

# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



July 27, 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

<b>Rev. James Smith, FSSP</b>	<i>Pastor</i>	fr.smith@stlawrence.cc
<b>Rev. Cidrian Cortes, FSSP</b>	<i>Assistant Pastor</i>	fr.cortes@stlawrence.cc
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<b>Mr. Paul Thomas May</b>	<i>Music Director</i>	music@stlawrence.cc

**Parish Office** contact@stlawrence.cc

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

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## TODAY

**Sunday, July 27**

- Second Collection—Building Fund
- No Sunday socials

## UPCOMING

**Monday, July 28**

- Monday Night Basketball—7:00pm

**Tuesday, July 29**

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

**Friday, August 1**

- First Friday
- Sacred Heart Devotion—5:30–7:30pm

**Saturday, August 2**

- First Saturday
- Holy Name Society—10:00am
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm
- Parish men's night—5:00pm

**Sunday, August 3**

- St. Stephen Guild Promotions
- Sunday Sports—1:00pm

**Wednesday, August 6**

- Blessing of the Grapes

**Friday, August 8**

- Young Adult Group Spiritual Conference—7:30pm
- Altar Linens Guild meeting—5:30

**Saturday, August 9**

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

**Sunday, August 10**

- Feast of Saint Lawrence
- Parish Picnic

**Friday, August 15**

- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Holy Day of Obligation
- Blessing of the Herbs

**Saturday, August 16**

- Pro-life Rosary—10:00am
- Flower Guild meeting—10:00am
- Youth Group—5:30pm

**Sunday, August 17**

- Waitlist for Friday Program registration closes
- Registration opens for Sunday CCD program
- Youth Group parent meeting—10:10am

**Wednesday, August 20**

- St. Jude Devotion

**Sunday, August 24**

- Mandatory parent meeting for Friday program

**Sunday, August 31**

- Blessing of candles and water

MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun. Jul. 27</b>	<b>Seventh Sunday After Pentecost, II</b>
7:30am	Joyce A. Mackin by Michael P. Mackin
9:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
10:30am	Richard S. Czarnomski by John E. Czarnomski
6:00pm	†Margaret Mary Wagner by Jamison and Kelly Jones
<b>Mon. Jul. 28</b>	<b>Ss. Nazarius &amp; Celsus, Victor I, &amp; St. Innocent I, III</b>
7:10am	Forbeck Family by Michael and Kim Lane
<b>Tue. Jul. 29</b>	<b>St. Martha, Virgin, III</b>
7:10am	Patrick Zalesky by Zalesky Family
<b>Wed. Jul. 30</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b>
7:10am	†Poor Souls in Purgatory by John Wagner
6:30pm	Fr. Alexander Witt by Zachary and Maureen Fly
<b>Thu. Jul. 31</b>	<b>St. Ignatius Loyola, Confessor, III</b>
7:10am	†Augusta Wildt by Joe and Joyce Mackin
<b>Fri. Aug. 1</b>	<b>FSSP: St. Peter in Chains, III</b>
7:10am	†Marie Mackin by Joe & Joyce Mackin
6:30pm	Sr. Elassara by Michael & Kim Lane
<b>Sat. Aug. 2</b>	<b>St. Alphonsu Liguori, Bishop, Confessor &amp; Doctor, III</b>
9:00am	Samuel Jones by Anthony Jones
<b>Sun. Aug. 3</b>	<b>Eighth Sunday After Pentecost, II</b>
7:30am	† Mary Laczkoskie by Jones Family
9:00am	† Thomas Marshall by Friends
10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	Joseph M. Mackin Sr. by Michael P. Mackin

Banns of Marriage



John Paul Kearney and Rachel Zelig Fifelski

Be it known to all here present that John Paul Kearney, son of Michael and Lynn Kearney, of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; and Rachel Zelig 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.

<b>Advertising in the Bulletin</b>	
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<b>Youth Group</b>	
Ages 13-18, Monthly—yg@stlawrence.cc .....	Joelle Riethmiller

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**FR. CORTES AT CONFERENCE**—Fr. Cortes is scheduled to be away from Monday, July 29, to Friday, August 1.

**LETTER FROM THE BISHOP**—Bishop Senior has written a letter for the World Day of Grandparents which is available by the bulletins.

**OFFICE CLOSED**—Due to staff vacations, the parish office will be closed this week, Tuesday, July 29, to Saturday, August 2.

