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## MUSINGS

*By Father Lee Chase*

Over the last three weeks, our young people have been celebrating their First Penance. I have to say how impressed I am with how devoutly and how seriously the children are in their First Confession. That is a testament not only to them, but to their parents and family, their catechists, and this parish. They are an example to all of us, demonstrating the importance of this sacrament. Coming up next Saturday morning and the following Saturday morning, we will celebrate First Holy Communion. Once again, I am so impressed with our First Communicants and I hope you'll join with me in praying for their families and, especially for them, as they celebrate this milestone in their Sacramental life.

I want to thank all of the volunteers who have stepped forward to be ushers and altar servers. The forms are still in the foyer of the Church and I encourage you to consider volunteering for these ministries. The vitality of a parish is marked, in part, by the parishioners willing to come forward and support the parish with their time. Please consider being an usher. And parents - please encourage your children (grades 3 and up) to be altar servers and serve God at His holy altar.

Our CMA is doing well. We've reached 85% of our goal. Thank you! We have one month left to make the remaining 15%. We can do this! I am sure that you will join with me in supporting the ministries of the diocese to the poor, the migrant, the student, the family in need. If you can help us reach our goal, that would be great!

Lastly, I want to thank Father Matthew Temple for his assistance at St. Lawrence. Father has been assisting here for as long as I have been here and has been be-

come a great part of our community. I know we enjoy his presence and his inspiring homilies. I also want to thank Father Bob Ring for helping out when I am in need. As you know, I am the only assigned priest here. At times, I do need help and am grateful for my brother priests who step in.

With that said, I want to ask two things of you. First, please understand that there will be times every now and then that due to unexpected circumstances, Saturday confessions will need to be cancelled. I will always post a sign on the confessional door. I think in my near 11 years here - we have had to cancel confessions twice (the latest being last Saturday). Sometimes, it just can't be helped. Our neighboring parishes of St. John's on the Ridge, St. Mark's, Our Mother of Sorrows, St. Leo's in Hilton and St. John's in Spencerport all offer confessions about the same time as we do and you would be welcome in any of those parishes as their parishioners are welcome here.

Lastly, please understand that if you call requesting the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick - I may not be able to get to you immediately. I will come but may have to delay my arrival. Again, I beg you, do not wait until your loved one is at their last moments to call me. It is best if you can call me for this Sacrament when you or your loved one goes into the hospital, is diagnosed with a terminal disease, etc. This is an important Sacrament and we shouldn't wait to receive it. This weekend, like all fourth weekends of the month, I will offer this Sacrament after all the Masses. This is the same Sacrament we receive if asking for the "Last Rites." Thank you.

Spend some time with Jesus! Adoration is Monday,  
**May 1, 2023** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



*This week, we light the  
Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of  
**Richard D. Fischer***

## *THIS WEEK'S PRAYER*

### *Monday, May 1*

*Easter Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for James O'Connell by John & Mary O'Connell

### *Tuesday, May 2*

*Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Gilda Maccallini by Paris Family

### *Wednesday, May 3*

*Saints Philip and James, Apostles*

8:30 a.m. Mass for Deceased Members of the Fisher & Everman Families  
By Bill & Athalene Fisher

### *Thursday, May 4*

*Easter Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Communion Service, prayer for Priestly Vocations

### *Friday, May 5*

*Easter Weekday*

8:30 a.m. Mass for John Baker by Wife & Children

### *Saturday, May 6*

*Easter Weekday*

4:00 p.m. Mass for Julie M. Bauer by Dick Bauer

### *Sunday, May 7*

### *Fifth Sunday Of Easter*

8:00 a.m. Mass for Joseph & Nellie Tette by Pamela Tette  
10:00 a.m. Mass for St. Lawrence Parishioners by Father Chase

## **Readings for the week of May 1, 2023**

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Monday, May 1:    | Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:11-18         |
| Tuesday, May 2:   | Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30        |
| Wednesday, May 3: | 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14          |
| Thursday, May 4:  | Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20        |
| Friday, May 5:    | Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6          |
| Saturday, May 6:  | Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14         |
| Sunday, May 7:    | Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12 |

Attendance April 22 & 23, 2023  
Total-887

## April 22 & 23, 2023 Collection

|                        | Amount<br>Received | Weekly<br>Budget | Surplus<br>(Shortfall) |
|------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Sunday<br>Collection   | \$13,147.15        | \$13,750.00      | \$(602.85)             |
| General<br>Maintenance | \$412.00           | \$807.00         | \$(395.00)             |
| School<br>Support      | \$126.00           | \$403.00         | \$(277.00)             |

## 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.

## 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  
Phone: 723-1350 fax: 723-1361

## St. Lawrence School

585-225-3870

## Internet and Social Media

Email - rstlawre@dor.org  
website - stlawrencegreece.org  
Facebook - www.fb.me/STLGreece

Spend some time with Jesus!  
**Adoration is Monday, May 1, 2023**  
from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## Parish Staff

