



SEPTEMBER 22, 2024
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. LAURENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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8245 WEST CHESTER PIKE, UPPER DARBY, PA 19082



MASS SCHEDULE/ HORARIO DE MISAS

Monday – Saturday
8:30AM

Wednesday/Miércoles

6:30PM en Español

Saturday Vigil/Vigilia del sábado

4:30PM

7:00PM en Español

Sunday

7:30AM, 10:45AM, 12:15PM

Domingo

8:30AM en Español

St. Alice

Sunday 10:30AM in Vietnamese

DEVOTIONS/CONFESSION

Adoration of the Most Blessed
Sacrament/Adoración del Santísimo
Sacramento

Saturday 3:15-4:15PM

Wednesdays 9:30AM - 6:15PM

Confessions/Confesiones

Saturday 3:15-4:15PM

Rosary

Daily at 8AM and Monday at 7PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet

After daily Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturday after 8:30AM Mass

OUR SACRED PURPOSE

The purpose of St. Laurence parish is to be a home where everyone knows the loving embrace of God their Father. We use our cultural diversity and our faith in God's providence to motivate and form each other to be Missionary Disciples sent by the Holy Spirit to love and serve one another.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Office & Mailing Address: 30 St. Laurence Road
Upper Darby, PA 19082

Phone: 610-449-0600

FAX: 610-449-4299

Hours: Monday-Thursday 9-7; Friday 9-5; Sunday 9-noon

Horas: de lunes a jueves 9-7; viernes 9-5; domingo 9-12

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Whittingham, x. 221

Email: frtom@saintlaurencedelco.org

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Anthony Albanese

Email: franthony@saintlaurencedelco.org

Permanent Deacons: Dcn. Samuel Ortiz & Dcn. Mark Wallace

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Upper Darby, PA 19082

Phone: 610-789-2670

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Principal:

Sr. Regina Matulka, IHM

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PARISH STAFF

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MINISTRIES/MINISTERIOS

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Parish Religious Education Program (PREP): Mia Cardenas,
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Our Faith Online**



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SACRAMENTS/SACRAMENTOS

Arrangements for Baptism, Matrimony, Anointing of the Sick, Reception of Holy Communion at home, and appointments for Confession may be made at our parish office or visit our website.

Los arreglos para el Bautismo, el Matrimonio, la Unción de los Enfermos, la recepción de la Sagrada Comunión en el hogar y las citas para la Confesión se pueden hacer en nuestra oficina parroquial o visite nuestro sitio web.

www.saintlaurencedelco.org

WEEKLY MEETINGS/ REUNIONES SEMANALES

ST. LAURENCE MEN'S GROUP

Mondays at 7:00PM, Main school entrance

VIRTUAL ROSARY

Mondays at 7:00PM, On computer, tablet, or
smartphone go to: <https://meet.goto.com/681543997>
Password: 5432 By Phone: 1(872)240-3212,
Access Code: 681-543-997# Audio PIN: 25#

PRAISE & WORSHIP PRAYER GROUP

Tuesdays at 2:00PM, St. Laurence Rectory

PRE-JORDAN BAPTISMAL CLASSES

Second Monday of the month at 7:00PM, Rectory

NEEDLECRAFTERS

Fridays 1:30 - 3:30PM, St. Michael Room in the rectory

ULTRELLA - CURSILLO DE CRISTIANDAD

Miércoles, 7:00 - 9:00PM, Iglesia



If you are interested in baptizing your child at St. Laurence. Please call Claudia Jiménez at the rectory, 610-449-0600 ext. 212 or email her at claudia@saintlaurencedelco.org.

WEDNESDAY ADORATION

Adoration is offered each Wednesday, 9:00AM to 6:15PM, at which time adoration will end with a simple benediction in order to be ready for 6:30PM Mass in Spanish.



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM Daniel Duffy
8:30AM Misa Comunitaria
10:45AM Howell Family
12:15PM Pro Populo

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA, PRIEST

8:30AM Helen & James Kane

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:30AM Chrysta Fitzgerald
6:30PM Misa Comunitaria

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:30AM John P. McCann, Sr.
6:30PM Misa Comunitaria

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

8:30AM Rev. Jason V. Kulczynski

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST

8:30AM Peter McEaneaney, Jr. (1st Anniversary)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:30AM John & Marie Gilvey
4:30PM James, Mary, & Jimmy Lynam
7:00PM Misa Comunitaria

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM Pro Populo
8:30AM Misa Comunitaria
10:45AM Richard Venuti, Jr.
12:15PM Pasquale DiGiacomo

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PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for all those suffering from serious illnesses, incurable diseases, & substance abuse.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of the faithfully departed, especially **Lucy Ambrosine:**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Through the mercy of God, may they rest in peace. Amen

DONATIONS

**WE GIVE because
GOD GAVE FIRST**

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. -Matthew 6:21

SEPTEMBER 15

Offertory	\$ 7,474
Online	\$ 887
Capital Campaign	\$ 4,408

ST. JOSEPH SIDE SANCTUARY LAMP

Jean & Steve Muschynka by Angelina Saggiomo

BLESSED MOTHER SANCTUARY LAMP

For all those struggling with child care
by Katina C. Vignola

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

For the homeless by Katina C. Vignola

ELDERCARE

Vaccine Clinic

Bethel AME Church in Ardmore has two clinics offering updated flu and COVID vaccines the last nine days of September; daytime and evening hours available. Advanced registration is encouraged; email bethelardmore@verizon.net or call 610-642-8966.