**PARISH OFFICE EMPLOYMENT**—The parish office at St. Lawrence is losing two highly talented employees, Mrs. Lori Archer and Mrs. Theresa Shibler, who are leaving in the next few weeks. Unfortunately, they are leaving at nearly the same time, but the timing of their family obligations cannot be avoided. If you would like the opportunity to serve God and your neighbor by doing administrative work, enjoy working in a fast-paced, multi-tasking environment, are able to use (or willing to learn) various software systems such as Microsoft Office and Adobe desktop publishing, please consider applying.

**TWO POSITIONS:** There are two part-time positions available, working three days per week from 8am to 4:30pm with a 30-minute lunch break at noon. One of the positions requires some competency with financial matters, including the use of spreadsheets. Wages start between \$18 and \$20 per hour. Though this is advertised as two part-time positions, an exceptional candidate could make this a five-day per week full-time position. Please email your CV to the office if interested: [contact@stlawrence.cc](mailto:contact@stlawrence.cc).

**AUG. 2: PARISH MEN'S NIGHT**—Join other men of the parish for a night of prayer, spiritual instruction, camaraderie, and the grilling of burgers, brats, and beverages in the church courtyard after Vespers. The evening will begin with Vespers at 5pm, after which they will move to the courtyard for dinner and a talk. RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-mensnight>

**AUG. 17: YOUTH GROUP PARENT MEETING**— Sunday, August 17, at 10:10am in the Aula Magna room on the third floor of the parish center. All parents of current members, those who would like to join for the new academic year, and those whose child will turn 13 during the 2025-2026 academic year, are asked to attend in order to complete and update permission forms and membership information. An event schedule for the new academic year will be provided.

**VOLUNTEER FOR 2025-2026 CCD**—The CCD program is still in great need of teachers, teacher's aids, and substitutes for the 2025-2026 academic year. Please consider volunteering your time to help transmit the Faith to the next generation of Catholics by volunteering for CCD, starting in October. Classes meet every Sunday from 9:15-10:15am. Email Dr. Phillip Cuccia at [dre@stlawrence.cc](mailto:dre@stlawrence.cc) if you are interested in helping out.

**AUG 10: PARISH PICNIC**—The parish will celebrate it's patronal feast day, the Feast of St. Lawrence, with its annual picnic at Roof Park in New Cumberland on Sunday, Aug. 10. This year we will have the first group (after 9am Mass) eat from 10am-noon, followed by the second group (after 10.30am Mass) eat from noon to 2pm. Please see below for three sign ups:

1) General RSVP for parish picnic attendance and food items: [bit.ly/parishpicnic2025rsvp](https://bit.ly/parishpicnic2025rsvp)

2) Volunteering for one of the many positions to fill in order to make this event successful: [bit.ly/parishpicnic2025volunteer](https://bit.ly/parishpicnic2025volunteer)  
These positions include: morning: loading tables at the church after the 7:30am Mass, unloading at the park, grill preparation, running, food set up; mid-picnic: directing food line, refilling food tables, parking directors, handicap chauffer, game coordinators; late afternoon: picnic clean up, trash clean up, putting supplies away back at the church, and sports tournaments.

3) As part of the annual picnic, we are planning sports tournaments from 2 to 4pm. Start recruiting your teams! Volleyball and kickball, with teams made up of all ages, boys and girls, and men and women; 3-on-3 men's basketball: [bit.ly/parishpicnic2025volleyball](https://bit.ly/parishpicnic2025volleyball), [bit.ly/parishpicnic2025basketball](https://bit.ly/parishpicnic2025basketball) and [bit.ly/parishpicnic2025kickball](https://bit.ly/parishpicnic2025kickball)

**PICNIC GRILL MASTERS NEEDED**—We need a few good men (or women) who are willing to run the grills for the parish picnic. If you can bring a grill to the park and help cook the meats, please sign up at [bit.ly/parishpicnic2025volunteer](https://bit.ly/parishpicnic2025volunteer)

Congratulations to:

