

# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



November 24, 2024

## MASS TIMES

**Sunday:** 7:30am, 9:00am, 6:00pm (Low), 10:30am (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

**Lauds:** 6:30am (Sunday)

**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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**Rev. Zachary Barry** *Assistant Pastor* fr.barry@stlawrence.cc

**Mr. Paul Thomas May** *Music Director* music@stlawrence.cc

**Parish Office** contact@stlawrence.cc

**Parish Office Hours:** Tuesday to Saturday; 8am to 4:00pm

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## TODAY

### Sunday, November 24

- Second Collection—Building Fund
- No Sunday Socials
- Sunday catechism (CCD)—9:15am
- Adult Catechism (in English)—12:15pm
- Adult Catechism (in Spanish)—12:15pm

## UPCOMING

### Tuesday, November 26

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

### Thursday, November 28

- Thanksgiving Day—Parish Office Closed

### Friday, November 29

- No Friday Education Program

### Saturday, November 30

- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

### Sunday, December 1

- First Sunday of Advent
- No CCD classes
- Sunday Sports at YMCA—1:00pm

### Monday, December 2

- Anniversary of the Founding of Mater Dei Community
- Funeral of John Rozman

### Friday, December 6

- First Friday Devotions
- Young Adult Group Dinner—8:00pm

### Saturday, December 7

- First Saturday
- Rorate Mass—6:30am
- Holy Name Society—10:00am

### Sunday, December 8

- Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Harrisburg Historic Assoc. Candlelight Tour—1pm to 6pm

### Saturday, December 14

- Altar Boys Meeting—10:00am
- Girls' Sodality—10:00am
- Young Adult Group Advent Recollection—5:30pm

### Sunday, December 15

- Friday Program Drama Production—1:00pm

### Tuesday, December 17

- Knights of Columbus—6:00pm

### Wednesday, December 18

- St. Jude Devotion

### Saturday, December 21

- Sung Mass by Students of the Friday Program—9:00am
- Pro-life Rosary—10am
- Youth Group—5:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun. Nov 24</b>	<b>Twenty-Fourth &amp; Last Sunday After Pentecost, II</b>
7:30am	Sr. Mary Catherine Rose G. by John & Mary Blair
9:00am	†Fr. Theodore C. Ross S.J. by Zachary and Maureen Flynn
10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	The Riethmiller Family by Jerome Hall
<b>Mon. Nov 25</b>	<b>St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr, III</b>
7:10am	Martina Mikulic Harder by Altar Linens Guild
<b>Tue. Nov 26</b>	<b>St. Sylvester, Abbot, III</b>
7:10am	†Marie Winand by Alan & Tina Busbey
<b>Wed. Nov 27</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b>
7:10am	†Margaret Dennis by Timothy Dennis
6:30pm	Bertha Moreno Calsadillas by Sean T. Pendrak
<b>Thu. Nov 28</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b>
7:10am	†Members of the FSSP and Confraternity of St. Peter
<b>Fri. Nov 29</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b>
7:10am	†Joanne Petrulli by Charles Krall
6:30pm	†Francis Mackin, Sr. by Joe & Joyce Mackin
<b>Sat. Nov 30</b>	<b>St. Andrew, Apostle, II</b>
9:00am	Confraternity of St. Peter by Mary Ellen Barry
<b>Sun. Dec 1</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent, I</b>
7:30am	DiSanto Family by Anthony DiSanto
9:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
10:30am	Tom & Irene Czarnomski & Family by John E. Czarnomski
6:00pm	Caroline & Vincent Worley

Banns of Marriage



Nicholas Sean Jerge and Cecelia Joy Fifelski

Be it known to all here present that Nicholas Sean Jerge, son of Gregory and Catherine Jerge, of the parish of St. John the Baptist, in Front Royal, Virginia; and Cecelia Joy Fifelski, daughter of Christopher and Catherine Fifelski of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 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 second publication of the banns.

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 ..... Cory Ringer

The Legion of Mary

Weekly—legionofmary@stlawrence.cc ..... Jerome Hall

Library

library@stlawrence.cc ..... Sharon Knowles

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—sttarcisius@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



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SECOND COLLECTION**—The second collection today is for the building fund.

**FR. BARRY VACATION**—Fr. Barry is scheduled to be on vacation Nov. 27 through Dec. 2.

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**—Our parish office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

**DEC. 2: FUNERAL FOR JOHN ROZMAN**— We will be having a Funeral Mass for the soul of our recently deceased parishioner, John Rozman, on Monday, Dec. 2, at 11am. The Funeral Mass will be preceded by the Divine Office for the Dead beginning at 10am. Burial will be at Indiantown Gap National Cemetary in Annville. We hope that you can join us for this important spiritual work of mercy.

