

# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



August 11, 2024

## MASS TIMES

**Sunday:** 7:30am, 9:00am, 6:00pm (Low), 11:00am (High)

**Monday to Friday:** 7:10am

**Saturday:** 9:00am

**Wednesday and Friday:** 6:30pm

CONFESSIONS — Before each Mass

## EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

**Sunday:** 5:30 to 5:50pm Solemn with Benediction

**Tuesday:** 8 to 11:45am Solemn with Benediction

**Friday:** 5:30 to 6:25pm Simple Adoration except during Lent

**Saturday:** 8 to 8:45am Solemn with Benediction

## MONTHLY DEVOTIONS

**St. Jude:** 3rd Wednesday, 5:30 to 7:30pm

**Sacred Heart:** 1st Friday, 5:30 to 7:30pm

DIVINE OFFICE — Daily except Monday and Thursday.

**Terce:** 8am

**None:** Noon

**Vespers:** 5pm

**Compline:** 7pm (1st Friday)

Terce and None are recited privately on Sunday.

## PARISH ADMINISTRATION

**Rev. James Smith, FSSP** *Pastor* fr.smith@stlawrence.cc

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**Parish Office Hours:** Monday to Saturday; 8am to 4:30pm

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## TODAY

### Sunday, August 11

- External Solemnity of the Feast of St. Lawrence
- No Sunday Socials
- No Adult Catechism
- Parish Picnic at Roof Park

## UPCOMING

### Tuesday, August 13

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

### Wednesday, August 14

- Young Adult Group—7:30pm

### Thursday, August 15

- Assumption of the BVM—Holy Day of Obligation
- Low Masses at 7:10am and 12:15pm
- High Mass at 6:30pm

### Friday, August 16

- Friday Program Teacher Meeting—9:00am

### Saturday, August 17

- Pro-Life Rosary—10:00am
- Inquiry class—3:30pm

### Sunday, August 18

- Sunday Socials organized by the Knights of Columbus
- Youth Group Parent Information Meeting—10:15am
- Adult Catechism—12:45pm
- Young Adult Group Brunch—1:30pm

### Tuesday, August 20

- Knights of Columbus—6:00pm
- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

### Wednesday, August 21

- St. Jude Devotion

### Saturday, August 24

- Confraternity of Christian Mothers—10:00am

### Sunday, August 25

- No Sunday Socials
- Last day to register for Friday Program
- Friday Program Mandatory Parent Meeting—10:15am

### Friday, September 6

- First Day of Friday Program
- First Friday Devotions

### Saturday, September 7

- First Saturday

### Saturday, September 14

- Exaltation of the Cross

### Sunday, October 27

- Christ the King

### Friday, November 1

- All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun. Aug 11</b>	<b>Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost, II</b>
7:30am	The FSSP & Preservation of the Traditional Latin Mass
9:00am	† Sr. Phyllis Simmons, RSM by Kevin Kelly
11:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	The FSSP & Preservation of the Traditional Latin Mass
<b>Mon. Aug 12</b>	<b>St. Clare, Virgin, III</b>
7:10am	Mr. & Mrs. Ian Gabig by Jamison & Kelly Jones & Family
<b>Tue. Aug 13</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b>
7:10am	Jamison Jones
<b>Wed. Aug 14</b>	<b>Vigil of the Assumption, II</b>
7:10am	† Michael Defelice by Chase Defelice
6:30pm	Peter N. Koufos Family by Rose Koufos
<b>Thu. Aug 15</b>	<b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, I</b>
7:10am	† John Lynch by The Cicala Family
12:15pm	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:30pm	FSSP by Rose Koufos
<b>Fri. Aug 16</b>	<b>St. Joachim, Father of the BVM, Confessor, II</b>
7:10am	Ethel Fonner by Bill O'Connell
6:30pm	† Holy Souls in Purgatory by Cecilia Nico
<b>Sat. Aug 17</b>	<b>St. Hyacinth, Confessor, III</b>
9:00am	Protection of the Unborn by the Parish
<b>Sun. Aug 18</b>	<b>Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost, II</b>
7:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
9:00am	† Mary C. Bekelja by Yvonne Bekelja
11:00am	Dr. Michael Kadar Kallen by Kateri Kadar Kallen
6:00pm	† Augusta Wildt by Joe & Joyce Mackin

**MASS PROPERS HAVE MOVED**—The Scripture readings of today's Mass are now included in a separate handout, which includes the Scripture readings as well as other propers of the Mass, including the collects, gradual, alleluia, Communion, etc. Mass propers can also be found at <https://www.divinumofficium.com/cgi-bin/missa/missa.pl> by entering the appropriate date at the top of the page.

