

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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



MASS TIMES

Sunday: 7:30am (Low Mass), 9:00am (Low Mass), 11:00am
(Sung Mass), 6:00pm (Low Mass)

Monday: 7:10am

Tuesday: 7:10am

Wednesday: 6:15am, 7:00pm

Thursday: 7:10am

Friday: 7:10am, 6:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Before each Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

SUNDAY: 5:30pm

(Solemn with Benediction)

Tuesday: 8am—1pm (Solemn with Benediction)

Friday: 5:30—6:25pm (Simple Adoration)

Saturday: 8:00—8:50am (Solemn with Benediction)

DEVOTIONS

St. Jude: 3rd Wednesday, 6:00pm

Sacred Heart: 1st Friday, following 6:30pm Mass

DIVINE OFFICE

Vespers: 2nd & 4th Sunday, 5:30pm

Compline: 1st Friday, 7:00pm

Fr. James Smith, FSSP - Pastor

pastor@stlawrence.cc

Fr. John Killackey, FSSP - Assistant Pastor

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music@stlawrence.cc

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St. Tarcisius

Ages 5-12, 1st Saturday

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Youth Group

Ages 13-18, 3rd Saturday

youthgroup@stlawrence.ccDawn Forbeck

St. Catherine of Siena Young Adult Group

Ages 18-35, Meets monthly

assistant.pastor@stlawrence.ccFr. Killackey

Choir & Choristers

Practice weekly

music@stlawrence.ccPaul Thomas May

Holy Name Society

Meets monthly

holyname@stlawrence.ccAnthony Patterson

Knights of the Altar

Altar Servers

altarboys@stlawrence.ccEd Pitman

Church Cleaning

Rotates weekly

Clean@materdeipa.comKristin Patterson

Girls Junior Sodality

Girls Age 9 - High School

girlssodality@stlawrence.ccRebecca Mack

Meal Train

mealtrain@stlawrence.ccAlyssa Showers

Prayer Chainprayers@materdeipa.com

Tuesday Adoration

Tuesdays 8am-1pm

tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.ccAmanda Healy

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Dec. 12 7:30am 9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	3rd Sunday of Advent, I (Gaudete Sunday) +Marco d'Avila by Ben Hiebert +John Byers by Jane Jurosky +Timothy & Mary Ann Marney by Michael Kennedy Pro Populo
Mon. Dec. 13 7:10am	St. Lucy, III +Paulo Roberto Rosa by Ben Hiebert
Tues. Dec. 14 7:10am	Feria of Advent, III +John Byers by Jane Jurosky
Wed. Dec. 15 6:15am 7:00pm	Ember Wednesday of Advent, II +Olison Guselmin by Ben Hiebert Special Intention
Thurs. Dec. 16 7:10am	St. Eusebius, III Special Intention
Fri. Dec. 17 7:10am 6:30pm	Ember Friday of Advent, II +Rose Bradley by Cecilia Nico +Darrin Edward Bloch by Gina Pitman
Sat. Dec. 18 9:00am	Ember Saturday of Advent, II Protection of the Unborn
Sun. Dec. 19 7:30am 9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	4th Sunday of Advent, I +Msgr. James V. Hobbs by Michael Kennedy +Dorothy & John Czarnomski by John E. Czarnomski +John M. Rozman by Jack Rozman Pro Populo

PROPERS OF THE MASS

Lesson Phil 4:4-7

Brethren: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Let your moderation be known to all men. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety, but in every prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your petitions be made known to God. And may the peace of God which surpasses all understanding guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Gospel John 1:19-28

At that time, the Jews sent to John from Jerusalem priests and Levites to ask him, Who are you? And he acknowledged and did

not deny; and he acknowledged, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Are you Elias? And he said, I am not. Are you the Prophet? And he answered, No. They therefore said to him, Who are you? that we may give an answer to those who sent us. What have you to say of yourself? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the desert, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as said Isaias the prophet. And they who had been sent were from among the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said to him, Why, then, do you baptize, if you are not the Christ, nor Elias, nor the

