

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 16, 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	<i>Pastor</i>	fr.smith@stlawrence.cc
Rev. Joseph Duffy, FSSP	<i>Assistant Pastor</i>	fr.duffy@stlawrence.cc
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Mr. Paul Thomas May	<i>Music Director</i>	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, August 16

- External Solemnity of St. Lawrence
- Parish picnic at Roof Park

UPCOMING

Tuesday, August 18

- Knights of Columbus—6:00pm
- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Wednesday, August 19

- St. Jude Devotions—5:30pm

Monday, August 31

- St. Raymond Nonnatus
- Blessing of candles and water for mothers giving birth

Friday, September 4

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

Saturday, September 5

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

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

Thursday, November 26

- Thanksgiving 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 our Lord

Saturday, January 2

- First Saturday Devotions

Tuesday, January 5

- Vigil of the Epiphany

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Aug. 16 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, II Sanctification of FSSP Priests by Allison Goldman Fr. Smith by Elizabeth Faustina Mary Kadar-Kallen <i>Pro Populo</i> Dan, Emily & Colby Grist by Steven Grist
Mon. Aug. 17 7:10am	St. Hyacinth, Confessor, III Mary Rose Kadar-Kallen by Samuel Jones
Tue. Aug. 18 7:10am	Feria, IV †Anthony Ciucci by Andrew Oscilowski
Wed. Aug. 19 7:10am 6:30pm	St. John Eudes, Confessor, III The Kelly children by Kevin Kelly St. Jude Intentions
Thu. Aug. 20 7:10am	St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor, III Angelina Fonticoba, Ryan Boyle & Christie Kozial
Fri. Aug. 21 7:10am 6:30pm	St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Widow, III Agnes Umaña †The Poor Souls in Purgatory by the Cunninghams
Sat. Aug. 22 9:00am	Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, II CCM by Kimberlee Hershey
Sun. Aug. 23 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Fourth, II †Janeann Kakalecz by Sister Catherine Rose Giacobbe Relief for the Sick and Dying † Barbara E. Rooney by Joseph & Jeanette Sexton Daniel & Anastasia Jones Family by Karol & Eileen Jones

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Brian Alexander Ponce and Clara Catherine Forbeck



Be it known to all here present that Brian Alexander Ponce, son of Edgar and Lidia Ponce of the parish of St. Mary’s Immaculate Conception in York, Pennsylvania; and Clara Catherine Forbeck, daughter of Lance and Dawn Forbeck, of the Quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 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

EXTERNAL SOLEMNITY OF ST. LAWRENCE—As our patron, we have the privilege of celebrating the feast of St. Lawrence again today. We commemorate this great feast with an orchestral Mozart Mass (KV65). We also have our parish picnic today in honor of him.

TODAY: 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 today from 10:30am to 6pm. It's actually not too late to signup! Just visit: bit.ly/parishpicnic2026. We look forward to seeing you there!

TODAY: HAIL AND FAREWELL OUR PRIESTS—As you know by now, Fr. Cortes has been given a new assignment by the FSSP, and Fr. Joseph Duffy has arrived to take his place. Please come to the picnic today to say hail and farewell!

TODAY: TE DEUM—In thanksgiving to God and the intercession of his saints for the success so far of our *Generation to Generations* Capital Campaign, we will sing the *Te Deum* on this external solemnity of St. Lawrence after the Masses.

NEXT WEEK: FSSP PRIEST MEETING—All of our priests are required to attend a meeting in New York from Aug. 24 to 28 of the North American Province of the FSSP. We have arranged to have a priest to provide coverage, so the Mass schedule is as normal, but confessions will not take place during Mass, as there will only be one priest present.

WEDNESDAY: ST. JUDE MASS INTENTIONS—Each month, as part of our devotion to St. Jude on the third Wednesday, we offer Holy Mass at 6:30 pm for the prayer intentions shared with us. This month's intentions include the following, which have been published in our weekly prayer intention email from July 15th to August 12th. Please pray for our parishioners and intentions. If you would like us to pray for your intentions, send your intentions to: prayers@stlawrence.cc.

Please pray for: Christopher, Sr. Catherine, Stan, Lisa, Zayne, Tammy, Camilla, George, Richard, Judith, Lauren, +Owen, Joan, Mary, George, Kevin, Dave, George, Melissa, Linda, Pat, Dave, James, Darek, Dan, Ben, and Frederick.

Please also pray for: the conversion and reconciliation of the family members of a parishioner; the spiritual and physical well-being of certain parishioner; a parishioner, who is struggling with severe depression; the son of a parishioner, who is experiencing work-related difficulties; the brother of a parishioner, who is battling an alcohol addiction; a family who is struggling financially; the grandmother of a parishioner; and a couple in the parish, who are expecting a daughter.

2026-27 SUNDAY CCD AND FRIDAY PROGRAM—Registration for next year's Friday and Sunday education is now open, so register quickly to secure a place. Registration is done through ParishSoft. Visit: bit.ly/fridayprogram26.

FSSP SUPERIOR GENERAL TO VISIT—We are delighted to announce that Fr. John Berg, FSSP, the superior general of the FSSP, is to visit the parish Sunday, Aug. 30, and celebrate a solemn Mass with the priests of the parish. Please be sure to show him a warm welcome!

