

ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR CHURCH

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OCTOBER 17, 2021 – ORDINARY TIME 29TH SUNDAY



2022 Sunday Envelopes will be available mid-November in the parish hall.

Ways in which you can support your parish:

SUNDAY ENVELOPES:

A set of offering envelopes will be prepared for you to pick up at the parish office.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING:

This new way of supporting the church is now being offered in our parish and many of our parishioners may find this method practical and convenient.

DONATE ON-LINE:

Alternately to donate online to St. Lawrence Martyr Parish, please [click here Archdiocese of Toronto](#) and select St. Lawrence Martyr Parish from the drop list.

REGISTRATION OF NEW PARISHIONER —> [click here.](#)



Thank you and GOD bless you!



**St. Lawrence,
Pray for Us**

PARISH OFFICE and HOURS:

Julia Di Paolo — Parish Secretary

Mon to Thurs: 9:15 AM — 12:00 PM

1:00 PM — 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:15 AM — 1:00 PM

Sunday: 9:15 AM — 1:00 PM

Closed on Saturday and Holidays

PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Fr. Roy Farrell, *Pastor*

Rev. Fr. Jimmy Joseph, *Associate Pastor*

Rev. Fr. Russell Asch, *Chaplain to the Faithful participating in the Extraordinary Rite of the Latin Mass*

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm (English)

Sunday Mass : 8:30 am (English)

10:00 am (Italian)

11:30 am (English)

1:00 pm (Latin)

5:00 pm (English)

DAILY MASSES:

English: 8:30 am Monday to Saturday

Latin: 11:00 am Monday to Wednesday

7:00 am Thursday

7:00 pm Friday

10:00 am Saturday

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays following the 8:30 am Mass

Saturdays 4:15 pm to 4:45 pm

Any time by request

PARISH GROUPS:

We invite you to consider joining a parish group.

For more information, call the parish office.

FOR SACRAMENTS (BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, ANNOINTING of the SICK, RCIA, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL):

Please contact the parish office Tel No. 416-759-9359

PARISH SCHOOL:

St. Lawrence Catholic School Tel No. 416-393-5264

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Honoring Jesus



Serving Others

Mark 10:35-45

GOSPEL SUMMARY:

In today's Gospel, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, were concerned about who would sit at Jesus' right and at Jesus' left in the heavenly kingdom. They, like the other disciples, did not understand Jesus' teaching that things are different in God's kingdom. The greatest ones are the least among us. They are those who humble themselves to be the servants of all.

REFLECTION FOR PARENTS:

Take a few minutes today to offer prayers of gratitude for all the people who serve you and your family. Think of those who are easy to take for granted—the letter carrier, the waiter or waitress at the restaurant, your assistant at work, the garbage collector, your spouse, and even your children. Say "Thank you" to these and others who serve you in any way in the week to come. When you are with your family, help them become more aware of all who serve them in quiet and faithful ways too. Teach them to say "Thank you" and encourage them to be grateful for the care and goodness these servants bring into your lives.

BRINGING THE GOSPEL INTO YOUR FAMILY:

As a family, brainstorm a list of persons whom you could serve. Perhaps an elderly relative needs help with household or yard chores, or a neighbor is recovering from surgery and could use help with running errands. Maybe young parents could use a babysitter so that they can enjoy an evening out, or new neighbors could use a hand getting to know more about your neighborhood and the town in which you live. Choose acts of service to do together as a family. Make an action plan and follow through on your plan.

DISCUSSION STARTERS:

1. Someone who served me this past week is ... Who...
2. Someone I served this past week is . . . by . . .
3. Someone whom I think is a great person is ... because ...

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Special Prayers
For Those In Need



FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Please remember in your prayers: those who are sick and for those who love and minister to them –John Miceli, Gianna Ramzi, Francisco William, Stephanie Solomon, Antonio Sorbera, Bill Matthews, Vanessa Melone, Rosemarie Sorbera, Amelia Barroso, Joey Bagnato, Alicia Alvares, Charlie Abreu, Domingo Catolos, Marylou Gaerlan, Eileen and Mary Nicol, Betty Byrne, Jose Augustus Ibe.

