

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

October 23, 2016

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

NO COMPARISONS

How many times have we read or heard about someone who's gotten into trouble—maybe even fired from a job—because of a brush with the law? While our “Christian” minds tell us to be sorry and even pray for the person, a little voice inside our heads may also be saying, “I’m glad I would never do anything like that.”

And perhaps we wouldn't. But are there some things we do that are still not pleasing in God's eyes? Today's readings caution us not to look so intently at someone else's wrongdoing that we overlook our own weaknesses and shortcomings. When we measure ourselves against the worst people we can think of, we come out looking pretty good. There is a danger, however, in using someone else's behavior as a way of reflecting our own goodness.

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Saturday - October 22nd
Confessions: 4:30 PM
5 PM:

Sunday— October 23rd - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8AM:
10AM: Audrey Hinterkoph (Eileen Stinley)

Monday - October 24th - St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
Weekday:
9AM: Ann Mason (Krager Family)

Tuesday - October 25th -
Weekday:
9AM:

Wednesday - October 26th -
Weekday:
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – 6-7:00 PM
Confessions 7:10 PM
7:30PM Living & Deceased Member of St. Lawrence

Thursday - October 27th -
Weekday:
9AM

Friday - October 28th - St. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Weekday:
6:30PM Clare Voight (Voigt Family)

Saturday - October 29th -
Weekday:
9:00AM

COLLECTIONS: October 16th, Parish @ \$2576, World Mission @ \$594, Altar Flowers @ \$60

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Imagine the frustration of bishops who work strenuously over their *ad limina* reports, directing study committees, assembling data, honing the texts, traveling to Rome “to the threshold,” only to have it all collapse into a fifteen-minute group meeting with the pope. More than a few have grumbled at the weight of this “treasure” from our tradition, yet from the pope's vantage point, they are essential to his ministry.

Pope John Paul II recalled his own experience as the Bishop of Kraków, visiting with Pope Paul VI in the late 1960s and early 1970s. The memory of those individual visits caused him to strengthen the format, assuring each of the world's 2,744 bishops a privileged fifteen private minutes with the pope every five years. If you wonder what the pope does all day, the thought of dealing with five hundred bishops a year and reading their detailed reports on diocesan life should help fill up the calendar. Pope John Paul II used to say that he approached each individual meeting with the personal goal of learning something new about the Church, and his lively interest made the visits immensely worthwhile. The content of the private meetings remains under a privilege of secrecy, or as Cardinal Theodore McCarrick once said, “You're only supposed to quote the pope if he tells a joke.”

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

ALWAYS FAITHFUL

Whether you like it or not, you will always grow apart from human beings. Christ is faithful and always with you.

—St. John of God

NEVER ABANDONED

Lord, I do not ask that I never be afflicted, but only that you never abandon me in affliction.

—St. Bernadette Soubirous

HAVEN

There are places and moments in which one is so completely alone that one sees the world entire.

—Jules Renard

Special Collection October 22-23 World Mission Sunday supporting the Propagation of the Faith around the world.



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Rummage, Soup & Cookie Sale, St Peter's Lutheran Church, Thursday October 27 @ 9AM—6PM, Friday October 28 @ 9AM—5PM, Saturday October 29 @ 9AM—1PM. If you have any items for this event contact 610-749-0830 for drop off times at their church

St. Lawrence Altar & Rosary Society Happenings

Catholic Women's Conference, October 29th, 8:30AM—4PM @ Our Lady of Czestochowa. Register by Oct. 18; Fee \$20. Interested? Contact Mary Senior at mmaryisd@aol.com

Christmas Shopping Event Save the date Thursday, November 10th, 6PM to 8:30PM in Parish Hall. A variety of vendors & refreshments. Get an early start on your Christmas shopping.

Healing Retreat, November 14-18 Malvern retreat House, info 610-644-0400

Ave Retreat House in Doylestown, Friday November 11—Sunday November 13 end at 12 noon, info 610-582-3333

Notre Dame High School Alumni Events November 9 5:30—7:30PM Alumni Happy Hour & Networking @ Green Pond Country Club



Catholic Happenings

Legatus, the world's only international organization of CATHOLIC CEO'S & their spouses seeks new members (www.legatus.org). If you were/are a business owner (CEO, President, Managing Partner/Director, etc.) you are invited to a very special program on October 25th with Archbishop Chaput in the Bucks County area. Qualifying folks contact John Lariviere @ 908-209-9094 or email to jlariviere@legatus.org

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, Our Lady of Czestochowa, Nov 18-20. Details 484-393-1645

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:

10/29 5 PM: Jane Burger
10/30 8 AM: Martin Piccinich
10 AM: Alvin LaBar, OFS

Altar Servers for:

10/29 5 PM: Gregory Derr-Haverlach, Francis Reinhart
10/30 8 AM: Eric & Melissa Shunk
10 AM: Felicity Comiskey, Anthony DeArmas

Extraordinary Ministers:

10/29 5 PM: Kathy Weiss, Bernie Boylan
10/30 8 AM: Robert & Margaret 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 Tim McHenry, Molly Worner, Kelly Aubrey & Family, Lorraine Wallace, Liz Casterline, Julie Petry, Lucy Herman, John Gibson, Steve Ombalski, Raymond Meehan, Mary Grube Fritchman, Joan Sheeran, Jay Johnson, Irene Peiffer, Lori Liskowacki, Cynthia Diaz, special intention, Susan Wires, David Grasso, Adrian Steinberg, Joseph Jones, Mary Jane Bernat, Gus Trincheria, Elizabeth Ann Schlotter, Daniel Steinberg, Jack Latorre, Joann Thaler, Amy Hessenthaler, Calvin, Wilson & Frank Ryan, Eve Zelle, Roger & MaryAnn 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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