

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. May 28	Pentecost Sunday, I
7:30am	Juliana Fonticoba/Godparents Matt & Elena Acker by Fonticoba Family
9:00am	Pro Populo
11:00am	Mr. & Mrs. Peter Dizor by Alan & Tina Busbey
6:00pm	Hannah Buffington by Daniel & Lydia Miccolupi
Mon. May 29	Pentecost Monday, I
7:10am	Deceased and Living Members of the Legion of Mary by Alice Mansell
Tue. May 30	Pentecost Tuesday, I
7:10am	Beata Lakatos
Wed. May 31	Ember Wednesday in the Octave of Pentecost, I
6:15am	+Johanna Boyd Scharf by Linda Boyd
6:30pm	Mary Ellen Bernat by The Riethmiller Family
Thu. June 1	Pentecost Thursday, I
7:10am	+Edmund Marino by Anthony DiSanto
Fri. June 2	Ember Friday in the Octave of Pentecost, I
7:10am	Agnes Bartha Lakatos by Beata Lakatos
6:30pm	Jamison Jones
Sat. June 3	Ember Saturday in the Octave of Pentecost, I
9:00am	+Charles Laczkoskie by Mary Laczkoskie
Sun. June 4	Trinity Sunday, I
7:30am	Marie Rose Ritchie by Kevin Ritchie
9:00am	Confraternity of St. Peter by Rose Koufos
11:00am	For those to be confirmed
6:00pm	Pro Populo

PROPERS OF THE MASS

Lesson Acts 2:1-11

When the days of Pentecost were drawing to a close, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them parted tongues as of fire, which settled upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy spirit and began to speak in foreign tongues, even as the Holy Spirit prompted them to speak. Now there were staying at Jerusalem, devout Jews, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound was heard, the multitude gathered and were bewildered in mind, because each heard them speaking in his own language. But they were all amazed and marvelled saying, Behold, are not all these that are speaking Galileans? And how have we heard each his own language in which he was born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, and inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphilia, Egypt and the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, Jews also and proselytes, Cretens and Arabians, we have heard them speaking in our own languages of the wonderful works of God.

Gospel John 14:23-31

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: If anyone love Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him. He who does not love Me, does not keep My words. And the word that you have heard is not Mine, but the Father's Who sent Me. These things I have spoken to you while yet dwelling with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in My Name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your mind whatever I have said to you. Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, or be afraid. You have heard Me say to you, 'I go away and I am coming to you.' If you loved Me, you would indeed rejoice that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it comes to pass, that when it has come to pass you may believe. I will no longer speak much with you, for the prince of the world is coming and in Me he has nothing. But he comes that the world may know that I love the Father, and that I do as the Father has commanded Me.

TODAY

Sunday, May 28

- Indulgence for reciting *Veni Creator*
- Second Collection—Education of Priests & Care of retired Priests

UPCOMING

Monday, May 29

- Memorial Day—Parish business office closed
- No Monday Night Basketball

Tuesday, May 30

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Friday, June 2

- First Friday
- Sacred Heart Devotion—7:30pm–8:30pm —followed by Compline

Saturday, June 3

- First Saturday
- Holy Name Society—10am
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm
- St. Tarcisius—5:30pm

Sunday, June 4

- Trinity Sunday
- Confirmation—11am—Pontifical High Mass
- Sunday Social (by Holy Name Society)
- Sunday Sports—1pm

Wednesday, June 7

- Fr. Terrence Gordon, FSSP—6:30pm Sung Requiem Mass

Thursday, June 8

- *Corpus Christi*

Sunday, June 11

- External Solemnity of *Corpus Christi* with procession and benediction
- First Holy Communion
- Deadline to submit Father's Day Novena Cards
- Sunday Social (by Young Adult Group)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today: Beginning of the Octave of Pentecost

Veni, sancte Spiritus, reple tuorum corda fidelium, et tui amoris in eis ignem accende.

