# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

Home of the Mater Dei Community
Staffed by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter



# **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:** 8:00am—1:00pm (Solemn with Benediction)

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

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

# **DEVOTIONS**

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

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

# **DIVINE OFFICE**

**Vespers**: Every Sunday, 5:00pm **Compline:** 1st Friday, 7:00pm Fr. James Smith, FSSP - Pastor

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#### **Choir & Choristers**

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

# **Church Cleaning**

Rotates weekly—clean@stlawrence.cc.....Kristin Patterson

#### **Confraternity of Christian Mothers**

Monthly—mothers@stlawrence.cc.....Stephanie Fonticoba

#### **Girls Junior Sodality**

Girls Age 9 - HS—girlssodality@stlawrence.cc......Rebecca Mack

#### **Holy Name Society**

Monthly—holyname@stlawrence.cc.....William Gabig

#### **Knights of the Altar**

Altar Servers—altarboys@stlawrence.cc.....Ed Pitman

### **Knights of Columbus**

Monthly—knights@stlawrence.cc.....Josh Logan

#### Mater Dei Praesidium of The Legion of Mary

### **Meal Train**

mealtrain@stlawrence.cc......Alyssa Showers

# Prayer Chain prayers@stlawrence.cc.....Fr. Cortes

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# St. Catherine of Siena Young Adult Group

18-35, Monthly—youngadult@stlawrence.cc....Fr. Cortes

#### St. Tarcisius

Ages 5-12, Monthly—sttarcisius@stlawrence.cc...Loretta Ferguson

#### **Tuesday Adoration**

Tuesdays 8-1pm—tuesdayadoration@stlawrence.cc...Amanda Healy

#### Youth Group

Ages 13-18, Monthly—youthgroup@stlawrence.cc..Joelle Riethmiller

# MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Aug. 28 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, II

7:30am Chris & Tammy Halecky by Charles & Christina Stoner

9:00am Mr. Shane Conlon, FSSP 11:00am +Mother Marie Luisa, OCD

6:00pm Juliana Renda by the Renda family

Mon. Aug. 29 The Beheading of St. John the Baptist, III

7:10am +Mr. & Mrs. Charles O'Connell, Sr. by Bill O'Connell

Tues. Aug. 30 St. Rose of Lima, Virgin, III

7:10am Mary Grist by Steven Grist

Wed. Aug. 31 St. Raymond Nonnatus, Confessor, III

6:15am +Mr. & Mrs. George Fonner by Bill O'Connell

7:00pm +Irene Kunigonis by Janice Sigler

Thurs. Sept. 1 Feria, IV

7:10am +Marie Mackin by Joe & Joyce Mackin

Fri. Sept. 2 St. Stephen of Hungary, King & Confessor, III

7:10am Fred Voelker, Jr. by Mr. & Mrs. Tom Szymanik 6:30pm Confraternity of St. Peter by Todd Caine

Sat. Sept. 3 St. Pius X, Pope & Confessor, III

9:00am +James Heim by A. DiSanto

Sun. Sept. 4 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II

7:30am Jamison Jones

9:00am +Fr. Raymond Shelton by Steven Grist

11:00am Pro Populo

6:00pm Miriam Gorre by Michael Gorre

TODAY

# Sunday, August 28

- 2nd Collection—Building Fund
- Coffee Social after 9am and 11am Masses in
- Vespers—5pm—Exposition—5:30pm

# UPCOMING

#### Monday, August 29

- Adult Inquiry Class—6pm-6:55pm
- Monday Night Basketball YMCA—7pm

#### Tuesday, August 30

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# Friday, September 2

- First Friday
- Labor Day weekend Kipona Festival: Saturday Sept 3— Monday Sept 5; Front Street will be closed at 9am on Sept. 2 until the evening of Sept. 5

### Saturday, September 3

- First Saturday
- Holy Name Society—after 9am Mass
- St. Tarcisius—monthly meeting—Roof Park, New Cumberland—5:30pm to 7:30pm

#### Friday, September 9

Friday Religious Education Classes begin

#### Saturday, September 10

Altar Boy Meeting — after 9am Mass

# PROPERS OF THE MASS

#### Lesson 2 Cor. 3:4-9

Brethren: Such is the assurance I have through Christ toward God. Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything, as from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God. He also it is Who has made us fit ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the spirit; for the letter kills, but the spirit gives life. Now if the ministration of death, which was engraved in letters upon stones, was inaugurated in such glory that the children of Israel could not look steadfastly upon the face of Moses on account of the transient glory that shone upon it, shall not the ministration of the spirit be still more glorious? For if there is glory in the ministration that condemned, much more does the ministration that justifies abound in glory. Gospel *Luke 10:23-37* 

