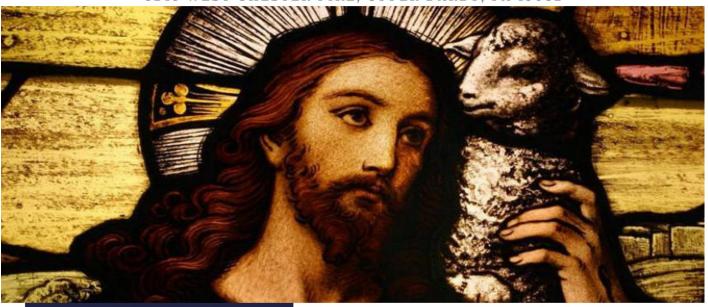
#### APRIL 21, 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## ST. LAURENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

WWW.SAINTLAURENCEDELCO.ORG

8245 WEST CHESTER PIKE, UPPER DARBY, PA 19082



#### MASS SCHEDULE/ HORARIO DE MISAS

**Monday - Saturday** 8:30AM

Último martes del mes/ Last Tuesday of the month

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 - 7:00PM

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

Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Thur. 9-7; Tues. and Fri. 9-5

Horas de Oficina: Lunes, Mier., Jueves 11-7; Martes 9-5
Pastor: Rev. Thomas Whittingham, x. 221

Email: frtom@saintlaurencedelco.org

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Anthony Albanese
Email: franthony@saintlaurencedelco.org

In Residence: Rev. Anthony Raymundo

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

#### SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

School Office & Mailing Address:

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Phone: 610-789-2670 Principal:

Website:

8245 West Chester Pike Upper Darby, PA 19082 FAX: 484-452-6271 Sr. Regina Matulka, IHM www.saintlaurence.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 - 9:00рм, Iglesia

#### **CLASES PRE-BAUTISMALES**

Tercer jueves de cada mes, 6:30pm, Rectoría

### 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

## **DONATIONS**

#### **BLESSED MOTHER'S SIDE SANCTUARY LAMP**

Parishioners of St. Laurence Parish

#### ST. JOSEPH'S SIDE SANCTUARY LAMP

Joseph Saggiomo by Angelina

#### **ALTAR BREAD AND WINE**

Parishioners of St. Laurence Parish

#### **ADORATION EVERY WEDNESDAY**

Remember that we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays 9:00AM to 7:00PM. Come experience the peace that only God can give!

### **MINISTRIES/MINISTERIOS**

Altar Servers: Father Anthony, 610-449-0600 ext. 213 or

franthony@saintlaurencedelco.org

Cantors: Margie Kane, Music Director, 610-446-4072 or

cantormargiek@gmail.com

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion & Lectors:** 

Maureen Carey, 610-608-8158, mecarey52@yahoo.com

Ministry of Hospitality (Ushers): Father Tom

610-449-0600 ext. 221 or frtom@saintlaurencedelco.org Sanctuary Society & Social Committee: Cathleen Albertus,

610-789-8792 or walber33@verizon.net

**Church Environment Coordinator:** Diane McPartland 610-316-7046 or mcpartland@comcast.net

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), Parish Religious Education Program (PREP):

Sr. Kathy Benham, IHM, Director of Religious Education religioused@saintlaurencedelco.org or 610-449-0600 ext. 215

Pre-Jordan (Baptism Prep) Catechesis:

Deacon Mark Wallace, 610-449-0600

Liturgy Committee: Father Tom, 610-449-0600 ext. 221 or

frtom@saintlaurencedelco.org

Finance Council: Joan Mazur, 484-433-0022 Pastoral Council: Harry Dietzler, 484-557-0201 Men's Group: Harry Dietzler, 484-557-0201 Prayer Group: Terri Howell, 484-454-5655 or

howellterri457@gmail.com **Pro-Life Ministry:** Joan Mazur,

prolife@saintlaurencedelco.org

Knights of Columbus: Tom DeFruscio, tommyd55@comcast.net St. Vincent de Paul: Bob Gwin, 610-449-0600, ext. 217 Ministerio Hispano/Hispanic Ministry: 215-603-2669 Director of Hispanic Social Outreach: 610-306-7370

Hna. Dominica Lo Bianco, OSF

Laurentian Senior Group 55+: Dottie Tillger, 610-945-5064

## **PARISH STAFF**

Director of Parish Operations: Henry Aquino,

610-449-0600, ext. 227 or

henry@saintlaurencedelco.org

Parish Secretary: Claudia Jiménez, 610-449-0600

ext. 212 or claudia@saintlaurencedelco.org

**Hospitality Minister & Safe Environment** 

Coordinator: Meg Orr, 610-449-0600, ext. 210 or

mego@saintlaurencedelco.org

Welcoming & Hospitality Minister: Mia

Cardenas, 610-449-0600, ext. 216 or

mia@saintlaurencedelco.org

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### SUNDAY, APRIL 21

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30AM Anne Fitzpatrick
8:30AM Misa Comunitaria
10:45AM Ron Shtofman
12:15PM Pro Populo