VOCATION REFLECTION:

Jesus' life was the best 'job description': sympathy; mercy; service; compassion; and total giving. Life is rewarding when one lives for others. Do you want to serve or be served? If you are willing to serve as a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Matthew McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto.

Tel No. 416-968-0997

Email vocations@archtoronto.org

Website <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca>



"If we find ourselves with a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that we were made for another world."— C.S. Lewis



CATHOLIC NURSES CANADA

**Tuesday, October 26, 2021,
from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

Looking for support in your vocation as a Catholic health professional? Join the National Association of Catholic Nurses-Canada (NACN-Canada) via Zoom for prayer on first Fridays at 3 p.m. and for fellowship on the final Tuesday of each month (except December.) Contact us by email for the meeting links.

NACN-Canada's goal is to align professional practice with faith through prayer, education, service, and participation in public discourse.

CONTACT: NACN-Canada PO Box 19525, Manulife PO, 55 Bloor St. W., Toronto ON M4W 3T9.

EMAIL: nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com

WEB: <https://catholicnurses.ca/>

National Association of Catholic Nurses – Canada

We are here to support and strengthen your vocation

[Join Us](#)

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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY OCTOBER 16TH – SABATO

5:00 P.M. – Michael Jardine

SUNDAY OCTOBER 17TH – DOMENICA

8:30 A.M. – Marylou Gaerlan

10:00 A.M. – Pietro e Elvira Fugaccia
Rosario Vella - Francesco Ferrante
Mike e Vito Cuoppolo
Totonno e Rosaria Francella
Leonardo Cornacchia - Leonardo Gatto
Maria e Angelo Baroni
Agata, Gaetano e Filippo Lopresti-Costantino
Antonietta, Michele e Carmela Lamanna
Mariarosa e Vito Spano e defunti famiglia
Rosa e Vito Sestito e defunti famiglia

11:30 A.M. – + Basil, Yolande & Pauline Friolet

1:00 P.M. – Pro Populo

5:00 P.M. – + Bill Cook

MONDAY OCTOBER 18TH – LUNEDI

8:30 A.M. – + Manuel Henares

11:00 A.M. – Oto Lam & Family

TUESDAY OCTOBER 19TH – MARTEDI

8:30 A.M. – + Sarah Chu Hsieh

11:00 A.M. – + Dennis Joyce

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 20TH – MERCOLEDI

8:30 A.M. – + Claudette John

11:00 A.M. – + Chrissie Ameresekere

THURSDAY OCTOBER 21ST – GIOVEDI

7:00 A.M. – + Arcadius Ferrao

8:30 A.M. – + Franz Keiler

FRIDAY OCTOBER 22ND – VENERDI

8:30 A.M. – + Gordon Burlton

7:00 P.M. – + Fr. Hugh Thwaites

SATURDAY OCTOBER 23RD – SABATO

8:30 A.M. – + Edith Pereira

10:00 A.M. – In thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary

2:00 P.M. – WEDDING

Ronald Remon & Andrea Piluso

Dear Padre

Can a minister of holy Communion who visits hospitals bless a doctor? I was recently asked to do this. I didn't know how to say no, so I said a prayer over him even though I'm not ordained. Was that OK?



You did the right thing. The Church's Book of Blessings gives guidelines for a variety of blessings, some of which may be given by laypeople. For example, parents may bless their children. Baptized laypeople who carry out functions on behalf of the Church may also give blessings: catechists may bless their students, and eucharistic ministers who visit the sick may bless them.

Laypeople may give various other blessings, including blessing the sick, food, a new home, seeds at planting time, and throats on the feast of St Blaise. A layperson may distribute ashes on Ash Wednesday, though the actual blessing of the ashes is reserved for the clergy.

Also reserved for the ordained are blessings of liturgical vessels and parishioners entering ministry as readers, altar servers, ministers of holy Communion, or musicians. Blessings of the cathedra (the bishop's chair in the cathedral church) and the consecration of the sacred chrism are reserved for bishops.

