

# ST LAWRENCE

APRIL 29, 2018

*Come, Pray, Belong*

## Sunday Reflection

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**“Children, let us love not in  
word or speech but  
in deed and truth.”**

**-1 John 3:18**

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you “walk the talk?” Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it's not too late to start!

# YOUR ESTATE PLAN: the importance of a family discussion!

**There are some seniors out there that do not think their adult children have a need or right to know their private financial affairs.**

At times, adult children do not feel comfortable bringing up those issues with their parents, especially those issues regarding end of life decisions. Nevertheless, with increasing legal complexities and implications surrounding finances, healthcare, estate planning, etc, it is important for adult children to have some idea about what is involved if their parents were unable to handle their own affairs or if they pass away.

**First**, make sure your estate plan is consistent to what you communicate to your children. Conduct an estate plan conference with your heirs to reinforce the values you want to pass on. If you have left part of the church in your estate, let your heirs know why it was included.

**Second**, even though your children do not need to know the size of your estate or the amount of money left to them, they should know the reasoning behind the decisions so they are not left guessing as to why you made certain choices. If you left the Church in your estate plans, help them to understand why these gifts are important to you.

**Third**, it is important to let your heirs know who is named to be in charge of settling your estate at the time of your death. To avoid any unwanted tension among your heirs, it is extremely helpful to explain to them why you appointed the executor you did.

**Fourth**, it is also important to let your heirs know who is named as your power of attorney in both property and healthcare. This person or people would take care of your affairs while you are still alive, and while you are unable to handle those affairs yourself. Again, it is important to explain to them why you appointed your power of attorney.

**Fifth**, your heirs should know the intricacies of your estate. Is there an asset that may need to be handled a certain way? Your heirs need to know how to properly handle those assets to maximize their value. With that in mind, you should review your estate to avoid any unnecessary taxes. Your estate plan should be structured to eliminate certain taxes due upon death.

## **What are the benefits of Planned Giving?**

Planned Giving is thoughtful preparation for charitable giving to the Church while impacting future interests. A few benefits are:

- ✓ **Contributing to the Church from your assets without using discretionary income**
- ✓ **Making contributions over a lifetime to the Church, which increases the impact, the mission and ministries of the church**
- ✓ **Enabling those of modest wealth to be able to donate to the Church, which will also impact the mission and ministries of the Church**
- ✓ **Making available many options to donate to the Church that will provide income to the donor and/or beneficiary.**

## **ESTATE PLAN CHECK-LIST**

- Do you have a will?
- Are you comfortable with executors selected in your will?
- Do you have a living will?
- Do you know the date your will was last reviewed?
- Have you named a power of attorney for your property? For your healthcare?
- Have you informed your family?

## **PLANNED GIVING VEHICLES**

- Cash
- Property, including homes
- Wills and bequests
- Charitable gift annuities
- Deferred payment gift
- Retirement Plans
- Charitable remainder unitrusts
- Charitable remainder annuity trusts
- Annuities
- Charitable Lead Trusts
- Life Insurance Gifts



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**St Lawrence**

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## Announcements

**OPEN HOUSE AT SAINT PETER'S PREP** Saint Peter's Preparatory School will hold its Spring Open House on Sunday, May 6 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at the school's campus in historic downtown Jersey City. Faculty and staff as well as coaches, students and parents, will be present to answer questions about the school, and tours of the campus will be provided. Founded in 1872, Saint Peter's Prep is an independent, college preparatory school for boys and it remains New Jersey's only Jesuit high school. **For more information on the Spring Open House, please call 201-547-6389.**

**LITURGY FOR PARENTS WHOSE CHILD HAS DIED** The 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Liturgy for Parents Whose Child Has Died will be held on Friday, May 11, 2018 at 7:30 PM at Notre Dame RC Church, 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell, NJ. All parents who have suffered the death of a child of any age are invited to attend with their families and friends. The mass includes a personal witness and the reading of each child's name. **Pre-registration is requested by contacting Lauren Egan at 973-497-4327 or Lauren.Egan@rcan.org.**

**SINGLE PARENT SUCCESS** The Archdiocese of Newark's Family Life Office is sponsoring a special event to honor single parents on Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at 6:45pm to 8:30pm at Notre Dame RC Church, 359 Central Ave, N. Caldwell, NJ 07006. If single parenting leaves you feeling overwhelmed or inadequate some days, or overlooked in terms of your needs, join Loyla Louvis from Mothers in Training, LLC. for an insightful look at 5 strategies every single parent should know. Loyla Louvis is a parenting coach, a mentor, a public speaker, and last but not least, a mother and wife. If you are a single parent, were raised by a single parent, a grandparent raising children or have ever been a single parent you are welcome to come! Babysitting and food provided. Free of charge! **Must RSVP: <https://www.smores.com/dnqb9> or email Lauren.Egan@rcan.org**



*The coffee social will be going on hiatus for the summer starting Memorial Day weekend. The last coffee social will be on Sunday May 20<sup>th</sup>. The Coffee Social will resume in September at a yet to be announced date.*

**May 10**  
at  
**7:00 pm**



**Confirmation Mass**  
with Celebrant Bishop John W. Flesey  
at Saint Lawrence



**Caretaker needed for elderly woman.** 4-5 hours per day. This is a paid position. Please contact the parish office and speak with Elizabeth for more information. (p) 201.863.6464

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURY

WEEKLY BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$5,367	BUDGETED YEAR TO DATE 4/15/18	\$225,408
COLLECTED AMOUNT 4/15/18	\$5,729	COLLECTED YEAR TO DATE 4/15/18	\$185,190
*INCLUDES E-GIVING			
<b>DEFICIT (\$40,219)</b>			

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# Parish info

## CONTACT DETAILS

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### ADMINISTRATOR

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### SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR

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## PARISH SCHEDULE

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8 AM (no music) • 10:30 AM • 12 PM

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 3 PM - 8 PM  
Tuesday • Wednesday 9 AM - 3 PM  
Thursday 9 AM - 10:30 AM  
Friday • Saturday • Sunday Closed

### CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Tuesday • Wednesday 9 AM - 3 PM  
Thursday 9 AM - 10:30 AM  
Sunday 8 AM - 1 PM  
Monday • Friday • Saturday Closed

*The Weekday Mass also serves as Funeral Mass as needed. No Daily Mass on Mondays, Fridays or Saturdays unless a funeral is requested.*

### DAILY MASS

Tuesday ▶ Thursday Mass 9:30 AM

### Other Daily Masses available in the Deanery:

St Ann	Monday ▶ Friday	7 AM
St Francis	Monday ▶ Friday	8 AM
St Peter & Paul	Tuesday ▶ Friday	12:10 PM
OLG	Monday ▶ Friday	12:30 PM
OLG	Monday ▶ Thursday	7 PM

### ST JUDE PRAYER After the Sunday noon Mass

### This Week's Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, April 29

8:00 am † Roseanne & Francis Andreula  
10:30 am † Murial Rose Wittmann  
12:00 pm † Elizabeth Cosentino  
20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Death

#### Tuesday, May 1

9:30 am † Anne Fredericks

#### Wednesday, May 2

9:30 am † Michael McNamara

#### Thursday, May 3

9:30 am † Ronald McNamara

#### Sunday, May 6

8:00 am † George Edwards  
10:30 am † Katherine Poggi  
12:00 pm † Michael Dunlea