Time Off

I will be out of the office through Monday, September 30. I will return to the office on Wednesday, 10/2. Call the rectory, my voicemail, or check my email to learn how to reach my colleague if you have a need during that time.

Program Through COSA

A Matter of Balance is a free program that emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls. It will be held at the Brookhaven Municipal Building on Thursday mornings starting 10/3. To register, contact aalfieri@scs-delco.org or 484-496-2143.

Virtual Tech Drop-In Sessions

Have questions about your smartphone, tablet, or computer? RSVP says no question is too small! Sessions are being held from 6 to 7:30PM on 9/24, and the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Contact Michelle for questions or to register at 610834-1040, ext. 128, or at rsvpmc.org.

Jennifer Rose, 610-449-0600, ext. 234
jrose@chs-adphila.org

ANUNCIOS

40 HORAS
con
PADRE PIO MANDATO

Tres noches de homilias,
40 horas de oración personal
y comunitaria
en la presencia
del Señor.

SEPTIEMBRE 26- 28
Confesiones todos los
días a las 3:00pm.
Visita nuestro sitio web
para ver el programa
completo.
stlaurencedelco.org/es



CONFERENCIA DE MUJERES CATOLICAS 2024

Las Alegrías de Ser Mujer

sábado, 19 de octubre

9:00AM — 4:00PM

Nuestra Señora de Czestochowa

654 Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA

pherrera@archphila.org

\$25—Ultimo día de registraci3n es 1 de octubre

ARDIENDO: UN RETIRO KERYGMATICO

sábado, noviembre 16 8:00AM a 4:00PM

Ardiendo, es un día de retiro diseñado para llevarte a un nuevo encuentro con Jesucristo y experimentar su amor personal por ti.

Durante este día, usted escuchará la proclamación esencial de Jesucristo de la Buena Nueva (el "kerygma") a través de breves charlas, seguidos de momentos de reflexión personal. También habrá Santa Misa y la oportunidad de participar en la Adoración Eucarística.

Parroquia Santos Inocentes

1337 E. Hunting Park Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19124

\$20: Desayuno, almuerzo y materiales incluidos. Los cupos son limitados, para registrarse haga clic en:

<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=FDWhxA>

O llamar a, Giovani Morales al 215-510-4342



PARA DESTACAR EN LA ESCUELA SAN LORENZO Hna. Regina Matulka

¡Hay mucha actividad aquí en la escuela San Lorenzo!

- ¡Los clubes deportivos han comenzado después de la escuela y los estudiantes los están disfrutando muchísimo!
- Las entradas para la reunión de todas las clases están a la venta. Visite el sitio web de nuestra escuela para obtener más información. Además, las entradas y las oportunidades para la reunión están a la venta a partir del 23 de septiembre en la nártex de la iglesia.
- La venta de dulces de la escuela ha comenzado. Los dulces están disponibles en la nártex de la iglesia. Las barras de chocolate cuestan \$2.00 cada una. Apoye a nuestros estudiantes, ya que una venta exitosa mejorará los recursos del aula y el equipo para actividades extracurriculares.

Oramos para que tenga una semana bendecida.

IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE SAN LORENZO

BENDICIÓN
de los animales

domingo 6 de octubre
2:00pm
en la Gruta al Aire Libre



FROM OUR PASTOR

THE CHILDLIKE HUMILITY OF GOD

By Fr. Hugh Barbour, O. Praem.

“Don’t be a baby!” “You’re a big boy now!” “Grow up!”

None of these are words of the Savior in the Gospels. Instead he tells us that becoming like a little child is a necessary prerequisite for entry into the kingdom of heaven.

Indeed, he identifies little children with himself and with his Father. This should give us pause— careful, prayerful, pensive pause. To whom does the kingdom of heaven belong by right? Obviously, God alone. To whom does Our Lord compare the person who is fit to enter and possess that kingdom of heaven? A little child. So there has to be some identity between being a little child and being God.

How strange. How extravagant. But there it is: Whoever receives one child such as this in my name receives me; and whoever receives me receives not me but the One who sent me.

Not only Christ is identified with the little child, but so is His Father. Heaven must be a very different place from earth. Here adults rule, there the merest children. The Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit want to be treated as though they were little children! An amazing and strange thought. Yet in his commentary on this teaching of the Savior, St. Thomas Aquinas even suggests that the child who was placed in their midst was really just Christ indicating himself, as he said, “I am in the midst of you as one who serves.” Or even, goes on St. Thomas, the Holy Spirit, who tells us in Ezekiel, “I will place my spirit in the midst of them.”

