

Church of Saint Lawrence

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Evenings at 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning at 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
Holy Days at 9:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Sat. at 9:00 a.m.
Wed., at 7:30 p.m. & Fri. at 6:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday evenings from 6-7 p.m.

Confessions

Saturday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday evening at 7:10 p.m.

St. Lawrence Men's Club

Meets on the second Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Altar & Rosary Society

Meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Lay Carmelite Community

of St. Teresa of Jesus of Los Andes

Meets First Saturday of each month after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Parish Registration

We welcome all new members to our Parish family. Please register when you move into the parish. Please notify us if you are moving.

Weddings

Couples are asked to contact the Rectory and make arrangements at least six months prior to their intended wedding date. They are required to attend Pre-Cana sessions.

Catholic Elementary School

Children may attend Regina Academy at St. John the Baptist School, Ottsville; for further information call: 610-847-5523.

Parish CCD Classes

Parish children attending public or private school, may receive Catholic Faith instructions on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall from October to May. Registration is published in the Parish Bulletin.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday—Friday 9:30 a.m. to Noon

July 10, 2016

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GO AND DO LIKEWISE

Miss Collins, the dean of students at Olympic High School, was past the point of scolding Matt, though she liked him very much. “Four detentions in two weeks are too many.”

Still Matt wouldn't tell. It was only after Miss Collins went on a morning neighborhood patrol that she found out the real reason for Matt's tardiness. Thump, thump, thump, came the wheelchair down the stairs. It was Matt, steadying Shawnetta as he helped lower her down the stairs and then push her to the corner bus stop.

“She's a girl in my parish youth group,” Matt explained to Miss Collins.

There are many ways to describe Matt's actions—a random act of kindness, making a difference one person at a time. Jesus would understand. When the lawyer correctly identified the good Samaritan as the one who had treated the injured man with compassion, Jesus said simply, “Go and do likewise” (Luke 10:37).

Saturday - July 9th

Confessions: 4:30 PM

5 PM:

Sunday - July 10th - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8AM: Agnes Bornemann (Steinberg Family)

10AM: James Kuharski (Seren Family)

Monday - July 11th - Saint Benedict, Abbot

Weekday:

9AM: Nancy Fox (Krager Family)

Tuesday - July 12th -

Weekday:

9AM: Theresa Ballek (Irene Pavlia & Janet Achuff)

Wednesday - July 13th - Saint Henry

Weekday:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 6-7:00 PM

Confessions 7:10 PM

7:30PM Special Intentions

Thursday - July 14th - Saint Kateri Tekawitha, Virgin

Weekday:

9AM Those Addicted to Drugs & Substance Abuse

Friday - July 15th - St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Weekday:

6:30PM Special Intentions

Saturday - July 16th - Our Lady of Mount Carmel, BVM

Weekday:

9:00AM Mary Gambino (Lay Carmelite Community)

COLLECTIONS: July 3rd - Parish \$1918

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The first “presbyters” were advisers to the bishops rather than what we would call “priests,” yet by the year 1000 our present-day understanding of the ordained priesthood is clearly in place. The Germanic influence was strong in those days, reflected in a series of questions posed to the candidate about his intentions.

The priest's role in the celebration of Mass had by then come to the fore, as the ritual notes that Mass vestments must be worn, the hands of the priest must be anointed with chrism, and a chalice with wine and water and a paten with a host must be given. Up to then, the ordination rite had stressed the presbyter as a collaborator with the bishop and a member of the order of presbyters. Then, in a not-so-subtle shift, the presbyter came to be seen as a “priest” designated to celebrate the Mass and, as the prayer suggests, to touch the chalice. By these days, remember, the cup had long vanished from Communion for the laity. A thousand years ago, today's patterns were already in place. The priest no longer saw himself as a member of a council of elders, a presbytery, and in some dioceses he had little influence over the bishop. Instead, he was either a pastor, with relationship to the eucharistic community in the parish, or he was a priest monk, offering Mass for the salvation of the departed or the intentions of the living.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

MORNING GLORY

A morning-glory at my window satisfies me more than the metaphysics of books.

—Walt Whitman

REVELATION

In the Old Testament, the New Testament lies concealed; in the New Testament, the Old Testament lies revealed.

Campaign for Human Development: a special collection will be taken July 9 & 10. Accepting donations now. Mark on envelope and deposit in normal Mass collection.

