

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



May 3, 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, May 3, 2026

- Sunday Socials
- No Adult Catechism
- Spring Drama & Music Production—12:30pm

UPCOMING

Tuesday, May 5

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Saturday, May 9

- Girls' Sodality—10am
- Altar Boy Meeting—10am

Sunday, May 10

- Mother's Day
- May Crowning
- Mother's Day Novena of Masses begins

Thursday, May 14

- Ascension of the Lord

Friday, May 15

- Pentecost Novena begins
- Last day of Friday Program

Sunday, May 17

- Last day of Sunday CCD

Tuesday, May 19

- Mother's Day Novena ends

Sunday, May 24

- Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, May 30

- Parish Men's Night

Sunday, May 31

- Trinity Sunday

Thursday, June 4

- Corpus Christi

Friday, June 5

- First Friday

Saturday, June 6

- First Saturday
- Holy Name Society—10am

Sunday, June 7

- External Solemnity of Corpus Christi
- First Holy Communion
- First Communion Party

Friday, June 12

- Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Graduation Mass

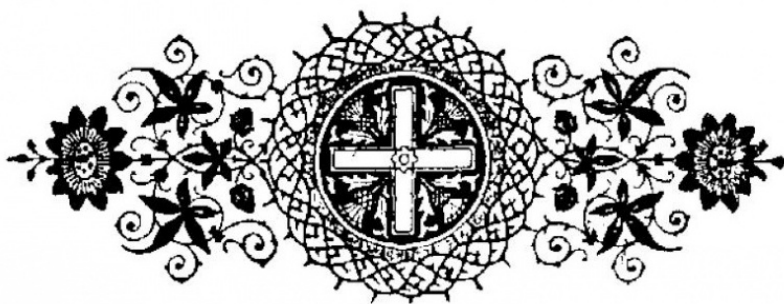
Sunday, June 21

- Father's Day
- Father's Day Novena begins

Wednesday, July 16

- Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Solemn Mass—6:30pm

Sun. May 3	Fourth Sunday after Easter, II
7:30am	†Nancy Cargas by Caleb Cargas
9:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
10:30am	Luke Bunch by Jon Bunch
6:00pm	Christian D. Flynn by Zachary & Maureen Flynn
Mon. May 4	St. Monica, Widow, III
7:10am	John Dolis, Ph.D. by Stephanie Margossian
Tue. May 5	St. Pius V, Pope & Confessor, III
7:10am	Tea Martin by Scott Martin
Wed. May 6	Feria of Paschaltide, IV
7:10am	†Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Fonticobas
6:30pm	Confraternity of St. Peter by Celine Gudelski
Thu. May 7	St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr, III
7:10am	Nathan Graybill by Tony & Cathy Martin
Fri. May 8	Feria of Paschaltide, IV
7:10am	†Richard Franklin Sperring by Tom & Kristen Allen
6:30pm	†Miss Isabel Walton by the Cunninghams
Sat. May 9	St. Gregory Nazianzen, Bishop & Doctor, III
9:00am	Gregg Margossian by Sean T. Pendrak
Sun. May 10	Fifth Sunday after Easter, II
7:30am	†Edna Faber by John E. Czarnomski
9:00am	†John G. Clements by Kimberly Clements
10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter by Parish



IN THE BOOKSTORE—Browse for books, sacramentals, and devotional aids at bookstore.stlawrence.cc. Make your purchases online and pick them up in person. Parishioners, interested in providing art and sacramentals for sale in the bookstore, can reach Art and Nathan at bookstore@stlawrence.cc. All proceeds will support the parish.

The bookstore **needs volunteers** for Sunday mornings. Interested parishioners with knowledge or experience, (or willingness to learn) are encouraged to inquire and apply to contact@stlawrence.cc. Inventory management, opening and closing, and cashier skills are a

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Practice weekly— music@stlawrence.cc	Paul Thomas May
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Ages 13-18, Monthly— yg@stlawrence.cc	Joelle Riethmiller

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY: COFFEE AND DONUTS SOCIAL—There will be coffee and donuts today, brought to us by the Holy Name Society, and after the high Mass at the Music and Drama Production.

TODAY: MUSIC AND DRAMA PRODUCTION—St. Lawrence Friday Program presents its Spring Music and Drama Production, *The American Year*. Please join us for a light lunch and an afternoon of music, theater, and history with our students at the Civic Club of Harrisburg (612 N Front St., Harrisburg, PA 17101). Doors open at 12:30pm, the blessing of food will take place at 12:45pm, and the performance begins at 1:30pm and concludes by mid-afternoon.

FR. MCCANN AWAY—Father McCann will be away from Monday, May 4, to Friday, May 15, for FSSP training followed by vacation.

MAY 10: MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA—People enrolled in our Mother's Day Novena of Masses will have one Mass offered for them daily from May 10 through May 18. Mother's Day Novena cards are available at the entrance of the church. Please submit your cards no later than May 9. You may place your cards in the collection baskets, drop them off in the wall slots by the sacristy office, or on the first floor of the parish center. The deadline is May 9. Anyone enrolled after May 9 will be included in the novena from the time we receive them.