SEPT. 19: PRO-LIFE BANQUET: 9 SEATS LEFT—To reserve your seat at this annual banquet at the Hershey Lodge and support a good cause, email prolife@stlawrence.cc. For more information, see paprolife.org/banquet.

FR. SMITH VACATION—Fr. Smith will be away on vacation, starting Wednesday, Aug. 19, and will then attend a mandatory FSSP meeting through Aug. 28. Father will offer the *Pro populo* Mass while he is away.

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.

SEPT. 21: MARCH FOR LIFE—The ProLife Group is organizing a group of parishioners for the sixth annual Pennsylvania March for Life at the Capitol in Harrisburg on Monday, Sept. 21, 2026. Holy Mass will be at St. Lawrence at 9:30am, followed by breakfast in the Parish Center. Parishioners will then walk over to the capitol for the rally and march at 11am. Email prolife@stlawrence.cc for questions and register at: bit.ly/PAMarchForLiife-2026.

DONATED RECTORY SPACE—We are grateful to a Catholic family who owns a building with an apartment beside our rectory for donating to us the use of the apartment. As a result, we have two additional bedrooms for visiting seminarians and priests, which we have been using since the beginning of July. May God reward this generous family!

CONGRATULATIONS TO
Mr. & Mrs. Dominic Sexton
United in Holy Matrimony
August 8, 2026



Notes on Today's Music Processional Hymn: <i>O Thou, the Martyrs's Glorious King</i>, 872 Hymn of Thanksgiving: <i>Te Deum</i>, music sheets in church Recessional hymn: <i>Praise to the Holiest in the Height</i>, 922 Kyriale: <i>Missa Brevis in D, KV64</i>, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Motet after Offertory: <i>Ave Verum Corpus</i>, Mozart Motet during communion: <i>Laudate Dominum, a8 (II)</i>, The <i>Mass in d (KV 65)</i> by W. A. Mozart is the only <i>Missa Brevis</i> he set in a minor key, and he was only 12 at the time of its composition. Masses from this period are often rich with the use of text painting, which is where the composer will write the melody, rhythm, or chords to mirror the literal meaning or emotional intent of the words. This is heard clearly during the <i>Credo</i> when voices on the word <i>descendit</i> (meaning, <i>he descended</i>) have a falling phrase. Claudio Monteverdi's setting of the shortest Psalm, <i>Laudate Dominum</i>, also uses text painting in a grand way. The initial two voices enter with the words <i>praise the Lord</i> then all the voices enter on <i>all ye peoples</i> and similarly on the next line of text for <i>praise the Lord, all ye nations</i>. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791) was a prolific and influential composer of the classical period and perhaps the most widely celebrated in the history of Western music. Despite his short life, his rapid pace of composition resulted in more than 800 works including Masses, symphonies, operas, and chamber works.		Sunday Collections: General Income Week of August 9, 2026 <table><thead><tr><th></th><th>Cash</th><th>Online</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Offertory</td><td>\$5,849.75</td><td>\$6,728.29</td></tr><tr><td>Seminary Burse</td><td>1,970.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Vestments</td><td>—</td><td>102.00</td></tr><tr><td>Bookstore</td><td>100.00</td><td>163.83</td></tr><tr><td>Friday Program/Catechism</td><td>—</td><td>125.00</td></tr><tr><td>Advertising</td><td>—</td><td>25.00</td></tr><tr><td>Sunday Social</td><td>—</td><td>10.00</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL:</td><td colspan="2">\$15,073.87</td></tr></tbody></table> Weekly Budget Report <table><tbody><tr><td rowspan="2">General Income For FY27</td><td>Week of Aug. 9</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>\$15,073.87</td><td>\$84,870.33</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$14,096.00</td><td>\$84,576.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Building Fund For FY27</td><td>Week of Aug. 9</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>\$1,601.00</td><td>\$10,403.92</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$2,308.00</td><td>\$13,848.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC) For CY26</td><td>Week of Aug. 9</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>\$400.00</td><td>\$6,301.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$453.00</td><td>\$14,499.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Capital Campaign <i>Generation to Generations</i></td><td>Week of Aug. 9</td><td>FY27 Received To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>\$8,095.00</td><td>\$32,349.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>FY27 Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$12,757.00</td><td>\$76,540.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Total Received</td><td>Total Pledged To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$731,501.00</td><td>\$2,181,693.00</td></tr></tbody></table>				Cash	Online	Offertory	\$5,849.75	\$6,728.29	Seminary Burse	1,970.00	—	Vestments	—	102.00	Bookstore	100.00	163.83	Friday Program/Catechism	—	125.00	Advertising	—	25.00	Sunday Social	—	10.00	TOTAL:	\$15,073.87		General Income For FY27	Week of Aug. 9	Income To-Date	\$15,073.87	\$84,870.33		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$14,096.00	\$84,576.00	Building Fund For FY27	Week of Aug. 9	Income To-Date	\$1,601.00	\$10,403.92		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$2,308.00	\$13,848.00	Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC) For CY26	Week of Aug. 9	Income To-Date	\$400.00	\$6,301.00		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$453.00	\$14,499.00	Capital Campaign <i>Generation to Generations</i>	Week of Aug. 9	FY27 Received To-Date	\$8,095.00	\$32,349.00		Weekly Budget	FY27 Budget To-Date		\$12,757.00	\$76,540.00		Total Received	Total Pledged To-Date		\$731,501.00	\$2,181,693.00
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