Canonization of Mother Teresa ten day Pilgrimage to Rome, Italy September 1 - 10. Round trip airfare, hotel, ground transportation, private tours & more. Pilgrimage Spiritual Director is Fr. Dennis Gill. Info: <http://archphila.org/#events> Registration request by May 27th.

Catholic Pilgrimage to Fatima/Lourdes and Paris, September 12-22, 2016 via Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Info 1-800-773-2660. Daily Mass, Breakfast and Dinner.

Coffee & Donuts Sunday, July 10th in the Parish Hall following the 10AM Mass. All are invited to attend. Stop by, come and go as you please. Coffee is good and donuts are great:>

Knights of Columbus will hold their regular meeting on Monday, July 18 @ 7:30PM in the Parish Hall. All KOC members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Stop by and be part of the great efforts these men of St. Lawrence & St. John the Baptist Parish are doing for our community and beyond. Thank you.

Visit from St. Gianna's daughter, July 16-17 at the Archdiocesan Shrine of St. Gianna Beretta Molla, 2-4:30PM, July 16 or Mass, Sunday, July 17 @ the Nativity of Our Lord Church, 625 Street Rd, Warminster, followed by a meet & greet. Info: <https://www.facebook.com/ShrineofSaintGiannaUSA>

Manna Collection Lord's Pantry please consider donating non perishable food items to help restock the pantry this summer. Accepting now through July 10th. This is a joint effort between St. Lawrence and St. John the Baptist where the pantry and distribution of food items are provided to those in need.

Sister Act: Broadway's Divine Musical Comedy, July 13 @ 8PM, Walnut Theater. Tickets @ \$95 per person and a portion of all tickets sold will support the Catholic Charities Appeal. Call 215-587-5650 or CatholicCharitiesAppeal.org

Newman Connection keeping recent high school graduates connected with Mass & Church. 80% of students stop practicing their faith at some point during college. The Newman Connection can help with their outreach program. Simply fill out the Student Contact Information card available in back of church, deposit in collection or hand to an usher, and the Connection will take it from there. They provide information, Church/Parish locations, Mass schedules, etc. to any vicinity in the country based on your college location. There is no fee or obligation. This is a means to offer easy access and Church locations to the new college student at their respective school location. Make it happen. Fill out a card today. God Bless.

New Parishioners –WELCOME!! No need to feel shy. We are happy you are here. To register see an usher, or just fill out form in vestibule of church, or call 610-749-2684 or email: saintlawrence@verizon.net We are ready to welcome you.

ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE:

Lectors for:

7/16 5 PM: Linda Krager
7/17 8 AM: Michele Piccinich
10 AM: Bernie Boylan

Altar Servers for:

7/16 5 PM: Gregory Derr-Haverlach, Peter Shea
7/17 8 AM: Brielle Comiskey, Amy Wydner
10 AM: Aidan Rodrigues, Eric Senior

Extraordinary Ministers:

7/16 5 PM: Ann Funkhouser, Kathy Weiss
7/17 8 AM: Dolores Patton, Robert Somogyi
10 AM: Mary Gambino, Mark Culichia

Please Pray for Our Sick and housebound, deceased members, and for an end to abortion and a respect for all life! Special intentions of Kelly Aubrey & Family, Lorraine Wallace, Liz Casterline, Julie Petry, Lucy Herman, John Gibson, Steve Ombalski, Raymond Meehan, Mary Grube Fritchman, Joan Sheeran, Robin Hults, Jay Johnson, Irene Peiffer, Lori Liskowacki, Cynthia Diaz, special intention, Susan Wires, David Grasso, Adrian Steinberg, Joseph Jones, Mary Jane Bernat, Gus Trincheria, Ann Nanni, Keith Marks, Elizabeth Ann Schlotter, Daniel Steinberg, Jack Latorre, Joann Thaler, Amy Hessenthaler, Calvin, Wilson & Frank Ryan, Eve Zelle, Roger Brahler, Gavin (age 3), Bill Miller, Caitlin, Steven Fusco, Charles More, Jeff & Bonnie, Baby Matthew Royer, Rose Romeo, baby Ely, Max Ours, Father Breen, Paul Beach, Anthony Bonnano, Barbara and Ells Cheeseman, Summer Heddleston, Maria Steinberg, Elwood Ditmer, Dan Schiavello, Tom Peterson, Special intention, Carol Stahley, Maria King, Irene & Al Breiner, Jeremy Hewens, MD

Official Prayer for the Jubilee of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman: "If you knew the gift of God!" You are visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God. Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

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