

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



August 2, 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

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

Mr. Paul Thomas May *Music Director* music@stlawrence.cc

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

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UPCOMING

Monday, August 3

- Finding of St. Stephen—6:30pm High Mass
- Induction and Promotion of Guild of St. Stephen

Tuesday, August 4

- Legion of Mary

Thursday, August 6

- Transfiguration of the Lord
- Blessing of grapes

Friday, August 7

- First Friday
- First Friday Devotions —5:30 to 7:30pm

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 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

- Immaculate Conception

Thursday, December 24

- Christmas Eve

Friday, December 25

- Christmas Day

Friday, January 1

- Octave of the Nativity

MASS INTENTIONS

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
Mon. Aug. 3 7:10am 6:30pm	Feria, IV †John G. Clements by Kimberly Clements †Janeann Kakalecz by Phillip Cuccia
Tue. Aug. 4 7:10am	St. Dominic, Confessor, III Rev. Paul C. Helwig by Andrew Oscilowski
Wed. Aug. 5 7:10am 6:30pm	The Dedication of Our Lady of the Snows, III †Anthony James Cuccia by the Kadar–Kallens William J. Pendrak by Stephanie Margossian
Thu. Aug. 6 7:10am	The Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ, II Juan Lakatos by Regina Lakatos and A. DiSanto
Fri. Aug. 7 7:10am 6:30pm	St. Cajetan, Confessor, III Intentions of the Confraternity of the FSSP by Joseph Yula Juan Esteban Rizo Lakatos
Sat. Aug. 8 9:00am	St. John Mary Vianney, Confessor, III †Mr. John Presto by the Cunninghams
Sun. Aug. 9 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, II <i>Pro Populo</i> Bill & Stephanie Fonticoba †Janeann Kakalecz by the Sextons Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter

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 second publication of the banns.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FR. SMITH VACATION—Fr. Smith is away on vacation, due to return on Friday, Aug. 7. Father will offer the *Pro populo* Mass for today while he is away.

OFFICE CLOSED—Due to staff vacations, the parish office will be closed Thursday through Saturday this week, Aug. 6 to Aug. 8.

TODAY: PORTIUNCULA INDULGENCE—Until midnight tonight, 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.

TODAY: LEGION OF MARY TABLE—In preparation for the Feast of the Assumption, the Legion of Mary will have a table set up today to give away books about Our Lady. Please stop by before or after each of today's Masses.

TOMORROW: ALTAR BOY PROMOTIONS—On the feast of the Finding of Stephen, we will induct new members and promote members of the Guild of St. Stephen, our altar boy sodality. This will be done during High Mass at 6:30 pm.

AUG. 6: BLESSING OF GRAPES—In honor of the Feast of the Transfiguration, in which Our Lord showed his glorified Body and which often corresponds with the harvest of new grapes, both the Eastern and Western Churches have blessed grapes, recalling our Lord's reference to drinking new wine in the Resurrection: "I will not drink from henceforth of this fruit of the vine until that day when I shall drink it with you new in the kingdom of my Father" (Matt. 26:29).

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 very important feast day of the Church. There will be a Low Mass at 7am and 12:15pm and a High Mass at 9am.

AUG. 15: BLESSING OF HERBS BEFORE MASS—According to tradition, after Our Lady's Assumption into heaven, flowers were found growing out of the sarcophagus in which Mary had been laid, and a sweet odor rose out of the tomb, confirming the Apostles' faith in Our Lady's Assumption. In honor of this tradition, the Church instituted the custom of blessing wild herbs and flowers on the feast of the Assumption. The blessing originated in Germany, and is first attested in the 10th century; one version of it or another is found in a great many of the liturgical books which contain blessings of this sort. If you would like to have your herbs blessed, bring them to Mass, and the priests will bless them before each Mass.

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.

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.

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.

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's collection of thousands. Several of these books are or will also be available in our bookstore. We will update, expand, and create additional lists, so check back here for more in the future. Use the following link to access the recommended book lists: bit.ly/stlawrencereading

SEPT. 19: PRO-LIFE BANQUET—The St. Lawrence table at the annual Pro-Life Federation banquet has nine seats remaining. Every year St. Lawrence purchases a table so that our parish publicly supports this important cause. The banquet is on Sept. 19 at 5:30pm at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, and the cost per seat is \$134 per person. Please email prolife@stlawrence.cc for seats. For more information, see paprolife.org/banquet.

