

ST LAWRENCE

SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

Sunday Reflection

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

*"Be doers of the word
and not hearers only..."*
-James 1:22

It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship. The hard part is living it! What do you do to live God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions are available for future Masses. Parishioners can check the **2018 Parish Calendar** for the availability of a Mass Intention before calling the office.

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You can check the availability of Mass Intentions on our website.

Simply go to the **2018 Parish Calendar** and click on a particular Mass time. It will display if there is an Intention set or not.

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The Catholic Community of
St Lawrence

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Several weeks ago I had announced that after the Labor Day holiday, we would be adding two Masses on Saturday - a 9:30am Mass and a 6pm Mass of anticipation for Sunday, also known as a "Vigil" Mass. These two additions will take effect come Saturday, September 8.

It is my hope that your Mass-going options will increase all the more here at St. Lawrence in an effort to better accommodate your schedules. Because money is tight at the moment, this newly added 6pm Saturday Mass will be a "quiet" Mass in much the same way that our Sunday 8am Mass is celebrated (in other words, there will be no music). While I understand that a weekend Mass is never the same without musical accompaniment, our financial situation simply does not give us the luxury of providing music at this time. Should our collections go up however, I think that it would be nice to offer music in the future. All the same, our Sunday 8am Mass (which is quiet) remains rather popular because in this day and age, people enjoy fulfilling their Sunday obligation and then going off to enjoy a nice breakfast. It is my understanding that this has been a tradition here at St. Lawrence and I wish to respect that tradition. If, on the other hand, you feel strongly about having music at the 6pm Saturday Mass, then I would absolutely encourage those of you out there who are musically inclined to consider volunteering your services and talents as pianists, cantors, guitarists, etc. I believe that we would do well to assess the status of this newly added evening Mass in the future based on attendance and public opinion.

All the same, I remain happy to offer this Saturday evening Mass and I look forward to seeing you there and (please God) seeing an increase in overall Mass attendance! May the Good Lord continue to strengthen your faith and your ongoing support of St. Lawrence Church!

Love,

Fr. Eric

WEEK of SEPTEMBER 2 - SEPTEMBER 9, 2018



Sanctuary Candle in Memory of **Lorraine J. Napolione**
Requested by **Lisa A. Napolione**



Altar Bread and Wine in Memory of **Louis Bilka**
Requested by **Patricia Bilka**

FALL FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

ADULTS - \$15 SENIORS - \$10 (62 YRS. & UP)

AGES 4 TO 20 - \$5 AGES 3 & UNDER - FREE

BUY TICKETS EARLY - \$5 more on Sept. 16th

Please join us - Rain or Shine!

**NEXT
FALL
FESTIVAL
MEETING**

**Sept 7th
at 6:30 pm
in Parish Hall**

**Volunteers will be selling Fall Festival tickets after ALL Masses (Main door)
... and in the Parish Center - Mon. to Thurs. 9 am - 12:30 pm**

OUR NEW MASS SCHEDULE

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 8

SATURDAY

- ◀ 9:30 AM MASS
- ◀ 6:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY

- ◀ 8:00 AM MASS
- ◀ 10:30 AM MASS
- ◀ 12:00 PM MASS

In Support of Victims of Sexual Abuse in the Church

Save the Date - Evening of Penance and Prayer:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2018

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, at 7:30pm in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark.

The Cardinal has announced and is inviting all the Faithful of the Archdiocese of Newark to an Evening of Penance and Prayer at our Cathedral Basilica in Newark. The gathering for Prayer is in reparation for and healing of all those impacted by the abuse crisis, particularly the victims, and all of us that make up the Body of Christ. The Cardinal is asking that participation in this Evening for all the Priests and all the Faithful of the Archdiocese take precedence over all other pastoral activities in the Archdiocese, and is encouraging all to make it a Day of Fast and Abstinence.

Please make note of the gathering and, if at all possible, plan to join in this Day of Prayer and Fasting for the benefit of all victims, their families, and everyone affected by these evils among us. God Bless you.



Coffee Socials will begin on **September 23rd** after the 10:30 am and 12 noon Masses!



Be sure to check out our Parish Facebook page for all the latest news and happenings!

St Lawrence RC Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SURVIVING DIVORCE: A 3 DAY RETREAT The Archdiocese of Newark's Family Life Office is sponsoring a three day retreat for the separated and divorced. Each day features DVD sessions that cover topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness and much more. The itinerary includes video presentations and small group discussions. Participants will hear personal testimonies of Catholic men and women who have experienced the breakdown of their families who witness to the healing power of Christ in their lives. Whether someone is recently divorced or not, this program offers valuable insight & support. Each session run from 9am to 1pm and will cover different topics & discussions. Babysitting will be provided on site. **The cost of all three days of the retreat is \$20.00 and includes the cost of a personal guide book, refreshments & light lunch. To register, click the link: www.smores.com/4bog3 and enter in your name and email.**

Dates: Sat., Oct. 27, 2018; Sat., Nov. 17, 2018; Sat., Dec. 1, 2018

Time: 9 am to 1 pm **Location:** Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament
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PARISH SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 9:30 AM • 6 PM
Sunday 8 AM (no music) • 10:30 AM • 12 PM

DAILY MASS

Tuesday ▶ Thursday **Mass 9:30 AM**

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

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	7PM

ST JUDE PRAYER After the Sunday noon Mass

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 2

8:00 am † George Edwards
10:30 am † Diana Cavezza
12:00 pm † Nicholas and Teresa Medici

Tuesday, September 4

9:30 am † Donald and Eileen Gould

Wednesday, September 5

9:30 am † Intention of Priest

Thursday, September 6

9:30 am † Intention of Priest

Saturday, September 8

9:30 am † Intention of Priest
6:00 pm † Elenor Drasheff

Sunday, September 9

8:00 am † Nora and Harold Divine
10:30 am † Caloni Family
12:00 pm † Mike Pyne, Sr.

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