



St. Lawrence the Martyr Church

SUNDAY, JULY 10, 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
Business Manager: Robert Holl

MASSSES:

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
 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.
Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office to schedule.

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: Allison Furnalld
Mercy Minister: Cindy Zeis

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN:

CGS (3-6 years): Saturday 3:30-4:45 pm
Gr. K-1: Sunday 8:50-10:15 am
Gr. 1-6: Sunday 9:00 - 11:15 am **(Inc. 9 am Mass)**
Gr. 3-7: Sunday 4:45 - 7:15 pm **(Inc. 6 pm Mass)**
Gr. 8: Sunday 6:00 - 8:15 pm **(Inc. 6 pm 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
Racial Justice Ministry	Bill DeVizio	(732) 236-3361	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	Allison Furnalld	(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	Discover Gifts/Talents	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 Wiecezorek	(908) 397-5986
Knights of Columbus	Robert Holl	(908) 876-3488			

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST



When I was a freshman in high school, I worked a few years as a caddy at a local country club, Rockaway River Country Club in Denville. Caddies Day was on Mondays and I learned to play golf by playing there with my other friends. With golf, there are things that you need to learn to do if you want to progress in the sport. You check your stance. You check your grip. You check your posture. You learn the distances that you can send the ball with each of the clubs. You learn to do all of these things because even having one of them off can have a negative effect on your game.

The same is true for the Christian life. There are things we must do if we want to live this life well. I will point out two of these today. One concerns Jesus. The true Christian places Jesus at the center of his life. He makes Jesus his teacher and Lord. We try always to do God's will. We seek to please the Lord in all that we do. Seeking to do God's will brings us into proper alignment with the Kingdom of God. Seeking to do God's will brings us into the Kingdom here on earth and prepares for entry into the Kingdom when we die.

Another absolutely essential part of the Christian life is where we place the Eucharist, the Mass, in our lives. The best place to meet with Jesus is in the Eucharist. Jesus feeds and strengthens us for Christian living through the Eucharist. We need Jesus in the Eucharist. We need His nourishment every week, every Sunday. As Christians, we need to give Jesus His proper place and we need regular Sunday Mass if we hope to live this life well!

God bless.

Father Nick

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please help us keep our sick list up to date.

Contact the Parish Office if you know if someone's name should be added or removed. Thank you!

Paula Connolly, Vivian Hart, Sheila Tahmin, Wileminia Harrison, Cecilia Tarazona de Serrano, Jesus Serrano Gil, Michael Horvath, Mary Rinaldo, Mary Boyle, Bernadette Adams, Ann Fox, Tom Lancelotti, Scott Smith, George Economou, Jim Daly, Ernesto Leon, David Franson, Julio Carrera, Daniel Strohm, Aven Moffat, Anthony Joseph, Scott Emory, Debbie & David Conklin, Amelia Castellano, Mimi Urgovitch, Allison Spina, Cathy DarConte, Bob Summers, Lynne Melillo, Dorothy Rose Hitchcock, Dr. Joe Cillo, May Bryne, Carol Holder, Frank Carfaro, Jennifer Goosay, Betty Molchin, Mila Balicki, Edward Cronin, Carol Nappi, Robert Kingsley, Greg English, John Compton, Baby Gianna, Barbara Borelli, Veronica Buttari, Tom Johnson, Ellie Murtagh-Curlo, Victoria Garay, Walter Czajkowski, Daniel Hayden, George Scobell, Ralph Anderson, Patricia Gallo, Michael Leing, Francis Greene, Florence DeMarzo, Ann Marie Albert, JoAnn Buttari, Brenda Reaves, Francine Stodt.

