

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



September 6, 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
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Mr. Paul Thomas May	<i>Music Director</i>	music@stlawrence.cc

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

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TODAY

Sunday, September 6

- CCD Volunteers Meeting—10:10am

UPCOMING

Monday, September 7

- Labor Day—Parking Holiday in Harrisburg

Tuesday, September 8

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Friday, September 11

- Friday Education Program Begins

Saturday, September 12

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

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

Friday, October 2

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

Saturday, October 3

- First Saturday Devotion
- Holy Name Society—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

Thursday, December 24

- Christmas Eve

Friday, December 25

- Christmas Day

Friday, January 1

- Octave of the Nativity our Lord

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Sep. 6 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II Kadar–Kallen Family by Jamison & Kelly Jones †Angela M. Cherundolo by Sean T. Pendrak <i>Pro Populo</i> Anthony Jones by Isabella Mack
Mon. Sep. 7 7:10am	Feria, IV †Natalie Powell by Benjamin Hiegert
Tue. Sep. 8 7:10am	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, II Legion of Mary Members Living & Deceased
Wed. Sep. 9 7:10am 6:30pm	Feria, IV Anthony Jones by John & Mary Blair †Francis McNee by the Allen family
Thu. Sep. 10 7:10am	St. Nicholas of Tolentino, Confessor, III Kait Frantz–Collins by Karen Collins
Fri. Sep. 11 7:10am 6:30pm	Feria, IV †Joe Kearney by Juliana Fonticoba Rachel & Liam Grist by Steven Grist
Sat. Sep. 12 9:00am	The Most Holy Name of Mary, III †Margaret Simmons by Kevin Kelly
Sun. Sep. 13 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II †Fr. John Bauer by Benjamin Hiegert John and Sharon Knowles by John E. Czarnomski Marlin Duncan and family by Kevin Ritchie Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter by Parish

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

David Graham Feerrar and Maria Faustina Schmidt



Be it known to all here present that David Graham Feerrar, of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania son of Ted and Lisa Feerrar; and Maria Faustina Schmidt, of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of Jim and Jean Schmidt, of the parish of Sts. Peter and Paul, in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin, 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.

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
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CCD: Sunday Catechism, K-12 Weekly—dre@stlawrence.cc	Dr. Phillip Cuccia
Confraternity of Christian Mothers Monthly—mothers@stlawrence.cc	Pamela Kole
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Events Coordinators events@stlawrence.cc	Kris Keck
Flower Guild flowers@stlawrence.cc	Fr. McCann
Friday Education Program K-12—fridayeducation@stlawrence.cc	Dawn Forbeck
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Knights of Columbus Monthly—knights@stlawrence.cc	Malakye Wilson
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Ushers ushers@stlawrence.cc	John Osuch
Wedding Coordinator weddingcoordinator@stlawrence.cc	Bridget Forbeck
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Youth Group Ages 13-18, Monthly—yg@stlawrence.cc	Joelle Riethmiller

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY: CCD VOLUNTEER MEETING—There is a mandatory meeting today for volunteers of the Sunday CCD program. The meeting begins at 10:10am in the Aula Magna.

SUNDAY SOCIAL—Today's coffee and donut social is organized by the Holy Name Society.

FR. SMITH ON PILGRIMAGE—Fr. Smith will accompany Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap., and the Confraternity of Christian Mothers on a pilgrimage to France starting Thursday, Sept. 10. He will return on Tuesday, Sept. 22. Fr. Smith will celebrate a *Pro Populo* Mass on the two Sundays he is away.

SEPT. 7: PARKING HOLIDAY—This Monday is Labor Day, and as such, street parking in the city will be free. Please take advantage of this opportunity to linger after Mass, socialize, and check out the Parish Library on the second floor of the Parish Center.

FROM THE BISHOP—Bishop Senior has released a letter detailing his pastoral vision for the Diocese of Harrisburg. Booklets can be found in the back of the Church.

ST. LAWRENCE CHOIR SEEKS MEMBERS—The St. Lawrence Choir serves as the primary ensemble for Sung Masses at our parish and sings for all Sundays and 1st Class Feasts throughout the year. The choir is particularly seeking Tenors, men that can sing in a higher register, though all applicants will be considered. Applicants must have prior singing experience, be able to attend Thursday evening rehearsals, and be at least 18 years of age. If you are interested, please email the director of music, Paul Thomas May at: music@stlawrence.cc for further information and/or to schedule an audition time.

SEPT. 17: 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. 17 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 prolife.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. Register at: bit.ly/PAMarchForLife-2026.

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 for Sunday CCD Classes is open at bit.ly/Education-programs26. Friday classes start Sept. 11. CCD Classes start Oct. 4. The Sunday CCD program mandatory parent meeting is Sept. 20 at 10:10am in the Aula Magna and registration for CCD closes Sept. 19. For sacramental classes, copies of Baptism Certificates are due at the parent meeting. 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 bookstore.