**MONDAY, APRIL 22** 

8:30AM Tara Izzo & Lacy Porter

**TUESDAY, APRIL 23** 

8:30AM James A. Carr **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24** 

8:30AM Luciano Sivieri

THURSDAY, APRIL 25 ST. MARK, EVANGELIST

8:30AM Paul Cassidy

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

8:30AM Leon Lavery

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27** 

8:30AM Freda & Rose 4:30PM John & Rita Burke 7:00PM Misa Comunitaria

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28** 

#### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

7:30AM Pro Populo

8:30AM Misa Comunitaria

10:45AM Jack & Anna Shtofman

12:15PM Deceased members of Sweeney

Family

(L) denotes living

#### **FOOD PANTRY**

The Lansdowne YMCA has reopened their Togetherhood Pantry on select Wednesday afternoons (shelf-stable meats and dairy) and Saturday mornings (fresh fruits and vegetables). Photo ID necessary; first-come, first-served basis. Let Jennifer Rose know if you would like more information: 610-449-0600, ext. 234 or email jrose@chs-adphila.org.

#### **VACCINE CLINIC**

Bethel AME Church in Ardmore will host a clinic offering the following vaccines: updated COVID-19; Flu; TDAP; Shingles; Pneumonia, and; RSV on the evening of Tuesday, April 30.

Advanced registration is encouraged; call 610-642-8966 or email bethelardmore@verizon.net.

### **PARISH NEWS**

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce.

Proverbs 3:9

| OFFERTORY        | APRIL 14 |
|------------------|----------|
| Offertory        | \$ 7,590 |
| Online           | \$ 1,544 |
| Capital Campaign | \$ 7,214 |

#### **RESPECT FOR GOD'S HOUSE**

Please help keep our church clean and welcoming for all who come to worship our LORD. After Mass kindly place missalettes at the end of the pew, pick up and remove any tissues, wrappers, etc. you may have dropped so that the church is ready for the next Mass. Thank you for your help in this matter.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Please pray for Jim Leitz, Michael Campuzano, Susan Meehan, Kathleen Gallagher, and Robert Hartman. Also pray for those suffering from serious illnesses, incurable diseases, & substance abuse.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of the faithfully departed, especially John F. Martin, Jr. 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.

#### BABY SHOWER FOR MOTHERS' HOME — APRIL 21

Sponsored by St. Laurence Pro-Life Committee to benefit Mothers' Home, 51 N. MacDade Blvd., Darby, PA 19023. Please put donated items from the list below in the bins in the narthex (main entrance) of the church **TODAY**, April 21.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Wish List: Toilet paper, paper towels, new standard sized pillows/pillowcases, women's deodorant, Dove soap (bars or liquid), paper plates, disposable eating utensils & cups, bleach, Clorox/Lysol wipes, dish detergent, Tide laundry detergent (scented), Dreft detergent, unscented baby wipes, sizes 3-6 diapers. New baby clothes & formula. Uber, Giant, Amazon, Target gift cards. (Please no blankets or sheets)

#### Don't forget FORMED!

St. Laurence Parish is pleased to provide a free subscription to FORMED. Go to FORMED.org.

## ANUNCIOS



### PARA DESTACAR EN LA ESCUELA SAN LORENZO

Hna. Regina Matulka

Muchas gracias a todos los que apoyaron nuestro evento Souls on Fire. Fue un completo éxito. Todos lo pasamos bien. La próxima semana volveremos a publicar nuestro recuento final. Gracias de nuevo. San Lorenzo es el MEJOR.

Dios bendiga a todos y cada uno. Que tengas una bendecida semana.

#### **BABY SHOWER PARA CASA de MADRES**

El 21 de abril, **HOY**, el Comité Pro-Vida de San Lorenzo tendrá un Baby Shower para el Hogar de Madres, 51 N. MacDade Blvd., Darby, PA 19023. Deje los artículos donados de la lista sugerida a continuación en los contenedores de la entrada principal della iglesia **hoy**. Gracias por su generosidad.