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, Msgr. Raymond Lopatesky, Msgr. John Wehrlen, Rev. Brendan Murray.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**MONDAY, JULY 11, 2022**

8:00 am - Antoinette Gugliemini
 - Joseph Mastracchio
 9:00 am - Stephen Carlson

TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022

8:00 am - Mildred Renzetti
 9:00 am - Jerry Comiskey

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2022

8:00 am - Mabel McEntee
 9:00 am - John Cook

THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022

8:00 am - Suzanne Cape
 9:00 am - JoAnn Bilotta

FRIDAY, JULY 15, 2022

8:00 am - Mildred Schwartz
 9:00 am - Robert Doyle

SATURDAY, JULY 16, 2022

9:00 am - Bruce Werner
 5:00 pm - Spec. int. of Danielle Cherepanya
 - Spec. Int. of Arostegui Family
 - John William Pigott

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022

9:00 am - For the People of the Parish
 - Dorothy Powers
 11:00 am - Conchita Owens
 - Regina Hoban
 12:30 pm - For the Souls in Purgatory
 6:00 pm - Anna Deuel

**NEW TO THE PARISH****We welcome you!**

*Robert & Nicole Foster and their
 children Robert and Alyson of
 Karen Place, Budd Lake.*

PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

“Moses said to the people: ‘If only you would heed the voice of the Lord, your God, and keep His commandments and statutes that are written in the book of the law, when you return to the Lord, your God, with all your heart and all your soul...it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out.’ ”

I wonder if I can list the ten commandments. Do I realize they reflect the two great commands of Jesus to ‘love God above all things and my neighbor as myself?’ Can I discover in them all a single word to make sure I observe them? That word is ‘respect.’

When we fail to put them into practice we weaken our relationship with Jesus, or even sometimes break that relationship completely. We have the great gift of reconciliation to restore the Christ life in us and assist us in our growth in holiness. The sacraments are the force which enable us to grow and resist sin and temptation.

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 July 3, 2022	\$ _____ *
Tithing Income for July 4, 2021	\$8,153.00

**Amount unavailable at time of bulletin printing.*

From Father Nick: “I am very pleased that a number of you have chosen to tithe which is God’s plan for giving. I find it exciting to know that a number of the parishioners will be growing in the gift of faith!”

From a Parishioner of Queenship of Mary Parish in Plainsboro, NJ: “I think tithing is the best thing that happened in our church. I have prayed and I know it is God’s will. It is the right thing to do — give to God first.”

HELP NEEDED

The St. Lawrence Church CYO Basketball Program is looking for an **individual with a black seal boiler license** that is willing to work on Sundays in November, December and January from 11:30-5:30 pm at the Bragg School in Chester. This is **NOT** a volunteer position. Compensation for this position is VERY competitive. Please reach out to Danielle Wehmeyer at 908-361-0724, if interested. St Lawrence Church sponsors 11 CYO basketball teams comprised of over 100 children, primarily from our parish, in grades 3-8.

**NEXT HEALING MASS**

**Tuesday, July 19 at 7:00 pm
 Begins with Rosary at 6:30 pm**

All are welcome!

Come bring your prayers
 for healing.



**NO, I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT TWITTER.
 I LITERALLY WANT YOU TO FOLLOW ME.**

—JESUS

**OUR GOD IS
AN
AWESOME
GOD!**

VBS **2022** **GOD'S LOVE IS MONUMENTAL!**



**Last week, 120 teen
counselors and tiny
campers learned that God
loves us no matter what!**

ST. LAWRENCE YOUTH CELEBRATED THE COMING OF SUMMER WITH AN EXPLORATION OF GOD'S GREATNESS







Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Preschool-Kindergarten Saturdays 3:30pm-4:45pm

CGS is a Montessori-based program designed for preschool and kindergarten aged children in which the religious values of childhood, primarily those values of contemplation and love of God, are predominant. This experience is shared in a place particularly prepared for them called the Atrium. For more information about the program and for availability for registration, please contact our CGS coordinator, **Vimala Justin**, directly at vimwen@gmail.com.



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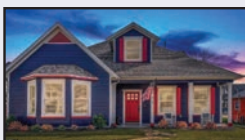
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