

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



February 9, 2025

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

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TODAY

Sunday, February 9

- Second Collection—Poor Missions
- Sunday Socials by the Young Adult Group
- Sunday catechism (CCD)—9:15am
- Adult Catechism (in English)—12:15pm
- Adult Catechism (in Spanish)—12:15pm

UPCOMING

Monday, February 10

- Monday Night Basketball—7:00pm

Tuesday, February 11

- Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Wednesday, February 12

- Young Adult Group Spiritual Conference—7:30pm

Saturday, February 15

- Pro-life Rosary—10:00am
- Facing East Career Event—10:00am
- Flower Guild Meeting—10:00am
- Confirmation Interviews
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm
- Youth Group—5:30pm

Sunday, February 16

- Septuagesima Sunday
- Second Collection—Seminary Burse
- Young Adult Group Brunch—1:00pm
- Sunday Sports—1:00pm

Tuesday, February 18

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

Wednesday, February 19

- St. Jude Devotion

Friday, February 21

- Altar Linens Guild—5:30pm
- Marriage Preparation Class—7:30pm

Saturday, February 22

- Confraternity of Christian Mothers—10:00am

Friday, February 28

- Marriage Preparation Class—7:30pm

Saturday, March 1

- First Saturday
- Sung Mass by Students of the Friday Program—9:00am
- Holy Name Society—10:00am
- Final Interviews for First Penance Class

Wednesday, March 5

- Ash Wednesday

Friday, March 7

- First Friday Devotions
- Marriage Preparation Class—7:30pm
- Young Adult Group Dinner—8:00pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Feb. 9	Fifth Sunday After Epiphany, II
7:30am	FSSP by the Parish
9:00am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
10:30am	Anthony DiSanto by John E. Czarnomski
6:00pm	Juliana Fonticoba and Matt & Elena Acker by the Fonticobas
Mon. Feb. 10	St. Scholastica, Virgin, III
7:10am	Caroline George & Christopher Madden
Tue. Feb. 11	The Apparition of the BVM Immaculate, III
7:10am	†Jeanne Cummings by Zachary & Maureen Flynn
Wed. Feb. 12	7 Holy Founders of the Order of Servants of BVM, III
7:10am	Charles Dennis Jr. by Tim Dennis
6:30pm	Theresa Nehilla by Matthew & Alyssa Showers
Thu. Feb. 13	Feria, IV
7:10am	†Marie Mackin by Joe & Joyce Mackin
Fri. Feb. 14	Feria, IV
7:10am	Sean Pendrak by Stephen Pendrak
6:30pm	†Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sat. Feb. 15	Saturday of Our Lady, IV
9:00am	Protection of the Unborn
Sun. Feb. 16	Septuagesima Sunday, II
7:30am	†Holy Souls in Purgatory by Travis & Rachel Jones
9:00am	Isabella Perez by Renda Family
10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	†Robert Oscilowski by Andrew Oscilowski

Banns of Marriage



William Clayton Baker and Bridgette Caylin Youmans

Be it known to all here present that William Clayton Baker, of the parish of Sacred Heart, in Dunn, North Carolina; and Bridgette Caylin Youmans, daughter of Jonathan and Tammy Youmans, of the parish of St. Luke, in Jersey Shore, 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 third publication of the banns.

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Monthly—prolife@stlawrence.cc	Kris Keck
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Youth Group	
Ages 13-18, Monthly—yg@stlawrence.cc	Joelle Riethmiller

BULLETIN: WEDNESDAY DEADLINE—Please note that all requests for new bulletin articles must be made by the Wednesday prior to the upcoming Sunday bulletin.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION—This week our second collection is for Poor Missions.

FEB. 2-10: NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES—

The Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (FSSP) invites you to join us in a nine-day public novena to Our Lady of Lourdes, already in progress and continuing through Feb. 10, ending in a consecration. Please pick up a novena and consecration booklet available at the back of the church.

FEB. 10-13: PRIESTS AWAY—Fr. Smith, Fr. Cortes, and Fr. Barry are scheduled to be away tomorrow through Thursday. Fr. David Lopez will be here to fill in.

FEB. 11: CONSECRATION TO OUR LADY—To end our novena to Our Lady of Lourdes, we will consecrate ourselves to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on her feast day, Tuesday, Feb. 11.



FEB. 15: CATHOLIC BUSINESS EVENT—Facing East Network's 2025 Catholic Business Networking and Apprenticeship Training Event will take place on Saturday, February 15, 2025, from 10:00 am- 3:00 pm in St. Lawrence Parish Center. Come to network, promote your business, and interview. Register as a vendor or apprentice today at facingeastnetwork@gmail.com.

FEB. 15: YOUTH GROUP SATURDAY NIGHT—The parish youth group is to meet on Saturday night (Feb. 15) at 5:30pm for its monthly gathering of students ages 13 to 18. Following the activity which this month is Jeopardy, Fr. Barry will speak to the youth and lead them in the Rosary in the church. Please be sure to RSVP, and for more information, contact Joelle Riethmiller at youthgroup@stlawrence.cc.

FEB 16: PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY—Traditionally, the ashes for Ash Wednesday are burned from the palms used during the prior year's Palm Sunday. Starting on Septuagesima Sunday, Feb. 16, we will begin collecting last year's palms to be burned for Ash Wednesday. Please place your palms in the basket near the entrance of the church.

PARENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION RECIPIENTS—If you are the parent of a First Communion Recipient this year in the Friday Program or the Sunday CCD program, please ensure that you sign up your student for the Final First Penance Interview with Fr. Smith on Saturday, March 1. Time slots are ten minutes each. The link is: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-penance-march1>.

SPECIAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS—If you are approaching your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary, please let the priests know a few months in advance so they can organize a special Mass for you.

WANTED: EASTER PARTY COORDINATOR—We have secured the Civic Club for Easter Sunday, April 20. Now we need to secure a party coordinator. If you are able to help organize this year's celebration, please email events@stlawrence.cc.

STAY HOME WHEN SICK—Please note that it is an act of charity not to assist at Mass when you have a communicable illness, **under the advice of a medical professional**. Indeed, *Baltimore Catechism III* (Seton Press) instructs us that the Sunday obligation is dispensed for "those who must care for the sick...[and] those whose illness does not permit them to go outdoors," which includes those who might make others ill. If you have doubts about your condition, the following advice from Christopher Washington, MD, one of our parishioners is helpful: "Seemingly minor illnesses can have quite serious consequences for infants, the elderly and the infirm. Prior to returning to regular activities, including Mass, symptoms should at a minimum be improving and any illnesses involving fevers should have resolution of fevers for at least 24 hours."

FEET ON KNEELERS—Please note that the kneelers in the pews should be used exclusively for kneeling rather than as a place to rest one's feet, and this is for two reasons. First, when people place dirty shoes, which have been exposed while walking on the public streets to all manner of filth, biological or otherwise, on the kneelers, this can soil the kneelers. Later, when people use the kneelers for the proper function, by kneeling on them, their Sunday clothes, or perhaps even their exposed skin, get dirty. This dirt also makes more work for our dedicated cleaning volunteers. Second, the proper posture in church does not include propping up one's feet to rest, but should be one of supplication before Almighty God. Indeed, pews themselves were not generally part of Catholic tradition, but were broadly introduced in Catholic churches around the 16th Century. Traditionally, in Catholic churches, one would have stood or knelt.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES—Mark your calendars for these special dates and events

- Next Sunday, February 16: Septuagesima Sunday
- Wednesday, March 5: Ash Wednesday
- Saturday, April 5 at 7:30pm: Buxtehude's *Membra Jesu Nostri* with Lenten meditations by Most Rev. Timothy Senior and the priests of St. Lawrence. Reserve your tickets here: <https://bit.ly/stlawrence-buxtehude>
- Friday, April 18: Good Friday
- Sunday, April 20: Easter Sunday

Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *Hail, True Victim, Life and Light*, 904
 Recessional hymn: *God of Mercy, God of Grace*, 932
 Credo V, 784, Kyriale VIII, 727

Offertory Antiphon: *Dextera Domini*, Orlandus Lassus
 Communion Antiphon: *Miribantur Omnes*, Heinrich Isaac

As two weeks ago, the propers this week are one of two sets that repeat each Sunday until the liturgical season changes next week. The communion antiphon for this Sunday's Mass is set by **Heinrich Isaac** and is mostly original in composition. The text is taken from the Gospel of Luke 4:22, "*They were all amazed at the things which proceeded from the mouth of God.*"

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 *Choralis Constantinus* which contains nearly 400 Gregorian chant based motets of propers for the Mass.

SAVE THE DATE—More details are yet to come, but here are the dates to reserve on your calendar

Chant Camp: July 7 - 11

Acolyte Boot Camp: July 14 - 18:



FROM THE PARISH LIBRARIAN— "The library staff are snowed under! Please refrain from donating books until after Easter Sunday. Many thanks! Important - unfortunately only registered parishioners may have a library card. If you completed a form for a library card you will be in the library system and a card will be mailed to you when you register with the parish. More news - the sections Last Things, Priesthood and Religious Orders have been moved to Room 301 in the parish center. The library catalogue now has a QR code. See below. 'Beware of the person of one book.' Thomas Aquinas."



Sunday Collections Week of February 2, 2025

Offertory	\$7,667.00
Votives	65.00
Propagation of the Faith	120.00
Poor Missions	20.00
Vestments	188.50
Bookstand	264.00
Library Donation	100.00
Catechism	52.50
Sunday Socials	8.00
Young Adults Group	25.00
Basketball Tournament	200.00
Confraternity of Christian Mothers	10.00
Online Giving (January 27 - February 2)	<u>4,859.93</u>
	\$13,579.93

January 2025 Building Fund: **\$14,171.50**

2024 DAC FINAL REPORT—The 2024 Diocesan Annual Campaign is officially closed, and St. Lawrence exceed our 2024 assessment by \$3,167.50, which will now be returned to the parish as a refund. The total given to the campaign by St. Lawrence families came to \$22,640.03. Thank you to the 41 families who made this possible. We are grateful for your generosity in helping St. Lawrence to perform its duty.

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.

HOMESCHOOL SOCCER PROGRAM—Parishioner Sarah Gervasio has coordinated a homeschool soccer program at Creekview Park in Mechanicsburg for all school-age children. Practices are Mondays and Wednesdays from 3-4:30pm. Games will be primarily Wednesdays, Fridays and a few Saturday mornings. Find more information at <https://www.eagle-fc.com/eagle-f-c-recreation/homeschool-program/> or contact Sarah Gervasio at 770-598-0929.

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