

# Saint Lawrence Church

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## MUSINGS

*By Father Lee Chase*

### Safety and Security

I want to take a moment in my bulletin article to address the issue of safety and security at our parish and school campus. Some of you know that the week after Easter, a parish staff member was followed on the road by and then approached in our school parking lot (while still in her car) by carjackers. Thankfully, there were people in the parking lot who were watching this unfold and started to approach her car, scaring off the carjackers. This could have had a very tragic ending and I am grateful to Almighty God that it did not. We have a video surveillance system in the school and we have been cooperating with the authorities about this matter.

This does raise the issue of on-going safety and security here at St. Lawrence Church and School. This is a large campus with two isolated parking lots (behind the Church and behind the school). All day, into the evening and over night, there are a lot of cars that drive in and out of the parking lot. Sometimes, these cars park in our parking lot(s). People are taking a phone call, getting directions, etc. Unfortunately, some others are not pulling in for innocent purposes. There is no good reason why a car or cars should be in the parking lot near the school playground or behind the Church at 1 a.m.

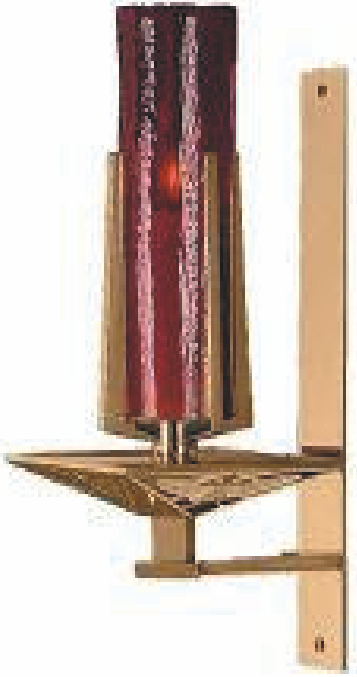
Added to this is the foot traffic. There are a good number of people who walk through our parking lot as they walk their dogs, take their exercise, or as a short cut going from point A to point B. These folks don't concern me. There are others who are walking through the lot in

the early hours of the morning (1, 2, or 3 a.m.). Gangs of teens and/or young adults have been found drinking on our parish steps in the back of the Church, etc. This is not good.

We will be installing a video surveillance system on all of the buildings of the campus. There is already a security system in the rectory and the school. We will move in the direction of installing systems in Deacon Hall and the Church. The School Principal, the Finance Director, and I are having ongoing discussions about security and will update you as things move along.

**I ask you to be vigilant. When leaving the Church, the school, Deacon Hall, or the Rectory—go immediately to your car. If you see something or someone that you find suspicious, call 911. As we begin the process of reopening, I ask parish groups to consider having their meetings during the daytime (even on Saturdays or Sundays) instead of evenings. If here at night, park in the front parking lot and as close as possible to lights. Walk with each other to your cars. If you see something, say something. Look out for each other. Practice good common sense. Do not think that just because this is a Church, things don't go on here. They do. Please be careful. Do not park in emergency lanes or driveways. Thank you and I will keep you updated as time goes on.**

# *THIS WEEK'S PRAYER*



## *Monday, April 26*

*Easter Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Cheryl Maggio by Ginny Pierce

## *Tuesday, April 27*

*Easter Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Intentions of Tom Falbo by Agnes Falbo & family

## *Wednesday, April 28*

*Easter Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Julie Miller by Ron Lipa & family

## *Thursday, April 29*

*Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church*

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

## *Friday, April 30*

*Easter Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for David Kolupski by Mr. & Mrs. James Manelis

## *Saturday, May 1*

*Easter Weekday*

4 p.m. Mass for Margaret Walzer by Paul & Mary Ann Smith

*This week, we light the  
Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of*

*Floyd Blodgett*

*By family*

## *Sunday, May 2 Fifth Sunday Of Easter*

8:00 a.m. Mass for Patrick Malinka by Patty, Mike & Joe

9:30 a.m. Mass for St. Lawrence Parishioners by Father Chase

11:00 a.m. Mass for Teddy Simonelli by Frank & Angela Giancaterin

## **Readings for the week of April 26, 2021**

Monday, April 26:

