# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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

November 22, 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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**Parish Office Hours**: Tuesday to Saturday; 8:00am to 4:00pm
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## TODAY

**Sunday, November 22**
- Second Collection—Matthew 25
- Adult Catechism

## UPCOMING

**Tuesday, November 24**
- Legion of Mary—6:30pm

**Thursday, November 26**
- Thanksgiving Day

**Saturday, November 28**
- Confraternity of Christian Mothers—10am
- Christmas Market

**Sunday, November 29**
- First Sunday of Advent
- No CCD classes

**Friday, December 4**
- First Friday
- Sacred Heart Devotion—5:30pm

**Saturday, December 5**
- First Saturday Devotion
- Rorate Mass—6:30am
- Holy Name Society—10am

**Tuesday, December 8**
- Immaculate Conception

**Saturday, December 12**
- Altar Boy Meeting—10am
- Girls Sodality—10am

**Tuesday, December 15**
- Knights of Columbus—6pm

**Wednesday, December 16**
- St. Jude Devotion

**Saturday, December 19**
- Pro-life Rosary—10am
- Youth Group—5:30pm

**Thursday, December 24**
- Christmas Eve

**Friday, December 25**
- Christmas Day

**Friday, January 1, 2027**
- Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

**Tuesday, January 5**
- Vigil of the Epiphany
- Blessing of Epiphany Water

**Wednesday, January 6**
- Feast of the Epiphany

**Sunday, January 24**
- Septuagesima Sunday

**Sunday, January 31**
- Sexagesima Sunday

**Tuesday, February 2**
- Candlemas

**Sunday, February 7**
- Quinquagesima Sunday

**Tuesday, February 9**
- Fat Tuesday

**Wednesday, February 10**
- Ash Wednesday

**Sunday, February 14**
- First Sunday of Lent

**Saturday, March 13**
- Confirmation

**Sunday, March 28**
- Easter Sunday

## MASS INTENTIONS

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|---|---|
| **Sun. Nov. 22** | **Twenty-fourth and Last Sunday after Pentecost**, *II* |
| 7:30am | Joseph Sexton, Jr. by Joseph & Jeanette Sexton |
| 9:00am | Patricia Duncan by Kevin Ritchie |
| 10:30am | *Pro populo* |
| 6:00pm | †Marlin Duncan by Michael Gorre |
| **Mon. Nov. 23** | **St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr**, *III* |
| 7:10am | Sebastian, Chris & Maria by William & Stephanie Fonticoba |
| 9:30am | †Caroline Pitman |
| **Tue. Nov. 24** | **St. John of the Cross, Confessor & Doctor**, *III* |
| 7:10am | †Mr. & Mrs. Peter Baker by Judith Boutin |
| **Wed. Nov. 25** | **St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr**, *III* |
| 7:10am | †Darrell by Surgi |
| 6:30pm | Joanna Estrada by Kevin Kelly |
| **Thu. Nov. 26** | **St. Sylvester, Abbot**, *III* |
| 7:10am | Joseph M. Mackin, Sr. by Michael P. Mackin |
| 9:00am | Maxwell Melching by Jamison & Kelly Jones |
| **Fri. Nov. 27** | **Feria**, *IV* |
| 7:10am | Stephanie Fonticoba by Juliana Fonticoba |
| 6:30pm | †Janeann Kakalecz by Kelly Jones for the Altar Linens Guild |
| **Sat. Nov. 28** | **Saturday of Our Lady**, *IV* |
| 9:00am | The Confraternity of Christian Mothers by Jennifer Delp |
| **Sun. Nov. 29** | **First Sunday of Advent**, *I* |
| 7:30am | *Pro populo* |
| 9:00am | Joanne Pitman by the Barry Family |
| 10:30am | Legion of Mary Members Living and Deceased by Mater Dei Le |
| 6:00pm | Edmund Washington by Samuel Jones |

### Banns of Marriage

**Thomas Joseph Phelan and Cristina Chua**




Be it known to all here present that Thomas Joseph Phelan, of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, son of the late William and Mary Una Phelan, of the chapel of Our Lady of Fatima, in Pequannock, New Jersey; and Cristina Chua, of the quasi-parish of St. Lawrence of Rome, Deacon and Martyr, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of the late Carlos and Teodosia Chua, of the cathedral parish of the Immaculate Conception, in Cotabato City, Philippines, 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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advertising@stlawrence.cc.....Nathan Kreider

