

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



March 1, 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

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

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TODAY

Sunday, March 1, 2026

- Sunday Socials Organized by the Holy Name Society
- Adult Catechism—12:15pm
- Sunday Sports—1pm

UPCOMING

Friday, March 6

- First Friday Devotions

Saturday, March 7

- First Saturday

Sunday, March 8

- Daylight Saving Time begins

Saturday, March 14

- Confirmation—11am

Monday, March 16

- Legion of Mary—6pm

Tuesday, March 17

- Feast of St. Patrick—6:30pm High Mass

Thursday, March 19

- Feast of St. Joseph—6:30pm High Mass

Sunday, March 29

- Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 2

- Maundy Thursday

Friday, April 3

- Good Friday

Saturday, April 4

- Holy Saturday

Sunday, April 5

- Easter Sunday
- Parish Easter Party

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

Friday, June 12

- Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, June 13

- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

Sunday, June 14

- Father's Day Novena begins
- Sunday Sports—1:00pm

Sun. Mar. 1	Second Sunday of Lent, I
7:30am	†Jack Busbey by Alan & Tina Busbey
9:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
10:30am	†Mr. & Mrs. William Cunningham by the Cunninghams
6:00pm	Anthony Jones
Mon. Mar. 2	Feria of Lent, III
7:10am	Beverly O'Neill by John Blair
Tue. Mar. 3	Feria of Lent, III
7:10am	Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter by the Jones family
Wed. Mar. 4	Feria of Lent, III
7:10am	Katherine Carroll by Sean Carroll
6:30pm	Frs. Smith, Cortes, & McCann by the Kadar-Kallen family
Thu. Mar. 5	Feria of Lent, III
7:10am	†Helen Kadar by Rebecca Fair et al.
Fri. Mar. 6	Feria of Lent, III
7:10am	†Salvatore & Beulah Polselli by Rocco Polselli
6:30pm	Kristen Allen by Tom & Kristen Allen
Sat. Mar. 7	FSSP: St. Thomas Aquinas, II
9:00am	†Plinio Xavier da Silveira by Daniel Slobodnik
Sun. Mar. 8	Third Sunday of Lent, I
7:30am	Augusta Wildt by Joe & Joyce Mackin
9:00am	Healing of Trudy Stoner by Charles & Christina Stoner
10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter by the Parish

Banns of Marriage

Nathan Alexander Kreider and Stephanie Ann Guingona Pagdanganan



Be it known to all here present that Nathan Kreider of the Quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome Deacon and Martyr in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, son of Todd and Lisa Kreider; and Stephanie Ann Pagdanganan, daughter of Roderick and Lucette Pagdanganan of the parish of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Muntinlupa, Manila, Philippines; 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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY SOCIAL—Coffee and doughnuts are organized today by the Holy Name Society.

SUNDAY SPORTS—There will be Sunday Sports at the YMCA today, from 1pm to 2pm.

MAR. 9: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS—Please remember to set your clocks one hour ahead next Sunday.

EASTER PARTY: APRIL 5—The St. Lawrence Easter celebration will take place on Easter Sunday, Apr. 5, following the 10:30am Orchestral Mass. Everyone is invited to the Civic Club, located at 612 N. Front Street. At 1pm there will be an Easter Egg Hunt for children 12 and under and at 1:30pm there will be a blessing of Easter baskets. Potluck lunch will be on the second floor, so please bring a dish to share. RSVP for the party and sign up to bring food or volunteer using this link: <https://bit.ly/easterparty-2026>. Volunteers are needed for many tasks, including filling and hiding Easter eggs, manning the food and drink tables, and helping with setup and cleanup. We look forward to celebrating Easter together!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS—The Stations of the Cross are each Wednesday and Friday of Lent at 5:30pm.

LENTEN FISH DINNERS—The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring Fish Fry events in the church social hall each Friday evening at 6:15pm during Lent. Pre-ordering will be available at <https://mater-dei-knights.square.site/s/order>.

ATTENTION 7th AND 8th GRADERS—Students in CCD, the Friday Program, or any private, parochial, or home school are invited to participate in the St. Lawrence Parish Catholic Faith Bee. The written test will be held Saturday, March 7 at 2:30 PM in the Parish Center, and the top 10 scorers will advance to the oral competition on Saturday, March 28 at 1:30 PM. The parish winner will represent St. Lawrence at the Diocesan Catholic Faith Bee on Wednesday, April 15 at 1:00 PM in Harrisburg. For more information, parents may contact the DRE at dre@stlawrence.cc.

