wooley
 - Isabella & Joe Zeno
 - Karen Harris

SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022

9:00 am - For the Protection of Unborn & their Families
 - Pasquale Nappi
 - Conchita Owens
 11:00 am - Niels Klingenberg
 - Albina Antoinette Piazza
 12:30 pm - For the People of the Parish
 6:00 pm - For the Souls in Purgatory

**ROAD TO HOPE
SUICIDE AWARENESS WALK**

Saturday, April 9, at 10:30 am
Walk begins and ends at
St. Lawrence Church

Join fellow parishioners and their families as we take a leisurely 2 mile walk through downtown Chester Borough. We will partner with other churches in the area as we seek to show support and raise awareness to help prevent teen suicide. Refreshments will be available. No need to pre-register. Questions? See Deacon Bill, Q Funnald or Shannon Rossi.

**A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE
SUNDAY READINGS**

“And all this is from God, Who has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation... We are ambassadors for Christ... We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.”

We are walking toward the great gift of mercy, the passion, death and resurrection of Christ. But why? Listening to Paul, returning with the younger son, we are in need of our Father's embrace. He is looking for me.

I ask myself, honestly, aren't there areas in my life right now which need to be changed, forgiven and removed? As I stand before the Lord right now, is there not something for which I am ashamed and sorry? The Sacrament of Penance offers me the great opportunity as I really live this Lent.

My mantra for this week: “His great love is without end.”

TITHING IS GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING.

Biblically a tithe means 10%. All are asked to consider tithing and return 10% of our income to the Lord (5% to the parish, 5% to God's other charities) in gratitude.

Tithing Income for March 20, 2022 **\$9,750.00**

Tithing Income for March 21, 2021 **\$_____***

Amount unavailable at time of bulletin printing.

From Father Nick: “I want to applaud you for your generosity and obvious trust in God! That trust in God is a gift from Him.”

A Testimony from a Parishioner of St. Lawrence Church in Chester, NJ: “No one would have anything if it weren't given from God. Tithing is a wonderful way to give thanks to God as well as put 100% trust in Him.”

SUFFERING

*Jesus did not come to do away with suffering
 or remove it.*

He came to fill it with His presence.

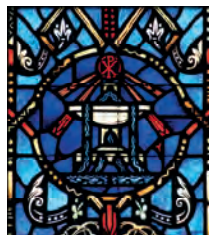
—Paul Claudel

**NEXT HEALING MASS**

April 19, at 7:00 pm

Begins with Rosary at 6:30 pm

Come bring your prayers for healing. All are welcome!

**RECENTLY BAPTIZED**

**May God hold you always in the palm
 of His hand.**

*Elena Caro Graciano, daughter of Yhon
 & Vanessa Caro Graciano of Elizabeth
 Street, Wharton.*

LENT REMINDERS**Confession**

Saturdays at 4 pm. Mondays at 6:30 pm (7 pm at churches throughout Diocese)

Stations of the Cross

In Spanish ... 6:30 pm (Chapel)
 In English ... 7:00 pm (Church)

**ST. LAWRENCE
THE MARTYR**

YOUTH MINISTRY

ANTIOCH 81 Retreat

**Students in grades 10-12 | Save the date:
Friday, April 22nd-Sunday, April 24th**

**High School Youth Ministry Meetings:
Every Tuesday evening 6:30-8:00pm
Youth Ministry Office at the Parish Center**



**Middle School Ministry
Upcoming Project Dates:**




**Friday, April 1st,
Peace Rock Painting
and Easter Egg Prep!**

Spots are filling up fast for

**CATHOLIC HEART
WORKCAMP
JULY 17-22**

**Please contact us via email
(listed below)
to sign-up or get more info**

**Contact Youth Minister, Q Furnald
with any questions or to join the mailing lists:
Cell: (908)797-0170
Email: QFurnald@stlchester.org**



Southwestern Morris County Deanery Presents:

THE VIGIL PROJECT

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LIVE MUSIC. DYNAMIC SPEAKING. EUCHARISTIC ADORATION.

LENT 2022

An extraordinary night of praise and worship!

St. Lawrence the Martyr Church

Sunday, April 3

7:30 pm following the 6 pm Mass

The evening will be conducted by a renowned collective of young Catholic musicians called The Vigil Project.

Our prayer is that our church is called to this wonderful encounter with Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

We hope to see you there!



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