

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



February 23, 2025

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

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

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TODAY

Sunday, February 23

- 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

Monday, February 24

- Monday Night Basketball—7:00pm

Tuesday, February 25

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Friday, February 28

- Marriage Preparation Class—7:30pm

Saturday, March 1

- First Saturday
- Sung Mass by Students of the Friday Program—9:00am
- Holy Name Society—10:00am
- Final Interviews for First Penance Class
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

Sunday, March 2

- Sunday Socials by the Holy Name Society
- Sunday Sports—1:00pm

Wednesday, March 5

- Ash Wednesday

Friday, March 7

- First Friday Devotions
- Marriage Preparation Class—7:30pm
- Young Adult Group Dinner—8:00pm

Saturday, March 8

- Altar Boys Meeting—10:00am
- Girls' Sodality—10:00am

Sunday, March 9

- Daylight Savings Time begins

Saturday, March 15

- Pro-life Rosary—10:00am
- Confirmation Rehearsal—5:30pm
- Youth Group—5:30pm

Tuesday, March 18

- Knights of Columbus—6:00pm

Wednesday, March 19

- St. Jude Devotion

Saturday, March 22

- Confraternity of Christian Mothers—10:00am

Sunday, March 26

- Confirmation—10:30am Mass

Saturday, April 5

- First Saturday
- First Penance—11:00am–Noon

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Feb. 23	Sexagesima Sunday, II <i>Pro Populo</i> 7:30am 9:00am †George Kelly by Kevin Kelly 10:30am †Mary Belton by Jennifer Lynch 6:00pm †Francis Mackin, Sr. by Joe & Joyce Mackin
Mon. Feb. 24	St. Matthias, Apostle, II 7:10am †Richard Lechleitner by Matthew & Alyssa Showers
Tue. Feb. 25	Feria, IV 7:10am †Francis Makin by Joe & Joyce Mackin
Wed. Feb. 26	Feria, IV 7:10am Faber Family by Doug & Kay Faber 6:30pm †Joe & Romaine Agliotta by Firoozmand
Thu. Feb. 27	St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows, Confessor, III 7:10am Agnes Bartha Lakatos
Fri. Feb. 28	Feria, IV 7:10am †Peter Cummings by Zachary & Maureen Flynn 6:30pm †Holy Souls in Purgatory by Frank & Michelle Galushka
Sat. Mar. 1	Saturday of Our Lady, IV 9:00am †Augusta Wildt by Joe & Joyce Mackin
Sun. Mar. 2	Quinquagesima Sunday, II 7:30am †Mary Laczkoskie by Jones Family 9:00am <i>Pro Populo</i> 10:30am Showers Children by Matthew & Alyssa Showers 6:00pm Guadalupe Margossian by Sean T. Pendrak

Banns of Marriage



Hudson Avery Smith and Claire Alexandra Garvin

Be it known to all here present that Hudson Avery Smith of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg Pennsylvania, son of Jon and Beth Smith; and Claire Alexandra Garvin of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg Pennsylvania, daughter of Robert and Renee Garvin, 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 first 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

Greeters

Sunday morning Masses—greeters@stlawrence.cc Sharon Kaercher

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

BULLETIN: WEDNESDAY DEADLINE—Please note that all requests for new bulletin articles must be made by the Wednesday prior to the upcoming Sunday bulletin.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION—This week our second collection is for the Building Fund.

FR. CORTES ON VACATION—Fr. Cortes is on vacation until Mar. 1.

FR. BARRY APPROVED FOR FSSP—Having successfully completed his year of candidacy with the FSSP here at St. Lawrence, the FSSP recently approved Fr. Barry's request to be made a temporary member of the FSSP, which is the next step in the process of becoming a permanent member. As of press time, Fr. Barry was scheduled to be incorporated into the FSSP Saturday night before Vespers. Please congratulate Fr. Barry on this important milestone.

