

# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



January 25, 2026

## 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
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**Parish Office** contact@stlawrence.cc

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

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## TODAY

**Sunday, Jan. 25, 2026**

- Adult Catechism—12:15pm
- No CCD

## UPCOMING

**Sunday, Feb. 1**

- Septuagesima Sunday

**Monday, Feb. 2**

- Candlemas
- High Mass with candle blessing and procession—6:30pm

**Tuesday, Feb. 3**

- Blessing of the Throats
- Blessing of Bread, Fruit, Wine, & Water

**Friday, Feb. 6**

- First Friday Devotion
- Marriage Preparation Class—7:30pm

**Sunday, Feb. 8**

- Sexagesima Sunday

**Wednesday, Feb. 11**

- Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**Sunday, Feb. 15**

- Quinquagesima Sunday

**Tuesday, Feb. 17**

- Fat Tuesday

**Wednesday, Feb. 18**

- Ash Wednesday

**Saturday, Feb. 21**

- Pro-life Rosary

**Sunday, Feb. 22**

- First Sunday of Lent

**Sunday, March 8**

- Daylight Saving Time begins

**Saturday, March 14**

- Confirmation—11am

**Friday, April 3**

- Good Friday

**Sunday, April 5**

- Easter Sunday

**Thursday, May 14**

- Ascension of the Lord

**Sunday, May 24**

- Pentecost Sunday

**Thursday, June 4**

- Feast of Corpus Christi

**Sunday, June 7**

- External Solemnity of Corpus Christi
- First Holy Communion

MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun. Jan. 25</b> 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	<b>Third Sunday After Epiphany, II</b> <i>Pro Populo</i> Anielle Zambito by Charles & Mary Zambito †Francis Mackin by Joe & Joyce Mackin Special Thanksgiving IHM by Kevin Ritchie
<b>Mon. Jan. 26</b> 7:10am	<b>St. Polycarp, Bishop &amp; Martyr, III</b> Gabriel Washington by Samuel Jones
<b>Tue. Jan. 27</b> 7:10am	<b>St. John Chrysostom, Bishop &amp; Doctor, III</b> †Corporal Richard Walker (USMC) by Darren Miller
<b>Wed. Jan. 28</b> 7:10am 6:30pm	<b>St. Peter Nolasco, Confessor, III</b> Megan Tomalis by Elizabeth Tomalis †Michael A. Jurosky by Jane Jurosky
<b>Thu. Jan. 29</b> 7:10am	<b>St. Francis de Sales, Bishop &amp; Doctor, III</b> †Joshua Rowe by Steven Grist
<b>Fri. Jan. 30</b> 7:10am 6:30pm	<b>St. Martina, Virgin &amp; Martyr, III</b> †Catherine Henning by Daniel Slobodnik Anthony Jones by Jamison & Kelly Jones
<b>Sat. Jan. 31</b> 9:00am	<b>St. John Bosco, Confessor, III</b> Emma Riethmiller by Anthony Jones
<b>Sun. Feb. 1</b> 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	<b>Septuagesima Sunday, II</b> †Dolly Clabaugh by Alan & Tina Busbey Anthony & Anna Tezak by Jacob Panckeri <i>Pro Populo</i> †Mr. & †Mrs. W. Cunningham by Cunningham Family

**NEW ITEMS IN THE BOOKSTORE**—We are happy to announce that we now carry real 100% beeswax candles in the bookstore. We have limited copies of the 2026 FSSP Liturgical calendars for \$15 each as well as the January and February editions of the Benedictus booklets, which are priced at \$7 per copy. Remember that we are available online at bookstore.stlawrence.cc to browse our books, sacramentals, and devotional aids. You can also make your purchases online and pick them up in person. Parishioners who make art and sacramentals and are interested in providing them for sale at the bookstore can reach Art and Nathan at bookstore@stlawrence.cc. All proceeds will support the parish.

Hours: Sunday, 8:45am to 1pm  
Location: Parish Center Basement, via steps down from State Street.