FIRST COMMUNION/FIRST PENANCE DATES—Please mark your calendars for with the following dates for your First Communion/First Penance student(s). The First Penance mid-term interview will be Saturday, Jan. 16; the final interview will be Feb. 27; the First Penance Rehearsal will be Sunday, Mar. 7, during the CCD Class, and First Penance will be Saturday, Mar. 20, from 11:00am to 12:00 noon. The First Communion final interview will be Saturday, May 8. First Communion Rehearsal will be Saturday, May 29, at 11:00am and First Communion will be Sunday, May 30.

MAR. 13: CONFIRMATION DATE—The Confirmation date has been confirmed by the Diocese. Please mark your calendars. The Confirmation Mid-Term is Saturday, Dec. 5, the Final is Saturday, Feb. 13; and the end of the course final is Saturday, May 22 (post Confirmation). Confirmation itself will be Saturday, Mar. 13. The Confirmation rehearsal will be Friday, Mar. 12, at 7:30pm in the Church. The confirmandi and the sponsors are required to be at the rehearsal.

CCD CLASS SCHEDULE—CCD Classes meet every Sunday from Oct. 4, 2026, to May 16, 2027, with the exceptions of Nov. 29 (Thanksgiving), Dec. 27 and Jan. 3 (Christmas), Mar. 21 (Palm Sunday), and Mar. 28 (Easter Sunday). Classes go from 9:15 to 10:15am.

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.
- **Church cleaning.** Kristin Patterson, clean@stlawrence.cc
- Could you clean once per month?
- **Flower Guild.** Fr. McCann, flowers@stlawrence.cc
- A beautiful way to give glory to God.
- **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>Most Ancient of All Mysteries</i>, 884 Recessional hymn: <i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>, 838 Kyriale: Mass XI, 740; Credo IV, 780 Offertory Motet: <i>Bonus Est</i>, G.P. Palestrina (c. 1525–1594) Communion Antiphon: <i>Panis Quem Ego</i>, Heinrich Isaac <i>Bonus Est</i> by G.P. Palestrina is a setting of Lamentations 3:24-26. This passage appears during <i>Tenebrae</i> for Holy Saturday. Written for three men’s voices, the motet encapsulates theme of hopeful expectation for the Lord, who is all good. The communion antiphon is set by Heinrich Isaac with the text taken from John 6:52: <i>The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world</i>. Isaac composes pieces of the melody in both the Tenor and Soprano voices in a quasi-canon in the same way as many of his communion settings. <i>Panis Quem Ego</i> has one of the clearest quotations of the source melody in the Soprano voice with very little ornamentation. 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 30, 2026 <table><thead><tr><th></th><th>Cash</th><th>Online</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Offertory</td><td>\$6,673.00</td><td>\$6,369.08</td></tr><tr><td>Assumption of BVM</td><td>10.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Friday Program/Catechism</td><td>—</td><td>1,090.00</td></tr><tr><td>Vestments</td><td>30.00</td><td>28.75</td></tr><tr><td>Seminary Burse</td><td>—</td><td>100.00</td></tr><tr><td>Votives and Candles</td><td>10.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>CCM</td><td>—</td><td>10.00</td></tr><tr><td>Sunday Social</td><td>41.00</td><td>—</td></tr><tr><td>Bookstore</td><td>100.00</td><td>292.49</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL:</td><td></td><td>\$14,754.32</td></tr></tbody></table> Weekly Budget Report <table><tbody><tr><td rowspan="2">General Income</td><td>Week of Aug. 30</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For FY27</td><td>\$14,754.32</td><td>\$128,441.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$14,096.00</td><td>\$126,864.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Building Fund</td><td>Week of Aug. 30</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For FY27</td><td>\$2,047.75</td><td>\$16,739.67</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$2,308.00</td><td>\$20,772.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)</td><td>Week of Aug. 30</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For CY26</td><td>\$75.00</td><td>\$6,376.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$453.00</td><td>\$15,858.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="4">Capital Campaign</td><td>Week of Aug. 30</td><td>Received To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>Generation to</td><td>\$50,615.00</td><td>\$99,617.00</td></tr><tr><td>Generations</td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$12,757.00</td><td>\$114,810.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Total Received</td><td>Pledged To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$798,769.00</td><td>\$2,181,693.00</td></tr></tbody></table>			Cash	Online	Offertory	\$6,673.00	\$6,369.08	Assumption of BVM	10.00	—	Friday Program/Catechism	—	1,090.00	Vestments	30.00	28.75	Seminary Burse	—	100.00	Votives and Candles	10.00	—	CCM	—	10.00	Sunday Social	41.00	—	Bookstore	100.00	292.49	TOTAL:		\$14,754.32	General Income	Week of Aug. 30	Income To-Date	For FY27	\$14,754.32	\$128,441.00		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$14,096.00	\$126,864.00	Building Fund	Week of Aug. 30	Income To-Date	For FY27	\$2,047.75	\$16,739.67		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$2,308.00	\$20,772.00	Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)	Week of Aug. 30	Income To-Date	For CY26	\$75.00	\$6,376.00		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$453.00	\$15,858.00	Capital Campaign	Week of Aug. 30	Received To-Date	Generation to	\$50,615.00	\$99,617.00	Generations	Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$12,757.00	\$114,810.00		Total Received	Pledged To-Date		\$798,769.00	\$2,181,693.00
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