LENTEN MEDITATIONS WITH BUXTEHUDE—On Sat., Apr. 5, St. Lawrence Church will host the Chamber Singers of Messiah University with orchestra for a Lenten meditation. Buxtehude's *Membra Jesu Nostri* comprises of seven cantatas, each of which addresses a part of Jesus' crucified body: feet, knees, hands, side, breast, heart, and face. In each cantata, its main text is drawn from Biblical passages and the medieval hymn *Salve mundi salutare*, formerly ascribed to St. Bernard of Clairvaux but now thought to be by Cistercian monk Arnulf of Leuven. At the beginning of each cantata a meditation will be offered by a member of the clergy, including Bishop Timothy Senior. Reserve your tickets here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-buxtehude>.

GUIDELINES FOR FASTING DURING LENT

Laws of Days of Complete Abstinence—1962: Applies at age 7; Complete abstinence: all Fridays of the year, Ash Wednesday, Holy Saturday, and the Vigil of Christmas

Current Practice: Applies at age 14—Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent, and obliges abstention from flesh meat

Laws of Days of Partial Abstinence—1962: Partial abstinence: all the days of Lent, the Ember days of Wednesday & Saturday, and the Vigils of Pentecost & the Assumption (meat and soup, or gravy made from meat permitted once per day at the principal meal)

Current Practice: Not applicable

Dispensation from Laws of Days of Abstinence—1962: Abstinence from meat dispensed on Holy Days of Obligation

Current Practice: Dispensed on Solemnities

Ages for Laws of Fast—1962: Applies for ages 21 to 59, inclusive Days of Lent from Ash Wednesday inclusive of Ember Days, and Vigils of Christmas, Pentecost, and the Assumption

Current Practice: Age 18 to 59—Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, but also on specified days of penance

Laws of Fast (defined)—1962: One full meal permitted, & two other meals may be taken which, when combined, are less than a full meal

Current Practice: Same

LENTEN FISH DINNERS—The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring Fish Fry events in the church social hall each Friday evening during Lent, with an expanded menu including child portions and non-fried options. More details will follow.

MAR. 8: PARISH FAITH BEE—Attention 7th and 8th graders (usually younger than age 15): whether you are in CCD, the Friday Program, at a private, parochial, or home school, you are invited to participate in the St. Lawrence Parish Catholic Faith Bee. The initial entry phase will be a written test on Sat., Mar. 8, at 2:30pm in the Parish Center. The top ten scorers will move on to the oral competition on Sat., Mar. 29, at 2:30pm in the Parish Center. The winner of the St. Lawrence Catholic Faith Bee will have the honor of representing our parish at the Diocesan Catholic Faith Bee that will be held on Wed., Apr. 9, at 1:30pm in the Diocesan Center in Harrisburg. For more information have your parent contact the DRE at dre@stlawrence.cc.

MAR. 15: CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL—The Confirmation rehearsal (for confirmandi and sponsors) will be held on Sat., Mar. 15, at 5:30pm in the church. On the day of Confirmation, Sun., Mar. 16, at 9:15am the confirmandi will assemble in the conference room on the 2nd floor of the Parish Center for their meeting with Bishop Gainer. The sponsors will meet on the 3rd floor in the Aula Magna at 9:30am for a roll call, seating assignments, and final rehearsal.

ATTENTION YOUNG LADIES AGES 14-17—The Mater Dei Praesidium of the Legion of Mary hopes to form a junior praesidium here at St. Lawrence and would like to invite you to prayerfully consider joining! Sixteen- and seventeen-year-olds can be officers.

Being a member of a Junior Legion of Mary is a wonderful way to form and develop one's love and devotion to our Blessed Mother and to serve her and her Son Jesus by serving the Church. The meetings take place weekly for an hour and are fashioned exactly like the adult meetings. They are led by two adult members of the Legion of Mary (Janeann Kakalecz and Alice Mansell), and two junior members who would also be officers. The Legion follows the method of St. Louis Marie de Montfort's *True Devotion to Mary*, as established by its founder Frank Duff in Ireland on September 7, 1921, and which has spread throughout the entire world. The apostolic work of the junior praesidium is varied and carried out in a variety of settings—some at the parish, others outside under the adult supervision of members of the Legion of Mary, and some in your home within your family. All of the work is of important value to the universal Church and to your parish and takes an additional commitment of one to one and a half hours per week.