We have been contemplating, with grateful hearts, the inexpressible devotedness, the divine untiredness, wherewith the Holy Ghost fulfils His mission in the souls of men; we have something still to add to our considerations, in order to have anything like a true idea of the wonders wrought by the divine Guest when the heart raises no obstacles. And first of all we deem it necessary to say a word to those Christians, who, after hearing what we have said regarding the prodigies of power and love of the divine Spirit, and the sublime mystery of His presence among us, might be tempted to fear lest all this may, in some degree, tend to make us forget our dearest Jesus, who being in the form of God, and equal to God, emptied Himself, being made in the likeness of man, and in habit found as man. The superficial knowledge of their religion is the reason why so many Christians have very vague notions about the Holy Ghost and His special workings in the Church and the souls of men. You will find these same individuals well instructed upon the mysteries of the Incarnation and Redemption; you will find them really devout in honouring the Son of God; but, judging from their conduct, you would say that they have put off knowing and honouring the Holy Ghost until they get to heaven. We would, therefore, tell them, that the mission of this divine Spirit, far from being likely to make us forget what we owe to our Saviour, is the grandest gift bestowed upon us by this our Redeemer. Who is it that produces and keeps up within us the loving and meritorious remembrance of our Jesus' mysteries? It is the Holy Ghost, who dwells in our hearts for the sole purpose of forming Christ, the new Man, within us, to the end that we may be united with Him, forever, as His members. Consequently, the love we bear to our Jesus is inseparable from that we bear to the Holy Ghost; and the love we have for this divine Spirit, closely unites us with the Son of God, from whom He (the Spirit) proceeds and is given to us. When we meditate on the sufferings of Jesus, we are excited to feelings of affectionate compassion, and it ought to be so; but how comes it that we never think of, or, if we think of, never grieve over, the resistances, the slights, the disloyalties, which the Holy Ghost is every day receiving from ourselves and others? It is, indeed, most true that we are children of our heavenly Father: but, why should we forget the immense debt we owe to the other two divine Persons, who have come down from heaven to serve us, and at the risk of receiving nought but ingratitude!

— From *The Liturgical Year* by Dom Guéranger

2023 Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion: Sunday, June 4—The Most Reverend Ronald Gainer, will come to confer Confirmation at the 11am Mass; **Sunday, June 11—First Holy Communion** and External Solemnity of *Corpus Christi*—Eucharistic Procession and Benediction at the 11am High Mass.



Today: A plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful who devoutly assist at the recitation or solemn singing of the *Veni Creator*, either on the first day of the year to implore divine assistance for the course of the whole year, or on the solemnity of Pentecost (*Handbook of Indulgences Ch. 26, §1, 1°*). *Veni Creator Spiritus* (Come, Creator Spirit) is a traditional hymn that is ascribed to Rabanus Maurus, a ninth-century German monk, teacher, and archbishop. This ancient hymn has been used in the liturgy since the eleventh century.

Monday, May 29: Memorial Day—The parish's business office will be closed.

Wednesday, June 7 to Friday, June 9: Fr. Smith will be away

Monday, June 12 to Friday, June 16: Fr. Cortes will be away

Sunday, June 11: Deadline for Father's Day Novena Cards

Father's Day Novena Cards are available at the entrance of the church. Please submit your cards to us no later than June 11. You may place your cards in the collection baskets, or drop them off in the wall slots by the sacristy office or on the first floor of the 112 State Street parish center. Father's Day this year is on Sunday, June 18, which is when the Novena will begin.

Tuesday, June 13: Blessing of Lilies—Lilies are associated with St. Anthony of Padua. The priest will bless the lilies by saying this prayer: "*Thou hast endowed these lilies with delicious fragrance to be a comfort and help to those on their sickbeds.*

Wherefore, imbue them with so great strength that whether they are used in a home, in a sickroom, or carried about one's person, they may have power, through the intercession of St. Anthony, to drive out evil spirits, to safeguard chastity, to turn away illness, and to bestow on thy servant's peace and grace." The Faithful are encouraged to bring lilies to be blessed on that day, which will be done after the morning Mass, before Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Friday, June 16: 2023 High School Graduation Mass and Reception

—Mass will begin at 6:30 pm on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, for all high school graduates of the St. Lawrence Community. If you have a high school senior who would like to participate, please email: aquilaformaterdei@gmail.com.

