

21 DECEMBER 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saint Lawrence Church

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Christmas Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 @ 4:00pm & 9:00pm
Concert of Carols Beginning at 8:30pm

Thursday, December 25, 2025
8:00am & 10:00am

Some Changes At Our Parish and School

I want to make you aware of two changes at our parish and school:

Marisa Stieve who served as our Parish's Director of Finance and Administration at first and then as our Multi-parish Director of Finance has moved on. There has been a reorganization of the multi-parish Finance Office and staff. We now are taken care of by the Monroe West Centralized Business Office and Staff. This is directed by Christopher Frontale. The office is located at the former school of St. Charles Borromeo Church on Dewey Avenue. Any inquiries or questions can be direct to me.

Also, our school principal, Crystal Criticos, has notified me of her decision to leave that position as of January 5. She moves on for personal reasons. She has expressed to me her love for her time here at St. Lawrence School both as principal and as a former teacher. She will be greatly missed, and I want to thank her for her two and a half years of dedicated and wonderful service to our school. As we now begin the search for a new principal, I am happy to say that beginning January 5, Anne Marie Deutsch will serve as our Interim Principal. I serve with Anne Marie on our Diocese of Rochester School Board. She comes with great experience. She served for 17 years as the principal of St. Mary's School in Canandaigua and, most recently, as the Interim Principal at St. Louis School in Pittsford. She served in that position for a full year.

I know that I speak for you when I say that both women will be greatly missed and, in your name, I want to thank them.

Our parish has been blessed over the years to have good people serve our community. I know that will continue.

Lastly, please join us for Christmas Masses. The schedule is printed above. If you travel for the holiday, come back to us safely.

God bless all of you and Merry Christmas from your pastor!

Father Lee Chase



This week the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Statue Lamp will be lit for

**Dorothy & Carl Smith, Anthony &
Marian Juzwiak, Peter & Jennie Smith
& Frank Pierga**

From: Doreen Smith

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER

Monday, December 22

Late Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass for Louis Ferrari by Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Walsh

Tuesday, December 23

Late Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass for Antonio Carrera by Deacon Manny & Zenny

Wednesday, December 24

Late Advent Weekday

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

9:00p.m. Mass for St. Lawrence Parishioners by Father Chase

Thursday, December 25

The Nativity Of The Lord

8:00 a.m. Mass for St. Lawrence Parishioners by Father Chase

10:00a.m. Mass for St. Lawrence Parishioners by Father Chase

Friday, December 26

Saint Stephen, the First Martyr

No Mass & No Communion Service

Saturday, December 27

Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

4:00 p.m. Mass for Joseph Kandankary by Mrs. Jessy John

Sunday, December 28

The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary And Joseph

8:00 a.m. Mass for St. Lawrence Parishioners by Father Chase

10:00 a.m. Mass for Lee W. Jones by Joyce, Annette & Amelia Jones

Readings for the week of December 22, 2025

Monday, December 22:	1 Sm 1:24-28/ Lk 1:46-56
Tuesday, December 23:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66
Wednesday, December 24:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79
Thursday, December 25:	Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18
Friday, December 26:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22
Saturday, December 27:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Sunday, December 28:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Attendance December 6 & 7, 2025
Total - 909

Fund	Amount Received	Weekly Budget	Surplus (Shortfall)
Sunday Collection	\$20,616.48	\$14,423.00	\$6,193.48
General Maintenance	\$714.00	\$865.00	\$(151.00)
School Support	\$572.00	\$442.00	\$130.00

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 or website
calendar.

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

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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

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Christopher Frontale
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Pastoral Associate, x. 212
Deacon Manny Asis
Senior Deacon, x. 201
Deacon Bill Rabjohn
Parish Deacon

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Office Manager, x. 201

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Susan Judkins
Song Prayers, 797-3719
Steve Amico
Faithful Voices, 225-7338

WHAT'S NOW – THIS WEEK AT ST. LAWRENCE

<i>Monday, December 22</i> CYO Cheer Practice – Deacon Hall CYO Basketball Practice – School	4:00pm 5:30pm
<i>Tuesday, December 23</i> CYO Basketball Practice - School Faithful Voices – Church	5:30pm 7:00 pm
<i>Wednesday, December 24</i> Christmas Eve Mass - Church Concert of Carols – Church Christmas Eve Mass - Church	4:00pm 8:30pm 9:00pm
<i>Thursday, December 25</i> Christmas Day Mass - Church Christmas Day Mass - Church	8:00am 10:00am
<i>Friday, December 26</i> CYO Basketball Tournament – School	9:00am
<i>Saturday, December 27</i> CYO Basketball - School	11:30 am
<i>Sunday, December 28</i> Rosary Group – Deacon Hall CYO Basketball - School	11:00am 1:00 pm