If you are interested, please ask your parents to take the survey linked to the QR code below to help us determine the best day of week and time to hold the meetings. You can also get to the survey here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-juniorpraesidium>.

If you are interested and would like to learn more, please send your inquiry to: legionofmary@stlawrence.cc.



Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *O God Of Loveliness*, 930
 Recessional hymn: *O Thou the Martyrs' Glorious King*, 872
 Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo V, 784

Marian Antiphon: *Ave Regina Caelorum*, Solemn Chant
 Communion Antiphon: *Introibo Ad*, Heinrich Isaac

The communion antiphon is another set by **Heinrich Isaac** from his *Choralis Constantinus*. The antiphon's text is taken from Psalm 42(43):4, "And I will go in to the altar of God: to God who giveth joy to my youth." In this short antiphon he ornaments the Gregorian melody and uses it as the musical foundation in the Soprano and Tenor voices. The *schola* sings the Gregorian antiphon first and between each iteration of the antiphon, verses from Psalm 42(43) are sung.

Heinrich Isaac (c.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.

APPLY NOW FOR REGINA CAELI—Homeschooling families are invited to apply to the new Harrisburg-area Regina Caeli Academy, an accredited Catholic homeschool hybrid program in classical tradition. There are over 20 RCA locations, with one opening in Mechanicsburg/Enola area for the 2025-26 school year. Founding families registering before the Mar. 15 deadline receive a \$145 discount per child on registration fees—\$50 instead of \$195 per child. *Registrations will not be accepted after Mar. 15 if we do not meet the minimum number of students, so be sure to register today if this is an education option your family is considering. * Fill out this simple form to register today: <https://bit.ly/3X4s9cz>

FROM YOUR PARISH LIBRARIAN— "First - please, no more donations! We are out of space! In the absence of the iPad, or if you prefer to, you can use your mobile device to check in and check out books. Navigate to the Researcher Page (available through the church website or the QR code on the library noticeboard). Touch the check out/in icon. Log in with the barcode on your library card. If you want to check out a book, enter the barcode on your library card and touch return. Then, enter the barcode of the book. Touch return again. Then, touch I'm Done and you are finished! To return a book, all you need to do is enter the barcode of the book, after touching the check in icon. Touch return and then I'm done."



Sunday Collections Week of February 16, 2025

Offertory	\$5,403.00
Seminary Burse	2,589.00
Poor Missions	50.00
Vestments	151.00
Flowers	10.00
Easter Flowers	50.00
Heating	25.00
Bookstand	92.00
Votives	28.00
Coffee Social	50.00
Young Adult Group	25.00
Catechism	60.00
Advertising	250.00
Online Giving (February 10 - February 16)	<u>4,061.79</u>
	\$12,844.79

AD SPACE AVAILABLE—St. Lawrence has one space remaining in the bulletin from March onwards to promote your business. The space is \$25/month. For more information, please contact advertising@stlawrence.cc.

STAY HOME WHEN SICK—Please note that it is an act of charity not to assist at Mass when you have a communicable illness, **under the advice of a medical professional**. Indeed, *Baltimore Catechism III* (Seton Press) instructs us that the Sunday obligation is dispensed for "those who must care for the sick...[and] those whose illness does not permit them to go outdoors," which includes those who might make others ill. If you have doubts about your condition, the following advice from Christopher Washington, MD, one of our parishioners is helpful: "Seemingly minor illnesses can have quite serious consequences for infants, the elderly and the infirm. Prior to returning to regular activities, including Mass, symptoms should at a minimum be improving and any illnesses involving fevers should have resolution of fevers for at least 24 hours."

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.

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