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Practice weekly—music@stlawrence.cc.....Paul Thomas May

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**CCD: Sunday Catechism, *K-12***
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**Confraternity of St. Peter**
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**Girls Sodality**
Ages 9-14—girlssodality@stlawrence.cc.....Rebecca Mack

**Guild of St. Stephen**
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**Knights of Columbus**
Monthly—knights@stlawrence.cc.....Malakye Wilson

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Weekly—legionofmary@stlawrence.cc.....Joseph Cunningham

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ushers@stlawrence.cc.....John Osuch

**Wedding Coordinator**
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**Youth Group**
Ages 13-18, Monthly—yg@stlawrence.cc.....Joelle Riethmiller

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SECOND COLLECTION**—There is a second collection this week for the Matthew 25 Collection.

**TODAY: ADULT CATECHISM**—The adult catechism program continues today from 12:15 to 12:45pm. Father will cover "The matter: wheaten and unleavened bread; wine, and water mixed with the wine," using the catechism of the council of Trent and St. Thomas Aquinas as our guides. The syllabus can be found at: bit.ly/stlawrence-adultcatechism2627

**NOV. 23: FUNERAL FOR CAROLINE PITMAN**—We will be having a Funeral Mass for the soul of our recently deceased parishioner, Caroline Pitman, on Monday, Nov. 23, at 9:30am. The Funeral Mass will be preceded by the Office of the Dead beginning at 9:05am. Visitation will be on Sunday, Nov. 22, from 6 to 8pm at Neill Funeral Home in Harrisburg, with the Rosary at 7:30pm. Burial will be at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Mechanicsburg. We hope that you can join us for this important spiritual work of mercy. Her obituary can be found at: bit.ly/stlawrence-pitman

**NOV. 24: FR. MCCANN VACATION**—Father McCann will be on vacation Nov. 24 to Dec. 13.

**NOV. 26: PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**—Our parish office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

**NOV. 26: MASS ON THANKSGIVING DAY**—There is no better way to give thanks to God than to piously assist at Holy Mass. Indeed, the word eucharist means giving thanks. Therefore, since we know there will be no work for most of you Thursday, Nov. 26, come to Mass, give thanks, then go celebrate with your families. From Dom Gueranger: "Then the Priest says: Sursum Corda! lift up your hearts! The Priest requires that their hearts be detached from earthly thoughts, so that they may be directed on God alone; for the Prayer he is about to make is that of Thanksgiving. Admire how well placed is this Prayer here, for the Priest is on the point of accomplishing the Sacrifice of the Body and Blood of Our Lord, and this Sacrifice is verily for us the Instrument of Thanksgiving; it is the means whereby we are enabled to render back to God that which we owe him." Masses are at 7:10am and 9am.

**NOV. 28: PARISH CHRISTMAS MARKET**—The ladies from the Confraternity of Christian Mothers are organizing a Christmas Market from 11:45am to 2pm featuring products sold by parishioners themselves. Come to do your Christmas shopping and support our parishioners! See the insert for details.

**DEC. 5: RORATE MASS**—In honor of Our Lady, we will celebrate a Rorate Mass on Saturday, Dec. 5, at 6:30am. The Rorate Mass is held in darkness illuminated by candlelight before dawn. All are welcome.

**CONSECRATION PREPARATION CONTINUES**—We invite all parishioners to participate in a Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary according to the method of St. Louis de Montfort. We will use the simple method proposed in Preparation for Total Consecration According to St. Louis de Montfort. We will have the consecration on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Dec. 8, which is the patronal feast of the United States. Preparation began Thursday, November 5. Though this preparation will be done by individuals and families privately, we will recite this consecration publicly as a parish after the Masses on Dec. 8. Preparation for Total Consecration booklets are available at the entrance of the church.

**DEC. 8: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**—7:10am, 12:15pm, and 6:30pm.

**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.

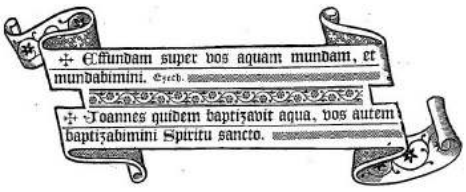
**FSSP MISSION TRIP**—Men ages 18-25 are invited to serve the poor on a twelve-day mission trip Dec. 31 to Jan. 13 with Bosco Ministries to Guadalajara, Mexico. Applications are due Dec. 1 at bit.ly/stlawrence-mexico26. A missionary fundraising coach will personally assist each man, and most go at little to no personal financial cost.