TODAY

Sunday, December 12

- Catechism Classes—10:10-10:50
- Altar Server Meeting—after 11am Mass
- Young Adult Brunch—1pm
- Vespers—5pm—Exposition—5:30pm

UPCOMING

Monday, December 13

- Adult Inquiry Class—6pm-6:55pm
- Adult Catechism Class—7pm-8pm

Tuesday, December 14

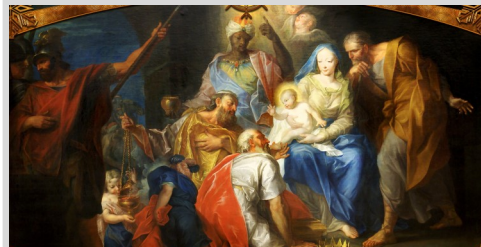
- Adoration—8am-1pm
- Legion of Mary Meeting—7:30pm

Saturday, December 18

- Bishop Gainer—10am Solemn Pontifical High Mass—Reception at Civic Club

Saturday, December 25—Christmas Day

- Midnight—Mass
- 7:30am—Mass
- 9:00am—Mass
- 11:00am—High Mass



Wednesday, January 5

- 5pm—Blessing of Epiphany Water at Vespers

January 6—13

- Epiphany Blessings at Homes

Prophet? John said to them in answer, I baptize with water; but in the midst of you there has stood One Whom you do not know. He it is Who is to come after me, Who has been set above me, the strap of Whose sandal I am not worthy to loose. These things took place at Bethany, beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



BISHOP GAINER TO VISIT ST. LAWRENCE DEC. 18

As you know, Bishop Gainer has done very much for our Latin Mass Community here at St. Lawrence, and to commemorate that work, and to show his affection and care for the people here, he plans to visit our Parish on Saturday, Dec. 18, 10am, offer a Solemn Pontifical

Mass, and to install Fr. Smith as Pastor. We are also delighted that Fr. Gregory Eichman, FSSP, our former chaplain, will come to assist the bishop on this visit. This will be another great day in our parish's life as the bishop commemorates the work that the Lord has done here since this community was established in 1988.

As bishop, Bp. Gainer is one of the successors of the apostles and pastor of all the souls in the diocese. All of the priests throughout the diocese assist him by taking care of the various parishes, but only insofar as they have been authorized and sent by him, as St. Paul says: "And how shall they hear, without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they be sent?" (Rom. 10:14-15). We are very grateful not only for what our bishop has done for us, but also that he continues to take care of those in his flock who love the traditional Latin Mass. We expect a large number of people to come to this Saturday morning Mass, and we plan to provide parking at the parking garage that day, as well as to have a reception afterwards.

Reception following Solemn Pontifical Mass will be at the Civic Club of Harrisburg, 612 N Front Street. Free parking is available at the South Street Garage.



FSSP 2022 Calendars: You will find the calendars on the back table inside the Church. The cost is \$11.00. Please place payment in metal box labeled Calendars. Thank you!

Blessings of Homes for Epiphany—The priests will visit homes of the Faithful to give the traditional home blessing with the Epiphany water created on a special ceremony on the vigil of the Epiphany (Jan. 5). The priests will organize their visits so that they will spend about 15 to 30 minutes at each home, which will include: blessing each room with incense (in remembrance of the gift of Frankincense from the Magi) and Epiphany water (in remembrance of the Baptism of Our Lord, also commemorated at the Feast of the Epiphany), then using the chalk blessed on the Epiphany, they will mark the main door of the house with the symbol 20 C + M + B 22. This home blessing, one of the most beautiful sacramentals the Church provides, will be done during the octave of the Epiphany (Jan. 6 to 13) on a first-come, first-come basis for those who request it. For those who can not be accommodated this year, we will put them first on the list for next year. If you would like to avail yourselves of this beautiful tradition, make your request by sending a message to epiphanyblessing@stlawrence.cc. All requests must be made before Jan. 1. The priests would be able to visit more homes if they could be driven from home to home by a father-son team, with the father driving and the son dressed in cassock and surplice assisting the priest for the blessings. If a father and son are able to volunteer for this duty, please email the same address and indicate what day (or days) you would be able to help.

