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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 8 A.M., 11 A.M..

Weekdays and Saturdays: 8 A.M.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY CLOSED

TUESDAY through -FRIDAY 10 AM to 2PM

SATURDAY CLOSED

SUNDAY 9 AM to 11 AM

OTHER SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard each Saturday from 3:30 – 4 P.M., or any time by appointment.

BAPTISM: Baptisms take place on the third Sunday of each month, following the Noon Mass. Call the office to schedule a date. First-time parents are asked to attend a Baptismal preparation class.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples seeking to be married at St. Lawrence are asked to contact the parish office one year in advance, due to the meetings needed to prepare for this Sacrament. This should be done before any reception plans.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND: Call the parish office to make arrangements for a visit from Father Mark (which can also include Anointing and Confession). In the case of hospital stays, patient privacy laws prevent hospitals from releasing names. Please call the office if you, or someone you know, has been admitted.

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PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Mark F. Kehoe-Pastor

Mr. Stephen Gajewski, Deacon

Mr. Gregory Ris, Deacon

Mr. Michael Abriola, Deacon

Mrs. Judy Logan, Parish Catechetical Leader

FAITH FORMATION

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Tuesday	Grades 1, 2	4 - 5:15 P.M.
	Grades 6, 7, 8	7—8:15P.M.
Wednesday	Grades 3, 4, 5	4—5:15P.M.

Religious Education Office – (732) 566-0226

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) is a program for those who wish to become Roman Catholic, as well as those baptized Roman Catholics who would like to complete their Sacraments of initiation. Also, different opportunities take place during the year to help adult Catholics learn more about their Catholic faith. See the bulletin for details.

ST. LAWRENCE FOOD PANTRY: Open on Saturdays 8:30 A.M to 10 A.M

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: New parishioners should register by contacting the parish office. Registration is necessary, but not enough to be considered a practicing Catholic; regular Sunday worship is required. Certificates of Eligibility (to serve as a Godparent or Sponsor) can only be given to parishioners who regularly attend Mass, since they certify a practicing Catholic. Please let the office know of any change in contact information

MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY 13
I RYAN JONATHAN WALTERS
- Grandma & Family

JANUARY 14

+ FRANK & FILOMENA GIURI
- Linda - Granddaughter

JANUARY 15

I RYAN JONATHAN WALTERS
- Grandma & Family

JANUARY 16

+ PRIEST INTENTION
-

JANUARY 17

I RYAN JONATHAN WALTERS
- Grandma & Family -

JANUARY 18

+ ERNESTINE McCORMICK
- Arnold Husband

JANUARY 18

+ ERNESTINE McCORMICK
- Arnold - Husband -

JANUARY 19**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 AM + ELBA MARTINEZ
Req. - Nivardo - Son

11:00 AM + BILL O'HARA
Req. - Cathy Jacobus

The Blessed Mother Candle will burn this week for :
All Remembrances

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Bobby Rosant, Barbara Bamford, Ines De Marco, Celeste Collazo, Nicholas Lettieri, Angela Pagano, Josephine Dente, Barbara Dowd Day, Eva Marie Ryan, Robert & Michael Babich, Nancy Smith, Gloria Mosca, Michael Berg, Christopher

Masses opened for the month of January

Dates: 22nd., at 8 AM, 24th, 28th., & 29th., at 8 AM
You can call or come to the rectory to book Masses.
Thank you.

Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions

Sunday 9 AM to 10 AM
Wednesday 7 PM to 8 PM

New Rectory / Office Schedule

January 4/5 2025
Sunday 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Monday Closed
Tuesday through Friday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Saturday Closed

PARISH REGISTRATION

New forms are available starting
January 5th., in the back of the Church & in the Rectory
Forms will also be available on line.

Dear Parishioners,

It's been a busy time in the Parish this fall. That said I have been remiss in an important task.

In August of 2024 Mary Ann Malik, our Parish Secretary retired. She had served our Parish for 41 years in total. She was named Parish Secretary by my late predecessor, Father Raymond Attanasio.

Any of us who had dealings with our office over the years have been well-served whether it be for a happy, joyful or sometimes sad need. MaryAnn's knowledge and graceful demeanor was a credit to our Parish & reflected the true teachings of Jesus.