**REAL 100% BEESWAX CANDLES**—Pricing is as follows:

	1 candle	2 candles	6 candles	12 candles
Tapers:	\$7	\$12	\$30	\$55
24-hr votive	\$9.50	\$17	\$40	\$70
10-hr votive	\$4.50	\$6	\$13	\$24

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<b>Young Adult Group</b> Ages 18-35, Monthly—youngadults@stlawrence.cc .	Fr. Cortes
<b>Youth Group</b> Ages 13-18, Monthly—yg@stlawrence.cc .....	Joelle Riethmiller

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TODAY: NO CCD, OR SOCIALS**—There will be no CCD today due to the inclement weather. Coffee and Dount Socials will resume Sunday, Feb. 1.

**FR. CORTES VACATION**—Father Cortes will be away on vacation starting Monday, Jan. 19, and is scheduled to return Jan. 31.

**SNOW STORM**—In a letter from Bishop Senior: “While the faithful are obliged to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holydays, the obligation presumes a person’s ability to reasonably fulfill it. If a snow emergency is declared by state or local authorities, and/or road conditions are unsafe for travel the obligation to attend Mass is clearly not in force.” The faithful are encouraged to keep Sunday as a day of prayer and quiet.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN**—Thank you for your part in contributing a total of \$16,485.20 towards this years Diocesan Annual Campaign. However, we are still in need of \$4,934.58 by the end of this month to reach our goal. Please consider making a contribution to help us achieve this goal. The Diocesan Office for Stewardship and Development will be e-mailing 2025 tax statements to any donor with an email address on file with the Diocese later in January. This statement will only reflect gifts given to the Diocese such as the Diocesan Annual Campaign or in response to a direct mail letter. A tax statement for Sunday Offering gifts or gifts to second collections given to the parish will also be sent at the end of January.

**PREPARATION FOR CONSECRATION**—The superior general of the FSSP, Fr. John Berg, has asked all of the priests, deacons, seminarians, and the Faithful to whom they minister, to make a 30-day preparation for the renewal of the Consecration of the FSSP to Our Lady Immaculate of Lourdes. The preparation began on, Sunday, Jan. 11, and ends Monday, Feb. 9, with the public consecration occurring on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wednesday, Feb. 11. Preparation consists of the daily recitation of a decade of the Rosary and the *Memorare*. This will be said immediately after each Mass.

**MASS INTENTIONS OPEN FOR 2026**—Parishioners are welcome to submit requests for Mass intentions for the coming year. Once we’ve received several months’ worth of intentions, we will again suspend accepting intentions. Mass intentions should be requested by using the envelopes that can be found on the shelf of the bulletin stand in the Narthex. Each family is limited to four intentions per month.

**STAY HOME WHEN SICK**—Please note that it is an act of charity not to assist at Mass when you have a communicable illness. 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.

**VOLUNTEER: CHURCH CLEANING**—We are in need of more volunteers to help clean the church once a month. If you are interested, please email Kristin Patterson at [clean@stlawrence.cc](mailto:clean@stlawrence.cc)

**FEB. 1: LAUNCH OF CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**—Next Sunday will mark the launch of the parish capital campaign, Generation to Generations, which is undertaken to secure the future of our parish and preserve the access to Traditional Latin Mass and all of the sacraments in the traditional form here in Harrisburg. This initiative is not simply about buildings or repairs, but about stewardship and fulfilling the mission of the parish. What has been entrusted to us must be strengthened and passed on to those who will come after us. All parishioners are invited to join us in the social hall after each Mass to celebrate our campaign kickoff. Campaign leadership will discuss the campaign and be available to answer your questions.

**FEB 1: PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY**—Traditionally, the ashes for Ash Wednesday are burned from the palms used during the prior year’s Palm Sunday. Starting on Septuagesima Sunday, Feb. 1 we will begin collecting last year’s palms to be burned for Ash Wednesday. Please place your palms in the basket near the entrance of the church.

**FEB. 2: CANDLEMAS**—All are encouraged to bring their own beeswax candles to be blessed at the High Mass at 6:30pm on Feb. 2, the Feast of the Purification of Blessed Virgin Mary. The blessing of the candles will occur prior to the 6:30pm Mass. Please place your candles on the floor in front of the door that goes to the courtyard on the Epistle side of the church.

**FEB. 3: BLESSING OF THROATS**—On the Feast of St. Blaise, come to the church to receive the traditional blessing of throats through the intercession of St. Blaise to be healed of any mid-winter throat ailments. The priests will give the blessing after Mass.

