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## MUSINGS

*By Father Lee Chase*

### CMA

As I said last week, the CMA 2025/2026 campaign has begun. Please look for your letter or go online to [dor.org](http://dor.org) and you'll find the link to give. I am confident that we will more than make our goal this year! More about this in the coming weeks.

### Advent Giving Tree Envelope

For those who receive envelopes, we have placed an Advent Giving Tree Envelope in your packets. **This is ONLY to replace asking for gift cards. The Advent Giving Tree will still be up in the foyer at the beginning of Advent with stocking tags for you to take to bring in items. The ONLY thing we are not collecting are gift cards. The envelope replaces the gift cards.**

### Garage Sale

Once again, thank you to the more than 130 parish volunteers who helped out. Patty and Steve Amico, Beth and Peter Garrisi, Amy and Bob Peritsky, Norm and Lucy Morrill, Marie Asposto, Andy and Patty Miller, and so many others who I should name but can't right now—Thank you. The final numbers won't be available for another week or two or three—but it seems we've done the best we've ever done!

### Autumn

So many things have started up—school, CYO, parish organization meetings, etc.—I ask all to enjoy and be safe. Be sure to watch out for one another. Winter's is on its way, even though we may not like it. Enjoy the journey!

# THIS WEEK'S PRAYER



*This week, we light the  
Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of*  
*Grace & Sony*  
*From: Mrs. Jessy John*

**This week the Blessed Mother  
Statue Lamp will burn in  
Memory of**  
**Jon Dalle**

## *Monday, September 22*

*Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Anna Rotoli by All Her Children

## *Tuesday, September 23*

*Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Bill Fisher on his 100th Birthday by His Wife, Athy

## *Wednesday, September 24*

*Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Delmer & Joan Fidler by Shirley Maurer

## *Thursday, September 25*

*Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

## *Friday, September 26*

*Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Joanne Galusha by David & Mary Reisinger

## *Saturday, September 27*

*Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest*

4:00 p.m. Mass for St. Lawrence Parishioners by Father Chase

## *Sunday, September 28*

### *Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m. Mass for Dorothy & Carl Smith by Doreen

10:00 a.m. Mass for Nicole, Zachary, Amanda & Benny  
by Tom & Agnes Falbo

## Readings for the week of September 22, 2025

Monday, September 22: Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18  
Tuesday, September 23: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21  
Wednesday, September 24: Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6  
Thursday, September 25: Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9  
Friday, September 26: Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22  
Saturday, September 27: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45  
Sunday, September 28: Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Attendance September 13 & 14, 2025  
Total-958

## September 13 & 14, 2025 Collection

	Amount Received	Weekly Budget	Surplus (Shortfall)
Sunday Collection	\$11,463.38	\$14,423.00	\$(2,959.62)
General Maintenance	\$684.00	\$865.00	\$(181.00)
School Support	\$290.00	\$442.00	\$(152.00)

## Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am  
10:00 am

Mon - Wed, Fri 8:30 am  
Thu Communion Service 8:30 am.

Holy Days of Obligation  
Please see bulletin.

## Confessions

Saturday 3:00 pm

## Anointing of the Sick

Please call us if you or a family member wish to be anointed.

## Baptism

Parents should contact the Parish Office at the rectory as soon as they know they are expecting.

## Marriage

Engaged couples should contact us at least **one year** in advance of their desired date.

## Office Hours

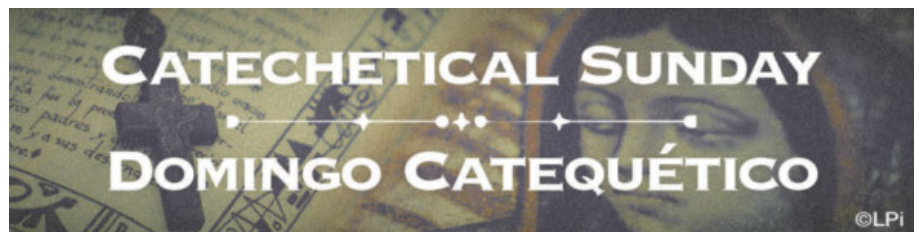
Monday - Friday  
9 a.m. - Noon, 1 pm - 4 pm  
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## St. Lawrence School

585-225-3870

## Internet and Social Media

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website - stlawrencegreece.org  
Facebook - www.fb.me/STLGreece



## Parish Staff

### Rectory Office 723-1350

The Very Rev. Lee P. Chase, V.F., S.T.L.  
*Dean, Monroe West Deanery for the  
Diocese of Rochester, Pastor, x 207*

### St. Lawrence School

Crystal Criticos - *School Principal,*  
225-3870

### Finance Administration

Marisa Stieve  
*Regional Finance Director, x.206*

### Pastoral Ministry

Deacon David Squilla  
*Pastoral Associate, x. 212*  
Deacon Bill Rabjohn  
Parish Deacon  
Deacon Manny Asis  
*Senior Deacon, x. 201*

### Administrative Staff

Wendy Speciale  
*Business Manager, x. 201*  
Jim Grotke  
*Maintenance, x. 201*

### Faith Formation Ministry

James Sarkis  
Regional faith Formation Director  
(585) 663-2244, x106  
Maura Spencer  
*Faith Formation Administrator,*  
(585) 225-7320  
Donna Gray  
Regional Youth Ministry/CYO,  
(585) 225-1485

### Music Ministry

M. Virginia Pierce  
*Music Director, 227-7236*  
Susan Judkins  
*Song Prayers, 797-3719*  
Steve Amico  
*Faithful Voices, 225-7338*

# WHAT'S NOW

## This Week At St. Lawrence Church

### Monday, September 22

Bible Study - Deacon Hall 6:30p.m.