REGISTER: 2026-2027 FRIDAY PROGRAM—The 2025-2026 Friday Program will come to a close on Friday, May 15; the Sunday CCD program will close on Sunday, May 17. Registration for next year's Friday Program is open now, so register quickly to secure a place. This year, registration will be done through ParishSoft. To register, visit: <https://bit.ly/fridayprogram26>. Next year's program will include the following exciting additions:

- **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:** We will offer 12 spots for 3, 4, and 5-year-olds to help them draw near to God, developing an understanding of Him through guided hands-on exploration of our Sacred Liturgy, Tradition, Bible stories, and work. Only two spots remain.

We will join other FSSP parishes (here is an example: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-cgs>) in implementing this highly regarded system of teaching children the wonder of the liturgy and about God.

- **Christmas Pageant:** Our drama program for the first semester will culminate in a special performance during Christmas break, allowing the children of the parish to incorporate music, acting, costumes, and sets to commemorate the Our Lord's Nativity in a Christmas pageant, a tradition that that goes back to medieval times.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARTY—A party celebrating this year's First Holy Communion class will be on Jun. 7 following Mass. Please visit the following link for sign-ups: <https://bit.ly/FirstCommunionParty2026>.

CODE OF CONDUCT SIGNATURES DUE—All parish staff and volunteers are asked to review and electronically sign the diocesan Code of Conduct at <https://safeyouth.hbgdiocese.org/coc> by June 12. Log in at the bottom of the page, review the document, sign using your mouse, and click Submit. For technical issues, contact the helpdesk at help@hbgdiocese.org or (717) 657-4804 ext. 281. For questions about the Code of Conduct, contact Michelle Shae at (717) 657-4804 ext. 234 or mshae@hbgdiocese.org.

INQUIRY CLASS—If you are not Catholic and are interested in Catholicism, or if you know of anyone 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.

MAY 30: PARISH MEN'S NIGHT—Please join us for a night of prayer, spiritual instruction, camaraderie, the grilling of burgers, brats, and beverages in the church courtyard after Vespers. The evening will begin with Vespers at 5pm, after which we will move to the courtyard for dinner and a talk by one of the priests. Please visit the following link for sign-ups: <https://bit.ly/MensNightMay2026>.

FOOD DONATIONS—Every week throughout the year, the Holy Name Society collects and delivers non-perishable food items and toiletries to the Silence of Mary Home in Harrisburg. This Catholic organization then distributes these items to the needy in the Harrisburg community. Their website (thesilenceofmary.org) provides a "wish list" regarding much needed items. Donations can be placed in the basket in the narthex of St. Lawrence next to the Sacred Heart statue. May God reward your generosity!

USHERS NEEDED—Ushers help safeguard the reverence and good order of the Mass through quiet, friendly service. Able-bodied men willing to assist are asked to consider this important role. Since the church is often approaching capacity, we ask ushers to help families find seating together, which means that sometimes ushers might ask people already seated to help make room for others. We would be very grateful for all parishioners to assist the ushers in this way if requested. Please contact our head usher, Mr. John Osuch, if interested, via email at 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.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—Seeking accurate, detailed workers to help in our parish library. After training, you can volunteer according to your own schedule. Please email the librarian at library@stlawrence.cc. Library orientation/training will occur in May or June.

Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *Christ the Lord is Ris'n Again*, 846
 Recessional hymn: *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*, 933
 Kyriale: Mass I, 696; Creed I, 768

Marian Antiphon: *Regina Caeli*, Antonio Lotti

Antonio Lotti's Regina Caeli was first published nearly 100 years after its creation by German Catholic Priest, Fr. Karl Proske in 1859. The composition is perhaps the most well known choral setting of the Marian Antiphon. Lotti sets the four voices together rhythmically which allows for the text to be heard clearly, and the bright major key highlights the joyful tenor of the prayer.

Antonio Lotti (1667–1740) was an Italian composer who spent his musical career at St. Mark's in Venice working his way from a staff singer to organist and eventually choirmaster. His music was renowned in his own time as Johann Sebastian Bach, George Frideric Handel, and Jan Dismas Zelenka were all documented to have copies of Lotti's *Missa Sapientiae*.

Sunday Collections Week of April 26, 2026

	Cash	Online
Offertory	\$5,129.00	\$4,363.40
Building Fund	325.00	679.00
Catholic Home Mission	633.00	—
Mother's Day Novena	280.00	—
Votives and Candles	10.00	—
Vestments	—	48.00
Seminary Burse	5.00	—
CCM	20.00	—
TOTAL:		\$ 11,492.40

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.

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, sacramentals that help women in delivery.

PARKING GARAGE VALIDATION—The South Street Parking Garage transactions are entered electronically. To use the parking garage, simply drive in and enter your 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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