It is clear that at the heart, at the center of the kingdom of heaven, is a child! And not just as an image, but rather as a reality. Being a child is just a pale reflection of the childlikeness of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Perhaps we will understand the truth of this mysterious identification by considering the aspects of childlikeness that reveal something divine and worthy of God himself. First of all, Aquinas tells us, wee children are not pretentious; they do not put on airs; they are simply themselves. Secondly, they are pure, not dominated by unchaste desires, and so true friends, not just manipulators. Thirdly, they do not hold grudges, forgetting wrongs quickly. They are happy to forget the morning’s scuffles in order to play again in the afternoon.

All of this amounts to a single virtue: humility, which the Savior impresses on his followers continually in his words. This account we hear today is found in three of the Gospels. It is thus of the greatest importance. And then the Savior turns from words to example and demonstrates His childlike humility in His passion and death, and most amazingly in His ready pardoning and kind blessing of those who had only days before abandoned and denied him.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux, whom Pope Pius XI called the “greatest saint of modern times” and whom St. John Paul II declared a Doctor of the Church, taught a way of spiritual childhood. This is not just some kind of devotional attitude; it is about

becoming like the Triune God, in whose image we are made and who dwells in us by grace.

How should you become a saint?

Just be yourself, without putting on airs; be pure and chaste; forgive offenses. Then you will be like God, like a little child and fit for the kingdom of heaven.

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40 HOURS with FR. PIO MANDATO

Three nights of homilies,
40 Hours of personal prayer
and community prayer
in the presence
of the Lord.

SEPTEMBER
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40 HOURS - 40 HORAS
With Fr. Pio Mandato
September 26

8:30 AM Mass (Misa en inglés)
3:00 - 4:00 PM - Confessions (Confesiones) / Spiritual discussion
with Fr. Pio.
7:00 PM - Healing Service - Fr. Pio (Servicio de sanación con
traducción en español)

September 27

8:30 AM Mass (Misa en inglés)
3:00 - 4:00 PM - Confessions (Confesiones) / Spiritual discussion
with Fr. Pio.
7:00 PM - Talk by Sr. Kelly Francis, C.N. (Conferencia en inglés
con traducción en español)

September 28

8:30 AM Mass (Misa en inglés)
3:00 - 4:30 PM - Confessions as usual. (Confesiones).
4:30 Mass (Misa en inglés)
7:00 PM - Closing Mass by Fr. Pio with Eucharistic Procession
(Misa con traducción es español y Procesión Eucarística)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2025 PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Fr. Anthony Albanese will host a meeting October 10, 6:30-7:30PM in the school cafeteria for people interested in going on a pilgrimage to Italy in the summer of 2025. For more information, go to: <https://www.206tours.com/cms/stssimonandjude/>

CHOIR SEEKS NEW MEMBERS!

If you enjoy singing and can blend your voice with others please consider joining St. Laurence's Adult Choir. Practices are held Thursdays at 7:00PM in the choir loft. We hope that you will consider joining our joyful and prayerful group. For more information contact Margie Kane at 610-446-4072 or cantormargiek@gmail.com.

"When you sing, you pray twice." St. Augustine

CAMILLA HALL OKTOBERFEST AND CRAFT FAIR

The Camilla Hall Oktoberfest & Craft Fair will be Saturday, October 5 from 10:00AM to 3:00PM on the grounds of Camilla Hall. Craft vendors, food, children's games, basket raffle, white elephant flea market, and more! Proceeds benefit Camilla Hall, the convent home and healthcare center for the IHM Sisters. For info, visit: camillaoktoberfest.org.

TEEN REJUVENATION CONFERENCE

October 12

9:00AM-3:00PM

Fun prizes, breakout groups, open discussion.

Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast Catholic High School

First 50 to register win a gift card!

Registration fee: \$10

For more information, call 267-574-0038

Registration Fee: \$10



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

The next in-person experiences are **October 11-13** and **November 15-17** at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more info visit:

<https://www.wwme-philly.org>.



SPOTLIGHT ON ST. LAURENCE SCHOOL Sr. Regina Matulka

Things are hopping here at St. Laurence School!

- Sports clubs have started after school, and the students are enjoying them tremendously!
- The All Class Reunion tickets are on sale. Please check our school website for more info. Also, chances and tickets for the Reunion are on sale beginning September 23 in the narthex of the church. The school candy sale has begun. Candy is also available in the narthex. The candy bars are \$2.00 each. Please support our students, as a successful sale will enhance classroom resources and equipment for extra curricular activities.

Praying you have a blessed fall week.

2024 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

The 2024 Catholic Charities Appeal is over half-way to reaching its \$10 million goal, and we need your help to get there! A gift of any size enables countless ministries providing critical services—such as food, shelter, medical care, and more—to serve nearly one million people each year. To make a gift, scan the code or visit catholiccharitiesappeal.org.