**HELP NEEDED WITH ALTAR LINENS**—We are in need of more help with the altar linens guild, especially those with experience ironing. If you are willing to invest four hours per month on this sacred work, your help would be gratefully appreciated.

**OCT 12: PRO LIFE FEDERATION BANQUET**—The Pro Life Federation is having a banquet on October 12th at 5:30 pm. As in previous years, the parish has purchased a table. Cost is \$134 per person. There are nine seats available. Please email [prolife@stlawrence.cc](mailto:prolife@stlawrence.cc) to see if there is a spot and to register. For more details, see [paprolife.org/banquet](http://paprolife.org/banquet).

### Altar Linens Guild

[altarlinens@stlawrence.cc](mailto:altarlinens@stlawrence.cc) ..... Kelly Jones

### Choir & Choristers

*Practice weekly*—[music@stlawrence.cc](mailto:music@stlawrence.cc) ..... Paul Thomas May

### Church Cleaning

*Rotates weekly*—[clean@stlawrence.cc](mailto:clean@stlawrence.cc) ..... Kristin Patterson

### Confraternity of Christian Mothers

*Monthly*—[mothers@stlawrence.cc](mailto:mothers@stlawrence.cc) ..... Stephanie Fonticoba

### Events Coordinators

[events@stlawrence.cc](mailto:events@stlawrence.cc) ..... Kris Keck

### Flower Guild

[flowers@stlawrence.cc](mailto:flowers@stlawrence.cc) ..... Fr. Barry

### Friday Religious Education Program

*Grades K-12, Weekly*—[dre@stlawrence.cc](mailto:dre@stlawrence.cc) ..... Dr. Phil Cuccia

### Girls Sodality

*Ages 9-14*—[girlssodality@stlawrence.cc](mailto:girlssodality@stlawrence.cc) ..... Rebecca Mack

### Holy Name Society

*Monthly*—[holyname@stlawrence.cc](mailto:holyname@stlawrence.cc) ..... Jamison Jones

### Knights of the Altar

*Altar Servers*—[altarboys@stlawrence.cc](mailto:altarboys@stlawrence.cc) ..... Ed Pitman

### Knights of Columbus

*Monthly*—[knights@stlawrence.cc](mailto:knights@stlawrence.cc) ..... Josh Logan

### The Legion of Mary

*Weekly*—[legionofmary@stlawrence.cc](mailto:legionofmary@stlawrence.cc) ..... Jerome Hall

### Meal Train

[mealtrain@stlawrence.cc](mailto:mealtrain@stlawrence.cc) ..... Elizabeth Firoozmand

### Parking Ambassador

[parking@stlawrence.cc](mailto:parking@stlawrence.cc) ..... Dan O'Leary

### Prayer Chain

[prayers@stlawrence.cc](mailto:prayers@stlawrence.cc) ..... Fr. Cortes

### Pro-Life Group

*Monthly*—[prolife@stlawrence.cc](mailto:prolife@stlawrence.cc) ..... Kris Keck

### St. Tarcisius

*Ages 5-12, Monthly*—[sttarcisius@stlawrence.cc](mailto:sttarcisius@stlawrence.cc) ..... Dan Miccolupi

### Sunday CCD

*Grades K-12, Weekly*—[dre@stlawrence.cc](mailto:dre@stlawrence.cc) ..... Dr. Phil Cuccia

### Tuesday Adoration

*Tuesdays*—[tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.cc](mailto:tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.cc) ..... Amanda Healy

### Ushers

[ushers@stlawrence.cc](mailto:ushers@stlawrence.cc) ..... John Osuch

### Young Adult Group

*Ages 18-35, Monthly*—[youngadults@stlawrence.cc](mailto:youngadults@stlawrence.cc) ..... Fr. Cortes

### Youth Group

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

**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)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 15**—Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary — as a Holy Day of Obligation the Parish will provide three opportunities for attending Holy Mass on this glorious feast of Our Lady:

