

# 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 24, 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

**Rev. James Smith, FSSP** *Pastor* fr.smith@stlawrence.cc

**Rev. Cidrian Cortes, FSSP** *Assistant Pastor* fr.cortes@stlawrence.cc

**Rev. Ronald McCann, FSSP** *Assistant Pastor* fr.mccann@stlawrence.cc

**Mr. Paul Thomas May** *Music Director* 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, May 24, 2026**

- Library Orientation after each morning Mass

## UPCOMING

**Monday, May 25**

- Memorial Day
- Harrisburg parking holiday

**Tuesday, May 26**

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

**Saturday, May 30**

- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm
- Parish Men's Night—5pm

**Sunday, May 31**

- Trinity Sunday
- Deadline for fulfilling the Easter Duty

**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—6:30pm
- Reception to honor highschool graduates

**Saturday, June 13**

- Altar Boys Meeting—10am
- Girls' Sodality—10am
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

**Saturday, June 20**

- Youth Group—5:30pm

**Sunday, June 21**

- Father's Day
- Father's Day novena begins

**Saturday, June 27**

- Confraternity of Christian Mothers—10am

**Monday, July 6**

- Chant Camp begins

**Wednesday, July 16**

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

**Monday, July 20**

- Acolyte Boot Camp begins

## MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Sun. May 24</b>	<b>Pentecost Sunday, I</b>
7:30am	Charles Stoner by Beverly O'Neill
9:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
10:30am	†Beverly Clements by Kimberly Clements
6:00pm	†George Kelly by Kevin Kelly
<b>Mon. May 25</b>	<b>Pentecost Monday, I</b>
7:10am	Alexander Fordyce by Anthony Jones
<b>Tue. May 26</b>	<b>Pentecost Tuesday, I</b>
7:10am	Regina Lakatos by Regina Lakatos and A. DiSanto
<b>Wed. May 27</b>	<b>Ember Wednesday in the Octave of Pentecost, I</b>
7:10am	Vincent Fonticoba & the Kearneys by the Fonticobas
6:30pm	†Lorraine Pikitus by Jessica Schwartzmiller
<b>Thu. May 28</b>	<b>Thursday in the Octave of Pentecost, I</b>
7:10am	Intentions of the Confraternity of St. Peter by the Joneses
<b>Fri. May 29</b>	<b>Ember Friday in the Octave of Pentecost, I</b>
7:10am	†Rudy & Catherine Zitano by John E. Czarnomski
6:30pm	†Michelle Mimoso by Mike Mimoso
<b>Sat. May 30</b>	<b>Ember Saturday in the Octave of Pentecost, I</b>
9:00am	†James L. Byrnes by Charles Krall
<b>Sun. May 31</b>	<b>Trinity Sunday, I</b>
7:30am	Legion of Mary Members Living & Deceased
9:00am	†Eva Smith by Caleb Cargas
10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	Washington Family by Samuel Jones



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

St. Lawrence thrives on the works of its parishioners. We encourage everyone to consider volunteering for one or more of the following.

- **Adoration.** Helena Jones, tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.cc  
- Could you spend one hour per week with Our Lord?
- **Altar linens.** Kelly Jones, altarlinens@stlawrence.cc  
- Could you spend four hours per month beautifying the altar?
- **Bookstore.** Art O'Dea, bookstore@stlawrence.cc  
- Join our volunteer staff on the front line or behind the scenes.
- **Chant camp.** Paul Thomas May, music@stlawrence.cc  
- Help our children discover God through the Church's music.
- **Church cleaning.** Kristin Patterson, clean@stlawrence.cc  
- Could you clean once per month?
- **Sunday CCD.** Dr. Phillip Cuccia, dre@stlawrence.cc
- **Friday Program.** Dawn Forbeck, fridayeducation@stlawrence.cc
- **Library.** Sharon Knowles, librarian@stlawrence.cc  
- Work alone or with others to organize our books.
- **Ushers.** John Osuch, ushers@stlawrence.cc  
- Once or twice per month.