Although she has told me how much she enjoyed working in our Parish & with all of you, I know you will join me in thanking her for her many years of graceful service & wishing her God's blessings in her retirement.

Fr. Mark

Singers are needed for Our Choir !

All are Welcome
Please contact Fr. Mark or
Irina Robinson: irinarobinson.music@gmail.com

Come Pray a Rosary for Life

Friday January 24, 2025 at 1:00 PM

Main Street, Woodbridge NJ

Please park & meet in the St. James Parish parking lot at

12:45 PM

369 Amboy Ave., Woodbridge.

Altar Rosary Future on line Tricky Tray

Altar Rosary Needs Donation for a Future Online Tricky
Tray

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To Schedule a Drop Off
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For more information, contact Grand Knight Nicholas Santos at 732-794-0889.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MEMORIAL BRICKS

The St. Lawrence Altar Rosary Society is running a donor recognition fundraising project. The permanent donor recognition is an engraved brick. Memorial bricks can be used to remember those who have passed away and they can also commemorate events in a person's life like a wedding or baptism. **and includes our 4 legged furry friends.** This is an ongoing project and you do not have to be a parish member to purchase. Please check the St. Lawrence website (www.saintlawrencechurch.com) to see pricing and available graphics. To order your brick please go online to [HTTPS://polarengraving.com/stlawrencealtar](https://polarengraving.com/stlawrencealtar) Payment can be made by check or PayPal.

Catholic Schools Week January 25/26 & February 1/2 2025-2026 Tuition Assistance Online Application Process

Open

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than **March 31, 2025**.

A signed Parish Verification Form is also required by the Diocese, and should be signed by your Pastor, and submitted to the school or schools your children attend.

Eligibility requirements, instructions, and forms can be found at <https://diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance>. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

St. Lawrence Food Pantry
For the month of December
We served 44 Adults & 2 Children

Please Help the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation With Their Holiday Wish List

The Emmanuel Cancer Foundation is not-for-profit organization that helps children who have been diagnosed with pediatric cancer. Through ECF caseworkers, parents are asked to fill out a holiday wish list for their child who is sick and all their siblings to help ease some of the financial burden of the family. This year ECF's Eastern Region, which covers Monmouth, Mercer, Middlesex, and Ocean Counties has over 80 children who need their wish list filled. Can you help? ECF is looking for donors to either adopt a child or family, or help with a wishing tree. If you wish to learn more about ECG, please contact Rosemarie Contreras (Eastern Regional Director) @ rcontreras@emmanuelcancer.org 05 732- 282-2324. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.

Continuation of Jubilee 2025 A Journey of Hope

The Jubilee Churches along the pilgrimage routes and in the city of Rome can serve as oases of spirituality and places of rest on the pilgrimage of faith, where we can drink from the wellsprings of hope, above all by approaching the sacrament of Reconciliation, the essential starting-point of any true journey of conversion. In the particular Churches, special care should be taken to prepare priests and the faithful to celebrate the sacrament of confession and to make it readily available in its individual form.

In the Eastern Churches, particularly those already in full communion with the Successor of Peter, to take part in this pilgrimage. They have suffered greatly, often even unto death, for their fidelity to Christ and the Church, and so they should feel themselves especially welcome in this City of Rome that is also their Mother and cherishes so many memories of their presence. The Catholic Church, enriched by their ancient liturgies and the theology and spirituality of their Fathers, monks and theologians, wants to give symbolic expression to its embrace of them and their Orthodox brothers and sisters in these times when they endure their own Way of the Cross, often forced by violence and instability to leave their homelands, their holy lands, for safer places. The hope born of the knowledge that they are loved by the Church, which does not abandon them wherever they go, will make the symbolism of the Jubilee all the more powerful.

The Holy Year of 2025 is itself in continuity with preceding celebrations of grace. In the last Ordinary Jubilee, we crossed the threshold of two millennia from the birth of Jesus Christ. The Holy Door will be flung open to invite everyone to an intense experience of the love of God that awakens in hearts the sure hope of salvation in Christ.



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