

# 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 18, 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 18

- Sunday Socials organized by the Knights of Columbus
- Youth Group Parent Information Meeting—10:15am
- Choir on vacation today. Note afternoon time changes.
- Adult Catechism—12:30pm
- Sunday Sports—1:15pm
- Young Adult Group Brunch—1:15pm

## UPCOMING

### 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 6

- **New Sunday High Mass time: 10:30am**

### Sunday, October 27

- Christ the King

### Friday, November 1

- All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation

### Saturday, November 2

- All Souls Day and Novena of Masses

### Sunday, December 1

- First Sunday of Advent

### Monday, December 2

- Anniversary of the Founding of Mater Dei Community

### Wednesday, December 25

- Christmas Day

### Wednesday, January 1, 2025

- *Veni Creator Spiritus* indulgence
- Octave Day of the Nativity of Our Lord

### Saturday, January 4, 2025

- Installation of new officers of the Holy Name Society

## MASS INTENTIONS

<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
<b>Mon. Aug 19</b>	<b>St. John Eudes, Confessor, III</b>
7:10am	† Evelyn Kopas by Chase Defelice
<b>Tue. Aug 20</b>	<b>St. Bernard of Clairvaux, Abbot &amp; Doctor, III</b>
7:10am	Special Intentions by Ana Isabel LeBlank
<b>Wed. Aug 21</b>	<b>St. Jane Frances de Chantal, III</b>
7:10am	† Diane Morrison by Chase Defelice
6:30pm	St. Jude Special Intention by the Parish
<b>Thu. Aug 22</b>	<b>Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, II</b>
7:10am	Victory Family by Kevin Ritchie
<b>Fri. Aug 23</b>	<b>St. Philip Benizi, Confessor, III</b>
7:10am	Stephen Jones
6:30pm	† Charles & Arline O’Connell by Cecilia Nico
<b>Sat. Aug 24</b>	<b>St. Bartholomew, Apostle, II</b>
9:00am	CCM by the Parish
<b>Sun. Aug 25</b>	<b>Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost, II</b>
7:30am	Anthony DiSanto
9:00am	† Anna Margaret Pierich by Kadar-Kallen family
11:00am	Legion of Mary Members by Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Cunningham
6:00pm	Fred Scharf by Linda Boyd

**FR. SMITH VACATION**—Fr. Smith will be gone next Sunday, Aug. 25, as he takes some vacation to rest.

**MASS PROPERS HAVE MOVED**—The Scripture readings of today’s Mass are now included in a separate handout.

**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.

### Altar Linens Guild

altarlinens@stlawrence.cc ..... Kelly Jones

### 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

### Events Coordinators

events@stlawrence.cc ..... Kris Keck

### Flower Guild

flowers@stlawrence.cc ..... Fr. Barry

### Friday Religious Education Program

Grades K-12, Weekly—dre@stlawrence.cc ..... Dr. Phil Cuccia

### Girls Sodality

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

### Holy Name Society

Monthly—holyname@stlawrence.cc ..... Jamison Jones

### 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 ..... Jerome Hall

### Meal Train

mealtrain@stlawrence.cc ..... Elizabeth Firoozmand

### Parking Ambassador

parking@stlawrence.cc ..... Dan O’Leary

### Prayer Chain

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

### Pro-Life Group

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

### St. Tarcisius

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

### Sunday CCD

Grades K-12, Weekly—dre@stlawrence.cc ..... Dr. Phil Cuccia

### Tuesday Adoration

Tuesdays—tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.cc ..... Amanda Healy

### Ushers

ushers@stlawrence.cc ..... John Osuch

### Young Adult Group

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

### Youth Group

Ages 13-18, Monthly—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

**HIGH MASS TIME CHANGE**—Starting Oct. 6, the High Mass will begin at 10:30am. This new time comes at the request of families who will find it easier for little ones to attend the High Mass and be home for nap time, as well as make it easier for families whose children participate in CCD, which finishes at 10:15am.

**TODAY: 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.

**ST. JUDE MASS INTENTIONS: AUGUST 21**—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 July 18 to August 14. 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: Christopher, Sr. Catherine, Jack, Stan, Lisa, Rondi, +Nancy, +Stan, Terry, Kathryn, Natey, Shay Family, Shawn, Noah, Caroline, Jacob, Tyler, Deirdre, Abby, Andy, Benjamin, Terry, Aaron, John, Lauren, Beata, +Caroline, +Mary, Annalaura, Brian, and George.

