



St. Lawrence the Martyr Church

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Lawrence the Martyr Church is to continue to build a loving and welcoming community, to encourage our members to grow in holiness and to bring all people to Jesus.

Rev. Nicholas Bozza, Pastor

Street Address: 375 Main Street Chester, NJ 07930

Mailing Address: PO Box 730 Chester, NJ 07930

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Angel Torres

Permanent Deacons: Bill DeVizio, Greg Szpunar, Dave Galdi

Trustees: Phil Guidone, Margie Scobell

Parish Secretary: Karen Jaworski

Accountant: Sharon McCann

Business Manager: Robert Holl

MASSES:

Saturday: 5 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9 am, 11 am, 12:30 pm (Spanish), 6 pm

Daily Mass: M-F: 8 am & 9 am. Sat.: 9 am Mon.: 7 pm (Spanish)

Holy Day Vigil: 7 pm (Spanish)

Holy Day: 8 am, 9 am, 5:30 pm, 7 pm **(Call office for latest changes.)**

Healing Mass: 7 pm every 3rd Tues. of month. Rosary at 6:30 pm

Healing Mass (Spanish): 7 pm every 4th Mon. of month.

BAPTISMS:

Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office to schedule.

Baptism Preparation Class: Clergy will contact family 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.

Faith Formation/Religious Education:

Sr. Marie Luu — DRE, Youth Protection/Safe Environment

Dorothy Kudron (Gr. K-4), Sr. Marie Luu (Gr. 5–Confirmation)

Vimala Justin — Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Music Minister: Joseph P. Tamburro

Youth Minister: Allison Farnald

Mercy Minister: Cindy Zeis

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN:

Sunday EARLY AM 8:50am-10:15am

Grades K, 1 & 2

Sunday AM 9:00am-11:15am *includes 9am Mass

Grades 1 - 6

Sunday PM 4:45pm-7:15pm *includes 6pm Mass

Grades 2 through YEAR 1 Confirmation

Sunday LATE PM 6:00pm-8:15pm *includes 6pm Mass

YEAR 2 Confirmation and High School Confirmation

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

RCIA: Sundays (September-Easter)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 pm, Monday: 6:30 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

Parish Ministries and Ministry Facilitators

Altar Servers	Fr. Angel Torres	908-879-5371	Mary's Moonflowers	Karen Jones	973-479-5271
Arimathaea	Arlene McDonald	973-229-9697	Men's Cornerstone	Stanley Kudron	973-464-3872
Armata Bianca	Lorna Phillips	617-538-5567	Moms & Tots	Angela Albano	908-365-4007
Barn Ministry	Carla Fuscaldo	973-760-7633	Music Minister	Joe Tamburro	347-213-0621
Discover Gifts/Talents	Robert Holl	908-876-3488	Pastoral Adv. Board	Jerry Frech	908-377-2900
Eileen George Prayer Gr.	Fr. Nick Bozza	908-879-5371	Racial Justice Ministry	Bill DeVizio	732-236-3361
Eucharistic Ministers	Loretta Stewart	973-222-7492	RCIA	Jan Richards	908-975-3555
Family Mass Social	Marc McFeely	973-222-9739	Respect Life	Robert Holl	908-876-3488
Formation for Apostolates	Connie Wiecezorek	908-397-5986	Rosary Society	Marie Holl	908-876-3488
Good Samaritans	Patsy Soden	908-879-3374	Spanish Ministry	Louis Villafane	646-895-2753
Haiti Twinning Program	Christine Colannino	201-314-9824	Ushers	Bob Holl	908-876-3488
Knights of Columbus	Robert Holl	908-876-3488	Welcome	Michael & Lunden Scheller	973-908-9719
Lectors	Brian Curley	908-879-2090	Women's Book Club	Laura Star	254-640-6848
Liturgical Environment	Joanne Carr	908-879-5543	Women's Cornerstone	Lisette Howell	973-975-7343
			Youth Ministry	Allison Farnald	908-879-6714

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



*A Talk and Prayer
Session to Promote
Social/Racial Justice on
Martin Luther King Day*

Monday, January 15

St. Lawrence Parish Center Chapel

Time: 5:00 PM

Speaker: Deacon Frank Owens

Listen as Deacon Frank narrates his lived experience as a Black American growing up in North Carolina during the mid-20th century and shares his vision for the future.

Refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by the St. Lawrence Racial Justice Ministry

The ebony crucifix is from the Santuario Nostra della Guardia (Sanctuary of Our Lady of the Guard) located on Monte Figogna in Ceraneri, Italy, about 12 miles from Genoa.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024**

8:00 am - George Resotka
9:00 am - Rosalia Freihart

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024

8:00 am - Paul Rygiel
9:00 am - Richard Parrish
7:00 pm - Spec. Int. of Justin Steven

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024

8:00 am - Dolores Deegan
9:00 am - Juelann Smith

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024

8:00 am - Anne Murphy
9:00 am - Alfred Galdi

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024

8:00 am - Richard Desiderio
9:00 am - Yoshiko Louison

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024

9:00 am - Mildred Snow
5:00 pm - Joseph Mahoney
- Rose Levato

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024

7:30 am - For the Souls in Purgatory
9:00 am - Joseph Mahoney
- Eleanor Cawley
- Nelson daCosta
11:00 am - Dolly Cillo
- Mila Balicki
- Robert Snow
- Joseph Mahoney
12:30 pm - For the People of the Parish
6:00 pm - Joseph Mahoney

**NEXT HEALING MASS**

Tuesday, January 16 at 7 pm
Begins with Rosary at 6:30 pm

Come bring your prayers
for healing.

YEARLY CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

If you would like a copy of your 2023 contributions to St. Lawrence Church for tax purposes, please contact Karen in the Parish Office at kjaworski@stlchester.org or call 908-879-5371. Please indicate whether you use envelopes or WeShare (online giving).

**ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED**

St. Lawrence Church welcomes all children Grade 3 and older to join our Altar Server Ministry!

There will be a meeting on Friday, February 9 at 5:00 pm in the church.
Please contact Fr. Angel at atorres@stlchester.org if interested.

INSEPARABLE

*Faith and works are like the light and heat to a candle;
they cannot be separated.*

—Anonymous

**MEN'S CORNERSTONE
RETREAT**

April 19 -20, 2024

**Sisters of Christian Charity
in Mendham**

More details to follow.
Questions?

Contact Stanley Kudron: 973-464-3872

**RECENTLY BAPTIZED**

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

*Yerik Uriel Salvador Silva, child of
Jose & Jessica Salvador Silva of
Fairmount Road East, Califon.*

*Eden Rose Caulfield, child of
Christopher & Ashley Caulfield of
Donald Avenue, Newton.*

PARDON QUICKLY

*If you have anything to pardon, pardon quickly.
Slow forgiveness is little better than no forgiveness.*

—Sir Arthur Pinero

Joyful Ever After

Getting the Marriage You Want from the Marriage You Have
With Keynote Speakers Damon and Melanie Owens

February 10
10am-3:30pm

From the beginning, God created marriage to perfect us in life, love, and joy! It was created to transfer His deepest mystery into the visible reality of our world. So, why is marriage so hard? Every stage of married life seems to carry its own challenges to our intimacy, faithfulness, finances, communication, prayer—even our dignity and identity.

We all start our marriage journey with such hope, joy, friendship, and confidence in our future life together. But the everyday weight of life can bring doubt, fear, frustration, and loneliness. We need constant renewal and refreshment in order to get the marriage we want from the marriage we have! This renewal begins first with you individually, then as a couple, and finally in community with other couples.

You can restore your wedding-day joy, and as we are discovering, grow it into something even greater than you can imagine. Let's enrich, strengthen, and encourage each other, learning together how to live joyfully ever after!

For registration, please visit:

<https://insidethewalls.org/marriage-conference>

PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN FOOD PACK PROGRAM

Catholic Charities of Paterson



St. Lawrence Church continues to support the diocesan wide Pre-School Food Pack Program which provides needy pre-school children of the El Mundo Del Nino School in Paterson with a supply of healthy food and snacks and a meal for families. The families appreciate our support.

This year we are asked to provide 100 food packs that will be delivered to Paterson by Friday, February 16.

A typical food pack for each child includes:

2 breakfast items (instant oatmeal pack) [200 needed]

2 lunch items (Chef Boyardee Micro Meal Beefaroni, Kraft Easy Pack Mac & Cheese) [200 needed]

1 milk (Horizon White Milk) [100 needed]

1 Apple and Eve 100% apple juice [100 needed]

1 fruit cup (diced peaches, Mandarin orange segments, apple sauce) [100 needed]

2 snacks (Rice Krispie Treat, soft and chewy granola bars) [200 needed]

1 meal to share with family (16 oz. bag white rice, 5 oz. can tuna, 16 oz. bag dry black beans) [100 rice or beans needed / 100 cans of tuna needed]

Please stick to these items above. The food packs will be assembled by the Good Samaritans on Monday, February 12.

Thursday, February 1 - Sunday, February 11:

Leave donations in Church Hall or bins in front of church.

Shoprite gifts cards are also appreciated.

(Place gift cards in collection basket marked for the food drive.)

As always, thank you for your generous support!



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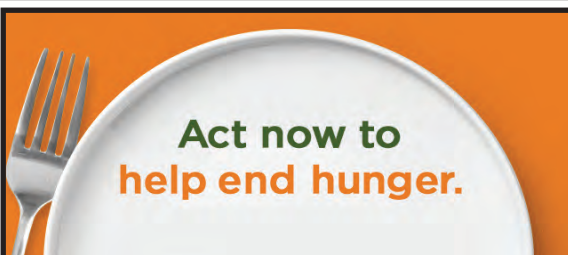
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