- 7:10am Low Mass
- 12:15pm Low Mass
- 6:30pm Solemn High Mass



**ASSUMPTION BLESSING OF HERBS**- According to tradition, after Our Lady's Assumption into heaven, flowers were found growing out of the sarcophagus in which Mary had been laid, and a sweet odor rose out of the tomb, confirming the Apostles' faith in Our Lady's Assumption. In honor of this tradition, the Church instituted the custom of blessing wild herbs and flowers on the feast of the Assumption. The blessing originated in Germany, and is first attested in the 10th century; one version of it or another is found in a great many of the liturgical books which contain blessings of this sort. If you would like to have your herbs blessed, there will be a table near the front of the church, and one of the priests will bless the herbs after each of the Masses.

**ST. TABITHA CHILDREN'S SEWING CLASS**—This free instructional class, new this fall, is geared children age 9 to 14 years old who want to learn hand and machine sewing. Boys and girls are both welcome, with projects being tailored to fit each group. No sewing machine purchase required, but parents are required to provide materials at the instructor's discretion. Registration, consent, and rsvp are required. Classes will be held on the 2nd Saturday at 1pm, with exact dates and location to be announced. Contact Celine Albright at [Sewing@stlawrence.cc](mailto:Sewing@stlawrence.cc) for more details or with any questions.

**REGISTER FOR THE FRIDAY PROGRAM**—Registration is now open for this year's Friday Program, which starts next month. Families will have until Sunday August 25 to register, on which day a mandatory parent meeting will be held at 10:15am in the Aula Magna. The Parish's Friday Education Program provides homeschool students in grades 1 through 12 an opportunity to learn subjects not easily provided at home, including religious instruction from our priests, Gregorian chant, drama and competitive sports. More information at <https://stlawrence.cc/get-involved/friday-education-program> or scan the code.



**FRIDAY PROGRAM PRE-K & NURSERY**—Are you willing to help care for four- and five-year-olds as part of our parish Friday Program? Your help is needed in this important task to aide our parish in this program which seeks to build the faith and foster vocations in our children. Please contact the office if you are ready and able to offer your assistance.

**FRIDAY PROGRAM SUBSTITUTES NEEDED**—We are in need of parishioners who would be willing to act as substitutes aides for our parish Friday Program. We are looking for not only those who could cover for an absent teacher, but especially for those willing to volunteer as a hall monitor, teacher aide, etc. when needed. If willing to help, please contact the parish office.

**VOLUNTEER FOR CATECHISM (CCD)**—October will be here before you know it, and the new academic year of Sunday catechism will begin. Following our largest ever enrollment in CCD, which had 119 students for 2023-2024, we look forward to an exciting new academic year of passing on our holy religion to the next generation. If you would like to be a part of this great project—as a teacher, aide, substitute, or hall monitor—please volunteer by visiting <https://www.bit.ly/stlawrence-ccd24-25>.

**AUG 18: YOUTH GROUP PARENT MEETING**—In lieu of a youth gathering this month, there will be a parent meeting on Sunday, August 18 at 10:15AM in the Aula Magna. Parents will have the opportunity to register their children for the 2024-2025 academic year, complete necessary documentation, and receive general information for our September through July schedule. Parents of current and new members are encouraged to attend.

**AUG 31: BLESSING OF WATER AND CANDLES**—There will be a special blessing for water and candles to be used by expectant mothers during birth in honor of St. Raymond Nonnatus, one of the founders of the Order of Our Lady of Ransom in the mid-1200s. St. Raymond, due to the circumstances of his birth, is known as the Patron saint of expectant mothers and midwives. This water can be consumed throughout one's pregnancy and the candles lit during birth to invoke the saint's patronage and intercession for safe delivery.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO SR. CATHERINE**—Please say an extra prayer for Sr. Catherine and congratulate her when you see her as this Thursday, the Feast of the Assumption, marks 33 years that she has been in vows.



