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MUSINGS

By Father Lee Chase

All Souls' Day

Next Sunday is November 2 which is All Souls' Day. The readings and prayers for the all the Masses (Saturday 4 p.m. and Sunday 8 and 10 a.m.) will be for All Souls'. The 10 a.m. Mass Intention will be for all the people enrolled in our St. Lawrence Church Memorial Society, to pray for the repose of their soul.

Please note that since All Saints' Day is on a Saturday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

To pray for the repose of the soul of those who have died is part of our Catholic Works of Mercy: to bury the dead. In the Catholic tradition, we just don't bury the body and move on with life. We give thanks for the man or woman or child who was made in God's image, whose body was the temple of the Holy Spirit, whose soul is in the hands of God. It is right and proper that all Catholic Christians have the Mass of Christian Burial upon their death, a funeral Mass. Over the years, confusion over this has caused hurt and added to the pain of grief. I want to help you with this, if I may.

When your loved one dies, the first thing you should do is begin to pray for the repose of their soul. Offer a prayer to God for them. That is a sign of faith and a sign of love. Contact your funeral director. Typically, they will come to collect your loved one. When you speak to the funeral director, let them know when you would like to schedule the Mass of Christian Burial. Give them a range of days, two or three, for the Mass. **Please, don't focus on one day or only give the funeral director/church one day for the Mass.** That day may not be available for a variety of reasons. The funeral director will contact the church and set the date with us. We typically celebrate funeral Masses at 9:30 a.m. or 10:00 a.m.

Once the date has been set, we will contact you to have you come in for short meeting to go over the Mass. We will discuss the Scripture readings and the hymns that will be at the Mass. (Please, we cannot substitute any other readings for the Scriptures, and we do not allow music that is not from the hymnal, no secular music). You may have individuals proclaim the Scripture readings, as long as they are Roman Catholic. We can also proclaim them for you, if you need.

People often inquire about eulogies. Technically a eulogy (a talk that is biographical and anecdotal) is not allowed a Catholic Mass of Christian Burial. **Words of Remembrance of Faith** may be given. This is a short 2 to 3 minute talk about the deceased's life of faith and how they lived that faith out during their life. Only one person may deliver these words, they must be Catholic, and they are given at the beginning of Mass, after the Entrance Hymn. They must be written out and pre-approved by the Pastor or the Pastoral Associate.

The Church has done most of the preparation for the Mass of Christian Burial for you. This will help at the time of grief which can be so difficult to bear. If you wish to pre-plan the liturgy, please go to our website and find the tab for Funeral Planning. It will all be explained and we'll be happy to hold onto your planning forms. God be with you. And may the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER



*This week, we light the
Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of
Joseph A. Cropo Jr. , Gerard, Ethel &
Ralph Reichhart
From: Carol & Quentin Cropo*

Monday, October 27

Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass for Harry & Joyce Potter by Wendy Farren

Tuesday, October 28

Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

8:30 a.m. Sandy LaGeorge by Rose Mary & John Andreano

Wednesday, October 29

Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mrs. MaryKutty Joseph by Mrs. Jessie John

Thursday, October 30

Weekday

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Friday, October 31

Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass for Thomas Oldfield
by Maureen Marciano & John Bonacci

Saturday, November 1

All Saints

4:00 p.m. Mass for Andrew Trafficante by Pat Glogowski & Family

Sunday, November 2

The Commemoration Of All Faithful Departed

8:00 a.m. Mass for Helen & Richard Miller by Patty & Andy Miller
10:00 a.m. Mass for all those enrolled in the St. Lawrence Memorial Society

**Spend some time with Jesus! Adoration is Monday,
November 3, 2025 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

Readings for the week of October 27, 2025

Monday, October 27:	Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday, October 28:	Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16
Wednesday, October 29:	Rom 8:26-30/Lk 13:22-30
Thursday, October 30:	Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35
Friday, October 31:	Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6
Saturday, November 1:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
Sunday, November 2:	Any readings from no. 688

Attendance October 11 & 12, 2025
Total-897
Attendance October 18 & 19, 2025
Total-906

October 11 & 12, 2025 Collection

	Amount Received	Weekly Budget	Surplus (Shortfall)
Sunday Collection	\$11,975.56	\$14,423.00	\$(2,447.44)
General Maintenance	\$463.00	\$865.00	\$(402.00)
School Support	\$145.00	\$442.00	\$(297.00)

October 18 & 19, 2025 Collection

	Amount Received	Weekly Budget	Surplus (Shortfall)
Sunday Collection	\$10,614.86	\$14,423.00	\$(3,808.14)
General Maintenance	\$373.00	\$865.00	\$(492.00)
School Support	\$180.00	\$442.00	\$(262.00)

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.

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WHAT'S NOW

This Week At St. Lawrence Church

Monday, October 27

CYO Cheer Practice - Deacon Hall

4:00p.m.

Bible Study - Deacon Hall

6:30p.m.

Tuesday, October 28

Faithful Voices - Church

7:00p.m.

Wednesday, October 29

Song Prayers - Church

7:15p.m.

Thursday, October 30

ROC Meeting - Deacon Hall

5:30p.m.

Friday, October 31

Saturday, November 1

Sunday, November 2

Rosary Group - Deacon Hall

11:00a.m.

“The CYO St. Lawrence STARS Cheer-leaders took FIRST place in the Penfield “Battle at the Birdhouse Jr. Competition” this past Saturday at Penfield High School. The St. Lawrence STARS sure shined bright!! To our Shining Stars, our Amazing Head Coach, Liz and assistants Cindy and Jenna and our Loyal and Loving Parents, St. Lawrence says THANK YOU and CONGRATULATIONS!”



