

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



May 11, 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.

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TODAY

Sunday, May 11

- Second Collection—Seminary Burse
- Sunday Socials by the Young Adult Group
- May Crowning (Mother's Day)
- Mother's Day Novena begins
- Sunday catechism (CCD)—9:15am
- Adult Catechism (in English)—12:15pm
- Adult Catechism (in Spanish)—12:15pm

UPCOMING

Tuesday, May 13

- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

Wednesday, May 14

- Dedication of St. Patrick's Cathedral Mass—6:30pm
- Young Adult Group Spiritual Conference—7:30pm

Friday, May 16

- Last Day of Friday Program classes

Saturday, May 17

- Pro-life Rosary—10:00am
- Confirmation interviews
- Adult Inquiry Class—3:30pm
- Youth Group—5:30pm

Sunday, May 18

- Inauguration of Pope Leo XIV
- Coronation of the Pope Votive Mass—10:30 High Mass
- Second Collection—Building Fund
- Last Day for CCD classes

Tuesday, May 20

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

Saturday, May 24

- Final interviews for Confirmation class

Thursday, May 29

- Ascension—Holy Day of Obligation

Friday, June 6

- First Friday
- Sacred Heart Devotion—5:30–7:30pm
- Highschool Graduation Mass & Reception
- Young Adult Group Dinner—8:00pm

Saturday, June 7

- First Saturday
- Holy Name Society—10:00am

Sunday, June 8

- Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, June 14

- Altar Boys Meeting—10:00am
- Girls' Sodality—10:00am

Thursday, June 19

- Corpus Christi Sung Mass—6:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. May 11	Third Sunday after Easter, II
7:30am	The Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter by the Parish
9:00am	Mother's Day Novena
10:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
6:00pm	†Dorothy Byers by Jane Jurosky
Mon. May 12	Ss. Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla and Pancras, Martyrs, III
7:10am	Mother's Day Novena
Tue. May 13	St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Confessor & Doctor, III
7:10am	Mother's Day Novena
Wed. May 14	Diocese: Anniversary of Dedication of Cathedral, I
7:10am	Protection of the Unborn
6:30pm	Mother's Day Novena
Thu. May 15	St. John Baptist de la Salle, Confessor, III
7:10am	Mother's Day Novena
Fri. May 16	St. Ubald, Bishop, III
7:10am	Mother's Day Novena
6:30pm	†C. Patrick Dennis by Timothy Dennis
Sat. May 17	St. Paschal Baylon, Confessor, III
9:00am	Mother's Day Novena
Sun. May 18	Fourth Sunday after Easter, II
7:30am	<i>Pro Populo</i>
9:00am	†Oliver Eschbach by Eric & Leslie Eschbach
10:30am	Tom McCleary by Eschbach Family
6:00pm	Mother's Day Novena

Banns of Marriage



Zachary Francis Grace and Angelina Marie Fonticoba

Be it known to all here present that Zachary Francis Grace, of the parish of St. Alphonsus Liguori, in Baltimore, Maryland, son of F. Michael and Suzanne Grace, of the parish of St. Clement, in Halethorpe, Maryland; and Angelina Marie Fonticoba, daughter of William and Stephanie Fonticoba, 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 third publication of the banns.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION—This week our second collection is for the Seminary Burse.

FR. BARRY TRAVELING—Fr. Barry is scheduled to be on vacation Monday, May 12, through Thursday, May 15.

TODAY: PROCESSION AND MAY CROWNING—Calling all students pre-k through 12th grade: We invite you to join the rest of the students in the parish in honoring Our Lady for the annual May crowning. Weather-permitting, all the students will line up by class on Buttonwood St. today at 9:40am. You do not need to be registered with Sunday CCD or the Friday Program to participate in this procession, you just need to desire to give honor to the Blessed Virgin.

TODAY: MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA—Our Mother's Day Novena intentions will include one Mass daily from May 11 through May 19. Mother's Day novena cards are available at the back of the church. You may place your cards in the collection baskets, or drop them off in the wall slots by the sacristy office or on the first floor of the parish center. Any intentions received after May 10, will be included in the Novena from the time we receive them.

MAY 17: YOUTH GROUP SATURDAY NIGHT—The parish youth group will meet at Roof Park in New Cumberland on Saturday (May 17) at 5:30pm for its monthly gathering of students ages 13 to 18. Come for outdoor games, socializing, and a potluck meal. Please be sure to RSVP, and for more information, contact Joelle Riethmiller at youthgroup@stlawrence.cc.

MAY 18: CHANT CAMP REGISTRATION—Monday, July 7, to Friday, July 11. Registration opens for Chant Camp 2025 for parishioners on May 18 and June 1 for non-parishioners. Each day includes instruction on sacred music, praying the Divine Office and culminates with an 11am Sung Mass on Friday, July 11, the feast of St. Pius, I, Pope & Martyr. Lunch, sports, and games are included each day at Wormleysburg Park. We are also looking for volunteers to help the camp run. Please email contact@stlawrence.cc if you would like to assist.

GRATITUDE FOR ALTAR DONATION—You may have noticed the beautiful lace on the altar cloth for Paschal tide. This lace was part of a shipment of altar cloths that the parish recently purchased for approximately \$3,000, and we are very grateful to a family in the parish that donated \$1,500 toward this purchase. May God reward them! We are still in need of ladies with experience in ironing and willing to contribute at least four hours per month to be part of the altar linen guild, which takes care of these valuable fabrics. If you would like to be part of this holy work, please email Kelly Jones at altarlinens@stlawrence.cc.

