St. Lawrence Catholic Church

Home of the Mater Dei Community Staffed by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter 110 State Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101



October 22, 2023

MASS TIMES

Sunday: 7:30am (Low Mass), 9:00am (Low Mass), 11:00am

(Sung Mass), 6:00pm (Low Mass)

Monday: 7:10am Tuesday: 7:10am

Wednesday: 6:15am, 6:30pm

Thursday: 7:10am

Friday: 7:10am, 6:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Before each Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

Sunday: 5:30pm (Solemn with Benediction)

Tuesday: 8:00am—11:45am (Solemn with Benediction)

Friday: 5:30pm—6:25pm (Simple Adoration except during

Lent)

Saturday: 8:00am—8:50am (Solemn with Benediction)

DEVOTIONS

St. Jude: 3rd Wednesday, 5:30pm

Sacred Heart: 1st Friday, following 6:30pm Mass

DIVINE OFFICE

Terce: Wednesday, Friday; 8am

None: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 12noon

Vespers: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 5pm

Compline: 1st Friday, 7:00pm

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1.30pm to 5.30pm; Saturday: 8am to 5pm

1:30pm to 3:30pm; Saturday: 8am to 3pm
Choir & Choristers Practice weekly—music@stlawrence.ccPaul Thomas May
Church Cleaning
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Confraternity of Christian Mothers
Monthly—mothers@stlawrence.cc Stephanie Fonticoba
Girls Sodality
Ages 9 -14—girlssodality@stlawrence.ccRebecca Mack
Holy Name Society
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Knights of Columbus
Monthly—knights@stlawrence.ccJosh Logan
The Legion of Mary
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Meal Train
mealtrain@stlawrence.cc
Prayer Chain
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Pro-Life Group

St. Tarcisius

Ages 5-12, Monthly—sttarcisius@stlawrence.cc............Dan Miccolupi

Monthly—prolife@stlawrence.cc.....Kris Keck

Tuesday Adoration

Tuesdays 8-1pm—tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.cc...... Amanda Healy

Young Adult Group

Ages 18-35, Monthly—youngadults@stlawrence.cc.....Fr. Cortes

Youth Group

Ages 13-18, Monthly—yg@stlawrence.ccJoelle Riethmiller

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Oct 22 Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost, II

7:30am The Fonticoba Family

9:00am *Pro Populo* 11:00am Andrew Sloane

6:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the HNS by HNS

Mon. Oct 23 St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop & Confessor, III

7:10am Thanksgiving to the IHM & Sp. Intention by Kevin Ritchie

Tue. Oct 24 St. Raphael the Archangel, III

7:10am +Holy Souls in Purgatory by Jamison Jones

Wed. Oct 25
St. Isidore the Farmer, Confessor, III
6:15am
+Augusta Wildt by Joe & Joyce Mackin

6:30pm The Pritchett Family

Thu. Oct 26 Feria, IV

7:10am + Charles Laczkoskie by Mary Laczkoskie

Fri. Oct 27 Feria, IV

7:10am Leah Garnick by Christopher Simpson 6:30pm +Anthony Ciucci by the St. Lawrence Choir

Sat. Oct 28Ss. Simon and Jude, *Apostles, II*9:00am
Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Sun. Oct 29 Christ the King, I

7:30am +Joseph Turczany by Caroline Pitman 9:00am Ed & Karen Makosch by the Kole Family

11:00am Pro Populo

6:00pm Elizabeth Unger by Daniel and Lydia Miccolupi

TODAY

- CCD Classes—9:15am
- Adult Catechism—12:45pm
- No Sunday socials
- · Second Collection: World Mission Sunday

UPCOMING

Monday, October 23

• Monday Night Basketball YMCA—7pm

Saturday, October 28

- Solemn Mass for Ss. Simon & Jude by Fr. Gomez with St. Jude Devotions and First Blessings—9:00am
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

Sunday, October 29

- Feast of Christ the King
- No Sunday Socials
- Adult Catechism—12:45pm

Wednesday, November 1

 Feast of All Saints—Masses at 6:15am, 12:15pm, 6:30pm (Sung Mass)

November 2 to 10

· All Souls Novena

Thursday, November 2

• Commemoration of All Faithful Departed—Masses at 7:10am, 7:45am, 8:15am, 12:15pm, 6:30pm

Sunday, November 5

- All Saints party following 11am Mass
- Cancelled due to All Saints Party: No Sunday Socials, no Adult Catechism, and no Sunday Sports.
- CCD Classes

PROPERS OF THE MASS

Lesson Eph 6:10-17

Brethren: Be strengthened in the Lord and in the might of His power. Put on the armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the Principalities and the Powers, against the world rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness on high. Therefore, take up the armor of God, that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and stand in all things perfect. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breast-plate of justice, and having your feet shod with the readiness of the Gospel of peace, in all things taking up the shield of faith, with which you may be able to quench all the fiery darts of the most wicked one. And take unto you the helmet of salvation and the sword of the spirit, that is, the word of God.

