

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 23, 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
Rev. Ronald McCann, FSSP	<i>Assistant Pastor</i>	fr.mccann@stlawrence.cc
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

(717) 889-4217 • Dial x9 for Sacramental Emergency

TODAY

Sunday, August 23, 2026

- Second Collection— Building Fund

UPCOMING

Tuesday, August 25

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Saturday, August 29

- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

Sunday, August 30

- Mandatory Friday Program Parent Meeting—10:10am

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
- Holy Name Society—10am

Monday, September 7

- Labor Day—Parking Holiday

Friday, September 11

- Friday Education Program Begins

Saturday, September 12

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

Tuesday, September 15

- Our Lady of Sorrows, patroness of CCM
- Knights of Columbus—6pm

Wednesday, September 16

- St. Jude Devotion

Sunday, September 20

- Mandatory CCD Parent Meeting—10:10am

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Aug. 23 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II †Janeann Kakalecz by Sister Catherine Rose Giacobbe Relief for the Sick & Dying by the Cunningham Family †Barbara E. Rooney by Joseph & Jeanette Sexton Daniel & Anastasia Jones Family by Karol & Eileen Jones
Mon. Aug. 24 7:10am	St. Bartholomew, Apostle, II Summer Grace Glancy by William & Stephanie Fonticoba
Tue. Aug. 25 7:10am	St. Louis, King, Confessor, III Stephanie Margossian by Sean T. Pendrak
Wed. Aug. 26 7:10am 6:30pm	Feria, IV †Marie Mackin by Joe & Joyce Mackin Conor & Karissa Ann DeSantis by John E. Czarnomski
Thu. Aug. 27 7:10am	St. Joseph Calasanz, Confessor, III Sr. Catherine Rose Giacobbe
Fri. Aug. 28 7:10am 6:30pm	St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor, III Rachel & Ian Gabig by Kadar-Kallen Family Chris & Debora Sloane by Jamison & Kelly Jones
Sat. Aug. 29 9:00am	The Beheading of St. John the Baptist, III Cade Addison Myers by Colby & Cindy Myers
Sun. Aug. 30 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II †Doris Then by Sister Catherine Rose Giacobbe, Er Dio Rachel & Liam Grist by Steven Grist Livia Lakatos †Janeann Kakalecz by Aline Dymkowski

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 second publication of the banns.

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
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Confraternity of Christian Mothers Monthly—mothers@stlawrence.cc	Pamela Kole
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Ushers ushers@stlawrence.cc	John Osuch
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Youth Group Ages 13-18, Monthly—yg@stlawrence.cc	Joelle Riethmiller

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLETION—There is a second collection today for the Building Fund.

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

JAN. 2: CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT THE FORUM—We are happy to announce that students in our Friday education program will have the chance to perform in our parish's first Christmas pageant, which will be performed on the big stage at the Forum, part of the state capitol complex. This will also be the same day as our parish Christmas party, which will be in the morning and mid-day. The pageant will begin at 2pm. To make sure your children have a chance to participate, be sure they are signed up for the Friday program by this week's deadline. For more information, see below.

EDUCATION AND RELIGIOUS PROGRAMS—Registration is open for the Friday Program and Sunday CCD Classes at bit.ly/Educationprograms26. The Friday program mandatory parent meeting will be Sunday, August 30, at 10:10am in the Aula Magna (parish center room 315). Friday classes start September 11. The Sunday CCD program mandatory parent meeting is September 20 at 10:10am in the Aula Magna. For sacramental classes, copies of Baptism Certificates are DUE at the parent meeting for each program. This year, text books will be signed out from the library for non-sacramental classes with the exception of the Friday Program High School Theology class and the CCD 11th and 12th grade classes which books will be purchased from the parish book store.

SEPT. 19: PRO-LIFE BANQUET: 9 SEATS LEFT—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.

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. Following breakfast, the group 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/PAMarchForLife-2026.

FR. CORTES ASSIGNMENT—Fr. Cortes has been assigned to the FSSP house in Richmond Virginia. We once again thank Fr. Cortes for his service here as our priest and ask that you continue to keep him in your prayers.

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!

