

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



July 26, 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.

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

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TODAY

Sunday, July 26, 2026

- Second Collection—Building Fund

UPCOMING

Tuesday, July 28

- Anniversary Mass—10am
- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Friday, July 30

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

Saturday, August 1

- First Saturday Devotion
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

Thursday, August 6

- Blessing of grapes

Saturday, August 8

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

Monday, August 10

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

Saturday, August 15

- Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Mass at 7am, 9am (High Mass), and 12:15pm
- Blessing of the Herbs

Sunday, August 16

- External Solemnity of St. Lawrence
- Parish Picnic

Wednesday, August 19

- St. Jude Devotions—5:30pm

Monday, August 31

- Blessing of candles and water

Friday, September 11

- Friday Education Program Begins

Tuesday, September 15

- Our Lady of Sorrows, patroness of CCM

Sunday, October 4

- Sunday CCD Program Begins

Saturday, October 17

- Parish Men's Night—5pm

Sunday, November 1

- All Saints Day
- Daylight Savings Time ends

Monday, November 2

- All Souls Day

Sunday, November 29

- First Sunday of Advent

Tuesday, December 8

- The Immaculate Conception

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Jul. 26 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, II Csilla Lakatos †George D. Kelly by Kevin Kelly <i>Pro Populo</i> Jerome Hall by Karol & Eileen Jones
Mon. Jul. 27 7:10am	Feria, IV Augustine Fonticoba; Julio & Elizabeth Vargas
Tue. Jul. 28 7:10am 10:00am	Ss. Nazarius & Celsus, Martyrs, Victor I, Pope & Martyr, and St. Innocent I, Pope & Confessor, III Dan & Jen Ball by Steven Grist Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Myers and Mr. & Mrs. Marc Fischer
Wed. Jul. 29 7:10am 6:30pm	St. Martha, Virgin, III Rizo Lakatos Family Peter Grutza by Ron Grutza
Thu. Jul. 30 7:10am	Feria, IV †Leo Baummer by Travis & Rachel Jones
Fri. Jul. 31 7:10am 6:30pm	St. Ignatius, Confessor, III †Augusta Wildt by Joe & Joyce Mackin Paul & Susan Wicinski by John E. Czarnomski
Sat. Aug. 1 9:00am	Our Lady on Saturday, IV †The Poor Souls in Purgatory by the Cunningham Family
Sun. Aug. 2 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, II Michael & Kim Lane by Jamison & Kelly Jones †Peter A. Koufos by Daniel & Anastasia Jones †Anne Terese Salva by Sean T. Pendrak Augustine Fonticoba and Julio & Elizabeth Vargas

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Sean Terrence Pendrak and Stephanie Anne Margossian



Be it known to all here present that Sean Terrence Pendrak, of the Quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, son of Jacob and the late Elizabeth Louise Pendrak, of the parish of St. Michael the Archangel, in Scranton, Pennsylvania; and Stephanie Anne Nicole Margossian, daughter of Gregg and Guadalupe Margossian, of the parish of St. John Vianney, in San Jose, California, 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

SECOND COLLECTION—There will be a second collection this week for the Building Fund.

FR. SMITH VACATION—Fr. Smith will be away on vacation starting Monday, July 27, due to return on Friday, Aug. 7. He will offer the *Pro populo* Mass while he is away.

OFFICE CLOSED—Due to staff vacations, the parish office will be closed Thursday, July 30, to Saturday, August 1, and Thursday, August 6, to Saturday, August 8.

JULY 28: ADORATION—Adoration will end at 9:45am on Tuesday, July 28, instead of its usually scheduled time.

JULY 28: ANNIVERSARY MASS—Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Myers and Mr. and Mrs. Marc Fisher on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of these marriages. There will be a Mass commemorating these anniversaries on Tuesday at 10am.

LETTER FROM THE BISHOP—His Excellency, Bishop Senior, has written a letter for the World Day of Grandparents. His letter can be found in the narthex of the Church near the bulletins. Also, stay tuned for the Bishops letter on his pastoral vision for our diocese, “Stir into Flame”, in the coming weeks.

NEXT SUNDAY (AUG. 2): PORTIUNCULA—From noon Aug. 1 until midnight Aug. 2, the Faithful can gain a plenary indulgence applicable to themselves or the souls in purgatory under the usual conditions and by visiting a cathedral, parochial, quasi-parochial or Franciscan church and there praying at least one Our Father & one Creed.

The *Portiuncula* is an historic church in a little town near Assisi, known as Santa Maria degli Angeli. Here on February 24, 1208, St. Francis of Assisi recognized his vocation; made his permanent abode, and also died on Saturday, October 3, 1226.

AUG. 15: FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION—This year, the Solemnity of the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary falls on a Saturday and therefore, the obligation to assist at Mass that day is lifted in the United States. However, it is still greatly encouraged to assist at Mass on this most important feast day of the Church. There will be a Low Mass at 7am and 12:15pm and a High Mass at 9am.

AUG. 16: WELCOME TO FR. DUFFY—As Fr. Duffy will arrive just before our parish picnic this year on Aug. 16, we will have the perfect opportunity to welcome him to our parish and say hello. We hope that as many parishioners as possible can come to the picnic and offer their respective greetings.

AUG. 16: PARISH PICNIC—Join us as we celebrate our patronal feast day, the Feast of St. Lawrence, with our annual parish picnic at Roof Park in New Cumberland on Sunday, Aug. 16, from 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The day will include shared dishes, children’s games, sports activities, and plenty of time for sharing. Please RSVP and sign up to bring a food item or volunteer for set-up, clean-up, or sports events by visiting: bit.ly/parishpicnic2026.