A CALL TO SERVE—Ushers help safeguard the reverence and good order of the Mass through quiet, discreet service. Able-bodied men willing to assist are asked to consider this important role. Please email ushers@stlawrence.cc with questions.

TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES—The St. Lawrence Friday Program is recruiting teachers and teaching assistants for our 2026-2027 school year. If you are interested in sharing the Catholic Faith as an educator, please reach out! We welcome experienced educators or those willing to learn. To inquire, email Dawn Forbeck at fridayeducation@stlawrence.cc.

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.

FROM YOUR PASTOR: CAMPAIGN UPDATE—The Generation to Generations Capital Campaign continues to move forward with encouraging progress. As of Wednesday Feb. 28, our campaign has already received \$1,403,375 in gifts and pledges from 113 households, now over 91% of the way toward our first of three tiered goals: the \$1.5 million St. Lawrence goal. Thank you to all who have stepped forward with generous contributions!

We've accomplished this with just 20% of our households participating thus far. If everyone makes a sacrificial commitment to the campaign, by the grace of God, we will reach our campaign goals.

As you contemplate your commitment, please remember our Lord's story of the widow's offering at the temple in Mark 12: 41-44. After watching the widow place two small coins, worth very little, into the offering, our Lord called together his disciples and said:

Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything — all she had to live on.

The Generation to Generations campaign is not seeking equal giving among parishioners, but equally sacrificial giving. As you prayerfully consider your support to the campaign, please know that every gift is deeply appreciated by St. Lawrence! Everyone's equivalent of two small coins will look different. However, if all respond with a generous heart – like the poor widow – we can certainly accomplish our over goal of \$2.1 million.

To make your pledge today, visit GenerationToGenerations.com or use the following link: <https://bit.ly/generationtogeneratedations>.

IN THE BOOKSTORE—We are available online at bookstore.stlawrence.cc where you can 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**

WATER BOTTLES—The bookstore now has in stock St. Lawrence water bottles for \$1 each.

CLEARANCE—The 2026 FSSP calendars are now on sale for \$7.50.

Location: Parish Center Basement, via steps down from State Street.

Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*, 828

Recessional hymn: *Crux Fidelis*, 840

Kyriale: Mass XVII, 762; Credo VI, 788

Offertory Antiphon: *Meditabor in mandatis tuis*, G.P. Palestrina

Motet after Offertory: *Ecce Quomodo*, Jacobus Gallus (1550–1591)

Communion Hymn: *Sicut Cervus*, G.P. Palestrina

Part of **G.P. Palestrina's** prolific compositional output includes the publication, *Offertoria totius anni*, which contains 68 five-voice choral settings of Offertory Antiphons for Sundays and major feasts. This and next Sunday's Offertories are taken from this compilation.

The translation for this week is: *I will meditate on thy commandments, which I have loved exceedingly: and I will lift up my hands to thy commandments, which I have loved.* – Psalm 119:47-48

G.P. Palestrina (c. 1525–1594) is highly regarded for his contributions of Sacred Polyphony and development of counterpoint in the late 16th Century. In the post-Tridentine period he earned the reputation of the ideal Catholic composer for his success in reconciling the functional and aesthetic aims of Catholic church music. Palestrina wrote over 105 Masses and 250 sacred motets in addition to many other works.

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.

PARISH CAREER CONNECTIONS—If you are looking for a job or looking to hire, join St. Lawrence's new employment networking group by visiting Career Connections here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-careers>. We are happy that parishioners want to work together to connect quality employees with quality employment.

Sunday Collections Week of February 22, 2026

	Cash	Online
Offertory	\$4,894.00	\$5,374.80
Building Fund	3,134.00	947.00
Vestments	—	53.00
Seminary Burse	10.00	—
Friday Program/Catechism	—	30.00
Easter Flowers	40.00	—
TOTAL:		\$ 14,482.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PROGRESS

Generation to Generations: A campaign for St. Lawrence

As of Saturday, Feb. 28, here is our status:

Pledged:	\$1,403,375.13
Remainder to reach first goal:	\$96,624.87
St. Lawrence Goal:	\$1,500,000.00

We urge each parishioner to pray daily to the Divine Infant of Prague, seeking our Lord's blessing on this capital campaign. If you have not received package in the mail yet, with full details about the campaign, please contact the parish office. To give, visit www.generationtogenerated.com.

PARKING GARAGE VALIDATION—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>



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