FSSP PRIEST MEETING—All of our priests are required to attend a meeting in New York from Aug. 24 to Aug. 28 for the North American Province of the FSSP. Fr. Augustine Tran will be providing coverage, so the Mass schedule is as normal, but confessions will not take place during Mass, as he will be the only priest present.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS TO
Mr. & Mrs. Sean Pendrak
United in Holy Matrimony
August 15, 2026



OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

St. Lawrence thrives on the works of its parishioners. Please 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 volunteer staff on the front line or behind the scenes.
- **Chant camp.** Paul Thomas May, music@stlawrence.cc
 - Help 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.

Notes on Today's Music Processional hymn: <i>Alleluia, Sing to Jesus</i>, 936 Recessional hymn: <i>Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor</i>, 939 Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo II, 772 Introit Antiphon: <i>Respice, Domine</i>, Heinrich Isaac (c.1450–1517) Offertory Antiphon: <i>In Te Speravi</i>, Orlandus Lassus (c.1532–1594) Motet after Offertory: <i>Surge Amica Mea</i>, Giovanni Matteo Asola (c. 1532–1609) Communion Antiphon: <i>Panem de Caelo</i>, Heinrich Isaac <i>Surge, Amica Mea</i> is text taken from the Song of Solomon 2:14: <i>Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away. O my dove, who is in the clefts of the rock, in the secret places of the stairs, let me see your countenance, let me hear your voice; for sweet is your voice, and your countenance is beautiful.</i> The communion antiphon is a setting by Heinrich Isaac. The text of the antiphon is: <i>Thou hast given us bread from heaven, O Lord, having in it all that is delicious, and every taste of sweetness</i>. This passage taken from Wisdom 16:20 is a slight variation of the verse and response just prior to Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Isaac's setting retains the original Gregorian melody in the Tenor voice. 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 <i>Choralis Constantinus</i> which contains nearly 400 Gregorian chant based motets of propers for the Mass.		Sunday Collections Week of August 16, 2026 <table><thead><tr><th></th><th>Cash</th><th>Online</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Offertory</td><td>\$7,608.50</td><td>\$3,900.94</td></tr><tr><td>Seminary Burse</td><td>35.00</td><td>80.00</td></tr><tr><td>Youth Fund</td><td>55.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Assumption</td><td>990.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Votives</td><td>50.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Flowers</td><td>30.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Vestments</td><td>—</td><td>7.00</td></tr><tr><td>Education</td><td>—</td><td>130.00</td></tr><tr><td>Bookstore</td><td>—</td><td>126.14</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL:</td><td colspan="2">\$ 13,012.58</td></tr></tbody></table> Weekly Budget Report <table><tbody><tr><td rowspan="2">General Income</td><td>Week of Aug. 16</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For FY27</td><td>\$13,012.58 \$97,882.91</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$14,096.00</td><td>\$98,672.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Building Fund</td><td>Week of Aug. 16</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For FY27</td><td>\$35.00 \$11,284.92</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$2,308.00</td><td>\$16,156.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)</td><td>Week of Aug. 16</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For CY26</td><td>\$0.00 \$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>\$14,952.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Capital Campaign</td><td>Week of Aug. 16</td><td>FY27 Received To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>Generation to</td><td>\$1,706.00 \$34,055.00</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>\$89,297.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Total Received</td><td>Total Pledged To-Date</td></tr></tbody></table>			Cash	Online	Offertory	\$7,608.50	\$3,900.94	Seminary Burse	35.00	80.00	Youth Fund	55.00	—	Assumption	990.00	—	Votives	50.00	—	Flowers	30.00	—	Vestments	—	7.00	Education	—	130.00	Bookstore	—	126.14	TOTAL:	\$ 13,012.58		General Income	Week of Aug. 16	Income To-Date	For FY27	\$13,012.58 \$97,882.91		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$14,096.00	\$98,672.00	Building Fund	Week of Aug. 16	Income To-Date	For FY27	\$35.00 \$11,284.92		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$2,308.00	\$16,156.00	Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)	Week of Aug. 16	Income To-Date	For CY26	\$0.00 \$6,301.00		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$453.00	\$14,952.00	Capital Campaign	Week of Aug. 16	FY27 Received To-Date	Generation to	\$1,706.00 \$34,055.00	Generations	Weekly Budget	FY27 Budget To-Date		\$12,757.00	\$89,297.00		Total Received	Total Pledged To-Date
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