

# 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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### Youth Group

*Ages 13-18, Monthly*—[yg@stlawrence.cc](mailto:yg@stlawrence.cc).....Joelle Riethmiller

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun. May 14</b> 7:30am 9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	<b>Anniversary of the Dedication of St. Patrick Cathedral, I</b> For the Fraternity and preservation of the Traditional Mass Pro Populo Mother's Day Novena For the Fraternity and preservation of the Traditional Mass
<b>Mon. May 15</b> 7:10am	<b>St. John Baptist de la Salle, Confessor, III</b> Mother's Day Novena
<b>Tue. May 16</b> 7:10am	<b>St. Ubald, Bishop, III</b> Mother's Day Novena
<b>Wed. May 17</b> 6:15am 6:30pm	<b>Vigil of the Ascension, II</b> Mother's Day Novena St. Jude prayer intentions
<b>Thu. May 18</b> 7:10am 12 noon 6:30pm	<b>Ascension of The Lord, I</b> Mother's Day Novena Mother's Day Novena Mother's Day Novena
<b>Fri. May 19</b> 7:10am 6:30pm	<b>St. Peter Celestine, Pope &amp; Confessor, III</b> Mother's Day Novena Mother's Day Novena
<b>Sat. May 20</b> 9:00am	<b>St. Bernadine of Siena, Confessor, III</b> Mother's Day Novena
<b>Sun. May 21</b> 7:30am 9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	<b>Sunday after the Ascension, II</b> Mother's Day Novena Mother's Day Novena Pro Populo Mother's Day Novena

## PROPERS OF THE MASS

**Lesson** *Jas 1:22-27*

**Dearly beloved:** But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if a man be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he shall be compared to a man beholding his own countenance in a glass. For he beheld himself, and went his way, and presently forgot what manner of man he was. But he that hath looked into the perfect law of liberty, and hath continued therein, not becoming a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work; this man shall be blessed in his deed. And if any man think himself to be religious, not bridling his tongue, but deceiving his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Religion clean and undefiled before God and the Father, is this: to visit the fatherless and widows in their tribulation: and to keep one's self unspotted from this world.

**Gospel** *John 16:23-30*

In that time, Jesus said to His disciples: Amen, amen I say to you: if you ask the Father any thing in my name, he will give it you. Hitherto you have not asked any thing in my name. Ask, and you shall receive; that your joy may be full. These things I have spoken to you in proverbs. The hour cometh, when I will no more speak to you in proverbs, but will shew you plainly of the Father. In that day you shall ask in my name; and I say not to you, that I will ask the Father for you: For the Father himself loveth you, because you have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again I leave the world, and I go to the Father. His disciples say to him: Behold, now thou speakest plainly, and speakest no proverb. Now we know that thou knowest all things, and thou needest not that any man should ask thee. By this we believe

## TODAY

## Sunday, May 14

- Second Collection—Seminary Burse
- May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Mother's Day Novena begins
- Sunday Social (by Young Adult Group)
- Last day of CCD

## UPCOMING

## Monday, May 15

- Monday Night Basketball YMCA—7pm

## Tuesday, May 16

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

## Wednesday, May 17

- St. Jude Prayer Intentions—6:30pm Mass

## Thursday, May 18

- Ascension of Our Lord—**Holy Day of Obligation**—Masses at 7:10am; 12 noon and 6:30pm

## Friday, May 19

- Last day of Friday Religious Education

## Saturday, May 20

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

## Sunday, May 21

- Sunday Social (by Knights of Columbus)
- Father's Day Novena Cards available
- **Chant Camp 2023**—Parishioner registration begins

## Monday, May 22

- Mother's Day Novena—last day

## Sunday, May 28

- Pentecost Sunday—11am Sung Mass

## Sunday, June 4

- Trinity Sunday
- Confirmation—11am—Pontifical High Mass

## Thursday, June 8

- Feast of *Corpus Christi*

## Sunday, June 11

- External Solemnity of *Corpus Christi* with procession and benediction
- First Holy Communion
- Last day to submit Father's Day Novena Cards

## Friday, June 16

- Sacred Heart of Jesus
- High School Graduation—6:30pm Sung Mass

## Sunday, June 18

- Father's Day—Novena begins

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Today: May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary with procession:** We will have a crowning of Our Blessed Mother prior to the 11am Mass. All children who wish to join the procession should line up on the sidewalk on the side of the building by 10:20am after the final CCD class of the year. We will then process into the church for the crowning.