**Anne Mikaela Elizabeth Benner**

on her Baptism, Confirmation  
and First Holy Communion

July 19, 2025

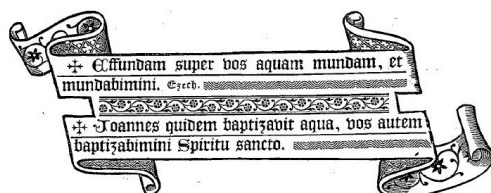
and

**Peter and Bethany Wertz**

on the Baptism of their daughter

**Anneliese Sophia Wertz**

July 19 2025



<div>Notes on Today's Music</div> <div>Processional hymn: <i>Blessed Lamb on Calvary's Mountain</i>, 864 Recessional hymn: <i>I Sing the Mighty Power of God</i>, 934 Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo II, 772</div> <div>Motet after Offertory: <i>Adoro Te Devote</i>, arr. Mark Emerson Donnelly Communion Antiphon: <i>Inclina Aurem Tuam</i>, Heinrich Isaac</div> <div>The choral selections this Sunday both have Gregorian chant melodies as the foundation for their composition. <i>Adoro Te Devote</i> is a familiar chant written by St. Thomas Aquinas along with many other texts he composed for the institution of the feast of <i>Corpus Christi</i> in 1264. Living composer, <b>Mark Emerson Donnelly</b>, created a harmonization which retains the original melody.</div> <div>The communion antiphon is a setting by <b>Heinrich Isaac</b>. The text is from Psalm 31:3, "<i>Bow down thine ear, make haste to deliver us.</i>" The Soprano and Tenor voices retain the Gregorian melody in this short setting.</div> <div><b>Heinrich Isaac (c.1450–1517)</b> was a Renaissance composer from the Brabant in the Netherlands. His output was rivaled only by Orlandus Lassus in number and variety of composition. Most notable of his collections is <i>Choralis Constantinus</i> which contains nearly 400 Gregorian chant based motets of propers for the Mass.</div>		<div>Sunday Collections Week of July 20, 2025</div> <table><tr><td>Offertory</td><td>\$7,062.00</td></tr><tr><td>Online Giving (July 14 - July 20)</td><td>5,484.00</td></tr><tr><td>Vestments</td><td>173.00</td></tr><tr><td>Votives</td><td>38.00</td></tr><tr><td>Coffee Social</td><td>28.00</td></tr><tr><td>Bookstand</td><td>25.00</td></tr><tr><td>Catechism</td><td>130.00</td></tr><tr><td>CCM</td><td>20.00</td></tr><tr><td>Young Adult Group</td><td><u>121.00</u></td></tr><tr><td></td><td><b>\$13,081</b></td></tr></table>		Offertory	\$7,062.00	Online Giving (July 14 - July 20)	5,484.00	Vestments	173.00	Votives	38.00	Coffee Social	28.00	Bookstand	25.00	Catechism	130.00	CCM	20.00	Young Adult Group	<u>121.00</u>		<b>\$13,081</b>
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<div><b>AUG. 30: EVANGELIZATION TRAINING</b>—Learn practical steps for sharing the Gospel in a training session here at St. Lawrence Church. We have invited a trainer from St. Paul Steet Evangelization, which has had a profound effect on souls across the country, to come and give an all-day training session on Saturday, Aug. 30. The training will happen with the cooperation of our praesidium of the Legion of Mary during the city's Labor Day festival, which brings thousands of souls walking by the doors of our church every year. After the day of training, participants will walk out onto the street and put into practice their training. Let's use our position in the city to invite souls to Christ! RSVP here: <a href="https://bit.ly/stlawrence-stpauls">https://bit.ly/stlawrence-stpauls</a></div> <div>From the organization's website: "St. Paul Street Evangelization provides the tools and resources for Catholics to engage the culture in a simple, non-confrontational method of evangelization which involves making themselves available to the public to answer questions about the Faith and to pray with those who request it. SPSE has had tremendous growth and now has teams throughout the United States and internationally."</div>		<div><b>PORTIUNCULA INDULGENCE AUG. 1-2</b>—From noon Aug. 1 until midnight Aug. 2, the Faithful can gain a plenary indulgence applicable to themselves or the souls in purgatory under the usual conditions <i>and</i> by visiting a cathedral, parochial, quasi-parochial or Franciscan church and there praying at least one Our Father &amp; one Creed.</div> <div>The Portiuncula is a little town near Assisi, known officially as Santa Maria degli Angeli, and has grown up around the basilica of Our Lady of the Angels and the adjoining Franciscan monastery. Here on February 24, 1208, St. Francis of Assisi recognized his vocation; made his permanent abode, and also died on Saturday, October 3, 1226.</div> <div><b>LOST AND FOUND MISSALS</b>—There are several missals that have been sitting in the lost and found. If you have misplaced your missal or bible please check our lost and found bins located in the basement of the Parish Center. From State Street, go down the outdoor stairs to access the room. Directly inside the door are the lost and found bins.</div> <div><b>FREE SAT. &amp; SUN. GARAGE PARKING</b>—Our South Street Garage parking vouchers are valid both on Saturdays and Sundays. We now are offering self-service for obtaining vouchers. A sign-out sheet and vouchers are available at the back of the church and also on the table outside the parish office door. The South Street garage is available on Saturdays 7:30am to 8pm and on Sundays 7am to 2pm.</div> <div><b>INQUIRY CLASS</b>—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: <a href="mailto:contact@stlawrence.cc">contact@stlawrence.cc</a>.</div>																					
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