### Rectory Office 723-1350

The Very Rev. Lee P. Chase, V.F., S.T.L.  
*Dean, Monroe West Deanery for the Diocese of Rochester, Pastor, x 207*  
Frank Arvizzigno  
*School Principal, 225-3870*

### Finance Administration

Marisa Stieve  
*Regional Finance Director, x.206*  
Dawn Nudo  
*Regional Business Manager, x 205*  
Cameron Hyzy  
*Regional Bookkeeper, x203*

### Pastoral Ministry

Deacon David Squilla  
*Pastoral Associate, x. 212*  
Deacon Manny Asis  
*Senior Deacon, x. 201*

### Administrative Staff

Wendy Speciale  
*Business Manager, x. 201*

Steven Geraci

*Maintenance Supervisor, x 201*

Jim Grotke

*Maintenance, x. 201*

### Faith Formation Ministry

Amanuel Malik  
*Regional Faith Formation Director*  
(585) 663-2244, x106  
Debbie Cichelli  
*Regional Faith Formation Assistant, 225-7320*  
Donna Gray  
*Regional Youth Ministry/CYO, 225-1485*

### Music Ministry

M. Virginia Pierce  
*Music Director, 227-7236*  
Susan Judkins  
*Song Prayers, 797-3719*  
Steve Amico  
*Faithful Voices, 225-7338*

# WHAT'S NOW

## This Week At St. Lawrence Church

### Monday, May 1

Adoration - Church 9:00a.m.-3:30p.m.

### Tuesday, May 2

Faithful Voices - Church 7:00p.m.

### Wednesday, May 3

Daisy Troop - Deacon Hall 4:30p.m.  
Song Prayers - Church 7:15p.m.

### Thursday, May 4

### Friday, May 5

### Saturday, May 6

First Communion - Church 11:00a.m.

### Sunday, May 7

Confirmation Reception - Deacon Hall 10:00a.m.



#### Help Your Marriage!

**Retrouvaille** (pronounced retro-vi) simply means "rediscovery." This program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse and a loving relationship in your marriage.

Sometimes bad things happen in the best relationships – car accidents, depression, severe illness, death in the family. These things can affect your marriage.

***Tens of thousands of couples headed for trouble have successfully rediscovered their marriages by attending Retrouvaille.***

Couples are never asked to share about their problems, but they will learn to communicate with their spouse about their difficulties. Our next program starts April 21st, please call **585-293-1552** with confidential questions or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org)

## Have You Pre-Planned Yet?

*There is no time like the present to gather information*

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**Join us on Tuesday, May 9th at 1:00 PM in Deacon Hall at St. Lawrence Church, 1000 North Greece Rd.**

There will be Funeral Directors present from nearby Funeral Homes.

**If interested please RSVP by Tuesday, May 2nd**

by contacting **Cristyn Simone** at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery – 585-458-4110 or 585-697-1122  
or [cristyn@holysepulchre.org](mailto:cristyn@holysepulchre.org)

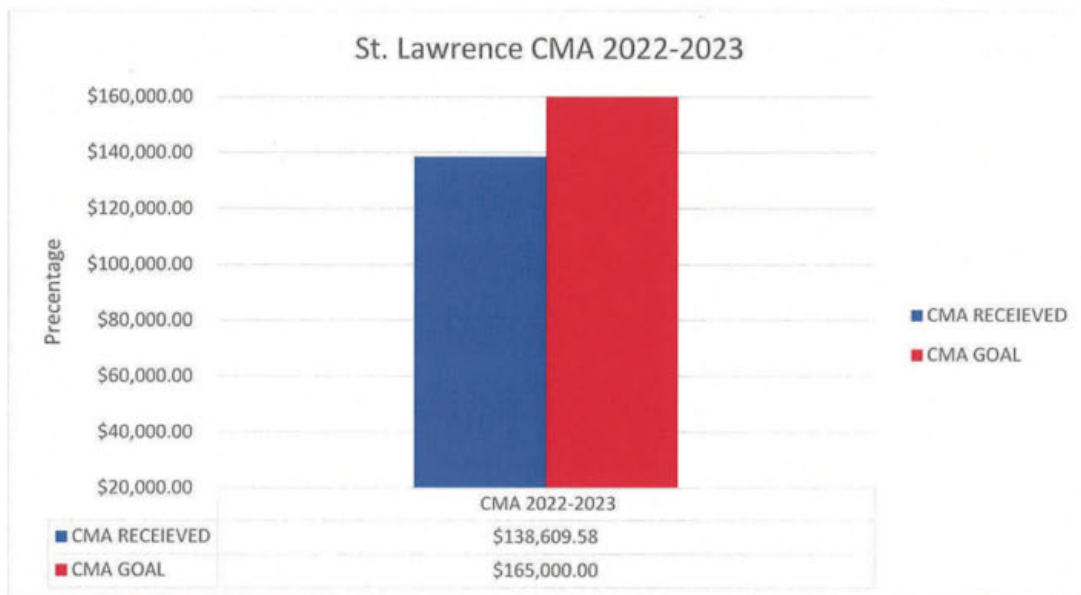


### **Your Parish needs help reaching our CMA!**

**We are so close to meeting our goal, but we still need your help!!** St. Lawrence must raise \$165,000 for this year's campaign. As of April 24<sup>th</sup> St. Lawrence has raised \$138,609.58, which is 85.15% of our required goal. St. Lawrence must raise an additional \$26,390.42 by May 31, 2023.

