**St. Lawrence Chapel**

Traditional Roman Catholic Latin Mass

Father David Thomas, Pastor

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***Welcome to St. Lawrence Chapel*** ***and the Traditional Roman Catholic Latin Mass.*** *Please introduce yourself to Father David Thomas before/after Mass. Father Thomas can be reached at (203)431-0201 or d.thomas@fsspx.email.*

***Sunday, February 4*** *Blessing of Throats (Feast of St. Blaise 2/3/18).*

 ***2018 Ignatian Retreats*** *at St. Ignatius Retreat House (Ridgefield, CT). For schedule,*

 *information or to register for retreats, please visit* [*www.sspxridgefield.com*](http://www.sspxridgefield.com) *or call (203) 431-0201.*

***First Communion and Confirmation*** *If you are planning to have your child receive these sacraments in 2018 submit your request to Fr. Thomas as soon as possible.*

 ***St. Lawrence Chapel Bookstore *** *Roman Catholic missals, Holy Bibles, rosaries and*

*scapulars, veils, statues, religious and saint cards, books (catechism, children’s, etc.), CDs,*

 *religious calendars, holy pictures, candles, seasonal items, Mass cards and more.*

***Please ONLY make purchases when the “OPEN” sign is posted*** *and from Bookstore staff*

*(Nancy, Theresa or Liz).* ***Free religious items*** *available in bookstore and kitchen.*

 *It would be much appreciated if parishioners could please socialize after Mass in the kitchen. Thank you.*

 ***Wonderful Website Alert!*** [http://www.retreat-resources.com](http://www.retreat-resources.com/) *Many wonderful resources,*

*including: Retreat Materials, Faith Matters, Marriage and Family Matters, Biblical Studies, Prayer*

 *and Liturgy. Find answers not elsewhere on the internet. Website maintained by a SSPX Priest.*

***Angelus Magazine***

 ***▪November-December 2017*** *offers a range of articles touching on the much attacked notion of authority, very much under attack these last decades ever since the social revolution of the 60's. It is now in full bloom with a direct affront against God's nature and the family unit. This issue offers guidelines to all Catholics to navigate through the civil and spiritual dilemmas ahead of them.*

 ***▪November-December 2015*** *addresses various end of life questions and need of*

*Extreme Unction as well as the help we can provide to the elderly.*

 *Order hard copy at* [*https://****angeluspress****.org*](https://angeluspress.org) *or The Angelus Online at* [*www.angelusonline.org*](http://www.angelusonline.org)*.*

 ***Save Those Box Tops!*** *Help St. Padre Pio Academy by saving those Box Tops for Education*

*(each worth 10 cents and quickly add up to real cash for the school). Container for box tops in*

 *Chapel kitchen. For more information on the Box Tops for Education Program, including a list of*

 *participating products and the school’s progress, visit www.BTFE.com.*

 ***Christ The King Church*** *support the parish when you shop at amazon.com. Just go to*

*http://smile.amazon.com/and select Society of Saint Pius X Ridgefield Connecticut Inc as your*

 *charity. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to your charity.*

 ***Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation*** *Mass is offered each Sunday at 3:45PM.*

*If Sunday Mass gets changed or cancelled during the week (Mon-Sat) or on the actual Sunday (e.g. Mass cancelled because due to inclement weather the Priest is unable to travel), then the parishioners will receive a phone call. Those who have to travel the farthest will be called first. Sunday Mass changes or cancellations made in advance are announced from the pulpit, in the monthly bulletin and on the Chapel answering machine one or two Sundays prior. No phone call is made when Sunday Mass changes or cancellations are made in advance.  If have NOT attended Chapel Mass for two consecutive Sundays, please call*

*(860)644-5799 (or a parishioner) to verify Mass time.*

*Holy Days of Obligation Mass times vary. Holy Days of Obligation Mass times are announced from the pulpit, in the monthly Bulletin and on the Chapel answering machine one or two Sundays prior.*

 ***Confessions*** *end at 3:40pm because Mass is offered at 3:45PM.*

*Please do not enter confession line after 3:35pm.*

 ***Mass Stipends*** *may be given to our Pastor. Suggested donation $20.*

*Cash or check (made out to Priest) acceptable.*

***Sanctuary Lamp*** *The red light near the tabernacle is known as the Sanctuary Lamp. A lit Sanctuary Lamp signifies the presence of God in the tabernacle that contains the Eucharist. The role of the Sanctuary Lamp is to remind us of the presence of Jesus and to represent us before the Blessed Sacrament.* ***“Lord, this lamp stands for my soul, which will never leave you.”*** *To sponsor Sanctuary Lamp burning before Blessed Sacrament, please sign up in Bookstore. Suggested donation $10.*

***Baptism, first communion, confirmation, matrimony, sick call, extreme unction and funeral*** *are to be arranged directly with Father. Please contact him at St. Lawrence Chapel on Sunday or at the St. Ignatius Retreat House (203-431-0201). Baptism*

*and Matrimony (at least six months notice, please) by appointment.*

 ***Remember the Sick and Deceased*** *Pray for these members of the Parish. Especially those*

*forgotten or estranged from the Church. Let Father know if someone needs a visit.*

 ***St. Lawrence Chapel Relics*** *St. Lawrence, St Vincent Yen and St. Piu*

 ***The Society of St Pius X (The Apostles of Jesus and Mary)***

***“Our objective today must be to restore the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass its due and rightful place, the place it has held in the Church’s history and doctrine.” - Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre***

***■SSPX website***[*www.sspx.org*](http://www.sspx.org) *SSPX founded in 1970 by the French Roman Catholic Archbishop Marcel Francois Marie Joseph Lefebvre. An international order of Roman Catholic Missionary Priests who, with the blessing of Rome, say only the Tridentine, or Traditional Latin Mass and administer Traditional Sacraments of the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church. The Society acknowledges Pope Francis as Head of the Catholic Church and accepts all the Church’s Dogmas and Teachings.*

*Father Wegner is USA District Superior.*

***■SSPX New England Priory website:*** [*www.sspxridgefield.com*](http://www.sspxridgefield.com)

*It has information on the Ridgefield, CT priory, Padre Pio Academy, Retreats and Missions, includes St. Lawrence Chapel (monthly bulletin). Father Violette is Prior.*