## Notes on Today's Music

Recessional music: *Toccata* from *Symphony for Organ No. 5 in F minor, Op. 42, No. 1*, Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)  
Kyriale: *Missa Beatus Laurentius*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525–1594)  
Motet after Offertory: *Beatus Laurentius*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina  
Motet after Communion: *Deus Tuorum Militum*, Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548–1611)

For the occasion of the solemnity of our patron's feast, the choir will sing the *Missa Beatus Laurentius* by **Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525–1594)**, which is a polyphonic setting of the ordinary text of the Mass. *Beatus Laurentius* is the fifth antiphon from Vespers for the feast. Both the Mass and motet are composed using a *cantus firmus*, where one voice is singing the original Gregorian melody in long notes while the musical ideas are developed in the other four voices. Palestrina used the themes created in the motet and altered them to fit the various texts for the Ordinary of the Mass, giving the composition the designation of a "Parody Mass." The five voice choir splits into six for the final movement where two tenor voices singing in canon—meaning the same tune but a few measures apart—using the Gregorian melody to the text of *Agnus Dei*.

*Deus Tuorum Militum* is the hymn from Vespers which is sung for feasts of one martyr. Victoria composed the even verses of this hymn and alternated with one of the plainchant melodies.

**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.

**COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENT**— Excellence in Faith and Education - [www.rcahybrid.org](http://www.rcahybrid.org) - Regina Caeli Academy is Coming to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania! Experience the unparalleled blend of rigorous classical academics and vibrant Catholic faith at Regina Caeli Academy. Our hybrid homeschool model offers a unique and enriching educational experience that nurtures the whole person. With a focus on socratic discussion, small class sizes, and a supportive community of like-minded families, Regina Caeli Academy provides a high-quality academic program that fosters character formation and spiritual growth. Don't miss this opportunity to provide your child with an exceptional education that instills a love for learning, virtue, and faith. Learn more and RSVP to our upcoming information session on October 17th from 7-9 pm at Holy Name of Jesus Church by scanning the QR code!



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## Sunday Collections Week of August 4, 2024

Offertory (August 4)	\$ 6,685.99
Vestments (August 4)	\$ 96.00
Coffee Social (August 4)	\$ 59.00
Chant Camp (August 4)	\$ 210.00
Online Giving (July 29 - August 4)	<u>\$ 4,188.93</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 11,239.92</b>

**FROM THE PARISH LIBRARIAN**—The library website is <http://stlawrencechurchlibrary.goAlexandria.com>. I hope you saved or book marked it by now! We have also changed the icons on the front page to suit St Lawrence. We will improve on them as time goes on. Saint Augustine is the next section. There is a whole series by him in the reference section and, as with Saint Thomas Aquinas, this section contains volumes written about him and commenting on his works. Then we have Autobiography and Biography in the same category. There is some duplication with the Saints section here but any book will be easy to find, thanks to the software. Then we have Catholic Social Teaching. This is wide ranging section containing topics like Abortion, Homeschooling, Human Vitae and many others. Christ's Passion is next and is followed by a section on the Church Fathers. It includes the Doctors of the Church. For example, John Fink's two volume series on the Doctors recommended by the FSSP.

**SPANISH ADULT CATECHISM CLASS**—Beginning in September, at the same time as the regular Adult Catechism class after the Sunday High Mass, St. Lawrence will begin offering a Spanish-language catechism class in room 301 of the parish center. This class will use as a text the Catechism of Pope St. Pius X, which is directed to the lay faithful and in question and answer format similar to the Baltimore catechism. This text was used by Monsignor John Hagan in his *Compendium of Catechetical Instruction*.

**CLASE DEL CATECISMO PARA LOS ADULTOS**— Empezando en septiembre, habra un clase de catecismo para los adultos en espanol despues de la Misa Dominical de 11 en la sala 301 del centro parroquial. El texto del clase sera El Catecismo Major del Papa Pio X, escrito para los fieles en forma de preguntas y respuestas - la forma tradicional de un catecismo, como tambien usa el catecismo del Padre Ripalda.

**PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE**—The Pro-Life Group of St. Lawrence Church will be organizing a group of parishioners to the fourth annual Pennsylvania March for Life at the Capitol in Harrisburg on Monday, September 23, 2024. Holy Mass will be at St. Lawrence at 9:30am, followed by a light breakfast in the Parish Center. Parishioners will then walk over to the capitol for the rally and march at 11am. This event will be an opportunity to advocate for the sanctity of all human life. Please register at <https://bit.ly/46Fs2ry> and email [prolife@stlawrence.cc](mailto:prolife@stlawrence.cc) for questions.