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MUSINGS

By Father Lee Chase

Welcome to St. Lawrence Bishop Bonicci

It is our joy to welcome our new Bishop to St. Lawrence Church this weekend for our 10:00 a.m. Mass to celebrate with us the May Crowning. The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady and this is a very special event for us. The statue of Our Lady will remain in the Sanctuary of the Church for the month of May.

Deacon Hall

At the time of this writing, we have begun to repaint the hallways and foyers of Deacon Hall. I don't think they have been painted since the building was built. We've also installed some new area rugs for warmth and safety. And we have hung up pictures of the popes since the parish was founded in 1959, the bishops since then, the pastors since then, and pictures of the current and former church buildings. Please feel free to exit through Deacon Hall to admire our history!

Field of Remembrance

Inside this bulletin, please see the note about the Memorial Day Field of Remembrance. Memorial Day is the day we remember those who have given their lives for our country. This is a very beautiful and meaningful thing to do.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to all of our First Holy Communicants who celebrated that sacrament this Saturday, May 2. It is a very special moment for those families and children. This is always a wonderful celebration for us and we're very happy for all involved.

CMA

As I announced at all the Masses last weekend, we are about \$22,000 away for meeting our goal of \$172,000. I know we can reach this. Let's make a special effort to welcome our new bishop by meeting this goal. I know we can do it!



This week, we light the Sanctuary
Lamp in memory of
Joseph Vattappara & Aley Kutty
By Mrs. Jessy John

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER

Monday, May 4

Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass for Mary Jane & John Sagura by Daughter, Mary

Tuesday, May 5

Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass for Rosaria Privitera by Rose & Tony Uttaro

Wednesday, May 6

Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass for Peter Sciandra by Frank & Sharon Messina

Thursday, May 7

Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. No Mass or Communion Service

Friday, May 8

Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass for Rita Baker by John & Michele Knauf

Saturday, May 9

Easter Weekday

4:00 p.m. Mass for George & Justine Verstraten by Sue Verstraten

Sunday, May 10

Sixth Sunday Of Easter

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

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

Readings for the week of May 4, 2026

Monday, May 4:	Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday, May 5:	Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday, May 6:	Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday, May 7:	Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11
Friday, May 8:	Acts 15:22-31/ Jn 15:12-17
Saturday, May 9:	Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21
Sunday, May 10:	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

STEWARDSHIP

We are a Stewardship Parish committed to giving our time, talent, and resources for others!

Attendance April 25 &, 2026 Total -998

Fund	Amount Received	Weekly Budget	Surplus (Shortfall)
Sunday Collection	\$13,762.75	\$14,230.00	\$(467.25)
General Maintenance	\$551.00	\$1,154.00	\$(603.00)
School Support	\$210.00	\$577.00	\$(367.00)

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 to schedule the baptism of their child.

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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<p>Rectory Office 723-1350 <i>The Very Rev. Lee P. Chase, V.F., S.T.L.</i> <i>Dean, Monroe West Deanery for the Diocese of Rochester, Pastor, x 207</i></p> <p>St. Lawrence School <i>Ann Marie Deutsch – Interim School Principal,</i> <i>225-3870</i></p> <p>Finance Administration <i>Christopher Frontale</i> <i>Email: CBOWest@dor.org</i></p> <p>Pastoral Ministry Deacon David Squilla <i>Pastoral Associate, x. 212</i> Deacon Manny Asis <i>Senior Deacon, x. 201</i> Deacon Bill Rabjohn <i>Parish Deacon</i></p>	<p>Administrative Staff <i>Wendy Speciale</i> <i>Office Manager, x. 201</i></p> <p>Faith Formation Ministry Maura Spencer <i>Multi-Parish Faith Formation Director,</i> <i>(585) 663-8000 x. 1</i> Donna Gray <i>Regional Youth Ministry/CYO,</i> <i>(585) 225-1485</i></p> <p>Music Ministry M. Virginia Pierce <i>Music Director, 227-7236</i> Susan Judkins <i>Song Prayers, 797-3719</i> Steve Amico <i>Faithful Voices, 225-7338</i></p>
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WHAT'S NOW – THIS WEEK AT ST. LAWRENCE

<i>Monday, May 4</i> Adoration - Church	9:00am
<i>Tuesday, May 5</i> Faithful Voices – Church	7:00 pm
<i>Wednesday, May 6</i> Brownies – Deacon Hall Cards for Comfort – Deacon Hall Song Prayers – Church	3:30pm 6:00pm 7:15 pm
<i>Thursday, May 7</i>	
<i>Friday, May 8</i>	
<i>Saturday, May 9</i>	
<i>Sunday, May 10</i>	

St. Lawrence Field of Remembrance

Please join St. Lawrence Church and School as we remember our fallen and deceased veterans this Memorial Day. With a suggested \$10 donation, we will personalize a 12"x18" flag with a laminated ribbon displaying your loved one's name, rank, military branch and years of service. Flags will be displayed in the Field of Remembrance in front of St. Lawrence Church from Monday, May 18th, through Tuesday, May 26th.