**DEC. 7: RORATE MASS**—In honor of Our Lady, we will celebrate a Rorate Mass on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 6:30am. The Rorate Mass is held in darkness illuminated by candlelight before the sun rises and symbolizes the longing for the Light of the world, who is a gift to Our Lady. The church eventually gets brighter as the sun rises and after the conclusion of the Mass, the priest intones an antiphon three times, with each invocation at a higher tone just as he does for the Easter Vigil alleluia. The antiphon says: “Behold, the Lord comes and all his saints with him and on that day there will be a great light, alleluia.”

**DEC. 8: MUSICIANS NEEDED FOR TOUR**—The Harrisburg Historic Association has requested that our church and parish center be on the candlelight house tour that the group organizes every year. Indeed, this year will be the first time that St. Lawrence has been on the tour since 1979. The tour will be from 1pm to 6pm on Sunday, Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. In order to make our parish more delightful for tour visitors, we would be grateful if musicians in the parish would volunteer to play music at different times of the afternoon during the tour. Please consider volunteering! To play the organ or harp in the church, or to sing sacred music, signup here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-candlelight-church>. To play any instruments or to sing any type of appropriate music in the parish center, signup here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-candlelight-parishcenter>. For any questions, please contact our music director, Mr. Paul Thomas May, at [music@stlawrence.cc](mailto:music@stlawrence.cc).

**DEC. 25: HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE**—Plan now to celebrate Christmas with us. Masses will be held at midnight, 8am, and 10:30am.

**DEC. 28: CHRISTMAS PARTY**—The annual parish Christmas party will be on Saturday, Dec. 28, in the parish center. It will start after the 9am Mass with caroling in the Alma Magna (room 315 in the parish center), followed by food and live music throughout the day, and ending with Vespers at 5pm. Please RSVP via this link <https://bit.ly/slc-christmas-24> and sign up if you are bringing food to share or can volunteer to help. Email [christmasparty@stlawrence.cc](mailto:christmasparty@stlawrence.cc) to contact organizers Kris and Ari Keck about this event.

**DEC. 29: OPENING OF JUBILEE YEAR**—On Sunday, Dec. 29, at 3:00pm there will be a procession from St. Lawrence to the Cathedral of St. Patrick to mark the opening of the jubilee year. All parishioners are invited to participate.

**FROM THE PARISH LIBRARIAN**—The library is open all the time. Please apply for a card either online or by using the forms at the back of the church or in the library. Online is preferable and safer. Library cards are usually available the week of ordering. There will be someone in the library on Sunday until 1pm. There will be someone here on Monday and Tuesday until 2pm. The librarian will be there on Friday mornings during the Friday Program semester and some Saturdays. The librarian is always available at [library@stlawrence.cc](mailto:library@stlawrence.cc). Orientations will be organized on Sundays very soon!



**LIBRARY CARDS READY FOR PICK-UP**—The following people can collect their library cards from the rack outside the Parish Office - Joseph Cunningham, Nathan Delp, Sister Maria Dolorosa, Joseph Firoozmand, Celine Gudalski, Jerome Hall, Jessica Lerch, Austin Lescanec, Michael Mimosa, Paul Moretz, John Osuch, Elisha Rudd, Denis Russell, Mathew Showers, Charles Stoner, and Craig Stewart.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION**—Our Marriage preparation classes will meet in the conference room of the parish center at 7:30pm for six Fridays, beginning Jan. 17. All couples planning to be married in the spring or summer must attend these classes unless other arrangements have been made with the pastor.

**PAPER DMI SURVEYS NOW AVAILABLE**—All of us have the mission to know, love, and serve Christ in our parish community. Bp. Senior has launched a process to help all parishes with this, and the first step is to assess our strengths and opportunities through the Disciple Maker Index (DMI). The 10–to 15-minute survey can be accessed through this link: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-dmi>. It will be active until November 24, and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide your perspective on our parish’s efforts to help you grow with Christ.



Paper surveys are now available for those who do not have the ability to complete the survey online. Do not fill out a paper survey if you already have taken one electronically. Every member of the household 18 and over should complete the DMI survey. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. Thank you for helping with this important project, and please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our parish.