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! For I say to you, many prophets and kings have desired to see what you see, and they have not seen it; and to hear what you hear, and they have not heard it. And behold, a certain lawyer got up to test Him, saying, Master, what must I do to gain eternal life? But He said to him, What is written in the Law? How do you read? He answered and said, You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart, and with your whole soul, and with your whole strength, and with your whole mind; and your neighbor as yourself. And He

said to him, You have answered rightly; do this and you shall live. But he, wishing to justify himself, said to Jesus, And who is my neighbor? Jesus answered and said, A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell in with robbers, who after both stripping him and beating him went their way, leaving him half-dead. But, as it happened, a certain priest was going down the same way; and when he saw him, he passed by. And likewise a Levite also, when he was near the place and saw him, passed by. But a certain Samaritan as he journeyed came upon him, and seeing him, was moved with compassion. And he went up to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. And setting him on his own beast, he brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper and said, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I, on

my way back, will repay you.' Which of these three, in your opinion, proved himself neighbor to him who fell among the robbers? And he said, He who took pity on him. And Jesus said to him, Go and do also in like manner.



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Parish Mission September 18-21: Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap., will visit St. Lawrence to preach a parish mission. He will preach at all of the Masses on Sunday, September 18, and will give the mission conferences at 7 pm on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights (Sept.19-21). He will hear confessions before and after each conference. Due to the conflict with the Wednesday evening Mass, the Wednesday evening Mass will be moved to 6 pm on Sept. 21, with the St. Jude devotions still included, but the veneration of the relic after the Conference. Father will also bring relics of Bl. Solanus Casey and St. Padre Pio (one of the gloves he wore to hide his stigmata).

Informational Speakers' Forum —"Life After Roe: Creating a Culture of Life in Pennsylvania"

The Respect Life Committee of St. Catherine Laboure Parish is hosting this speakers' forum on **Saturday, September 10 from 9am to 12:30pm**. After months of misinformation regarding the Dobbs decision, this event will present medical, social, legal and spiritual truths about abortion from a Christian perspective. The forum is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Family Institute, the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation, Pennsylvanians for Human Life, New Cumberland Alliance Church and St. Catherine's. **Admittance is free, but registration is required.** Register at www.PAFamily.org, or for more information, please call 717-798-1694.

Did you serve in the Military? Father Edward Higgins of Astoria, New York created The Catholic War Veterans, an organization blessed by Pope Pius II. It is also a National Congressionally Chartered organization with State and local chapters. Upon signing the Congressional Charter for the Catholic War Veterans in August 1984, President Ronald Reagan said "I have the deepest admiration for your commitment to serve both God and Country." Within the Diocese of Harrisburg there are active posts in places such as Lebanon, Columbia, Gettysburg, and Berwick, but the central Pennsylvania region has not had an active organization in many years. The local group hopes to perform charitable work, recognize events such as Veteran's and Memorial Day, and work to support the Church in our area. Any baptized Catholic who has served in uniform is qualified, and the first year is free. A member does not have to have served in a war.

The Department of Pennsylvania, Catholic War Veterans, headquartered in Wrightsville, PA, has been working with a group of 25 Catholic current and former service members in Central PA to reactivate the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the Catholic War Veterans. Twenty five diocesan Catholics who have served in uniform have already joined, including 3 Deacons: Patrick McCormack, Timothy Shultis, and Michael Derois. The Very Reverend John Bateman JCL, VF, the Pastor of Saint Patrick's in York, PA, has agreed to be the Central Pennsylvanian Chapter's Chaplain. Colonel (retired) Robert DeSousa, parishioner of the Mater Dei Community at Saint Lawrence Catholic Church, will serve as the unit's first Commander. For more information, please contact: Colonel (retired) Robert DeSousa at: cptjag@yahoo.com or 717-648-8317.

**Fr. Killackey** will be covering for Fr. Smith today, Sunday August 28.

Fr. Smith will celebrate the Pro Populo today while he is away.

**Mass Intentions:** are filled for the remainder of the 2022 calendar year so we are not accepting new requests at this time. We will resume taking requests on October 1.

Auditions for the St. Lawrence Choir: The Saint Lawrence Choir serves as the primary ensemble for all Sung Masses at our parish. Members are called to all Sundays and 1st Class Feasts from September until the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Those interested in joining the choir must have prior singing experience and be able to attend Thursday evening rehearsals. Auditions will be held on September 1 from 5:30pm-8:30pm. For more information, to sign up for an audition or to schedule a time other than stated above, email the Director of Music, Paul Thomas May at: music@stlawrence.cc.

St. Lawrence Youth Group: Stay tuned for details regarding our next gathering on Saturday, September 17 and mark your calendar to participate in PA March for Life, Monday, September 19, 2022. Thank you to Mrs. Dawn Forbeck for her dedication and continued support of Mater Dei Youth Group at St. Lawrence of Rome! Please offer a private prayer or other spiritual offering for Mrs. Forbeck's intentions. Questions? Email: youthgroup@stlawrence.cc.