Please also pray for: the conversion and reconciliation of the family members of a parishioner; the spiritual and physical well-being of certain parishioner; 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 wife of a parishioner; the friend of a parishioner, who is having heart surgery; the friend of a parishioner, who suffered a stroke; a parishioner who is having difficulties at work; the health of a parishioner; the nephew of a parishioner; and the healing of the sibling of a parishioner from mental health issues.

**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.

**CONFIRMATIONS ON MARCH 16**—We are happy to announce that the diocese has given us a tentative date for next year's Confirmations. Bishop Ronald Gainer is scheduled to do next year's Confirmations on Sunday, March 16. If your child is old enough to receive the sacrament of Confirmation (Age 13 by March 16, 2025), please register your Confirmation student for the 8th grade in either our Friday Program which begins Friday September 6 or in our Sunday CCD program which begins Sunday October 6. The two programs are independent of each other, and class attendance cannot be substituted between the two.

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR CCD**—Registration for Sunday catechism (CCD) for K-12 & elective Latin (grades 7-12) opens today. Please register soon so we can organize the classrooms and finalize other details. Classes start Oct. 6 and go through May 18, 2025. There will be a mandatory parent meeting on September 22, 2024, in the Aula Magna. By God's grace, we again have a large group of volunteers to teach in our Sunday catechism program. We do, however, need a few more volunteers in the high-school age classes. If you feel the call to help, please reach out to let us know at [dre@stlawrence.cc](mailto:dre@stlawrence.cc). The duty of instructing the children of the parish in their catechism is very important, as so many popes and saints have told us. You may not know, however, that in Our Lady's only proven apparition in the United States she emphasized the importance of teaching catechism. Our Lady of Champion (a title approved last year by the Holy See, and named for the town in Wisconsin where she appeared) told the visionary, Adele Brise:

"Gather the children in this wild country and teach them what they should know for salvation."

"But how shall I teach them who know so little myself?" Adele said.

"Teach them," replied her radiant visitor, "their catechism, how to sign themselves with the Sign of the Cross, and how to approach the sacraments; that is what I wish you to do. Go and fear nothing, I will help you."

REGISTER HERE: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-ccdregistration>

**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.

**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).

## Notes on Next Week's Music

Processional hymn: *O God Our Help in Ages Past*, 923  
Recessional hymn: *O God, Almighty Father*, 877  
Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo IV, 780

Hymn after Offertory: *Ave Maria, Virgo Serena*, Chant Sequence  
Communion Antiphon: *Primum quaerite*, Heinrich Isaac  
(ca.1450–1517)

The chant sequence *Ave Maria, Virgo Serena* is taken from the *Cantus Selecti* which is a compilation of chants released in 1957 by the Solesmes Abbey. This chant highlights major events in the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It also inspired three major compositions in the late 1400s, most notably a setting by Josquin des Prez.

The communion antiphon *Primum quaerite* is a setting by **Heinrich Isaac**. The text of the antiphon is: *Seek first the kingdom of God, and all things shall be added unto you, says the Lord*. This passage taken from St. Matthew's Gospel 6:33. Isaac's setting uses a stylized version of the Gregorian melody in the Soprano voice.

**Heinrich Isaac (ca.1450–1517)** was a Renaissance composer from the South Netherlandish region. His output was rivaled only by Orlandus Lassus in number and variety of composition. Most notable of his collections is *Choralis Constantinus* which contains nearly 400 Gregorian chant based motets of propers for the Mass.

**Auditions for the St. Lawrence Choir**—The Saint Lawrence Choir serves as the primary ensemble for all Sung Masses at our parish. Members sing for all Sundays and 1st Class Feasts throughout the year taking breaks as needed. Those interested in joining the choir must have prior singing experience and be able to attend Thursday evening rehearsals. Auditions will be held on Thursday, September 5 from 5:30pm-8:45pm. For more information, to sign up for an audition or to schedule a time other than stated above, email the Director of Music, Paul Thomas May at: [music@stlawrence.cc](mailto:music@stlawrence.cc).

**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.

## Sunday Collections Week of August 11, 2024

Offertory (August 11)	\$ 5870.00
Vestments (August 11)	156.00
Seminary Burse (August 11)	2823.00
Votives (August 5 - August 11)	73.65
Friday Program (August 5 - August 11)	780.00
Chant Camp (August 5 - August 11)	125.00
Online Giving (August 5 - August 11)	<u>4137.15</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 13,964.80</b>

**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.

**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.

**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!



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