Young Adults—Today, Sunday, Dec. 12: For any young adults (ages 18-35) the St. Lawrence Young Adult Group will be meeting today, Sunday, Dec. 12, 1pm at Squeaky Rail Diner (505 N Enola Rd, Enola, PA 17025) for brunch. We will meet there around 1pm. For further information email Fr. Killackey at assistant.pastor@stlawrence.cc.

HNS Membership Drive Bulletin Announcement

Catholic men 18 years of age and older are invited to join the St. Lawrence Holy Name Society. Information about this traditional confraternity can be found at www.nahns.com. There will be a new member induction ceremony in early January and all eligible males are encouraged to consider this spiritual and social opportunity. To seek enrollment or for additional information about the specific activities of the Holy Name Society at St. Lawrence, please contact Anthony Patterson at holynamesociety@stlawrence.cc.

Book-sales Table—Items for sale: After 9am & 11am Mass
2022 FSSP Calendars: \$11.00
Children's Illustrated Calendar- 4-piece: 18x24 inch posters.
4-piece Calendar set: \$29.00
Mother Love: \$18.00
Angelus Press Hand Missal: \$55.00

Calling More Altar Boys: All boys of St. Lawrence who have received their 1st Holy Communion are invited to become altar boys starting January 2. We will have new altar boys start as torch bearers for the Sunday High Masses, then as they learn their responses and server rubrics, they will be given a chance to start serving Low Masses. For more information, please email altarboys@stlawrence.cc.

Volunteers needed— December 18:

Volunteers for the reception following the Bishop's Pontifical Mass.

Set up Civic Club—5-6 volunteers

Set up upstairs—3 volunteers

Set up Bishop's food table—1 volunteer

Monitor food table during event—4 volunteers

Monitor drink table during event—2 volunteers

Cleanup Civic Club—10 volunteers

Openings in the Choir at St. Lawrence: The choir has openings for additional dedicated volunteers and three qualified section leaders.



Members are expected to be

available for Thursday evening rehearsals, Sunday 11 am Masses throughout the year, and for other important Feast Days as notified. Volunteers with previous choral experience are preferred, but those with strong desire may be considered at the discretion of the Music Director. Section Leader positions are available for Soprano, Alto, and Tenor; all applicants must audition and demonstrate strong vocal musicianship. Inquiries can be directed to Paul Thomas May at music@stlawrence.cc

Sunday Socials returning in January: We will begin our Sunday Socials in January after the 9am and 11am Mass. The goal is to have many volunteers so that volunteers only have to do their duty once every month or two, and volunteers are needed in the following areas:

Doughnut Procurement: (1 volunteer weekly; 6—8 volunteers in rotation) Instructions will be provided for ordering and picking up doughnuts at your local Giant. The volunteer then deliver the doughnuts to the social hall kitchen prior to the 9am Mass.

Coffee Social Setup: (2—4 volunteers needed weekly) Prepare the social hall for the coffee social. This involves preparing the coffee and drink table and setting up the refreshment table.

Coffee Social Cleanup: (2—4 volunteers needed weekly) Clean social hall after 4pm.

Coffee Social Greeter: (1 volunteer needed weekly) Greet parishioners at the door and let them into the Social Hall.

Please contact email socials@stlawrence.cc to volunteer.

Expectant Mothers: If you are expecting a child and registered in the Community, please let us know so we can put your expected date in our date book and rejoice with your family! Please notify us at contact@stlawrence.cc

Processional Hymn O come, O come, Emmanuel



O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free Thine own from Satan's tyranny; From depths of hell Thy people save, And give them victory over the grave.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Day-spring, come and cheer Our spirits by Thine advent here; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadows put to flight.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Recessional Hymn On Jordan's Bank

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry announces that the Lord is nigh; Awake and harken for he brings glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every soul from sin; make straight the way for God within, Prepare we in our hearts a home where such a mighty Guest may come.

For thou art our salvation, Lord, our refuge and our great reward; Without thy grace we waste away like flowers that wither and decay.

All praise, eternal Son, to Thee whose advent sets Thy people free, Whom, with the Father, we adore, and Holy Ghost, forevermore.