**JAN. 24: MARCH FOR LIFE**—St. Lawrence is partnering with two parishes to attend the March for Life on Jan. 24, 2025. Sacred Heart in Hanover has seats free of charge, with Mass at 7:45 & departure at 8:30. They will stop to eat around 5:30 & return around 8. To reserve a seat, please email [mcherrystownmarchforlife@gmail.com](mailto:mcherrystownmarchforlife@gmail.com) with your name, address, email, & phone. St. Margaret Mary in Harrisburg will also have seats available at \$35 for adults & \$15 for children. They will depart at 7:30am & return around 7:30pm. Registration opens Dec 1.



## Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *O God, Almighty Father*, 877  
Recessional hymn: *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*, 881  
Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo III, 776

Offertory Antiphon: *Ave Verum Corpus*, Chant  
Communion Antiphon: *Amen, Dico Vobis*, John Mason

The prayer *Ave Verum Corpus* is a short Eucharistic hymn dating from the 14th century and attributed to Pope Innocent VI (d. 1362). During the Middle Ages the prayer was sung at the elevation during the consecration at Mass. The text of the prayer is *Hail, true Body, truly born Of the Virgin Mary mild Truly offered, wracked and torn, On the Cross for all defiled, From Whose love pierced, sacred side Flowed Thy true Blood's saving tide: Be a foretaste sweet to me In my death's great agony. O my loving, Gentle One, Sweetest Jesus, Mary's Son. Amen.*

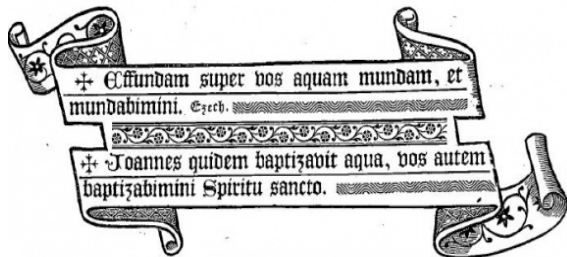
Congratulations to:

**Orian and Melinda Morgan**

on the Baptism of their daughter

**Veronica Lucia Mejias Morgan**

October 1, 2024



**PREPARE FOR MARIAN CONSECRATION**—For those who are participating in this 33-day preparation, or signed up to receive daily emails with meditations, we encourage you to maintain these prayers and meditations daily in order to receive the full benefits of the Total Consecration to Our Lady on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on Dec. 8, which is the patronal feast of the United States. Though this preparation will be done by individuals and families privately, we will recite this consecration publicly as a parish after each of the Masses we have on Sunday, Dec. 8.

**INQUIRY CLASS**—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)

## Sunday Collections Week of November 17, 2024

Offertory	\$ 9,814.26
Vestments	161.00
Votives	30.00
Coffee Social	46.00
Matthew 25	421.00
Seminary Burse	58.00
CCM	20.00
All Saints Day	5.00
Catechism	50.00
Young Adults Group	25.00
Basketball Tournament	40.00
Online Giving (Nov. 11 - Nov. 17)	<u>4,640.87</u>

**Total:** **\$ 15,311.13**

**2025 SUNDAY SOCIALS SIGNUPS**—We are very grateful to the Knights of Columbus who have helped us find a solution for organizing volunteers for the Sunday coffee and doughnut socials. Along with the Holy Name Society and the impressive Young Adults Group, we have successfully had Sunday socials for most of 2024. We commend each of these groups for their sacrifice and love for our community. Looking ahead, signup sheets are available for all of 2025, and we would be grateful if people would begin signing up now for Sundays throughout next year. You can access the signups here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-2025socials>.

**FACING EAST NETWORK**—Are you a Catholic business owner serious about the re-Christianization of society through education and hands on training, all while growing your business? Contact us at Facing East Network. Now providing Pro-life Catholic Healthcare Apprenticeships! <https://facingeastnetwork.com>.

**PARISH BUSINESS DIRECTORY**—If you would like to be included in our parish directory of trades, professions, and services, please signup here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-directory>. This directory exists for those who either would like to shop from other parishioners or would like to advertise their work to other parishioners. To access the link above, one must first be a member of the St. Lawrence email groups system. To join that group, send an email with your name in the message to this address: [main+subscribe@groups.stlawrence.cc](mailto:main+subscribe@groups.stlawrence.cc).

**ADVERTISE IN OUR BULLETIN**—Starting in January, we plan to make advertising available on the back of the bulletin. If you are interested, please email [advertising@stlawrence.cc](mailto:advertising@stlawrence.cc) for more details.