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?
- **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

Notes on Today's Music Processional hymn: <i>O Sanctissima</i>, 915 Recessional hymn: <i>O Glorious Maid Exalted Far</i>, 911 Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo II, 772 Offertory antiphon: <i>Ad Te Levavi</i>, Reverend Franz Xaver Witt Communion antiphon: <i>Acceptabis</i>, Nobuaki Izawa (b. 1972) The Offertory antiphon assigned for this Sunday is shared with the First Sunday of Advent taken from Psalm 24:1-2 “<i>Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me. For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed.</i>” Reverend Franz Xaver Witt sets this antiphon in a mostly homophonic style and the only repetition of text—“<i>shall not be ashamed</i>”—he uses is the final portion of the text in three different musical iterations creating tension and resolving with a major chord. Reverend Franz Xaver Witt (1834–1888) was ordained as a priest in 1856 and taught Gregorian chant at the seminary at Regensburg. In 1868 Fr. Witt founded the Caecilia Society in order to revive the use of Gregorian chant and polyphony, and to promote the composition of new liturgical music in an older style in Catholic churches. Pope Pius IX recognized his society in 1870.		Sunday Collection: General Income Week of July 26, 2026 <table><thead><tr><th></th><th>Cash</th><th>Online</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Offertory</td><td>\$5,515.70</td><td>\$5,202.45</td></tr><tr><td>Vestments</td><td>10.00</td><td>122.00</td></tr><tr><td>CCM</td><td>90.00</td><td>20.00</td></tr><tr><td>Flowers</td><td>20.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Friday Program/Catechism</td><td>—</td><td>25.00</td></tr><tr><td>Sunday Social</td><td>—</td><td>10.00</td></tr><tr><td>Advertising</td><td>—</td><td>10.00</td></tr><tr><td>Votives and Candles</td><td>9.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Bookstore</td><td>140.00</td><td>308.64</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL:</td><td></td><td>\$11,482.79</td></tr></tbody></table> Weekly Budget Report <table><tbody><tr><td rowspan="2">General Income</td><td>Week of July 26</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For FY27</td><td>\$11,482.79 \$51,864.25</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$14,096.00</td><td>\$56,384.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Building Fund</td><td>Week of July 26</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For FY27</td><td>\$4,275.17 \$7,660.17</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$2,308.00</td><td>\$9,232.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)</td><td>Week of July 26</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For CY26</td><td>\$0.00 \$5,776.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$453.00</td><td>\$13,140.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Capital Campaign</td><td>Week of July 26</td><td>FY27 Received To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>Generation to</td><td>\$3,245.00 \$22,348.83</td></tr><tr><td>Generations</td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>FY27 Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$12,757.00</td><td>\$51,026.77</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Total Received</td><td>Total Pledged To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$721,501.21</td><td>\$2,181,693.00</td></tr></tbody></table>			Cash	Online	Offertory	\$5,515.70	\$5,202.45	Vestments	10.00	122.00	CCM	90.00	20.00	Flowers	20.00	—	Friday Program/Catechism	—	25.00	Sunday Social	—	10.00	Advertising	—	10.00	Votives and Candles	9.00	—	Bookstore	140.00	308.64	TOTAL:		\$11,482.79	General Income	Week of July 26	Income To-Date	For FY27	\$11,482.79 \$51,864.25		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$14,096.00	\$56,384.00	Building Fund	Week of July 26	Income To-Date	For FY27	\$4,275.17 \$7,660.17		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$2,308.00	\$9,232.00	Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)	Week of July 26	Income To-Date	For CY26	\$0.00 \$5,776.00		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$453.00	\$13,140.00	Capital Campaign	Week of July 26	FY27 Received To-Date	Generation to	\$3,245.00 \$22,348.83	Generations	Weekly Budget	FY27 Budget To-Date		\$12,757.00	\$51,026.77		Total Received	Total Pledged To-Date		\$721,501.21	\$2,181,693.00
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