

# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



November 12, 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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**Parish Office Hours:** Monday—Friday; 8am to 11:30am; 1:30pm to 5:30pm; Saturday: 8am to 5pm

### Choir & Choristers

*Practice weekly*—music@stlawrence.cc ..... Paul Thomas May

### Church Cleaning

*Rotates weekly*—clean@stlawrence.cc ..... Kristin Patterson

### Confraternity of Christian Mothers

*Monthly*—mothers@stlawrence.cc ..... Stephanie Fonticoba

### Girls Sodality

*Ages 9-14*—girlssodality@stlawrence.cc ..... Rebecca Mack

### Holy Name Society

*Monthly*—holyname@stlawrence.cc ..... William Gabig

### Knights of the Altar

*Altar Servers*—altarboys@stlawrence.cc ..... Ed Pitman

### Knights of Columbus

*Monthly*—knights@stlawrence.cc ..... Josh Logan

### The Legion of Mary

*Weekly*—legionofmary@stlawrence.cc ..... Daniel Jones

### Meal Train

mealtrain@stlawrence.cc ..... Alyssa Showers

### Prayer Chain

prayers@stlawrence.cc ..... Fr. Cortes

### Pro-Life Group

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

### St. Tarcisius

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

### 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.cc ..... Joelle Riethmiller

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun. Nov 12</b>	<b>Resumed Fifth Sunday After Epiphany, II</b>
7:30am	For the Fraternity and preservation of the Traditional Mass
9:00am	Sebastian Fonticoba & Godparents by Fonticoba Family
11:00am	For the Fraternity and preservation of the Traditional Mass
6:00pm	Nichole Marie Erickson
<b>Mon. Nov 13</b>	<b>St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin, III</b>
7:10am	Joseph Fonticoba by the Fonticoba Family
<b>Tue. Nov 14</b>	<b>St. Josaphat, Bishop &amp; Martyr, III</b>
7:10am	Angelina Mack
<b>Wed. Nov 15</b>	<b>St. Albert the Great, Confessor &amp; Doctor, III</b>
6:15am	Julie Hahn by Michael & Barbara Serpiello
6:30pm	St. Jude Intentions
<b>Thu. Nov 16</b>	<b>St. Gertrude the Great, Virgin, III</b>
7:10am	Regina Lakatos
<b>Fri. Nov 17</b>	<b>St. Gregory the Wonderworker, Bishop &amp; Confessor, III</b>
7:10am	Living & +Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus by Joseph & Hermina Cunningham
6:30pm	John Zalesky by the Zalesky Family
<b>Sat. Nov 18</b>	<b>Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter &amp; Paul, III</b>
9:00am	Protection of the Unborn
<b>Sun. Nov 19</b>	<b>Resumed Sixth Sunday after Epiphany, II</b>
7:30am	+Robert & Dorothy Stanely by Jamison & Kelly Jones
9:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
11:00am	Thanksgiving to the IHM for Spec. Inten. by Kevin Ritchie
6:00pm	Daniella Mimoso by Michael Mimoso

## TODAY

### Sunday, November 12

- Sunday Socials provided by YAG
- CCD Classes
- Adult Catechism—12:45pm

## UPCOMING

### Monday, November 13

- Monday Night Basketball YMCA—7pm

### Saturday, November 18

- Parish Basketball Tournament—1pm-5:30pm
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

### Sunday, November 19

- Sunday Socials provided by Knights of Columbus
- Sunday Sports—1:30pm

### Thursday, November 23

- Thanksgiving Day

### Sunday, November 26

- No Sunday Socials

### Sunday, December 3

- First Sunday of Advent

### Friday, December 8

- Feast of The Immaculate Conception of the BVM—Masses at 7:10am, noon, 6:30pm

### Saturday, December 9

- Knights of the Altar—10am
- Girls' Sodality—10am
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

### Sunday, December 17

- Advent Program at Civic Club of Harrisburg

### Saturday, December 30

- Parish Christmas Party

## PROPERS OF THE MASS

### *Lesson Col 3:12-17*

Brethren: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, a heart of mercy, kindness, humility, meekness, patience. Bear with one another and forgive one another, if anyone has a grievance against any other; even as the Lord has forgiven you, so also do you forgive. But above all these things have charity, which is the bond of perfection. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts; unto that peace, indeed, you were called in one body. Show yourselves thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you abundantly: in all wisdom teach and admonish one another by psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, singing in your hearts to God by His grace. Whatever you do in word or in work, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God the Father through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### *Gospel Matt 13:24-30*

At that time, Jesus spoke this parable to the crowds: The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while men were asleep, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. And when the blade sprang up and brought forth fruit, then the weeds appeared as well. And the servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' And the servants said to him, 'Will you have us go and gather them up?' 'No,' he said, 'lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will say to the reapers: Gather up the weeds first, and bind them in bundles to burn; but gather the wheat into my barns.'

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FR. SMITH VACATION**—Fr. Smith will be on vacation until November 16. Due to his absence, Fr. John Killackey, FSSP, is here today for coverage.

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**—The Holy Name Society of St. Lawrence is collecting food donations for the annual Thanksgiving food drive for the Silence of Mary Home in Lemoyne, Pennsylvania. Today is the last day of the drive. Please place your donations inside the basement door of the parish center (down the outside stairs from State Street to the entrance). May God reward your generosity! For any questions, please email [holyname@stlawrence.cc](mailto:holyname@stlawrence.cc).

**NOV. 18: MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT:** Come support your favorite team in the annual men's parish basketball tournament at the East Shore YMCA from 1pm to 5:30pm.

