

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

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Legion of Mary

Meets weekly

Legionofmary@stlawrence.cc Daniel Jones

St. Tarcisius

Ages 5-12, 1st Saturday

sttarcisius@stlawrence.cc Loretta Ferguson

Youth Group

Ages 13-18, 3rd Saturday

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St. Catherine of Siena Young Adult Group

Ages 18-35, Meets monthly

assistant.pastor@stlawrence.cc Fr. Killackey

Choir & Choristers

Practice weekly

music@stlawrence.cc Paul Thomas May

Holy Name Society

Meets monthly

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Knights of the Altar

Altar Servers

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Church Cleaning

Rotates weekly

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Girls Junior Sodality

Girls Age 9 - High School

girlssodality@stlawrence.cc Rebecca Mack

Meal Train

mealtrain@stlawrence.cc Alyssa Showers

Prayer Chain prayers@materdeipa.com

Tuesday Adoration

Tuesdays 8am-1pm

tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.cc Amanda Healy

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Jan. 2 7:30am 9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	Most Holy Name of Jesus, II Pro Populo FSSP by the Fonticoba family Holy Souls in Purgatory by Christopher Simpson Anthony DiSanto and family by M/M Charles Stoner
Mon. Jan. 3 7:10am	Feria in Christmastide, IV Confraternity of St. Peter by Suzanne Pitman
Tues. Jan. 4 7:10am	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, III Intention of DiCamillo family by Barbara Sexton
Wed. Jan. 5 6:15am 7:00pm	Feria in Christmastide, IV Justin Basham by the Fonticoba family Confraternity of FSSP by Celine Gudelski
Thurs. Jan. 6 7:10am	The Epiphany of the Lord, I +Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Boutin by Judith Boutin
Fri. Jan. 7 7:10am 6:30pm	Feria of Epiphany IV The Fonticoba & Sahd families by Fonticoba family Intentions of FSSP by the Archer family
Sat. Jan. 8 9:00am	Saturday of Our Lady, IV Paula Pronico by Charles and Chris Stoner
Sun. Jan. 9 7:30am 9:00am 11:00am 6:00pm	Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, II Jack & Donna Simpson 49th Wedding Anniversary by Christopher Simpson Pro Populo For the Fraternity and the preservation of the Traditional Mass For the Fraternity and the preservation of the Traditional Mass

PROPERS OF THE MASS

Acts 4:8-12

In those days, Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said, Rulers of the people and elders, if we are on trial today about a good work done to a cripple, as to how this man has been cured, be it known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that in the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, Whom you crucified, Whom God has raised from the dead, even in this Name does he stand here before you, sound. This is 'The stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.' Neither is there salvation in any oth

er. For there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.

Luke 2:21

At that time, when eight days were fulfilled for the circumcision of the Child, His name was called Jesus, the name given Him by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.



TODAY

Sunday, January 2

- Sunday Socials—After 9am & 11am Mass
- No Catechism Classes
- Vespers—5pm—Exposition—5:30pm

UPCOMING

Monday, January 3

- Adult Inquiry Class—No Class
- Adult Catechism Class—No Class

Wednesday, January 5

- 5pm—Blessing of Epiphany Water at Vespers

January 6—13

- Epiphany Blessings of Homes

Saturday, January 8

- Altar Boy Meeting—after 9am Mass

Sunday, January 9

- Sunday Socials—After 9am & 11am Mass
- Catechism Classes—10:10am –10:50am
- Young Adult—Squeaky Rail—1pm
- Vespers—5pm—Exposition—5:30pm

Saturday, January 15

- Pro-life Rosary—after 9am Mass

Friday, January 21

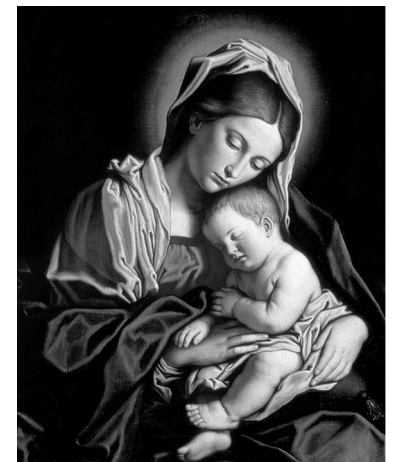
- March for Life Washington, DC—8:30am

Wednesday, February 2

- Feast of the Purification

Sunday, February 13

- Septuagesima Sunday



ANNOUNCEMENTS

From Dom Guéranger's *The Liturgical Year*: THE second Sunday after the Epiphany, which recalls the Marriage feast of Cana, was at first chosen as the day on which to honour the most holy Name of Jesus. It is on the Wedding Day that the Bridegroom gives his Name to the Bride, and it is the sign that, from that day forward, she belongs to him alone. The Church, therefore, wishing to honour a name so precious to her with a special feast, could find no day more appropriate for it than that of the Marriage at Cana. But now she has chosen for the celebration of this august Name, a day closer to the Anniversary on which it was given, 'after eight days were accomplished, his name was called Jesus'; she leaves, however, the commemoration of the Sacred Nuptials to the Sunday of which it has ever been the glory.

In the Old Covenant, the Name of God inspired fear and awe: nor was the honour of pronouncing it granted to all the children of Israel. We can understand this. God had not yet come down from heaven to live on earth, and converse with men; he had not yet taken upon himself our poor nature, and become Man like ourselves; the sweet Name expressive of love and tenderness, could not be applied to him.