Gospel Matt 18:23-35

At that time, Jesus spoke to His disciples this parable: The kingdom of heaven is likened to a king who desired to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun the settlement, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand

talents. And as he had no means of paying, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. But the servant fell down and besought him, saying, 'Have patience with me and I will pay you all!' And moved with compassion, the master of that servant released him, and forgave him the debt. But as that servant went out, he met one of his fellow-servants who owed him a hundred denarii and he laid hold of him, and throttled him. saying, 'Pay what you owe.' His fellow-servant therefore fell down and began to entreat him, saying, 'Have patience with me and I will pay you all.' But he would not; but went away and cast him into prison until he should pay what was due. His fellow-servants therefore, seeing what had happened, were very much saddened, and they went and informed their master of what had taken place. Then his master called him, and said to him, 'Wicked servant! I forgave you all the debt, because you entreated me. Should not you also have had pity on your fellow-servant, even as I had pity on you?' And his master, being angry, handed him over to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. So also My heavenly Father will do to you, if you do not each forgive your brothers from your hearts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCT. 28: FIRST MASS FOR SIMON AND JUDE—Since the parish has a devotion to St. Jude, we plan to have a High Mass for the feast of Sts. Simon and Jude on Saturday, with Fr. Quinn Gomez, FSSP, ordained just in May, celebrating his First Mass at St. Lawrence. Father will give his first blessing to all who desire it after Mass. Fr. Gomez was last here earlier this year as a deacon during Holy Week. The choristers of our Friday program will provide the music for the Mass.

NOV. 2 DEADLINE: RSVP FOR ALL SAINTS PARTY:

You're invited to our annual All Saints Day party, on Sunday, November 5th, from 1-4 PM. The party will be at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish (Mechanicsburg) in Waldron Hall. Please RSVP by November 2. Please consider volunteering for a 1/2 hour slot, or even a few! We are most in need of volunteers for the games. We look forward to seeing your families at this event! Go to https://bit.ly/AllSaintsParty to sign up. On your mobile device, when you click the link, you will be taken to the Attendance one. At the top there will be a drop down menu to give you the option of tabbing to the Volunteer one. On a laptop or desktop, there will be two tabs next to each other, clearly marked. Email Rebecca Mack with any questions at allsaints@stlawrence.cc.

CANDY FOR ALL SAINTS PARTY NEEDED—We request every attending family to bring 1- to 2-bags of bulk candy for the All Saints Day party. This candy is needed as it makes up the majority of the prizes for the children. If you would like to donate candy ahead of time, please drop off at the parish office in the parish center (112 State Street) or give to Rebecca Mack. Candy should be in new, unopened packages. If you have questions, please email Rebecca at allsaints@stlawrence.cc

NOV. 2-10: ALL SOULS NOVENA OF MASSES —Please enroll your loved ones in the All Souls Novena of Masses, which begins on All Souls Day (Nov. 2), and ends on Nov. 10. At least one Mass per day will be said for all of the dead enrolled in the novena. We will accept enrollments in the novena until Oct. 31. All of the names enrolled will be placed in a basket beside the High Altar, and each Mass will be offered for all of the people enrolled. Envelopes are near the entrance of the church in which you may include your intentions. You may also include a donation in honor of these loved ones. These donations will go to the parish and remain there. The parish will in turn provide the standard stipend to the priests for saying the Masses.

DEC. 3 DEADLINE: BUS FOR DC MARCH FOR LIFE—

St. Lawrence has reserved buses to go to the March for Life in Washington, D.C., in January. Seats are reserved on a first-come basis, but must be paid for by Dec. 3. On Friday, Jan. 19, Holy Mass will be at 7:10am at St. Lawrence, with buses departing Harrisburg Mall (3501 Paxson Street, Harrisburg) at 8:30am, and returning there around 8 pm. Park at the mall for free while on the trip. This will be an opportunity to defend the defenseless and to spend a joyful day with friends and others of like mind. Each seat on the bus costs \$50. For meals, please bring a lunch, and we will stop for dinner at a restaurant on the way back. Please register at https://bit.ly/2024marchforlife and pay via the donation link on the parish website. Please specify that it is for the National March and email your receipt to prolife@stlawrence.cc. Email prolife@stlawrence.cc for questions.

LAUNCHING: A FLOWER GUILD—As can be seen, we strive to make every aspect of the Holy Sacrifice perfect, insofar as it lies in our power, and this includes the beautiful work of preparing and arranging the flowers for the sanctuary. Since it is better to share this labor with a group—because it distributes the labor, and it helps when we falter (*If one fall he shall be supported by the other: woe to him that is alone, for when he falleth, he hath none to lift him up.* Ecclesiastes 4:10)—we hope to start a ladies' flower guild in the new year. If interested, please email flowers@stlawrence.cc.

EXPANDING: ALTAR LINENS GUILD—We are seeking additional ladies to care for sacred fabrics used for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the Divine Office. These include cloths used for the ceremonial handwashing in the sacristy as part of the vesting prayers and at the *Lavabo* during Mass; the three layers of cloths on the altar, the long white albs worn by priests while celebrating Mass; and the shorter white surplices worn by priests while reciting the Divine Office. Due to the great dignity of the acts in which the Church uses these fabrics, they must always be clean and beautiful. Ladies generally work two hours once a month and meet as a group every two to three months. Training is provided. Those intending to assist with this important work should attend our next group meeting: Saturday, January 6, 2024, following the High Mass in Parish Center Room 10. Questions may be directed to altarcloths@stlawrence.cc.

