

ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Monday, Wednesday - Friday – 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

PASTOR

Rev. Patrick M. Dobec, P.P.

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS

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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. - Sacristy

Weekdays – Before weekday Masses in Sacristy

or by appointment

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH 26 DECEMBER 2021

Let us pray . . .

For the church, instrument of God's compassionate hospitality.

For peace in every heart and in every home.

For the needs of families in this parish and around the world.

For us, God's people gathered here, called to recognize God's presence in all things.

For those who have died and left this transitory life . . . especially for the repose of the souls of Michael Madigan brother of Bryan Madigan, Margaret Beanish mother of Fr. Jim Beanish, Peter Rumleskie and those who are forgotten and have no one to pray for them, and all the Pandemic Victims. Requiescant in Pace!

CELEBRATION OF MASS

Wednesday	Mother Perpetual Help Devotion 4:00 p.m.	Evelyn Rumleskie by Eddie and Diane Etmanskie Stanley and Jacqueline Luckasavitch by Sarah, Marsha and James
Thursday	12:00 noon 12:05 p.m.	The Angelus Marie Dunn by Sheilagh Dunn
Friday	New Year's Eve 4:30 p.m.	Lawrence Sullivan by The Estate

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 2 JANUARY 2022

Saturday	Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God 9:30 a.m.	Stanley Zilney by Sandra and Tim Etmanskie
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS

	December 31st	January 1st	January 2nd
	4:30 p.m.	9:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Readers	Brooke-Lyn Lundy Noah Kluke	Paul Aikenhead	Judy Filion
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Karen Yakabuski	Terry Recoskie	Pierre-Paul Filion

Today's Gospel Reflection

Despite our best intentions, we can "lose" Jesus. Often without realizing it, we wander away from the Jesus of the Gospels; we suddenly discover that the focus of our lives is not the compassion and generosity and peace of Jesus. So let today's Gospel be a "gut check" for each of us: a time to "find" Jesus again within the love of family and friends, to "rebuild" our homes and hearts into a fitting "temple" of service and generosity for Emmanuel to dwell. Jesus remains with us even when he seems most distant and farthest away, when we think we have "lost him." In the gift of the New Year before us, may we resolve not to lose sight of Jesus or our grasp of his hand.

Gratitude – Our entire parish family expresses our heartfelt gratitude to the many volunteers who tirelessly ensure our community and our church buildings are sanitary and safe for public worship. 99% of parishioners and visitors are so polite and co-operative as we obey our Bishop's and public health experts. These generous souls have been carrying out hidden, diligent and faithful service in the house of the Lord for the safety of all. So many people remark how safe they feel in our church and at our liturgies thanks to the co-operation of so many conscientious and responsible individuals.

We should never allow the Solemnity of our liturgies to be distracted from our worship of God, and so I wish also to take this opportunity to publicly thank the many people who work assiduously to ensure their dignity: Our music ministry, readers, ushers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, collection counters, our sanitizers, who register our guests and those who decorated our church. Thank you to our parish staff who work behind the scenes with many practical details related to these days.

Sacraments of Initiation

Our Christian Community welcomes with great joy Roy Allan Hunter who entered the Paschal Mystery through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist this past week. We assure him of our prayer and support.

World Day of Peace – January 1st

The World Day of Peace was established by Pope Paul VI in 1968 who asked that "every year, this commemoration be repeated as a hope and as a promise, at the beginning of the calendar which measures and outlines the path of human life in time, that Peace with its just and beneficent equilibrium may dominate the development of events to come." Each year has a specific theme, chosen by the Holy Father.

Registered Households 185
Last Sunday Offering \$2866.00

71 Household Envelopes & 4 E-transfers: \$2507.00	Loose: \$34.00	Visitors: \$45.00
Building Renewal: \$40.00	Evangelization Project: \$200.00	Christmas Offering: \$40.00

Thank you for your generosity! God bless you all!