Sign Up: Flags can be ordered after all Saturday and Sunday Masses from Sunday, May 3rd through Sunday, May 17th.

Proceeds: All proceeds will be donated to American Gold Star Mothers, Inc.

- Gold Star Mothers, Inc was officially established on June 4, 1928. Together, Gold Star Families offer support and friendship following the loss of a family member on active duty. The organization provides a hand up when a family is struggling emotionally or financially. American Gold Star Mothers across the country volunteer thousands of hours every year to support Veterans, Active-Duty Military, and their families. They provide economic and social support to the brave men and women of our Armed Forces.

If you would like to volunteer by selling flags after mass or placement of the flags on Monday May 18th, please reach out to: Jennifer.a.mcdaniels@gmail.com with the subject line: Field of Remembrance.

Information about Children and Sacraments

Sacraments are joyous celebrations of your child's relationship with Jesus! Weekly Mass attendance is an essential part of your family's faith journey!

For preparation of Sacraments:

- Children prepare and receive sacraments at their home parish where their family is registered and attend Mass.
- Children are to be enrolled in either a Faith Formation program or a Catholic School.
 - If your child is not enrolled at Catholic School or Religious Education, you are invited to register today for our Faith Formation program. This way we can help your child to "catch up" and to be ready to start preparation for Sacraments next school year!
- Children do **not** prepare for the Sacraments in their Catholic School classroom or Religious Education classroom.
 - Instead, the child accompanied by a parent or guardian attends sacrament meetings held in the evenings and/or weekends.
 - Children receive textbooks, activities, and handouts as a resource to complete with parents or guardians.
- Children 2nd grade or older may be ready to prepare for:
 - **First Penance** (also known as First Reconciliation)
 - **First Eucharist** (also known as First Communion)
 - Preparation for First Penance must be completed before preparing for First Eucharist.
- Students 8th grade or older may be ready to prepare for the Sacrament of **Confirmation**:
 - This is the beginning of a **2-year process**, with immediate preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation taking place in the spring of the 2nd year.
- If you are interested in learning more about preparing for sacraments, please call at 663 -8000, ext. 1 or email maura.spencer@dor.org

Laudato Si', Care for our Common Home Gathering

“For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together” (Col 1:16-17).

Our world, our lives and our actions are interdependent and the outcomes of those actions have taken a toll on our planet in the past 100 years. Pope Francis encyclical, Laudato Si', is an urgent call to humanity to recognize how our behavior has so altered our common home that clean air and water and livable temperatures are not guaranteed for all, especially the poor throughout the world. And he asks us to commit to change.

The Finger Lakes Catholic Creation Care Covenant (FLCCCC), which has been meeting virtually for the past 2 years would like to invite parishioners throughout the Diocese of Rochester to join us for an afternoon of discernment and fellowship regarding Care for our Common Home.

Whether you currently have an active Care for Creation team in your parish and/or are interested in working with others to learn more, we would value your energy and input in this endeavor.

The gathering will be Wednesday, May 20th from 3-5:30pm at St. Cecilia's Church Newcomb Center, 2732 Culver Rd, Rochester NY. To assist us in our planning we kindly ask that you register at: <https://evite.me/w9qVQR8J5Z> or scan the QR code below. If you do not have internet access, you can call Lisa Cook at 585-752-0353 to register.



Dear Fr. Lee Chase & the Faith Community of St. Lawrence in Greece:
Thank you for your generosity and support of the Saint Francis of Assisi Food Cupboard at Our Mother of Sorrows and the Food Cupboard of Holy Cross in Charlotte. On behalf of our guests and volunteers, thank you and may God bless you!

Wishing you all a blessed Lent and Happy Easter Season!

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William G. Coffas".

Very Rev. William G. Coffas,
Pastor of the Faith Community of
Our Mother of Sorrows & Holy Cross Churches

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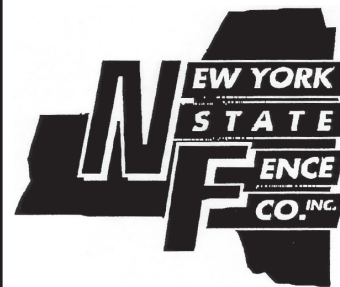


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