

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 27, 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

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TODAY

Sunday, September 27

- Second Collection—Building Fund

UPCOMING

Tuesday, September 29

- Feast of St. Michael—6:30pm High Mass
- Knights of Columbus—6pm
- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Friday, October 2

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

Saturday, October 3

- First Saturday Devotion
- Holy Name Society—10am
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm

Sunday, October 4

- Sunday CCD Program Begins
- Adult Catechism Begins

Saturday, October 10

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

Monday, October 12

- Columbus Day—Parking Holiday

Saturday, October 17

- Parish Men's Night—5pm

Wednesday, October 21

- St. Jude Devotion

Sunday, November 1

- All Saints Day
- Daylight Savings Time ends

Monday, November 2

- All Souls Day
- All Souls Novena begins

Thursday, November 26

- Thanksgiving Day—Parking Holiday

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, 2027

- Octave of the Nativity of Our Lord

Saturday, January 2,

- Christmas Party and Pageant

Tuesday, January 5

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Sep. 27	Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II
7:30am	Caroline Pitman by the Barry Family
9:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
10:30am	John & Karen Grist by Steven Grist
6:00pm	Anthony Jones by Isabella Mack
Mon. Sep. 28	St. Wenceslaus, Duke, Martyr, III
7:10am	†Patricia Allen by the Allen Family
Tue. Sep. 29	The Dedication of St. Michael Archangel, I
7:10am	Catherine Kelly by Kevin Kelly
6:30pm	†Robert Weikert by Lawrence & Wendy Shrader
Wed. Sep. 30	St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor, III
7:10am	Gwendolyn Hall by William & Stephanie Fonticoba
6:30pm	Michael Kelly by Kevin Kelly
Thu. Oct. 1	Feria, IV
7:10am	†Jack Busbey by Alan & Tina Busbey
Fri. Oct. 2	The Holy Guardian Angels, III
7:10am	Joanne Renda by the Renda Family
6:30pm	†Jerry Collins by Jamison & Kelly Jones
Sat. Oct. 3	St. Teresa of the Child Jesus, Virgin, III
9:00am	Stephen & Theresa Markovic by Jacob D. Panckeri
Sun. Oct. 4	Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II
7:30am	Zachary & Maureen Flynn Family by Karol & Eileen Jones
9:00am	The Jamison Jones Family
10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	†Margaret Schoffstall by Rose Koufos

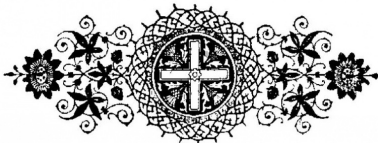
BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Justin Joseph Lenk and Molly Catherine Hayes



Be it known to all here present that Justin Joseph Lenk, of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania son of Donald and Tammy Lenk; and Molly Catherine Hayes, of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of Brian and Catherine Hayes, 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 today for the Building Fund.

SEP. 29: FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL—There will be a High Mass at 6:30pm this Tuesday, Sept. 29, the feast of St. Michael.

OCT. 2: MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS—Couples planning to be married at St. Lawrence in 2027 need to complete a catechism class with the priests. The next class will begin Friday, Oct. 2, at 7:30pm, meeting in the Parish Center conference room (Room 215). To register for the class, please email contact@stlawrence.cc

OCT. 4: ADULT CATECHISM—The adult catechism program starts next Sunday, Oct. 4 at 12:15pm. They will begin with the Eucharist and the Council of Trent. The adult catechism class follows the same schedule as the Sunday CCD program. No registration is necessary to attend.

OCT. 4: SUNDAY CCD CLASSES—CCD Classes start Oct. 4. This year, text books will be signed out from the library for non-sacramental classes with the exception of the 11th and 12th grade classes, in which books will be purchased from the parish bookstore. Books for sacramental classes (2nd and 8th) will be issued. The following CCD Books will need to be checked out of the library for your students: 1st Grade: *My Father and Mother on Earth and in Heaven*; 3rd Grade: *The New Saint Joseph Baltimore Catechism No. 1*; 4th Grade: *The New Saint Joseph Baltimore Catechism No. 1 and No. 2*; 5th Grade: *Know Your Mass*; 6th Grade: *The Latin Mass Explained*; 7th Grade: *Chief Truths of the Faith*; 9th Grade: *The Means of Grace*; 10th Grade: *A Short History of the Catholic Church*; Latin: *Lingua Latina*. The 11th Grade books to be purchased from the bookstore are *Catholic Morality* and *Catholic Apologetics* and for the 12th Grade, *The Four Last Things*.

SUNDAY CCD CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS—Parents, please take note of the following Sunday School classroom assignments. Kindergarten with Mrs. Zambito in the Old Library (School House). Grade 1: Bible History with Mrs. Schleihau in Room 3 (School House). Grade 2: 1st Penance & Communion with Miss Kadar-Kallen in Room 4 (School House). Grade 3: Post Communion 1 with Miss Jones in Room 1 (School House). Grade 4: Post Communion 2 with Mrs. Smith in Room 2 (School House). Grade 5: Holy Mass 1 with Mr. Smith in Room 301. Grade 6: Holy Mass 2 with Mrs. Miller in Room 119 (Reception Room). Grade 7: Theoretical & Practical Doctrine with Miss Skelton in Room 309. Grade 8: Preparation for Confirmation with Mr. Jones in Room 215 (Conference Room). Grade 9: Mass and the Sacraments with Mr. Sizemore in the Colleen Room (Church Basement). Grade 10: History of the Church with Dr. Cuccia in the Szeles Room (Church Basement). Grade 11: Catholic Morality & Apologetics with Mr. Fair in Room 202. Grade 12: Four Last Things with Mr. Anton in the Rozman Room (Church Basement). Latin Elective: Beginner's Latin with Mrs. Kole in Room 315 (Aula Magna).