**NOV. 18: FACING EAST NETWORK**—Facing East Network will host a training event on this coming Saturday, November 18. The following classes will be offered: 1. First Aid, CPR, and AED Certification; 2. Creighton Fertility Care Introductory Session; 3. Interviewing Skills with Mock Interviews. The classes will start immediately following the 9:00am Mass, and run until approximately 2:00pm. Seats are limited and advanced registration is required. Email [facingeastnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:facingeastnetwork@gmail.com) to register.

**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](mailto:pastor@stlawrence.cc).

**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, we hope to start a ladies' flower guild in the new year. If interested, please email [flowers@stlawrence.cc](mailto: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](mailto:altarcloths@stlawrence.cc).

**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](mailto:contact@stlawrence.cc)

**FOBS FOR PARENTS WITH BABIES IN NEED**—With the cold weather approaching and the limited space in the narthex we would like to offer an option for parents who take their babies outside to console them when they are under duress. The reception hall of the parish center (112 State Street) may now be utilized by families as an optional cry room, which is equipped with video and audio of the Mass. Of course, families who avail themselves of this are still able and encouraged to come receive Holy Communion. We would like to keep this room as a place dedicated to prayer even while tending to children. Tending to your children is its own prayer. During Mass, though, this room should not be a place for conversation. If you would like a fob, which provides access to the church and parish center, please email [contact@stlawrence.cc](mailto:contact@stlawrence.cc).

**NOV. 15: 6:30pm MASS**—St. Jude Mass Intentions—Each month, as part of our devotion to St. Jude on the third Wednesday, we offer Holy Mass at 6:30 pm for the prayer intentions shared with us. This month's intentions include the following, which have been published in our weekly prayer intention email from October 18 to November 8, 2023. Please pray for your fellow parishioners and their intentions. If you would like us to pray for your intentions, please send your intentions to [prayers@stlawrence.cc](mailto:prayers@stlawrence.cc)

Please pray for: Michael, Wendy, Mary, +Laura, Allie, Christopher, +Maxine, +Phyllis, +Milton, Kathleen, Miriam, and Annie.

Please also pray for: a family in the parish, who are looking for a new home; our Latin Mass Community; a parishioner, who is struggling with severe depression; the son of a parishioner, who is experiencing work-related difficulties; the brother of a parishioner, who is battling an alcohol addiction; the soul of a young man, who passed away in an accident; and the conversion of the family members of a parishioner.

**DEC. 17: ADVENT DRAMA PROGRAM**—Children of the Friday Religious Program will present a Sunday afternoon program at the Harrisburg Civic Club that includes the performance of a one-act play, *My Sister, Macrina*, based on the *Life of St. Macrina* by St. Gregory of Nyssa (335-395), and various musical numbers performed by the children. The evening will finish back at St. Lawrence for the first "O" antiphon at Vespers at 5pm.

**NOV. 18 KofC FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP** — The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Free Throw Championship for boys and girls ages 9-14 on Saturday, November 18th. The contest will take place at the East Shore YMCA during our annual parish basketball tournament. Contestants compete within their own gender and age group and progress from local level to district, regional and state/province competitions. Contestants compete by scoring the most free throws based on the amount of tries allowed based on the competition level. The contestant who makes the most number of successful free throws within their gender and age group wins, and he or she is eligible to compete in the district competition. For more information and to sign up, please contact [knights@stlawrence.cc](mailto:knights@stlawrence.cc)

### Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *Hearken, Shepherd of the Sheep*, 873  
Recessional hymn: *All People That On Earth Do Dwell*, 925  
Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo III, 776

Motet after Offertory: *Sicut Cervus*, G.P. Palestrina (c. 1525–1594)

Communion antiphon: *Amen, dico vobis*, Heinrich Isaac (c. 1450–1517)

The motet *Sicut Cervus* by **G.P. Palestrina** is one of his most well known works and is regarded as the culminating example of Sacred Roman Polyphony. The text is taken from Psalm 41: *As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.* Though many recordings and performances end with the first verse, Palestrina composed an entire second part that includes verses 2 and 3 from the same Psalm: *My soul thirsts for God, the living God. When can I enter and see the face of God? My tears have been my bread day and night, as they ask me every day, "Where is your God?"*

**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.

### Processional Hymn

*Hearken, Shepherd of the Sheep*

Christ, enthroned in highest Heaven,  
Hear us crying from the deep,  
For the faithful ones departed,  
For the souls of all that sleep;  
As Thy kneeling Church entreateth,  
Hearken, Shepherd of the sheep.

King of Glory, hear our voices,  
Grant Thy faithful rest, we pray;  
We have sinned, and may not bide it,  
If Thou mark our steps astray;  
Yet we plead the saving Victim,  
Which for them we bring today.

That which Thou Thyself hast offered  
To Thy Father, offer we;  
Let it win for them a blessing,  
Bless them, Jesu, set them free;  
They are Thine, they wait in patience;  
Merciful and gracious be.

### Sunday Collections Week of November 5, 2023

Offertory (November 5)	\$ 5,897.00
Vestments (November 5)	94.00
All Saints' Day	1,531.00
All Souls' Day	330.00
All Souls' Novena (November 5)	1,706.00
Special donation for church mortgage	29,000.00
Online Giving (October 30-November 5)	<u>5,867.00</u>

**Total:** **\$ 44,425.00**

\* Today's coffee social was provided for by a \$400 gift from Sean T. Pendrak in honor of his late mother. RIP Elizabeth Louise Keisling Pendrak (1940-2012).

**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](mailto:prolife@stlawrence.cc). Email [prolife@stlawrence.cc](mailto:prolife@stlawrence.cc) for questions.

### Recessional Hymn

*All People That On Earth Do Dwell*

All people that on earth do dwell,  
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.  
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell;  
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;  
Without our aid He did us make;  
We are His folk, He doth us feed,  
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise;  
Approach with joy His courts unto;  
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,  
For it is seemly so to do.