

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 24, 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, August 24

- Second Collection—Building Fund
- Mandatory parent meeting for Friday program

UPCOMING

Monday, August 25

- Monday Night Basketball—7:00pm

Tuesday, August 26

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Saturday, August 30

- Inquiry Class—3:30pm

Sunday, August 31

- Blessing of candles and water

Friday, September 5

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

Saturday, September 6

- First Saturday
- Holy Name Society—10:00am

Sunday, September 7

- Sunday Socials organized by the Holy Name Society
- **Sunday Sports** 1-2:30pm

Monday, September 8

- The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday, September 13

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

Sunday, September 14

- The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Sunday Socials organized by Young Adults Group

Monday, September 15

- Our Lady of Seven Sorrows, patroness of CCM

Tuesday, September 16

- Knights of Columbus—6:30pm

Wednesday, September 17

- St. Jude Devotion—5:30pm

Saturday, September 20

- **Pro-Life Rosary**—10-11:00am
- **Youth Group**—5:30-8:30pm

Sunday, September 21

- Last day to register for Sunday CCD program
- Young Adults Group Brunch—1:00pm

Saturday, September 27

- Confraternity of Christian Mothers—10:00am

Sunday, October 5

- First day of Sunday catechism (CCD)—9:15am

Saturday, October 18

- Flower Guild Meeting —10:00am

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Sun. Aug. 24 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm | Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost, II Ronnie Schaffer by a Parishoner Bridget Gertrude Washington by the Jones Holy Souls in Purgatory by Joseph Russell †Mr. & Mrs. O’Connell, Sr. by Bill O’Connell |
| Mon. Aug. 25 7:10am | St. Louis IX, King & Confessor, III †John F. Lietzow by John E. Czarnomski |
| Tue. Aug. 26 7:10am | Feria, IV Gianella Fonticoba & Godparents by the Fonticobas |
| Wed. Aug. 27 7:10am 6:30pm | St. Joseph Calasance, Confessor, III Jackie Schroll by the Eschbach Family Dottie Melanson by Steven Grist |
| Thu. Aug. 28 7:10am | St. Augustine, Bishop, Confessor, & Doctor, III †Poor Souls in Purgatory by John Wagner |
| Fri. Aug. 29 7:10am 6:30pm | The Beheading of St. John the Baptist, III †Thomas Marshall by Friends Summer Grace Glancy by the Fonticobas |
| Sat. Aug. 30 9:00am | St. Rose of Lima, Virgin, III For the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter by the Koles |
| Sun. Aug. 31 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm | Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost, II Liam Grist by Steven W. Grist Beata Lakatos by a Parishoner <i>Pro Populo</i> †Richard Wuertz by Emily Wuertz |

Banns of Marriage



James Joachim Hall and Claire Ansley Brissett

Be it known to all here present that James Joachim Hall of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania son of James Brian Hall and Lauren May Standermeier, of the parish of The Most Precious Blood, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Claire Ansley Brissett, of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of Zachary Thorne Brissett and Melanie Barefield, of the parish of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, in Kansas City, Kansas 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 third publication of the banns.

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| Youth Group Ages 13-18, Monthly—yg@stlawrence.cc | Joelle Riethmiller |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

FR. SMITH VACATION—Father Smith is on vacation and is offering the *pro populo* Masses while he is away.

SEPT. 4: CHOIR AUDITIONS—The Saint Lawrence Choir serves as the primary ensemble for all Sung Masses at our parish. Members are called to all Sundays and 1st Class Feasts from September until Corpus Christi. 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 4 from 5:30pm–8:30pm. The choir needs a few more treble singers (soprano or alto) and tenors (higher singing men). 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.

OCT. 24: PRO LIFE FEDERATION BANQUET—The annual Pro Life Federation banquet will be on Oct. 24 at 5:30pm at the Hershey Lodge. As in previous years, St. Lawrence has purchased a table so that our parishioners can be represented at this event for this very important cause. The cost per seat is \$134 per person. Please email prolife@stlawrence.cc to check the availability of seats at the table and for details to register. For more information, see paprolife.org/banquet.

AUG. 30: EVANGELIZATION TRAINING—We invite you to learn to share the Gospel with St. Lawrence's Legion of Mary. We have invited St. Paul's Street Evangelization to provide training on how to share Christ in the midst of the city. The training will take place during Harrisburg's Labor Day festival, sending thousands of people walking past our doors. The schedule for Saturday, Aug. 30, will be:

- 8am: **Adoration**
- 9am: **Mass**
- 10am to 3pm: **Training**
- 3pm to 4:30pm: **Optional live lab**

Light snacks and lunch provided. Please register: bit.ly/stlawrence-stpauls

There is no cost to attend this training, but the parish is paying \$426.37 of travel costs to bring the trainer here, and we are grateful for a family for housing the trainer to save costs. We are expected to make a donation to St. Paul's for their time (they charge nothing to provide this training), so please consider making a donation for that. Please contact Fr. Smith if you can help at pastor@stlawrence.cc.