## Advertising in the Bulletin

advertising@stlawrence.cc ..... Nathan Kreider

## Altar Linens Guild

altarlinens@stlawrence.cc ..... Kelly Jones

## Bookstore

bookstore@stlawrence.cc ..... Art O'Dea

## Choir & Choristers

Practice weekly—music@stlawrence.cc ..... Paul Thomas May

## Church Cleaning

Rotates weekly—clean@stlawrence.cc ..... Kristin Patterson

## CCD: Sunday Catechism, K-12

Weekly—dre@stlawrence.cc ..... Dr. Phillip Cuccia

## Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Monthly—mothers@stlawrence.cc ..... Pamela Kole

## Confraternity of St. Peter

csp@stlawrence.cc ..... Joseph Cunningham

## Events Coordinators

events@stlawrence.cc ..... Kris Keck

## Flower Guild

flowers@stlawrence.cc ..... Fr. McCann

## Friday Education Program

K-12—fridayeducation@stlawrence.cc ..... Dawn Forbeck

## Greeters

greeters@stlawrence.cc ..... Sharon Kaercher

## Girls Sodality

Ages 9-14—girlssodality@stlawrence.cc ..... Rebecca Mack

## Guild of St. Stephen

Altar Servers ..... altarboys@stlawrence.cc

## Holy Name Society

Monthly—holyname@stlawrence.cc ..... Frank J. Galushka

## Knights of Columbus

Monthly—knights@stlawrence.cc ..... Malakye Wilson

## Legion of Mary

Weekly—legionofmary@stlawrence.cc ..... Jerome Hall

## Library

library@stlawrence.cc ..... Sharon Knowles

## Meal Train

mealtrain@stlawrence.cc ..... Elizabeth Firoozmand

## Prayer Chain

prayers@stlawrence.cc ..... Fr. Cortes

## Pro-Life Group

Monthly—prolife@stlawrence.cc ..... Kris Keck

## Sunday CCD

Grades K-12, Weekly—dre@stlawrence.cc ..... Dr. Phil Cuccia

## Tuesday Adoration

Tuesdays ..... tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.cc

## Ushers

ushers@stlawrence.cc ..... John Osuch

## Wedding Coordinator

weddingcoordinator@stlawrence.cc ..... Bridget Forbeck

## Young Adult Group

Ages 18-35, Monthly—youngadults@stlawrence.cc . Fr. Cortes

## Youth Group

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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SECOND COLLECTION**—There will be a second collection this week for the Diocesan Pentecost Collection to fund the education of future priests and the care of sick priests.

**PRIESTS AWAY**—Fr. Smith and Fr. McCann will be away this week as they are attending the Ordinations of the FSSP.

**TODAY: PLENARY INDULGENCE**—A plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful who devoutly assist at the recitation or solemn singing of the *Veni Creator Spiritus*, either on the first day of the year to implore divine assistance for the course of the whole year, or on the solemnity of Pentecost (*Handbook of Indulgences*). *Veni Creator Spiritus* (Come, Creator Spirit) is a traditional hymn ascribed to Rabanus Maurus, a German monk, teacher, and archbishop. This ancient hymn has been used in the liturgy since the eleventh century.

**TODAY: LIBRARY ORIENTATION**—Library orientations will take place on Sunday, May 24, Pentecost Sunday, after each Mass in conference room of the Parish Center. Please sign up here, [bit.ly/stlawrence-orientation](http://bit.ly/stlawrence-orientation), or send the librarian an email at [library@stlawrence.cc](mailto:library@stlawrence.cc). We look forward to seeing you and answering all your questions.

**FREE PARKING ON MEMORIAL DAY**—All on-street, metered parking in downtown Harrisburg will be free on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, 2026.

**SATURDAY POSITION OPEN**—We are seeking a reliable and hardworking person to work in the parish office on Saturdays, with possible additional hours available. Duties include assisting with sacramental information, preparing the weekly bulletin, greeting parishioners, and responding to inquiries. Please contact the parish office if interested.

**EASTER DUTY**—Catholics have the obligation to receive Holy Communion at least once each year during the Easter season. In the U.S., this period begins the first Sunday of Lent and goes through Trinity Sunday, a week from today.

**CHANT CAMP REGISTRATION**—Registration is currently open for Chant Camp 2026 for parishioners and will open on May 31 for non-parishioners. The camp runs from Monday, July 6, to Friday, July 10. Each day includes instruction on sacred music and praying the Divine Office, leading up to the students singing a late morning High Mass followed by a pizza party at the park. Please visit the parish website for more information. Volunteers: please email [music@stlawrence.cc](mailto:music@stlawrence.cc) if you would like to assist.

**MAY 30: PARISH MEN'S NIGHT**—Please join us for a night of prayer, spiritual instruction, camaraderie, grilling, 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. For sign-ups, visit: [bit.ly/MensNightMay2026](http://bit.ly/MensNightMay2026).