**BLESSING OF BREAD, FRUIT, WINE, & WATER**—In addition to receiving the blessing yourself on Feb. 3, The Feast of St. Blaise, you may bring bread, fruits, wine, and water to be blessed so that, as the blessing says, “May they who taste thereof be fully healed of all affliction of the throat, as well as every infirmity of soul or body, through the prayers and merits of the same Blaise, Pontiff and Martyr.” The blessing on the Feast of St. Blaise, though, asks the people to bring items to be blessed. It says: “We humbly beseech thy boundless mercy, and beg that these fruits, bread, wine, and water, which thy devoted people bring today, be blessed and sanctified by thy goodness.” You are most welcome (encouraged!) to bring things on that day for the blessing. Bring them before Mass and set them in front of Our Lady’s altar to be blessed immediately after Mass. Note: please do not bring items for this blessing before Feb.3.

**BLESSING DROP-OFF LOCATION**—If you are in need of a blessing for a rosary or another small icon, you can drop those items off in the Sacristy for the priests to bless. Enter through the door to the left of the Blessed Virgin Mary altar. Leave your item on the bottom shelf of the bookcase for a blessing.

## Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *O Lord, I Am Not Worthy*, 902  
 Recessional hymn: *As With Gladness Men of Old*, 819  
 Credo III, 776

Kyriale: *Missa Quaeramus cum Pastoribus*, Cristóbal de Morales (c.1500–1553)

Offertory Antiphon: *Dextera Domini*, Orlandus Lassus  
 Offertory Motet: *Tota Pulchra Es*, Rev. Jean Mouton (c. 1459–1522)

Communion Antiphon: *Mirabantur Omnes*, A. Jones

This Sunday's propers are one of two sets that repeat each Sunday until the liturgical season changes. Both the Offertory and Communion antiphons will be sung as choral settings. The original chant for *Dextera Domini* is in mode 2 and **Orlandus Lassus** uses the original mode for his composition while composing entirely original music for the antiphon. The setting of *Mirabantur Omnes* is a composition created by a member of the choir.

**Orlandus Lassus (c.1532–1594)** is known for the mature polyphonic style in the Franco-Flemish school. He wrote over 2,000 works in Latin, French, Italian, and German both sacred and secular. Lassus along with Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina and Tomás Luis de Victoria are the most influential composers of the late Renaissance.

**PARKING GARAGE CHANGES**—The South Street Parking Garage transactions are now done electronically. To use the parking garage, customers simply drive in and enter their license plate by scanning the QR code or using the link below. Call 717-238-0496 with any questions.

<https://bit.ly/SouthStreetGarage>



**INQUIRY CLASS**—If you are not Catholic and are interested in Catholicism, or if you know of anyone who is 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. Please email our Parish office with questions at: [contact@stlawrence.cc](mailto:contact@stlawrence.cc)

## Sunday Collections Week of January 18, 2026

	Cash	Online
Offertory	\$3,538.00	\$5,116.99
Building Fund	6,745.00	1,342.00
Vestments	35.00	88.00
Votives	38.00	—
Flowers	35.00	—
Friday Program/Catechism	—	30.00
Church in Central/Eastern Europe	50.00	—
Christmas	20.00	—
Sunday Social	20.00	—
Advertising	—	15.00

TOTAL: \$ 17,072.99

**HOMEBOUND PARISHIONER VISITS**—There are several homebound parishioners who are visited regularly by the priests and members of the Legion of Mary. If you would like to assist in this charitable work please contact the parish office.

**LOST AND FOUND**—If you have misplaced any items, please be sure to visit the Lost and Found bins in the basement of the Parish Center. Please make the time to see if any of the items might belong to you, as the bins are overflowing. Non-claimed items will be given to a donation center in the very near future.

**KEEP US UPDATED**—Has your contact information changed? If you've moved, or your email address or phone number have changed, please call and let the parish staff know. If you've registered at ParishSOFT, you can also go there to update your information.

**ARE YOU PREGNANT?**—At the parish office, we love to hear about pregnancies! Please let us know so that we can begin planning your child's baptism. Also, be sure to avail yourself of the sacramentals of the church, such as candles and water blessed in honor St. Raymond Nonnatus, as sacramentals help women in delivery.

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### 2026 Catholic Job Fair and Business Networking Event

- Vendor Show -

- Professional Development -  
 - Apprenticeship Information -

**Saturday, January 31 10:00AM-2:00PM**

Saint Lawrence Parish Center

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