But, when the fulness of time had come—when the mystery of love was about to be revealed—then did heaven send down the Name of 'Jesus' to our earth, as a pledge of the speedy coming of him who was to bear it. The archangel Gabriel said to Mary: Thou shalt call his Name Jesus. 'Jesus' means Saviour. How sweet will this Name not be to poor lost man! It seems to link earth to heaven! No name is so amiable, none is so powerful. Every knee in heaven, on earth, and in hell, bows in adoration at hearing this Name! and yet, who can pronounce it, and not feel love spring up within his heart? But we need such a saint as Bernard, to tell us of the power and sweetness of this blessed Name. He thus speaks of it in one of his Sermons.

"The Name of Jesus is Light, and Food, and Medicine. It is Light, when it is preached to us; it is Food, when we think upon it; it is the Medicine that soothes our pains when we invoke it. Let us say a word on each of these. Tell me, whence came there, into the whole world, so bright and sudden a light, if not from the preaching of the Name of Jesus? Was it not by the light of this Name that God called us unto his admirable Light? Wherewith being enlightened, and in this light, seeing the Light, we take these words of Paul as truly addressed to ourselves: Heretofore, you were darkness; but now, light in the Lord."



CALLING ALL ALTAR BOYS AND THOSE INTERESTED



Next meeting is Saturday, Jan. 8. All boys of the parish who have received their First Holy Communion are invited to become altar boys. To do so, attend one of the monthly meetings, which happen on the second Saturday of each month. The schedule of the monthly meeting is: attend 9 am Mass; make a private thanksgiving at your seat; go to the social hall for a brief breakfast with the other boys; go to one of the classrooms for a meeting with one of the priests and the adult leaders (Mr. Ed Pitman and Mr. Jack Rozman) where attendance will be taken, new boys welcomed, and a spiritual talk from the priest; then various practices of the ceremonies of Mass will be done. At 11:30 am, the boys will stop for recreation, and by noon, they will wash up and return to the social hall, pray the Angelus, and have pizza for lunch, and the parents should pick up the boys at 12:30 pm. The purchase of the food is organized by the mothers of the altar boys, with the task rotating each month, and the parish reimbursing the expenses. Email altarboys@stlawrence.cc with any questions.

Legion of Mary: "For this is the will of God, your sanctification: . . ." (First Epistle of St. Paul to the Thessalonians Chpt 4, vs 3). This is the goal of the Legion of Mary, to sanctify its members by actively bringing souls to Christ through the work of Our Lady. Please consider becoming an active member. Guests are always welcome to attend meetings. Contact Daniel Jones at legionofmary@stlawrence.cc for more information The first meeting of 2022 will be Monday, January 3rd at 5:45 PM.

COFFEE AND DOUGHNUT SOCIALS RETURN TODAY!—We are very happy that as of today we will once again have our socials in the basement after the 9 am and 11 am Masses. We invite everyone to come and get to know your fellow parishioners. To get to the basement, please go through the courtyard (through the door on the Epistle side of the Church), or by exiting the front of the church and entering through the exterior door on Buttonwood Street.

March for Life: St. Lawrence Parish will be renting a charter bus to attend the March for Life on Friday, January 21, 2022 in Washington D.C. The bus will leave the Harrisburg East Mall Parking lot at 8:30am and will return at approximately 5:30pm. The cost is \$25 for adults, \$10 for children, and \$50 for a family of four or more. To reserve your seat, contact prolife@stlawrence.cc

ANY RETIRED GENTLEMEN HAVE A DAY OR TWO TO SPARE?—As of publication, 56 families have signed up for the Epiphany blessings, which is an absolute joy to see so many families interested in this beautiful sacramental of the church. To reach all of these homes, however, in the midst of the other parish duties, is quite time consuming for the priests. It would be quite helpful if a retired gentleman would be willing to drive the priest (in the priest's car or his own) from home to home so he can quickly visit many families, all the while praying his office and tending to parish business between stops. If you are able to help, please email epiphanyblessing@stlawrence.cc.

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



Music Lessons: Would you like to have your children enrolled in music lessons? The State Street Academy (SSA), which is located in the St. Lawrence lower level, accepts students for a semester-length course of lessons in an instrument of choice with a recital at the end of the semester. There are skilled teachers for lessons in piano, violin, and voice among other instruments. In the coming semester the SSA will be able to offer instruction in harp if there is enough interest. For further inquiries on price and/or to reserve a spot for harp lessons, please send an email to Paul Thomas May at music@stlawrence.cc.

STARTING TODAY, JANUARY 2: We will begin our Sunday Socials 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.

Young Adults: For any young adults (ages 18-35) interested, the Mater Dei Young Adult Group will be meeting after the 11am Mass next Sunday, Jan. 9, at Squeaky Rail Diner (505 N Enola Rd, Enola, PA 17025) to have brunch together. We will meet there around 1pm. For further information about the Mater Dei Young Adult Group, email Fr. Killackey at assistant.pastor@stlawrence.cc

Processional Hymn What Child is this?



What Child is this, who, laid to rest On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King whom shepherds guard
and angels sing; Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
the Babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies He in such mean estate,
Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christians, fear,
for sinners here The Silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spears shall pierce Him through,
The cross be borne for me, for you.
Hail, hail the Word made flesh,
The Babe, the Son of Mary.

So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come peasant king to own Him;
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise a song on high,
The virgin sing her lullaby.
Joy, joy, for Christ is born,
The Babe the Son of Mary.

Recessional Hymn Angels We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing over the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echo back their joyous strains.

Refrain: Gloria in excelsis Deo,
Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

Refrain: Gloria in excelsis Deo,
Gloria, in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see Him
Whose birth the angels sing;
Come adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Refrain: Gloria in excelsis Deo,
Gloria, in excelsis Deo.