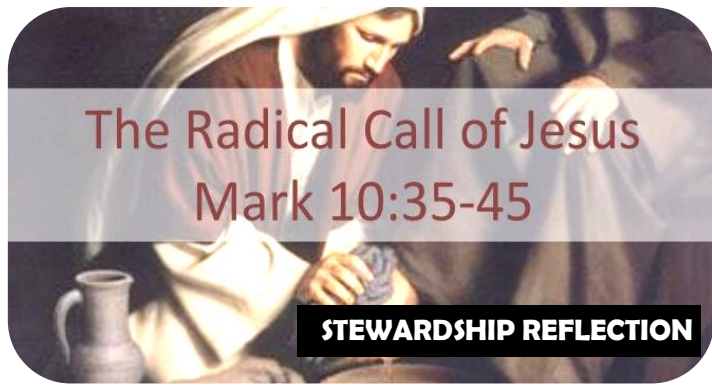
If you're trained to minister in the hospital and are there with the approval of your pastor and the hospital's pastoral team, you can give blessings. The Book of Blessings has texts to guide your words.

Fr. . John Schmidt, CSsR © 2021 Liguori Publications



4th Annual Parish Ministry Conference
“With Burning Hearts”, which will take place from October 26 to 30, 2021. This year, our virtual conference is being offered at no cost to participants due to the generous support from our sponsors and donors. All parishioners who are involved in parish ministry¹ are invited to participate in seven dynamic sessions. Visit our website at www.archtoronto.org/conference to learn more about the event.

“True humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of yourself less.” — C.S. Lewis



Looking to our Role Model. As Christians, we are always called to seek ways of imitating Christ. The Catechism says that "in all of his life Jesus presents himself as our model. He is "the perfect man", who invites us to become his disciples and follow him." Jesus was also the perfect steward so we can constantly look to Him for guidance in our own commitment to stewardship. However, many people may have reservations in trying to imitate Christ because it seems like an unattainable ideal. We may feel that Jesus, being God, doesn't know what it's like to struggle here on earth. However, this does not mean he didn't have to fight the same fight that we do in our path towards virtue. St. Paul in his letter to the Hebrews says "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin." St. Paul beautifully shows us that Christ fully understands what our struggles and difficulties are. Although He never succumbed to temptations, He too would have faced the desire to despair or give up on His call to love and sacrifice for us. Therefore, when we face trials in our stewardship, let us turn to Jesus and ask Him to help us overcome our struggles just as He did during His time on earth. Stewardship is not an impossible ideal, we just need the strength and guidance of God.

Summary. As Christians who are called to imitate Christ, we may sometimes feel that Jesus, being God, doesn't know what it's like to struggle here on earth. However, St. Paul says "we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin." Therefore, when we face trials in our stewardship, let us turn to Jesus and ask Him to help us overcome our struggles just as He did during His time on earth.

ShareLife The pandemic has revealed the value of countless things we once took for granted. At the top of the list for many of us is the ability to receive the sacraments. Our spiritual needs are as real as any others, and to fully meet them we rely on the priests, deacons, religious and lay people faithfully serving our parishes.

We must pray for good and holy priests. But we must also ensure they are equipped with an excellent educational and spiritual formation, which is why your gift to ShareLife supports St. Augustine's Seminary. The future of our Church, and the essential pastoral care provided by our priests, depends on our generosity.

Our parish's goal for ShareLife this year is \$42,500. To date we have achieved \$24,696.53. Please consider making a gift on ShareLife Sunday, which is October 31. You can also give anytime at sharelife.org. Thank you for your support of ShareLife and the future of our Church.

Let's invoke our parish patron saint everyday!



**A PRAYER TO ST. LAWRENCE:
'HELP ME TREASURE THOSE WHOM
OTHERS DISCARD'**

Feast Day, August 10

Kind St. Lawrence,
You cared for the material goods of
the Church,
While showing great love for those
cast aside —

Those in poverty and those who were sick, suffering, or forgotten.

These, you reminded the world, are the true treasures of the Church.

Guide my thoughts and prayers and actions
So that I may treasure those whom others discard, and
be a servant to those in need.

Help me to see the dignity in every person I encounter:
to defend the defenseless,
give voice to the voiceless,
and seek justice for those treated unjustly.

Be with me as I seek to help the poor, and inflame my
heart with love for all God's children. Amen.

St. Lawrence pray to God for us.