FROM THE DIOCESE—The Catholic Charities Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families is in need of a few everyday essentials that make a big difference for the children and parents we serve. Items needed include body lotion, conditioner, and towels. Your donations help us provide comfort and dignity to families during a difficult time. Every item brings hope and relief to those who need it most. Donations can be dropped off at 4800 Union Deposit Rd., or at 120 Willow Road, Suite C., Harrisburg. Thank you for your generosity and support!

TODAY: FRIDAY PROGRAM MEETING—There is a mandatory parent meeting for the Friday Program today at 10:10 am in the Aula Magna.

REGISTRATION FOR CCD—Registration for CCD is open! We are still in need of aides, substitute teachers, and hall monitors. To volunteer, email dre@stlawrence.cc. To register your children: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-2526ccd>

Kindergarten: A nurturing environment that introduces young children to God: how to know, love, and serve Him.

Grade 1: Bible History

Grade 2: First Holy Communion (age 7 by Oct. 1)

Grade 3: Post Communion Class I

Grade 4: Post Communion Class II

Grade 5: Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Class I

Grade 6: Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Class II

Grade 7: Chief Doctrines of the Faith

Grade 8: Preparation for Confirmation

Grade 9: Mass and the Sacraments

Grade 10: History of the Catholic Church

Grade 11: Catholic Morality

Grade 12: Apologetics

Elective: Beginner's Latin, available to those in Grades 7 to 12. No experience necessary.

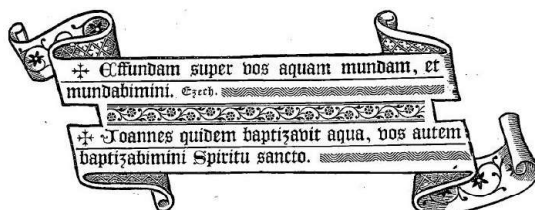
Congratulations to:

Daniel and Ivona Belanger

on the Baptism of their son

Benedikt Joseph Pio Belanger

August 16, 2025



Notes on Today's Music

Processional Hymn: *O Glorious Maid Exalted Far*, 911
 Recessional Hymn: *Daily, Daily, Sing of Mary*, 912
 Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo II, 772

Offertory Antiphon: *Exaltabo Te*, Rev. Giovanni Croce
 Marian Hymn: *Omni Die, Dic Mariae*, Chant

The Offertory Antiphon this week is sung chorally set by **Rev. Giovanni Croce**. The text is from Psalm 29:2-3: *I will magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up; and not made my foes to triumph over me. O Lord my God, I cried unto thee: and thou hast healed me.* Croce's sets each line of text in short sections with pairs or trios of voices that are followed soon by any remaining voices. He also makes use of the harmonic minor scale which creates a more brighter mood as the melodies rise and darker as they descend.

Rev. Giovanni Croce (c. 1558–1609) was an Italian priest and composer of the late Renaissance from Venice and contemporary of Monteverdi and Andrea Gabrieli. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1585. He was appointed to the prestigious position of *maestro di cappella* at the famous St. Mark's cathedral from 1603 until his death.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2025 CLOSED—We are unable to accept any new Mass intentions until further notice. Our dates are filled for the remainder of the year, and we are not yet accepting intentions for 2026. Any new requests will be returned. If there is no return address, the money will be placed in the candle donation box.

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.

SPECIAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS—If you are approaching your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary, please let the priests know a few months in advance so they can organize a special Mass for you.

LOST AND FOUND MISSALS—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.

Sunday Collections Week of August 17, 2025

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| Offertory | \$6,116.00 |
| Online Giving (August 11 - August 17) | 6,920.00 |
| Votives | 36.00 |
| Assumption | 1,339.00 |
| Seminary Burse | 70.00 |
| Bookstand | <u>15.00</u> |
| | \$14,496.00 |

FREE SAT. & SUN. GARAGE PARKING—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 - 8pm and on Sundays 7am - 2pm.

PARKING GARAGE REFUNDS—If you had a problem with the South Street Garage accepting your parking voucher last weekend, you can make a claim to get reimbursed at www.myparkingrefund.com/refund_form.php. This refund comes directly from the garage; the church is not charged. Even if you do not have your receipt if you provide the last four digits of your credit card and the date on which you parked a refund should be provided. The garage says you should hear back from them within seven business days of completing the form. Park Harrisburg has acknowledged they experienced "hiccups" with the system accepting vouchers last Saturday. They understand that the left gate is more reliable than the right to take the vouchers but are working to get them both to accept the vouchers. If you have any problems, please request the refund at the above link, and please also notify the office so we can stay on top of the issue.

YMCA PARKING FOR GROUPS—Thanks to the intercession of Sen. Patty Kim, and the generosity of the YMCA, we now have a free, convenient parking option for our groups that meet on Saturdays. For more information, please contact the organizers of your groups. These include: Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus, Guild of St. Stephen, Girls Sodality, Youth Group, Church Cleaners, and the Confraternity of Christian Mothers

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