**PARISH ROOM RESERVATIONS**—In trying to balance the needs of the many different groups and individuals in our parish, we are trying a new room reservation system for the spaces that make up our campus, including the schoolhouse, the old State Street Academy of Music, and the Parish Center. If you would like to reserve a room, email your request to agent.rooms@stlawrence.cc, including all relevant details. The office will review your request and approve it if possible.

**FROM THE PARISH LIBRARIAN**—Please note that the CCD Books available for emergency borrowing on Sundays are now on display in the librarian's office on the grey trolley. Additionally, if you wish to take a book out and the display is not functioning, please use the cards to write down your name, the title of the book and the barcode that is on the back of the book. Then place the cards on the desk. Thank you!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ELECTION**—Congratulations to Matthew Creavey, elected as grand knight, and the other officers elected to temporary terms Tuesday, Nov. 17, to complete the terms ending next summer. May God reward them!

Congratulations To
Brendan and Meredith McCarrick
On the Baptism of their Son
**Patrick Francis McCarrick**
November 11, 2026




Congratulations To
**Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Favilla**
United in Holy Matrimony
November 14, 2026



## Notes on Today's Music

Processional hymn: *O God, Almighty Father*, 877
Marian Antiphon: *Salve Regina*, Simple chant
Credo IV, 780
Kyriale: *Missa O Quam Gloriosum*, Rev. Tomás Luis de Victoria (c.1548–1611)
Offertory Antiphon: *De Profundis*, Estêvão Lopes Morago
Communion Antiphon: *Amen, Dico Vobis*, John Mason

*De Profundis* is the Offertory Antiphon which repeats for the final Sundays after Pentecost. The text is from the beginning two verses of Psalm 130 and today's setting is composed by **Estêvão Lopes Morago**. Though the motet does not have overt rhythmic or harmonic complexities, it conveys the message of the Psalm effectively by other means. One technique Morago employs is that each time a voice sings *clamavi* (cry) a neighboring voice sings the same phrase a little higher or stronger. Another intriguing aspect of the composition is how even though it does not use any melody from the Gregorian Antiphon, it is clearly in the same ancient melodic mode as the original chant; because of this the schola is able to sing verses from the *offertoriale* to lengthen the music and repeat the respond.

**Estêvão Lopes Morago (c.1575–c.1630)** was a Spanish-born composer who studied, lived, worked and died in Portugal. He was a canon and choirmaster of Viseu Cathedral. Morago composed motets, responsories, psalms, *Magnificats*, and a *Requiem*. His work is considered to be highly innovative in the Iberian Peninsula.

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**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 November 15, 2026

| | Cash | Online |
|---|---|---|
| Offertory | $4,674.00 | $6,000.76 |
| Bookstore | 205.00 | 94.49 |
| Sunday Social | — | 10.00 |
| All Saints Day | 110.00 | — |
| All Souls Day/Novena | 114.00 | — |
| **General Income** | | **$11,208.25** |
| ALLOCATED GIFTS | | |
| Vestments | — | $87.00 |
| Seminary Burse | 10.00 | 131.00 |
| **Allocated Gifts** | | **$228.00** |

## Weekly Budget Report

| | *Week to Nov. 15* | *FY27 to Date* | *%* |
|---|---|---|---|
| **General Income** | | | |
| *Received* | $11,208.25 | $284,052.01 | *101%* |
| *Budget* | $14,096.00 | $281,920.00 | |
| **Building Fund** | | | |
| *Received* | $3,527.00 | $48,108.17 | *104%* |
| *Budget* | $2,308.00 | $46,160.00 | |
| **Diocesan Annual Campaign (DAC)** (*CY26 to Date*) | | | |
| *Received* | $0.00 | $7,476.00 | *36%* |
| *Budget* | $453.00 | $20,841.00 | |
| **Capital Campaign** (*Generation to Generations*) | | | |
| *Received* | $8,393.70 | $178,682.19 | *70%* |
| *Budget* | $12,757.00 | $255,134.00 | |
| *Campaign to Date* | | | |
| *Total Received* | | $877,834.57 | |
| *Total Pledged* | | $2,181,693.00 | |


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