

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

Home of the Mater Dei Community
Staffed by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter



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

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 8 -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

Young Adult Group

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

St. Tarcisius

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

Tuesday Adoration

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

Youth Group

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

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sun. Apr. 9** **Easter Sunday, I**
 7:30am For the Fraternity and preservation of the Traditional Mass
 9:00am Pro Populo
 11:00am For the Fraternity and preservation of the Traditional Mass
- Mon. Apr. 10** **Easter Monday, I**
 7:10am Ann Barnhardt and Super Nerd by Mary Ann Gaffney
- Tue. Apr. 11** **Easter Tuesday, I**
 7:10am Anthony Zeager by Fonticoba Family
- Wed. Apr. 12** **Wednesday in the Octave of Easter, I**
 6:15am +Faith Creighton by Matthew Pitman
 6:30pm Caroline Pitman by The Barry Family
- Thu. Apr. 13** **Thursday in the Octave of Easter, I**
 7:10am Ann Barnhardt and Super Nerd by Timothy Hester
- Fri. Apr. 14** **Friday in the Octave of Easter, I**
 7:10am Keirstan Lane by Samuel Jones
 3:00pm +George Kelly by Kevin Kelly
- Sat. Apr. 15** **Easter Saturday in Albis, I**
 8:00pm Protection of The Unborn
- Sun. Apr. 16** **Low Sunday, I**
 7:30am +Rudolf Pierich & Anna Magaret Pierich
 9:00am Pro Populo
 11:00am Jason & Brittany Witcher by Charles & Chris Stoner
 6:00pm Jacinda Ardern



PROPERS OF THE MASS

Lesson 1 Cor 5:7-8

Brethren, purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new paste, as you are unleavened: for Christ our Pasch is sacrificed. Therefore let us feast, not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Gospel Mark 16:1-7

At that time, Mary Magdalen, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought sweet spices, that coming they might anoint Jesus. And very early in the morning, the first day of the week,

they came to the sepulchre, the sun being now risen. And they said one to another: Who shall roll us back the stone from the door of the sepulchre? And looking, they saw the stone rolled back. For it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed with a white robe, and they were astonished. Who saith to them, Be not affrighted; ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: He is risen, He is not here; behold the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples, and Peter, that He goeth before you into Galilee; there you shall see Him, as He told you.

TODAY

Sunday, April 9

- Easter Sunday— 11am Mass—Mozart's *Missa Brevis in D Minor K65*
- Easter Sunday Potluck after 11am Mass—112 State Street Parish Center
- No CCD classes

UPCOMING

Monday, April 10

- Monday Night Basketball YMCA—7pm

Tuesday, April 11

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Wednesday, April 12

- Young Adult Group—Spiritual Conference after the 6:30pm Mass

Saturday, April 15

- Adult Inquiry class—3:30pm
- Youth Group meeting—6pm

Sunday, April 16

- Low Sunday
- Sunday Social after all morning Masses
- Sunday Sports
- Young Adult Brunch—1pm—Squeaky Rail Diner; Enola, Penn.

Monday, April 17

- Monday Night Basketball YMCA—7pm

Tuesday, April 18

- Knights of Columbus—6:30pm
- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Thursday, April 20

- Anniversary—Dedication of St. Lawrence Church

Sunday, April 23

- Second Sunday after Easter

Sunday, April 30

- Third Sunday after Easter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paschal Blessings—Formerly, when the Lateran palace was the papal residence, and the Station of Easter Sunday was held at St Mary Major's, the sovereign Pontiff, vested in a cope, and wearing the tiara, went to the basilica on a horse caparisoned in white. After the Mass, he proceeded to the banquet-hall, called the *Triclinium Leonianum*. It was built by St Leo III, and was decorated with mosaics representing Christ, St Peter, Constantine and Charlemagne. A repast was prepared, to which were invited, as guests of the pontiff, five cardinals, five deacons, and the first in dignity (*the Primicerius*) of the clergy attached to the church of St John Lateran. Near to the Pope's own table, a seat was prepared for twelfth guest—the prior, called basilicarius. The Paschal Lamb was then served up, laid on a rich dish. The Pope blessed it, and thus signified that the severe law of abstinence was at an end. He himself cut it into portions and sent one to each of his guests; but first of all he cut off a small piece, and gave it to the basilicarius, saying to him what would have seemed a harsh allusion, but for the words that followed: 'What thou hast to do, do quickly! But what was said as a condemnation, I say to thee as a pardon.' The repast began with joyous conversation; but, after some time, the archdeacon gave a signal, and a deacon began to read. The papal choristers were afterwards introduced, and sang such of the favourite sequences as the Pope called for. This done, the choristers kissed the feet of the pontiff, who gave to each of them a cup full of wine from his own table; and each received a piece of money, called a *besant*, from the treasurer.

The text of the blessing of the Paschal Lamb:

O God, who, on the deliverance of thy people from Egypt, didst command, by thy servant Moses, that a lamb should be slain as a type of our Lord Jesus Christ, and didst ordain that both side-posts of the houses should be sprinkled with its blood: vouchsafe also to bless and sanctify this creature of flesh, which we thy servants desire to eat for thy glory, and in honour of the Resurrection of the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Who liveth and reigneth with thee, for ever and ever.

— From *The Liturgical Year* by Dom Guéranger

Today: Paschal Blessing of lambs, eggs, bread, and new fruits—After today's 11 am orchestral Mass, the priests will give special blessings only given at Easter for any lambs, eggs, bread, or new fruits that parishioners would like to bring to be blessed. This will be done in the parish center at 112 State Street.

Mar. 2, 2024: Bach's The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John—coming to St. Lawrence next year in conjunction with Messiah University!