The 27th Annual Pilgrimage for Restoration will be held this year, September 23-25, 2022. Members of St. Lawrence are invited to participate! Fellow pilgrims, young and old, join in penance and in hope on the way to Our Lady's Shrine of Martyrs, Auriesville, New York. For more information about the Pilgrimage, visit: www.pilgrimage-for-restoration.org/modified-pilgrimage/.

The Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation will host its Celebrate Life! Banquet at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, 325 University Drive, Hershey, PA on Friday, October 21 from 6:00pm—8:30pm. Keynote Speaker is the world renowned neurosurgeon and staunch advocate for every life at every stage, Dr. Ben Carson, Founder of the pro-life American Cornerstone Institute. St. Lawrence's parishioners are encouraged to attend this worthwhile event by sponsoring a table @ \$125 per seat for 8 seats. For more information, please visit: www.prolife.org or call the PA Pro-Life Federation at 717-541-0034.





# Registration at St. Lawrence Church

The Pastor and Assistant Pastor have the special grace to guide those who are registered parishioners and are hence assigned to their care. The Mass offered for the people every Sunday, Pro Populo, is offered for those who are registered

members. Anyone seeking the Sacraments of Baptism, 1st Communion, Confirmation and Matrimony here must be registered and active parishioners for 6 months. Registration forms are available on our website.

**South Street Garage Parking:** You are able to park for free on Sundays at South Street Garage. The procedure for using the garage is as follows: 1. Enter the garage using the Susquehanna Street entrance. 2. At the gate, take an entrance ticket. 3. Go to Mass and ask an usher for an exit voucher. (The exit voucher functions as your payment method). 4. When departing, use both the entrance ticket and the exit voucher at the departure gate. Any problems please notify Fr. Smith.



Mater Dei Praesidium of The Legion of Mary: "For this is the will of God, your sanctification:.." (First Epistle of St. Paul to the Thessalonians Chapter 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 which are held on **Tuesdays at 6:00pm.** For more information, please email Dan Jones at: legionofmary@stlawrence.cc.

**2022 Diocesan Annual Appeal:** Our goal for 2022 is \$16,093.00. So far this year, parishioners have contributed \$11,390.21.

#### Processional Hymn O God of Loveliness

O God of loveliness, O Lord of Heav'n above, How worthy to possess my heart's devoted love. So sweet Thy countenance, so gracious to behold That only glance were bliss untold.

Thou art blest Three in One, yet undefiled still, Thou art the One alone, whose love my heart can fill. The heavens and earth below were fashioned by Thy Word, How great Thou art, O holy Lord.

O Loveliness supreme, and Beauty infinite, O ever flowing Stream and Ocean of delight, O Life by which I live, my truest Life above, I give Thee undivided Love

# Sunday Collections Week of August 21, 2022

Offertory (August 21): \$ 9,185.00
Online Giving (August 15-August 19): \$ 3,234.05
Solemnity of The Assumption (August 15): \$ 1,204.00
Seminary Burse (August 21): \$ 425.00
Coffee Social (August 21): \$ 74.00

Total: \$14,122.05

**Sunday Socials: Help still needed:** Please consider helping with our Sunday Socials after the 9am and 11am Masses. The goal is to have many volunteers so that volunteers only have to do their duty once every month or two. If you can help please email: socials@stlawrence.cc.

Inquiry Class Reminder: 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 Monday at 6pm in the school building the behind church. This is a no commitment class and all one needs to do is show up. If you have questions, you are welcome to contact the office at: contact@stlawrence.cc.

**St. Tarcisius Group's** monthly meeting will be held on Saturday September 3rd, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at Roof Park (Big Blue Pavilion), 599 Lewisberry Rd., New Cumberland, PA 17070. For more information, please email: st.tarcisius@stlawrence.cc.

Email Prayer Chain: If you are not currently on the Mater Dei prayer request email list and would like to be added, please email: prayers@stlawrence.cc.

In this way, Parishioners can submit prayer intentions that we then share with everyone on the email list.

# Recessional Hymn God of Mercy, God of Grace

God of mercy, God of grace, show the brightness of Thy face; Shine upon us, Savior, shine, Fill Thy Church with light divine,

And Thy saving health extend, Unto earth's remotest end.

Let the people praise Thee, Lord! Be by all that live adored; Let the nations shout and sing Glory to their Savior King, At Thy feet their tribute pay, And Thy holy will obey.

Let the people praise Thee, Lord! Earth shall then her fruits afford, God to man His blessings give, Man to God devoted live; All below and all above One in joy and light and love.