**Mother's Day events today:** Mother's Day Novena Cards will be placed in the Sanctuary for everyone's Mother's Day Intentions as we begin the Novena today. **Sale of Mother's Day Carnations**—The Girls Sodality will have carnations available today for purchase after the 9am and 11am Masses. Donations are greatly appreciated, and all proceeds will be given to Pennsylvanians for Human Life, a local pro-life group.

**NEW SET OF VESTMENTS NEEDED FOR SOLEMN MASS**—For the Roman Rite, the Church primarily uses vestments in five different colors for Mass: white, green, red, violet, and black. For Gaudete and Laetare Sundays, a special rose color is allowed, signifying the lessening of penance on those days. In addition, very special vestments can be made out of cloth of gold or cloth of silver. White (or gold or silver), is used for the biggest feast days of Easter and Christmas, as well as feasts of Our Lady, and other virgins and confessors. Red is used for Pentecost. As such, it is very important that the parish have several sets of white vestments, including special vestments to be used for Solemn Masses on Easter and Christmas, and for events like Confirmation when the sacrament is celebrated on a day when the Mass uses white vestments. This is the case for Confirmation this year, which falls on Trinity Sunday (June 4), and we find that we do not have a good white set that can be used for such an occasion. For Christmas and Easter recently, we have been using vestments owned by the priests privately, but these sets are not large enough to accommodate a Solemn Pontifical Mass, with which we are blessed this year. Therefore, we have ordered additional vestments, which will cost \$8,000. We have already received a donation of \$2,000 for these vestments, but we would be very grateful if others would donate for the remainder. These vestments would be used for other solemn occasions in which white vestments are needed, such as Solemn Masses at Christmas and Easter. If you would like to contribute to this project, please place a gift in the offertory and mark it, "for vestments."

**Tour Guides needed for St. Lawrence's parish center**—We will be organizing scheduled tours of our 112 State Street parish center, and as such we are looking for volunteers who would like to help give tours of the building. Parishioners who are interested in volunteering can email: [contact@stlawrence.cc](mailto:contact@stlawrence.cc).

**Saturday, May 20:** St. Lawrence Youth Group will gather from 6pm - 8pm on Saturday, May 20. Please note the time change due to our outdoor venue location this month, details of which are included in the email announcement sent to all members. Also, plan ahead for our June 17 event: *Vespers at St. Lawrence* which will be followed by the Group attending the Senators game on City Island. Stay tuned for more information! Questions? Email: [youthgroup@stlawrence.cc](mailto:youthgroup@stlawrence.cc).

**Wednesday, May 17: 6:30pm Mass—St. Jude Mass Intentions**—Each month, we will offer Holy Mass for the intentions shared with us. The Mass will be celebrated on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm as part of the parish devotion to St. Jude, the patron saint of lost causes. This month's intentions include the following prayer requests published in our weekly prayer intention email from April 19 to May 10:

Please pray for: LeeAni, Raymond, Mary, Glenn, Renee, John, Randall, David, Patrick, Christopher, Steve, Doug, and Dave. Please also pray for: a parishioner who is struggling with several difficult relationships; a friend of a parishioner, who is in hospice with cancer; the mother of a parishioner, who is in the hospital after a serious accident; a parishioner, who is discerning between two job opportunities; the grandfather, and extended family of a parishioner; a parishioner who is struggling with depression and making a slow recovery from pneumonia and suffers from other health issues; the son of a parishioner, who is experiencing work-related difficulties; the brother of a parishioner, who is battling an alcohol addiction; a family of the parish searching for a permanent home that will meet their needs; a parishioner who is in a difficult work situation; a couple going through the process of adopting a child.

**Thursday, May 18: The Ascension of Our Lord—Holy Day of Obligation**—Masses at 7:10am, 12 noon, and 6:30pm.

**New: Hot water now available in the boys' bathroom by the Social Hall**—We installed a new hot water line to the boys' bathroom sink on Wednesday, May 10. The boys now have hot water available to wash their hands.