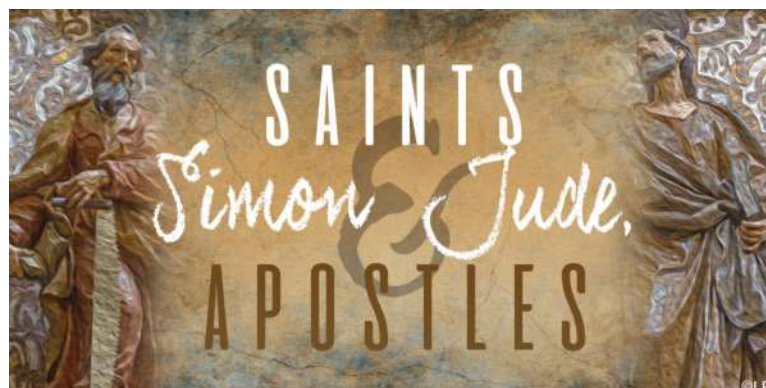
Thanksgiving Shared Sunday

November 1st and 2nd

This year the Human Development Committee will continue to participate with The Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf to provide for holiday meals for families in need. The Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf offers Aldi gift cards to families to purchase their own Thanksgiving holiday meal. They have done this for the last few years, and the feedback from their families was overwhelmingly positive. They said “Our volunteers get to hear the words of gratitude and see the tears of joy when we distribute these gift cards. You should be the ones who hear of the various struggles so many of our neighbor’s experience...with shortened work hours, broken down cars or appliances, multiple health issues, or family members returning home because they cannot make it on their own. “

In light of this, members of the Human Development Committee will be in church the weekend of November 1st and 2nd to collect Aldi gift cards to provide to the Greece Ecumenical Food Shelf. They request **\$20 Aldi Gift Cards**. This allows them to give out cards based on family size. (Note: If you don’t see \$20 Gift cards, you can ask when you check out. They can put \$20 on a gift card.)

Our Thanksgiving Collection has always been successful based on your overwhelming generosity. The Human Development Committee thanks you for your generosity.



ST. LAWRENCE MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 2025

	EMHC	Lector/Greeter	Altar Server
Nov-01-2025 Saturday 4:00 PM	Candy Minchella Mary Ann Vaccaro	Joe Kelly	Charlie Carr Chloe Carr
Nov-02-2025 Sunday 8:00 AM	David Zeh Nancy Beck	John Chamberlain	Dominick DiVasto Olivia Gigliotti
Nov-02-2025 Sunday 10:00 AM	Cathy Leonardo Robert Newton	Dick Pfeifer	Leah Cook Madeline McCarthy

	EMHC	Lector/Greeter	Altar Server
Nov-08-2025 Saturday 4:00 PM	Diane Kozlowski Patty Amico	Chuck Romano	Charlie Carr Chloe Carr Leah Gillette
Nov-09-2025 Sunday 8:00 AM	Alexis Kavanaugh Sue Ellen Sahmel	Scott Breiner	Dominick DiVasto Olivia Gigliotti
Nov-09-2025 Sunday 10:00 AM	Mary Ann Vaccaro Robert Newton	Rosemarie Becker	Harper Hausle Madeline McCarthy Miles McCarthy
Nov-15-2025 Saturday 4:00 PM	Erin Hathaway Leslie Romanchick	Kevin Doell	Jack Voellinger Liam Adams
Nov-16-2025 Sunday 8:00 AM	Chris Wille Sue Barker	Caitlyn Ebert	Dominick DiVasto Olivia Gigliotti
Nov-16-2025 Sunday 10:00 AM	Anne Webster Michael Webster	Barbara Packard	Ava Iannoli Leah Cook Nora Cook
Nov-22-2025 Saturday 4:00 PM	John Andreano Rick Antelli	Joe Kelly	Charlie Carr Chloe Carr Leah Gillette
Nov-23-2025 Sunday 8:00 AM	Patricia Urbinelli Suzanne Mangano	John Chamberlain	Dominick DiVasto Olivia Gigliotti
Nov-23-2025 Sunday 10:00 AM	Jerry LeBlanc Jim Kutrybala	Angela Baccaro	Harper Hausle Jack Voellinger Mary Weber
Nov-29-2025 Saturday 4:00 PM	Bob Mayer Candy Minchella	Jim Kutrybala	Brandyn Arcarese Kayleigh Arcarese Liam Adams
Nov-30-2025 Sunday 8:00 AM	Kevin Doell Nancy Beck	Patricia Urbinelli	Dominick DiVasto Olivia Gigliotti
Nov-30-2025 Sunday 10:00 AM	Annabelle Sutter Dick Pfeifer	Tony Bellavia	Alexandra Burger Ava Iannoli Nicolas Sutter

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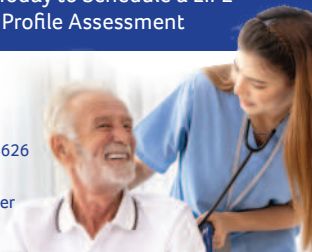
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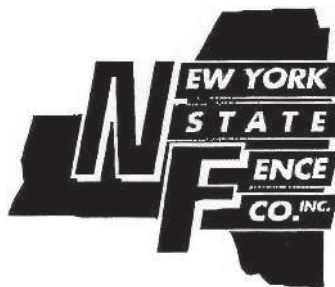


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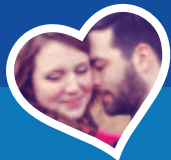
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