From your Pastor—Thank you very much for your prayers for me this week. For those who do not know, I had become sick with a cold, and ended up spending the first part of Holy Week in bed. Thinking I had recovered enough, I began to offer the Holy Sacrifice Wednesday morning, and got nearly to the end of St. Luke's Passion. At that point I was tremendously exhausted and fearing I would faint, decided to sit for a minute before continuing. I tried to continue, but again lost my strength and started to sag. The Rev. Mr. Quinn Gomez, FSSP, who was sitting in choir, along with Dr. Anthony Patterson, Will Gabig, and others, grabbed me and helped me away from the altar. It was the first time I've been unable to finish a Mass. Fortunately, Fr. Cortes was available and could complete the Mass. EMTs were called, and I was taken to Harrisburg hospital, where I was diagnosed with sepsis caused by pneumonia, which meant that my whole body was somehow responding to an infection in my lungs, which caused me to almost faint at the altar. Bolstered by your prayers, as well as several bags of IV fluid and antibiotics, I was surprisingly able not only to leave the hospital on Maundy Thursday, but to do many of the duties for which I had been scheduled. Thank you very much for your many prayers, as well as the good wishes conveyed by phone, email, and card. I wish you a very blessed Easter!—Rev. James M. Smith

Easter Sunday Potluck—Our Easter party will begin after the 11am Easter Sunday Mozart orchestral Mass today, in the parish center (112 State Street). We will have an Easter egg hunt for the children as well.

Easter Break for CCD and Friday Religious Education classes: CCD today; Friday Religious Education, Apr.14.

Library construction—Thanks to your generosity, we now plan to begin renovations on April 17. We are quite confident that this beautiful library room, stocked with so many treasures of the Catholic Faith, and of history, poetry, and literature, will contribute tremendously to our life as a parish. May God reward everyone who has helped with this project! Further: if anyone has a copy of the old Catholic Encyclopedia (1917) in good condition, we would be grateful for a donation of it to our parish library.

2023 Mass Intentions—As our Parish family continues to grow, the Mass intention calendar is quickly filling up! To accommodate everyone's requests, we ask that going forward, each family submit no more than four Mass intentions per month. This will enable everyone an opportunity to have their Masses said throughout the year. Thank you!

St. Jude Devotion Mass Intentions—The Mass intention on the third Wednesday of each month will be for the prayer requests received on the Parish prayer email list. Please note that when a third Wednesday falls within the Novenas for Mother's Day and Father's Day, the Mass intention for the 6:15am morning Mass will be designated for the respective novena. The 6:30pm evening Mass intention will be for the list of prayer requests..

July 10-14: Save the Date—**Chant Camp 2023** is scheduled for July 10-14. The first four days will be spent learning and preparing the sacred music for an 11am Sung Mass on the feast of St. Bonaventure, Friday July 14. Lunch, sports, and games are included each day at Wormleysburg Park. Registration opens May 21 for Parishioners and June 4 for non-parishioners.

Banns of Marriage



William Stover and Claudia Wert

Be it known to all here present that William Stover, son of Kevin and Kathleen Stover of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, Harrisburg, Penn.; and Claudia Wert, daughter of Robert and Mary Wert of Sinking Spring, Penn., and of the parish of St. Stephen of Hungary, Allentown, Penn.; intend to be united in holy matrimony. Wherefore, we hereby admonish each and all that, if any of you has knowledge of an impediment existing which would prevent their marrying, whether it be an impediment of blood relationship, relationship through marriage, spiritual relationship, or of any other kind, you are bound to make it known to the pastor or bishop as soon as possible. This is the third publication of the banns.

New parishioners seeking home for rent—Hi! My name is Gina Sierra. My husband, Antonio, and one-year old son, Kilian, are moving to the Harrisburg area hopefully in the beginning of May. My husband will be a resident at UPMC. We are excited to become involved in the Mater Dei community and are looking for any connections for housing. We are looking to rent a small single family home with a backyard for our son and small dog to enjoy. Please email me at gina.sierra001@yahoo.com if anyone has any information about a home, Thanks!

ProceSSIONAL Hymn *Jesus Christ Is Ris'n Today*

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
Praise him, all you heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Sunday Collections

Week of April 2, 2023

Offertory (April 2)	\$ 14,111.00
Online Giving (Mar. 26 - Apr. 2)	\$ 5,734.00
Building Fund (Mar. 1 - Mar. 31)	\$ <u>10,651.00</u>
Total:	\$ 30,496.00

* The Building Fund is reported once per month

2023 Diocesan Annual Campaign update for 2023 Q'1

We thank parishioners who contributed \$4,090 for January through March, 2023 towards our \$17,702.30 parish goal. This means we have \$13,612.30 remaining of our 2023 goal.

Expectant Mothers—If you are expecting a child and registered in the Community, please let us know so we can put your expected date in our date book and rejoice with your family! Please send photos of your new baby to include on our new Website! Please notify us at: contact@stlawrence.cc.

Recessional Hymn *At the Lamb's High Feast*

At the Lamb's high feast we sing,
Praise to our victorious King,
Who hath washed us in the tide
Flowing from his pierced side;
Praise we Him, whose love divine
Gives his sacred blood for wine,
Gives his body for the feast,
Christ the Victim, Christ the Priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured,
Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal Victim, paschal Bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we Manna from above.

Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath Thee lie;
Thou hast conquered in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light;
Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
Thou has opened Paradise,
And in Thee Thy saints shall rise.

Paschal triumph, Easter Joy,
Only sin can this destroy;
From sin's death do Thou set free
Souls reborn, O Lord, in Thee.
Hymns of glory and of praise,
Father to Thee we raise;
Risen Lord, all praise to Thee,
Ever with the Spirit be.