**New: Baby Changing Station at St. Lawrence**—Parents now have available for their use, a new Koala Care changing station, located in the first floor bathroom next to the business office of our 112 State Street parish center.

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**Congratulations to the following couples who were**

United in the Sacrament of Marriage

**Mr. and Mrs. Ashton Forbeck** on April 22, 2023

&

**Mr. and Mrs. William Stover** on April 29, 2023



## Notes on Today's Music

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Processional hymn: *Immaculate Mary*, 906

Kyriale: Mass I; Creed III

Recessional hymn: *Be Joyful Mary, Heav'nly Queen*, 847

Antiphon after the Offertory Chant: *O quam metuendus est* - (Tomás Luis de Victoria, c.1548–1611)

Communion hymn: *Urbs Beata Jerusalem* - (Pietro Pontio, 1532–1596)

Both of the choral selections are settings of texts from the proper of the Dedication of a Church because today is the anniversary of the dedication of St. Patrick, our Diocesan Cathedral. The Communion Hymn is a setting of the ancient Vespers hymn which dates to the 7th C. Like Victoria's hymn last week, **Pietro Pontio** composed the even verses while alternating with the Gregorian melody. In verse two, the voices stagger entrances as the texts describes heaven coming to the earth. The verse ends with, "...her walls are decked with purest gold." and the final chord is a perfect fifth, which is a customary ending for music of this period that has a pure, strong and ringing quality. In verse four, it describes the building blocks of the church as bruised and pressed into polished stones while the voices are tightly pressed together and the harmony changes drastically in a short period of time. As the music comes to an end, the tone shifts from minor to major which emphasizes the final words of the hymn, "... *per manus Artificis, Disponuntur permanenti, sacris aedificiis*" (the stones) are arranged by the hands of the Architect to forever be a holy building).

**Pietro Pontio** (1532–1596) was an Italian music theorist and composer from Parma. He is best known for his 1588 treatise, *Ragionamento di Musica*, which is thought to have influenced Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643), the famous Italian composer and choirmaster who was a pioneer in the development of opera.

### Processional Hymn *Immaculate Mary*

**Refrain:** *Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria. Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.*

Immaculate Mary, thy praises we sing;  
Who reignest in splendor with Jesus our King.  
*Refrain*

In heaven, the blessed thy glory proclaim;  
On earth we, thy children, invoke thy fair name.  
*Refrain*

Thy name is our power, thy virtues our light,  
Thy love is our comfort, thy pleading our might.  
*Refrain*

We pray for our Mother, the Church upon earth,  
And bless, dearest Lady, the land of our birth.  
*Refrain*

We pray for God's glory; may His kingdom come;  
We pray for His vicar, our father, and Rome.  
*Refrain*

## Sunday Collections

### Week of May 7, 2023

Offertory (May 7)	\$ 4,238.00
Mother's Day Novena (May 7)	\$ 2,557.00
Online Giving (May 1 - May 7)	\$ <u>11,646.00</u>

**Total:** **\$ 18,441.00**

\* The Building Fund is reported once per month

## Banns of Marriage



### Peter Dizor and Sophia Busbey

Be it known to all here present that Peter Dizor, son of Michael and Valerie Dizor of Glen Rock, Penn., and of the parish of St. Vincent de Paul in Hanover, Penn.; and Sophia Busbey, daughter of Alan and Christina Busbey of Gettysburg, Penn., and of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr in Harrisburg, 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.

**Cleaning volunteers needed--**We are looking for a few parishioners who would like to help clean the church once a month. Please contact Kristin Patterson at: [clean@stlawrence.cc](mailto:clean@stlawrence.cc).

### Recessional Hymn *Be Joyful, Mary, Heavenly Queen*

Be joyful, Mary, heav'nly queen,  
*Gaude Maria:*  
Your grief is changed to joy serene,  
*Alleluia, Lætare, O Maria!*

The Son you bore by heaven's grace,  
*Gaude Maria:*  
Did all our suit and sin efface,  
*Alleluia, Lætare, O Maria!*

The Lord is risen from the dead,  
*Gaude Maria:*  
He rose in glory as He said,  
*Alleluia, Lætare, O Maria!*

Then pray to God, O Virgin fair,  
*Gaude Maria:*  
The He our souls to heaven bear,  
*Alleluia, Lætare, O Maria!*