**REGISTER: 2026-2027 FRIDAY PROGRAM**—The 2025-2026 Friday program and the Sunday CCD program have ended for the year. Registration for both next year's Friday Program and Sunday CCD is open now, so register quickly to secure a place. This year, registration will be done through ParishSoft. For registration instructions (for both programs), visit: [bit.ly/fridayprogram26](http://bit.ly/fridayprogram26)

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARTY**—To sign up for the First Holy Communion party on Sunday, June 7, visit the link [bit.ly/FirstCommunionParty2026](http://bit.ly/FirstCommunionParty2026)

**JUNE 12: GRADUATION MASS & RECEPTION**—There will be a Sung Mass on Friday, June 12, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, for all high school graduates in the St. Lawrence community. Mass will begin at 6:30pm and will be followed by a reception. If you have a high school senior who would like to participate, please email: [aquilaformaterdei@gmail.com](mailto:aquilaformaterdei@gmail.com) or sign up here: [bit.ly/stlawrencegrads](http://bit.ly/stlawrencegrads)

**SHEEN BEATIFICATION PILGRIMAGE**—The Knights of Columbus are organizing a pilgrimage to Peoria, Ill., and St. Louis, Mo. Sept. 21-25. Parishioners interested in attending the September beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen can visit [bit.ly/Sheen2026](http://bit.ly/Sheen2026) for more information.

**LAST CALL FOR LOST AND FOUND**—If you have misplaced any items, 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 at the end of this week.

Congratulations to:

Tyler & Deidre Wiggins

On the Baptism of their Son

**Cyprian Jerome Wiggins**

May 16, 2026

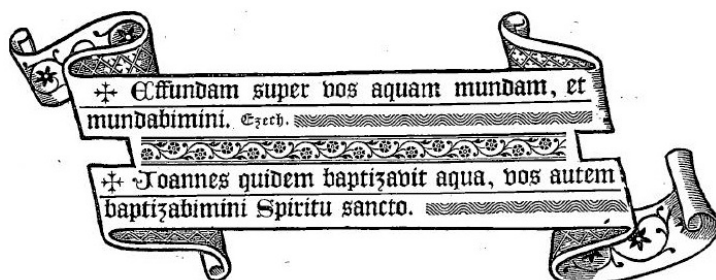
and

James & Elisa McNinney

On the Baptism of their Daughter

**Zelie Josephine McNinney**

May 16, 2026



## Notes on Today's Music

Processional: *Thy Grace, O Holy Ghost, Impart*, 885  
 Hymn to the Holy Ghost: *Veni Creator Spiritus*, 956  
 Recessional hymn: *Come Down, O Love Divine*, 887  
 Kyriale: I, 696; Credo: I, 768

Offertory motet: *Domus Mea*, Jacobus Gallus  
 Communion antiphon: *Factus Est Repente*, Jacobus Gallus

Both motets sung by the choir this Sunday are by the composer **Jacobus Gallus**. The work *Domus Mea* at the offertory was composed as the communion antiphon for the dedication of a church while *Factus Est Repente* is the proper communion antiphon for the feast of Pentecost. Gallus's setting retains the large leap from the Gregorian antiphon which illustrates the rushing wind along with energetic off beat rhythms. The final alleluias in the *communio* give a sense of stability and finality to the bright and lively texture in this work.

**Jacobus Gallus (1550–1591)**, was a late-Renaissance composer of presumed Slovene ethnicity. Born in Carniola, which at the time was one of the Habsburg lands in the Holy Roman Empire, he lived and worked in Moravia and Bohemia during the last decade of his life. His output was both sacred and secular, and hugely prolific: over 500 works have been attributed to him.

**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 of 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 licenseplate by scanning the QR code or using the link below. Call (717) 238-0496 with any questions.  
<https://bit.ly/SouthStreetGarage>



## Sunday Collections Week of May 17, 2026

	Cash	Online
Offertory	\$5,107.00	\$3,860.11
Building Fund	2,677.00	534.00
Ascension	1,129.00	50.00
Pentecost	—	100.00
Vestments	30.00	63.00
Seminary Burse	75.00	—
Votives	36.00	—
Friday Program/Catechism	—	75.00
Coffee Social	52.00	—
Mother's Day	100.00	—
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$13,888.11</b>

**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.

**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](mailto:contact@stlawrence.cc).

**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](mailto:ushers@stlawrence.cc) with questions.

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