2026-27 SUNDAY CCD AND FRIDAY PROGRAM—The Registration for next year’s Friday Program and Sunday CCD is now open, so register quickly to secure a place. This year, registration will be done through ParishSoft. For registration instructions, visit: bit.ly/fridayprogram26.

READING LISTS—In order to help you find books that will help you in your spiritual life, we have chosen a few dozen books from our library. Check back here for more in the future. Use the following link to access the recommended book lists: bit.ly/stlawrencereading

PART-TIME SECRETARY NEEDED—We are seeking a reliable and hardworking person to assist in the parish office three days per week, including on Saturdays, to support ongoing administrative tasks. Saturday responsibilities include assisting with sacramental information, preparing the weekly bulletin, greeting parishioners, and responding to general inquiries. If you are interested in this position, please email the parish office at contact@stlawrence.cc.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Matthew and Kathryn Moreton

On the Baptism of their Son

Jonathan Benedict Moreton

July 18, 2026

ACOLYTE BOOT CAMP—A special thanks to all of the families and volunteers who participated in Acolyte Boot Camp, especially the 41 boys who worked very hard and prayed very hard this week. Special congratulations to the following boys who trained on and served in new positions this past week:

- Arrington, Joseph, as Thurifer at Vespers and Crucifer at High Requiem Mass
- Beckers, Maximillian, as Master of Ceremonies at Vespers and High Requiem Mass
- Beckers, Thomas, as Master of Ceremonies at Exposition, and Thurifer at Solemn Mass, High Mass, and Vespers
- Fair, Thomas, as Acolyte 1 at High Mass
- Gearhart, Austin, as Torchbearer at High Mass
- Hemperly, Beckett, as Torchbearer at High Mass
- Lipscomb, Anthony, as Thurifer at High Requiem Mass
- Mikel, Joseph, as Thurifer at Exposition and Torchbearer at High Mass
- Pitman, James, as Acolyte 1 and Acolyte 2 at High Mass
- Rosenberg, Jude, as Acolyte 1 at High Mass, High Requiem Mass, and Vespers
- Ruhlman, Ian, as Thurifer at Exposition
- Russell, Joseph, as Torchbearer at High Mass
- Showers, Owen, as Master of Ceremonies at High Mass
- Sracic, Matthew, as Torchbearer at High Mass
- Sullivan, Emmett, as Torchbearer at High Mass
- Sullivan, Grayson, as Master of Ceremonies at Exposition and Torchbearer at High Mass
- Sullivan, Wyatt, as Thurifer at Exposition and Torchbearer at High Mass

For images, visit: bit.ly/stlawrencebootcamp26

Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *O Food of Men Wayfaring*, 893
 Recessional hymn: *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates*, 931
 Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo II, 772

Motet after Offertory: *Tollite portas*, Giovanni Battista Martini (1706–1784)

Communion Antiphon: *Qui Manducat*, Heinrich Isaac

The communion antiphon is a setting by **Heinrich Isaac**. The text of the antiphon is: *He who eats My Flesh, and drinks My Blood, abides in Me, and I in him, says the Lord*. In this composition the Tenor voice retains the Gregorian melody with only slight ornamentation throughout. Unlike the settings from the past two weeks, all the voices enter immediately following the incipit and maintain homophony (all voices moving as one voice) for the text, “*and drinks My Blood*.” Then each voice enters at different times weaving in and out, cross, and occasionally meet on the same tone and move apart—this movement between voices portrays “*abide in Me and I in him*” musically.

Heinrich Isaac (c.1450–1517) was a Renaissance composer from the South Netherlandish region. His output was rivaled only by Orlandus Lassus in number and variety of composition. Most notable of his collections is *Choralis Constantinus* which contains nearly 400 Gregorian chant based motets of propers for the Mass.

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.

PARKING GARAGE VALIDATION—South Street Parking Garage transactions are entered electronically. Drive in and enter your license plate by scanning the QR code or using the link below. Call (717) 238-0496 with any questions or visit: bit.ly/SouthStreetGarage



Sunday Collections: General Income Week of July 19, 2026

	Cash	Online
Offertory	\$5,729.15	\$5,542.77
Bookstore	—	329.74
Vestments	25.00	7.00
Pentecost	20.00	—
Votives	24.00	—
Sunday Socials	9.00	—
Seminary Burse	20.00	—
Ascension	20.00	—
Catholic Communications	20.00	—
TOTAL:		\$ 11,746.66

Weekly Budget Report

General Income For FY27	Week of July 12	<i>Income To-Date</i>
	\$11,746.66	\$40,381.46
	Weekly Budget	<i>Budget To-Date</i>
	\$14,096.00	\$42,288.00
Building Fund For FY27	Week of July 12	<i>Income To-Date</i>
	\$501.00	\$2,539.00
	Weekly Budget	<i>Budget To-Date</i>
	\$2,308.00	\$6,924.00
Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC) For CY26	Week of July 12	<i>Income To-Date</i>
	\$0.00	\$5,776.00
	Weekly Budget	<i>Budget To-Date</i>
	\$453.00	\$13,140.00
Capital Campaign <i>Generation to Generations</i>	Week of July 12	<i>FY27 Received To-Date</i>
	\$6,770.00	\$19,104.00
	Weekly Budget	<i>FY27 Budget To-Date</i>
	\$12,757.00	\$38,270.00
	<i>Total Received</i>	<i>Total Pledged To-Date</i>
	\$718,256.00	\$2,181,693.00

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