Please help and donate all you can, every dollar helps. The last few years St. Lawrence has not met our required goal. Unfortunately, this means we have taken the remainder of the monies from our reserve funds to fill that gap. If our parish doesn't raise all the funds the balance comes from our reserve funds. This puts off necessary projects and repairs needed by our parish.

***Thank you for your continued financial support. Our parish is grateful for our parishioner's continued generosity.***



### **Annual Catholic Ministries Appeal campaign funds wide range of ministries**

Contributions to the CMA fund more than half the diocesan budget, fully or partly supporting efforts parishes could not easily afford on their own. Among CMA-supported initiatives are: faith-formation programs for children and adults; young-adult ministries; Catholic schools; sacramental preparation; youth and campus ministries; diocesan Catholic Charities and its regional offices and agencies; information technology; chaplaincies; social-ministry efforts; support of deacons, pastoral leaders and vocations, including formation and education through St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry; parish support ministries; operations and services of the diocesan Pastoral Center; and ministries of the Vatican, the U.S. bishops and Bishop Matano.

**If you have any questions regarding how to donate or about the CMA please reach out to Marisa Stieve, Director of Finance at 585-723-1350 or [marisa.stieve@dor.org](mailto:marisa.stieve@dor.org).**



### ST. LAWRENCE MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MAY 2023

|   | EMHC                                       | Lector/Greeter    |
|---|--|-------------------|
| <b>May-06-2023</b><br><b>Saturday 4:00 PM</b> | Alma Jastrzembksi<br>Diane Kozlowski       | David Zeh         |
| <b>May-07-2023</b><br><b>Sunday 8:00 AM</b>   | Kevin Doell<br>Suzanne Mangano             | Joan Ciero        |
| <b>May-07-2023</b><br><b>Sunday 10:00 AM</b>  | Dick Pfeifer<br>Jane Pfeifer               | Ryan McCombs      |
| <b>May-13-2023</b><br><b>Saturday 4:00 PM</b> | Candy Minchella<br>Patricia Urbinelli      | Sharon Fronheiser |
| <b>May-14-2023</b><br><b>Sunday 8:00 AM</b>   | Sue Ellen Sahmel<br>Tom Emerson            | Linda Mitrano     |
| <b>May-14-2023</b><br><b>Sunday 10:00 AM</b>  | Chuck Romano<br>Jerry LeBlanc              | Trevor Pettit     |
| <b>May-20-2023</b><br><b>Saturday 4:00 PM</b> | Jeanne Sutton<br>John Andreano             | Joe Kelly         |
| <b>May-21-2023</b><br><b>Sunday 8:00 AM</b>   | Nancy Beck<br>Sue Barker                   | Jeffrey Hoover    |
| <b>May-21-2023</b><br><b>Sunday 10:00 AM</b>  | David Zimmerman<br>Rose Marie Gruttadauria | Aaron Baker       |
| <b>May-27-2023</b><br><b>Saturday 4:00 PM</b> | Bob Mayer<br>Rick Antelli                  | Jim Kutrybala     |
| <b>May-28-2023</b><br><b>Sunday 8:00 AM</b>   | David Zeh<br>Eddie Ehrmentraut             | Scott Breiner     |
| <b>May-28-2023</b><br><b>Sunday 10:00 AM</b>  | Chet Edsall<br>Kathy Edsall                | Tony Bellavia     |

*Meals On Wheels needs volunteers to deliver meals to residents in Greece!*

*Information on how you can get started volunteering for Meals On Wheels can be found on our website at [www.homecare.urmc.edu](http://www.homecare.urmc.edu) under the Service and Specialties Programs tab or by calling the Volunteer Services office at 274-4385.*

*We need you to help us bring hot meals, warm smiles, independence, and peace of mind to those in need!*

#### Pastoral Planning: Highlighting the Music Ministry at St. Leo the Great

The St. Leo Church music ministry provides uplifting, prayerful and liturgically correct music at all liturgies. The goal is active and conscious participation by all who are present. To that end, several parish musical groups lead the congregation in prayer: the Children's Praise Choir, a Handbell Choir including children and adults, and 3 groups open to teens and adults (the Festive Choir, Resurrection Choir, and Contemporary Choir). Patricia Gorman, the Music Director, trains cantors and instrumentalists throughout the year, so a wide selection of parishioners can participate in this ministry. A parishioner recently mentioned to her, "the music here at St. Leo's really adds beauty to the Mass and touches my soul!"

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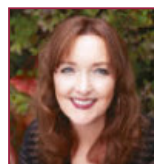
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