Acts 11: 1-18/ Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday, April 27:

Acts 11: 19-26/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday, April 28:

Acts 12: 17-24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday, April 29:

Acts 13: 13-25/ Jn 13:16-20

Friday, April 30:

Acts 13: 26-33/ Jn 14: 1-6

Saturday, May 1:

Acts 13: 44-52/Mt 13:54-58

Sunday, May 2:

Acts 9: 26-31/1 Jn 3: 18-24/Jn 15:1-8

**Attendance April 17-18**  
**Total 613**

## April 17-18 Collection

	Amount Received	Weekly Budget	Surplus (Shortfall)
Sunday Collection	\$13,083.03	\$16,200.00	\$(3,116.97)
General Maintenance	\$446.00	\$1,040.00	\$(594.00)
School Support	\$88.00	\$360.00	\$(272.00)

## Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am  
9:30 am  
11:00 am

Monday - Friday 8:30 am

Holy Days of Obligation  
As scheduled, 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 us 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 - Thursday  
9 a.m. - Noon, 1 pm - 4 pm  
Fridays 9 a.m. - Noon  
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## St. Lawrence School

585-225-3870

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:

St. Lawrence Keeping in Touch is a parish ministry that takes Communion to parishioners who can no longer attend Mass regularly. Our Prayer Partners are usually homebound, live in assisted living, or nursing home facilities. When asked, we also visit and take Communion to parishioners in hospitals. For obvious reasons, we have been inactive since the pandemic began last year, but plan to begin visiting parishioners again in early May following current governmental guidelines.

If you are interested in joining Keeping in Touch or would like more information, call the rectory office or Chet and Kathy Edsall at 585 366 7130.

## Parish Staff

### Rectory Office 723-1350

Rev. Lee P. Chase, S.T.L.  
*Pastor, x 207*  
Frank Arvizzigno  
*School Principal, 225-3870*  
Marisa Stieve  
*Finance Director, x.206*

### Pastoral Ministry

Deacon David Squilla  
*Pastoral Associate, x. 212*  
Rev. Scott Caton, Ph.D.  
*Assisting Priest, x. 201*  
Deacon Manny Asis  
*Senior Deacon, x. 201*

### Administrative Staff

Wendy Speciale  
*Office Manager, x. 201*  
Kerry Nolan

*Office Assistant, x. 205*

Bob Gray

*Maintenance, x. 201*

Katrina Cohen

*Maintenance, x. 201*

### Faith Development Ministry

Jamie O'Mara

*Faith Formation, 225-7320*

Donna Gray

*Youth Ministry/CYO, 225-1485*

Debbie Cichelli

*Office Manager, 225-7320*

### Music Ministry

M. Virginia Pierce

*Music Director, 227-7236*

Susan Judkins

*9:30 a.m. Mass Choir, 797-3719*

Steve Amico

*11:00 a. m. Mass Choir, 225-7338*

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# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (Cf. Psalm 33 (32):5-6)

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

## GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

Almighty ever-living God,  
lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,  
so that the humble flock may reach  
where the brave Shepherd has gone before.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING (Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12)

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said: "Leaders of the people and elders: If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a cripple, namely, by what means he was saved, then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. He is the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM (118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29)

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
for his mercy endures forever.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to trust in princes.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and have been my savior.

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done;  
it is wonderful in our eyes.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;  
we bless you from the house of the Lord.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me  
and have been my savior.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
for his kindness endures forever.

**R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

## SECOND READING (First Letter of Saint John 3:1-2)

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, "I know him," but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

## GOSPEL (John 10:11-18)

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

*At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow.*

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary**, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.*

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, we pray, O Lord,  
that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries,  
so that the renewal constantly at work within us  
may be the cause of our unending joy.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON (Luke 24:35 )

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

**Prayer for Spiritual Communion**  
**My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd,  
and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures  
the sheep you have redeemed  
by the Precious Blood of your Son.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.



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