### Tuesday, September 23

Faithful Voices - Church 7:00p.m.

### Wednesday, September 24

CYO Soccer - Soccer Field 5:30p.m.  
Song Prayers - Church 7:15p.m.

### Thursday, September 25

Mass Book Opening - Deacon Hall 9:00a.m.  
CYO Cheer - School 5:30p.m.

### Friday, September 26

### Saturday, September 27

CYO Soccer - Soccer Field 8:30a.m.

### Sunday, September 28

School Welcome Mass & Reception 10:00a.m.  
Rosary - Deacon Hall 10:00a.m.  
Knights of Columbus Chicken BBQ - Parking Lot 11:00a.m.

St. Leo's Church in Hilton is having an Oktoberfest on October 17, 2025 from 5-7:30. Dinner choices are:

option #1 Schnitzel regular with lemon.

Option #2 Schnitzel with mushroom gravy. Both come with potato salad and red cabbage.

Option #3 sausage platter-smoked sausage and fresh bratwurst, potato salad and sauerkraut.

Option #4 goulash served over noodles with red cabbage.

Each meal is \$20. They are going to be catered from Swan's Market. You may call St. Leo's Parish Office 392-2710. All orders will be per-ordered only.

It's sponsored by the Knight of Columbus and you may pay by either check made of to the knights or cash.

## September 28, 2025



### BBQ Fundraiser Dinner

**\*\*St. Lawrence Parking Lot\*\***

**1000 North Greece Road**

**Sunday, September 28**

**11:00AM until sold out**

**\$15.00 Includes:**

**½ charcoal roasted chicken**

**Two homemade sides**

**(BBQ Beans and Corn)**

**Roll**



During the month of September, the Human Development Committee is helping collect donations for **St. Andrew's Food Cupboard on Portland Ave.** The cupboard was started in 1980 by Sister Leon of the Sisters of Mercy.

What started as a small corner storefront, the food cupboard today helps feed more than 300 families a month in the city of Rochester- many of them mothers and children. The cupboard is supported through donations, fundraising and grants and run by an all-volunteer staff.

St. Andrew's Food Cupboard needs:

- Canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned milk
- Shelf stable prepared meals – SpaghettiOs, ravioli, stew, chili, (especially helpful if it is a pop-top lid that doesn't require a can opener)
- Soups
- Pasta
- Rice
- Cereal
- Peanut Butter & jelly

Personal Care items: soap, shampoo, toilet paper, deodorant, toothbrushes, etc.

Please bring your donations to the church no later than 11am Sunday, September 21.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

## St. Pius of Pietrelcina | September 23

Best known as Padre Pio, St. Pius was born Francesco Forgione in 1887 in Pietrelcina, Italy. As a young boy he suffered many illnesses including typhoid. He joined Capuchin Franciscans at 15 and took the name of Pius or "Pio" in honor of Pope Pius I. He was ordained in 1910, and at this time he received the marks of stigmata, the wounds of Christ, but they eventually healed. Frequent illnesses continued to plague him as a young man.

Padre Pio served in the Italian Medical Corps during World War I, but he was discharged early because of illness, which was likely tuberculosis. He was assigned to the friary in San Giovanni Rotondo. In 1918, while continuing to serve at the friary, the stigmata appeared again, and this time remained until his death.

Many faithful came to see him at the friary, his days were long, beginning with Mass at 5 a.m. then hearing confessions all day with breaks to bless the sick. A simple man, content to do God's will on earth and with the ardent desire to serve the sick and poor in whom he saw Christ, he urged a hospital, Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza (House for the Relief of Suffering), to be built in San Giovanni Rotondo. It opened in 1956.

Padre Pio died at the age of eighty-one in 1968 and in 2002 Pope John Paul II proclaimed him "St. Pio of Pietrelcina."

## **Bereavement Meetings at St. John the Evangelist**

**Who:** All are welcome to participate in our bereavement program.

**What:** Short talks will be given (15-20 minutes) to discuss topics directed toward how you care for yourself physically, emotionally and spiritually. Topics and activities will range from diet and exercise, grieving a loss of a pet, caring for those with dementia, church teachings, and other areas of interest. After these presentations the balance of time will be spent socializing.

**Additional Social Events** would include scheduled church functions like: our Oktoberfest October 18<sup>th</sup> after the Saturday 4:00 Mass and the December 14<sup>th</sup> 3:00 Dady Advent Concert at St. John the Evangelist.

In the future, other churches may offer opportunities for us to gather together as well.

**When:** We will meet the **THIRD WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH from 10:30 -12:00**. This is October 15<sup>th</sup>, November 19<sup>th</sup>, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Where:** St. John the Evangelist Parish Center.

Please look for more information on the **ROC Catholic Northwest Website** <https://www.roccatholicsnorthwest.org/>.





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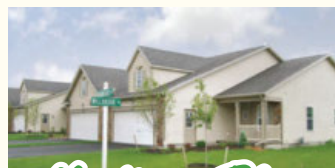
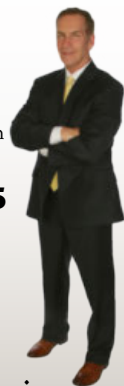
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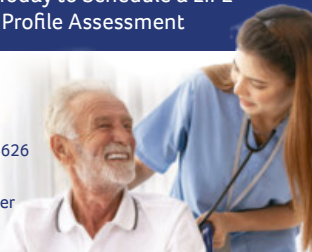
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