NOV. 6-7: REQUIEMS FOR FRATERNITY AND CONFRATERNITY—The rule of the FSSP requires the following of each Fraternity priest: "On November 5th of each year the priests of the FSSP will celebrate Requiem Masses for all the deceased members of the Fraternity and the Confraternity." As Nov. 5 falls on Sunday this year, these Masses will be celebrated by the priests on Nov. 6 and 7. Since this falls within our All Souls Novena of Masses, the public Masses each day will be for the Novena, while the private Masses will be for the deceased members of the Fraternity and the Confraternity. If you are a member of the Confraternity of St. Peter, you can be consoled knowing that these Masses are to be said for you as well once you die.

DATE NIGHT: REGISTRATION IS OPEN!—Because we would like to continue building community in our parish, we invite any couples (married or not-married-but-could-be) to join the priests and five or six other couples on Saturday, Nov. 25, for Date Night. Come to St. Lawrence for Vespers at 5 pm, then caravan over to Dolce Vita in Camp Hill (1509 Market St.) for a fixed price dinner (\$35 per person plus tip, BYOB). Sign up here: https://bit.ly/datenight11252023. If you miss this chance, look for another date night in another couple of months.

HARRISBURG STREET EVANGELIZATION—The downtown location of our parish sees many pedestrians most days, and especially on days of the city's festivals. If you are interested in learning more about cooperating with St. Paul Street Evangelization, please email the office at contact@stlawrence.cc. If there is enough interest, we will invite a representative of this organization to give a presentation. A one-minute video can be found here: https://shorturl.ac/street

Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: O Jesus Christ Remember, 941 Recessional hymn: O God Our Help in Ages Past, 923

Kyriale: Mass IX, 731; Credo III, 776

Offertory Motet: Vir erat in terra Hus

Hymn at Communion: Ave Maria... Virgo Serena, Chant

Sequence

In 1593, **G.P. Palestrina** published 68 five-voice settings of Offertory texts for Sundays and major feasts during the church year. This Sunday's Offertory, which is from that set, is a completely original composition—opposed to other works by Palestrina that use existing melodies.

The chant sequence *Ave Maria...Virgo Serena* is taken from the *Cantus Selecti* which is a compilation of chants released in 1957 by the Solesmes Abbey. This chant highlights events in the life of the Blessed Virgin. It also inspired three major compositions in the late 1400s, most notably a setting by Josquin des Prez.

G.P. Palestrina (c.1525–1594) is highly regarded for his contributions of sacred polyphony and development of counterpoint in the late 16th Century. In the post-Tridentine period he earned the reputation of the ideal Catholic composer for his success in reconciling the functional and aesthetic aims of Catholic church music. Palestrina wrote over 105 Masses and 250 sacred motets in addition to many other works.

Inquiry Class Reminder: If you are not Catholic and are interested in Catholicism, or if you know of anyone who is at all interested, we hold an Inquiry class every Saturday at 3:30pm in the 2nd floor conference room at our 112 State Street Parish Center. This is a no commitment class and all one needs to do is show up. If you have questions, you are welcome to email the office at: contact@stlawrence.cc

Processional Hymn

O Jesus Christ Remember

O Jesus Christ remember, When Thou shall come again, Upon the clouds of Heaven, With all Thy shining Train; When every eye shall see Thee, In Deity revealed, Who now upon this altar In silence art concealed.

Remember then, O Savior, I supplicate of Thee, That here I bowed before Thee Upon my bended knee; That here I owned Thy Presence, And did not Thee deny; And glorified Thy greatness, Though hid from human eye.

Accept Divine Redeemer, The homage of my praise; Be Thou the light and honor And glory of my days; Be Thou my consolation When death is drawing nigh; Be Thou my only treasure Through all eternity.

Sunday Collections Week of October 15, 2023

Offertory (October 15) \$ 5,078.00 Online Giving (October 9 - October 15) 3,184.00

Total: \$ 8,262.00

FROM THE PARISH LIBRARIAN—Thank you to those who volunteered to help! Circumstances enabled me to be in the library almost every day this week. I am tired of progressing at a snail's pace. The labeling, cleaning and color coding looks a lot better now as more of the books are handled. Please drop in and see what you think. It should be very easy to find what you want. Colors also work well for browsing. I hope to be finished with this stage before 2024. Although the collection will be automated next year, there is a simple catalogue card for every book so I can keep track of the books. I also remember a lot of what we have so if you are keen to know if we have something, I should be able to tell you!—Mrs. Sharon Knowles (library@stlawrence.cc).

NEEDED: GRANT WRITER—If you have experience writing applications for grants, your parish could use your advice and help. Please write to Fr. Smith at pastor@stlawrence.cc.

Recessional Hymn

O God Our Help in Ages Past

O God our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

Beneath the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame, From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Be Thou our guard while troubles last, And our eternal home.