REGISTER FOR 2025-2026 FRIDAY PROGRAM—Registration for the Saint Lawrence Friday Program for K-12 grade is now open. Please register soon so we can organize the classes. Classes start Sept. 5, 2025 and go through May 15, 2026. There will be a mandatory parent meeting on Aug. 24, 2025, in the Aula Magna. The link to sign up is here: <https://stlawrence.cc/get-involved/friday-education-program>.

MAY 18: INAUGURATION OF POPE LEO XIV—The Holy See has announced that Pope Leo XIV will be inaugurated at a special Mass at St. Peter's next Sunday, May 18. Consequently, here at the parish, the High Mass on that day will be the votive Mass for the day of the Coronation of the Pope, the Introit of which begins with Statuit, which comes from the book of Sirach (45:30): "Therefore he made to him a covenant of peace, to be the prince of the sanctuary, and of his people, that the dignity of priesthood should be to him and to his seed for ever."

PART-TIME RECEPTIONIST NEEDED—Starting July 1, we are in need of someone to work four hours weekly with an opportunity for more as a receptionist, opening the door, answering the phone, and doing other administrative tasks. Current hours for this position are 8:00 to 10:00am Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Smith at contact@stlawrence.cc.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2025 CLOSED—We are grateful for the many Mass intention requests we receive. However, we are not accepting any new Mass intentions until further notice. Our dates are filled for the remainder of the year, and we are not yet accepting intentions for 2026. Any new requests received after today will be returned. If there is no return address, the money will be placed in the candle donation box.

JUN. 6: GRADUATION MASS & RECEPTION—All parish high school seniors will be honored with a Mass and reception on the Feast of the Sacred Heart, June 6. Mass begins at 6:30pm, followed by a reception in the Aula Magna of the parish center. If you have a high school senior who would like to participate, please sign up here: bit.ly/3UqZHkq

MORE USHERS NEEDED—We would be grateful for more men to be ushers for the Mass on Sundays and Holy Days. We especially need ushers for the 9am Sunday Mass. Ushers are responsible for warmly helping people to their seats, maintaining situational awareness, solving problems, and answering questions. If you are a man 18 years or older, are willing to wear a jacket and tie, and interested in helping, please contact our head usher, Mr. John Osuch, at ushers@stlawrence.cc.

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.

Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *Be Joyful Mary, Heavenly Queen*, 847
 Recessional hymn: *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*, 844
 Kyriale: Mass I, 696; Credo III, 776

Marian Antiphon: *Regina Caeli*, Antonio Lotti (1667–1740)
 Communion Motet: *Cantate Domino*, Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni

The motet *Cantate Domino* is a setting of Psalm 149:1–2 by Baroque Italian composer **Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni**. *O sing unto the Lord a new song: let the congregation of saints praise him. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King*. Pitoni's work, like much of late Baroque music, is tightly structured in small phrases with two main sections and follows the general format of "A-B-A.", also called ternary form. This form allows for restating of the initial text and for contrast in dynamic (how strong or quiet the music becomes).

Giuseppe Ottavio Pitoni (1657–1743) was an Italian vocalist, organist and composer. He studied voice from the age of five and became a *maestro di cappella* (choirmaster) at Santa Maria Maggiore, Monterotondo, a historic church near Rome by sixteen. Pitoni held director positions at many parishes in Rome and was a prominent church musician during the late Baroque era.

Banns of Marriage



Edward Richard Falvo III and Greta Eileen McKinney

Be it known to all here present that Edward Richard Falvo III, of the parish of Most Precious Blood in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, son of Edward and Arlene Falvo, of the parish of Saints Joachim and Anne in Elizabeth Pennsylvania; and Greta Eileen McKinney, of the quasi-parish of Saint Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg Pennsylvania, daughter of James and Jacqueline McKinney, of the parish of Saint Andrew in Lyndora 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.

Sunday Collections Week of May 4, 2025

Offertory	\$8,926.00
Catholic Home Missions	387.00
Good Friday	51.00
Easter	140.00
Mother's Day Novena	1,116.10
Funeral Memorial	250.00
Vestments	203.50
Bookstand	78.00
Friday Program	640.00
Young Adult Group	25.00
Catechism	62.50
Votives	76.00
Coffee Social	7.00
Online Giving (April 28 - May 4)	<u>6,028.70</u>
	\$17,990.80

April Building Fund **\$11,569.50**

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.

FOOD DONATIONS—Every week throughout the year, the Holy Name Society collects and delivers non-perishable food items and toiletries to the Silence of Mary Home in Harrisburg. This Catholic organization then distributes these items to the needy in the Harrisburg community. Their website (thesilenceofmary.org) provides a "wish list" regarding much needed donations. Donations can be placed in the basket in the narthex of St. Lawrence next to the Sacred Heart statue. May God reward your generosity!

JUN. 21: HARRISBURG SENATORS GAME—Play ball! It's baseball season once again. The St. Lawrence Youth Group June 21 event is at FNB Field for the Harrisburg Senators vs. Binghamton Rumble Ponies game. We invite all St. Lawrence parishioners and families to join us for the fun! Tickets can be purchased here: www.gofevo.com/event/Stlawrence4. Our church will receive a portion of the ticket sales. See you at the game!

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