Each January St. Lawrence Human Development Committee accepts your generous donations of ***NEW*** pairs of socks for men, women and children on behalf of several agencies throughout Rochester. **Last January, we collected 3,343 pairs of socks!**

May we suggest that you take advantage of the holiday sales to purchase a donation and set aside the socks for **“Sock Sunday”** which **will be held on January 18, 2026**. Thank you for remembering those who are less fortunate during this upcoming winter season!



Christmas 2025

*Indeed our challenges in so many areas of life continue. People of
good will long for unity where there is division, hope where there
is despair and peace where there is discord.
How much we all need the joy of Christmas!*

*As we celebrate the birth of Our Savior, Jesus Christ,
I wish you the peace and happiness of Christmas and
I pray that the Child born in Bethlehem will bless you and
your loved ones throughout the New Year and always!*

*You and all dear to you will be remembered in the
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass during the Christmas season.*

*With sincere gratitude for your prayers, I remain
Devotedly yours in Christ,*

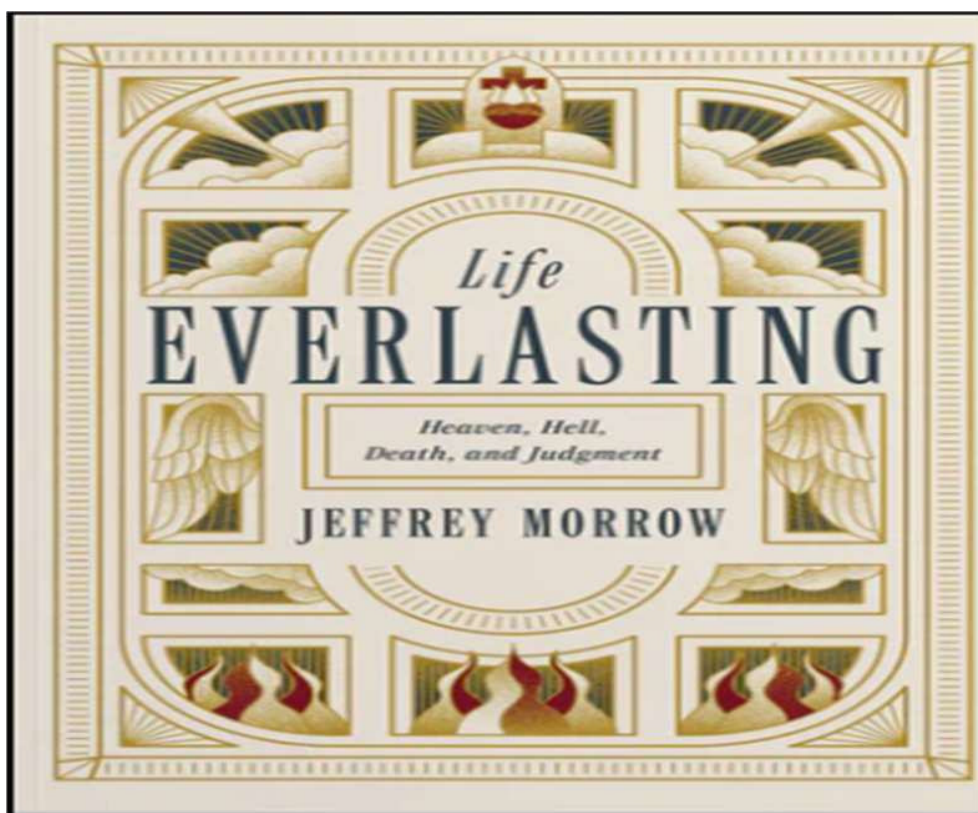
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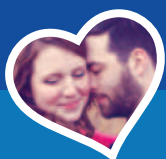
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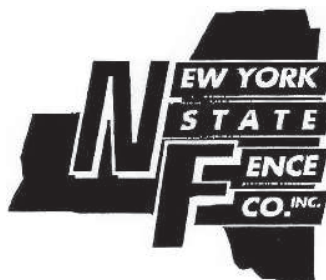
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