Saturday, June 17: Parish Baseball Game

—Parishioners are invited to join our Youth Group for an evening of baseball with the Harrisburg Senators, who play on City Island, just a short walk from the church. Tickets are \$13 for our section right behind home plate. For every ticket purchased through the link below, the Senators will donate \$4 to St. Lawrence, which will be used to help purchase new vestments. The Harrisburg baseball team is the minor league (AA) affiliate of the Washington Senators, and they will take on the Erie SeaWolves, affiliate of the Detroit Tigers. All are welcome to attend this parish family event! We would like everyone to meet at 5:00pm for Vespers at St Lawrence and then go to City Island for the 6:00pm game. (Families will provide their own transportation.) Use the link <https://shorturl.at/ejsKX> to purchase tickets! See you there!

Cleaning volunteers needed—We are looking for a few parishioners who would like to help clean the church once a month. If you are interested in helping out, or have any questions, please contact Kristin Patterson at: clean@stlawrence.cc.

Notes on Today's Music

Hymn prior to Mass: *Veni Creator Spiritus*, 956
Recessional hymn: *Come Down, O Love Divine*, 887

Kyriale: *Mass for Three Voices*, William Byrd (c.1540–1623)

Marian antiphon: *Regina Cæli*, Cristóbal de Morales (c.1500–1553)

Communion antiphon: *Factus Est Repente*, Anonymous

The Marian chant *Regina Cæli* is sung throughout Eastertide until midday on the Ember Saturday of Pentecost. Because it holds a proper place at the conclusion of *Compline* and is prayed in place of the *Angelus*, the tune from the simple form of the chant is widely recognized. **Cristóbal de Morales** uses this familiar melody with some ornamentation in the Soprano voice for his four voice setting of the antiphon. The Alto voice echos much of the Soprano melody at a lower pitch while the Tenor and Bass voices have many moving notes throughout. Morales emphasizes the final alleluia by having each voice sing a series of ascending notes then drop to a lower pitch and repeat several times which lasts well over a quarter of the overall work. This work was first published in the anthology *Moralis Hispani, Et Multorum* (1543) in Rome along with many other of Morales's compositions.

Cristóbal de Morales (c.1500–1553) was an organist and composer regarded as the first Spanish composer of international renown. He sang and composed for the Papal choir in Rome for which he wrote many Mass settings. His compositions consist almost entirely of sacred vocal motets.

Processional Hymn *Veni Creator Spiritus*

Words and music for this chant are found on a separate sheet in the back of the church.

English translation of the first 4 verses:

Come Holy Ghost, Creator blest,
And in our hearts take up thy rest;
Come with thy grace and heav'nly aid
To fill the hearts which thou has made,
To fill the hearts which thou has made.

O Comforter, to thee we cry,
Thou heav'nly gift of God most high:
Thou Font of life and fire of love,
And sweet anointing from above,
And sweet anointing from above.

The sev'nfold gifts of grace are thine,
O Finger of the Hand divine;
True promise of the Father, thou
Who dost the tongue with speech endow,
Who dost the tongue with speech endow.

To ev'ry sense thy light impart
And shed thy love in every heart.
To our weak flesh thy strength supply;
Unfailing courage from on high,
Unfailing courage from on high.

Sunday Collections

Week of May 21, 2023

Ascension (May 18)	\$ 1,848.00
Offertory (May 21)	\$ 9,069.00
Online Giving (May 14 - May 21)	\$ 4,314.00
Total:	\$15,231.00

* The Building Fund is reported once per month

Congratulations to

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Dazor

United in the Sacrament of Matrimony

on May 20, 2023



Recessional Hymn *Come Down, O Love Divine*

Come down, O love divine,
seek Thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with Thine own ardor glowing.
O Comforter draw near, within my heart appear,
And kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
til earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let Thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings
weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the pow'r of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes His dwelling.