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.

OCT. 17: PARISH MEN'S NIGHT—Please join us for a night of prayer, spiritual instruction, camaraderie, the grilling of burgers, brats, and beverages in the church courtyard after Vespers. The evening will begin with Vespers at 5pm, after which we will move to the courtyard for dinner and a talk by one of the priests. For sign-ups, visit: bit.ly/stlawrencemensnight

JAN. 2: CHRISTMAS PARTY AND PAGEANT—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.

FIRST COMMUNION/FIRST PENANCE DATES—Please mark your calendars 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—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.

FROM THE PARISH LIBRARIAN—"This is a good opportunity to remind everyone how your outstanding Theological Library works! Books and other items can be borrowed for three weeks plus two renewals. Your library account allows you to do this yourself once your account is set up. Beyond this lending period, I give four courtesies. The first one is that I renew all overdue items every Tuesday for those who don't do this themselves. The second courtesy is that I allow an extension to the lending period once or twice, which means you have had the item for around three months. The third is that all fines are waived. The fourth courtesy is Plan B. If the system fails you, you can write down what you want to borrow and leave it on my desk! Plan B is below the checkout screen. I am available all the time at library@stlawrence.cc. There are instruction leaflets for the library at the back of the church, in the hallway of the parish center and in the main library." "You can never get a cup of tea large enough or a book long enough to suit me." C.S. Lewis.

Notes on Today's Music Processional hymn: <i>All Ye Who Seek A Comfort Sure</i>, 862 Recessional hymn: <i>Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence</i>, 900 Kyriale: Mass IX, 740; Credo IV, 780 Chant at Offertory: <i>Ubi Caritas</i>, Chant harmonized by Craig Kingsbury (b. 1952) Motet at Communion: <i>Da Pacem Domine</i>, Costanzo Festa (c. 1490–1545) The words for the votive antiphon for peace <i>Da Pacem, Domine</i> dates from the 6th or 7th century and is based on biblical verses 2 Kings 20:19, 2 Chronicles 20:12,15 and Psalms 72:6–7. The first words of the antiphon are shared in common with the Introit for this Sunday's Mass: <i>Grant peace, Lord, in our time; for there is none else who would fight for us if not you, our God</i>. Costanzo Festa sets this antiphon for four voices retaining the Gregorian melody as a <i>Cantus Firmus</i> in the Tenor voice and in canon with the Bass voice. Costanzo Festa (c. 1490–1545) was the first Italian polyphonic composer of international renown. Festa was one of only a few Italians in the Papal Choir during his generation and was hailed as, “a most excellent musician and eminent singer” by Pope Paul III. His compositional style focused less on imitation and complex counterpoint for its own sake, and often wrote purely homophonic passages. PARKING GARAGE VALIDATION—South Street Parking Garage: 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  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		Sunday Collections Week ending September 20, 2026 <table><thead><tr><th></th><th>Cash</th><th>Online</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Offertory</td><td>\$7,162.00</td><td>\$7,098.84</td></tr><tr><td>Vestments</td><td>—</td><td>87.00</td></tr><tr><td>Peter's Pence</td><td>—</td><td>10.00</td></tr><tr><td>Advertisements</td><td>—</td><td>25.00</td></tr><tr><td>CCM</td><td>—</td><td>50.00</td></tr><tr><td>Bookstore</td><td>130.00</td><td>338.42</td></tr><tr><td>Sunday Social</td><td>36.00</td><td>10.00</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL:</td><td></td><td>\$14,947.26</td></tr></tbody></table> Weekly Budget Report <table><tbody><tr><td rowspan="2">General Income</td><td>Week to Sep. 20</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For FY27</td><td>\$14,947.26</td><td>\$174,241.26</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2"></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$14,096.00</td><td>\$169,152.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Building Fund</td><td>Week to Sep. 20</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For FY27</td><td>\$626.00</td><td>\$19,312.67</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2"></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$2,308.00</td><td>\$27,696.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)</td><td>Week to Sep. 20</td><td>Income To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>For CY26</td><td>\$0.00</td><td>\$6,626.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2"></td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$453.00</td><td>\$17,217.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Capital Campaign</td><td>Week to Sep. 20</td><td>FY27 Received To-Date</td></tr><tr><td>Generation to</td><td>\$13,453.00</td><td>\$128,017.00</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">Generations</td><td>Weekly Budget</td><td>Budget To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$12,757.00</td><td>\$153,080.00</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Total Received</td><td>Pledged To-Date</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>\$827,169.00</td><td>\$2,181,693.00</td></tr></tbody></table>			Cash	Online	Offertory	\$7,162.00	\$7,098.84	Vestments	—	87.00	Peter's Pence	—	10.00	Advertisements	—	25.00	CCM	—	50.00	Bookstore	130.00	338.42	Sunday Social	36.00	10.00	TOTAL:		\$14,947.26	General Income	Week to Sep. 20	Income To-Date	For FY27	\$14,947.26	\$174,241.26		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$14,096.00	\$169,152.00	Building Fund	Week to Sep. 20	Income To-Date	For FY27	\$626.00	\$19,312.67		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$2,308.00	\$27,696.00	Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)	Week to Sep. 20	Income To-Date	For CY26	\$0.00	\$6,626.00		Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$453.00	\$17,217.00	Capital Campaign	Week to Sep. 20	FY27 Received To-Date	Generation to	\$13,453.00	\$128,017.00	Generations	Weekly Budget	Budget To-Date		\$12,757.00	\$153,080.00		Total Received	Pledged To-Date		\$827,169.00	\$2,181,693.00
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