Artículos de la lista de deseos: papel higiénico, toallas de papel, nuevas almohadas de cama para madres (estándar), fundas de almohadas (tamaño estándar), desodorante para mujeres, jabón Dove (barras y líquido), platos de papel, utensilios para comer desechables, vasos desechables, lejía Clorox, Toallitas Clorox o Lysol, detergente para platos, detergente para ropa Tide (perfumado), detergente Dreft para bebés, toallitas húmedas para bebés sin perfume, pañales (tallas 3, 4, 5, 6), ropa nueva para bebés, y formula para bebé. Tarjetas de regalo: Uber, Amazon, Giant, Target. (No se permiten mantas ni sábanas para bebés o madres, por favor. Ya tienen suficientes de estas).

#### ADORACIÓN NOCTURNA EN SAN ANDRÉS

La Sociedad de Adoración Nocturna de San Andrés de Drexel Hill se reunirá de 7:30PM a 8:30PM el Jueves, el 2 de mayo para una hora de Adoración Eucarística en la iglesia.

Iglesia de San Andrés Apóstol 3500 School Lane, Drexel Hill, PA 19026



pasa por la

Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia

30 de mayo al 3 de junio



Tengamos la oportunidad de acoger y adorar a Jesús en la Santísima Eucaristía cuando la Peregrinación Eucarística Nacional pase por la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia entre el 30 de mayo y el 3 de junio. Todos están invitados a unirse a la peregrinación durante las muchas paradas que harán en nuestras parroquias. Para conocer el horario completo de oportunidades para la oración, procesiones y otros eventos eucarísticos, visite: phillyeucharisticrevival.org/pilgrimage

#### TALLER DE ALABANZA Y ADORACIÓN

Ruben de Lis
26 de abril—6:00PM
Missionaries of Charity
2714 W. 9th Street, Chester,
PA 19013

27 de abril—6:00рм

Parroquia Sta. Katarina Drexel

920 Providence Ave., Chester, PA 19013

Información: Celso Félix 267-315-5230

#### **RESPETO a la CASA de DIOS**

Por favor ayude a mantener nuestra iglesia limpia y acogedora para todos los que vienen a adorar a nuestro Señor. Después de la Misa, por favor coloque los misales al final de la banca, recoja y retire los pañuelos, envoltorios, etc. que se le hayan caído para que la iglesia esté lista para la próxima Misa.

Gracias por su ayuda en este asunto.

## FROM OUR PASTOR

# JESUS, THE GOOD SHEPHERD by St. Thomas Aquinas



Thomas Aquinas on Jesus Christ as the Good Shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep.

I am the Good Shepherd. Surely it is fitting that Christ should be a shepherd, for just as a flock is guided and fed by a shepherd so the faithful are fed by Christ with spiritual food and with his own body and blood. The Apostle said: You were once like sheep without a shepherd, but now you have returned to the guardian and ruler of your souls. The prophet has said: As a shepherd he pastures his flock.

Christ said that the shepherd enters through the gate and that he is himself the gate as well as the shepherd. Then it is necessary that he enter through himself. By so doing, he reveals himself, and through himself he knows the Father. But we enter through him because through him we find happiness.

Take heed: no one else is the gate but Christ. Others reflect his light, but no one else is the true light. John the Baptist was not the light, but he bore witness to the light. It is said of Christ, however: He was the true light that enlightens every man. For this reason no one says that he is the gate; this title is Christ's own. However, he has made others shepherds and given that office to his members; for Peter was a shepherd, and so were the other apostles and all good bishops after them. Scripture says: I shall give you shepherds according to my own heart. Although the bishops of the Church, who are her sons, are all shepherds, nevertheless Christ refers only to one person in

saying: I am the Good Shepherd, because he wants to emphasize the virtue of charity. Thus, no one can be a good shepherd unless he is one with Christ in charity. Through this we become members of the true shepherd.

The duty of a good shepherd is charity; therefore Christ said: The good shepherd gives his life for his sheep. Know the difference between a good and a bad shepherd: the good shepherd cares for the welfare of his flock, but the bad shepherd cares only for his own welfare.

The Good Shepherd does not demand that shepherds lay down their lives for a real flock of sheep. But every spiritual shepherd must endure the loss of his bodily life for the salvation of the flock, since the spiritual good of the flock is more important than the bodily life of the shepherd, when danger threatens the salvation of the flock. This is why the Lord says: The good shepherd lays down his life, that is, his physical life, for his sheep; this he does because of his authority and love. Both, in fact, are required: that they should be ruled by him, and that he should love them. The first without the second is not enough.

Christ stands out for us as the example of this teaching: If Christ laid down his life for us, so we also ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

Excerpt from St. Thomas Aquinas' Exposition on John's
Gospel.
https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/
jesuschristthegoodshepherd/





## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### SPOTLIGHT ON ST. LAURENCE SCHOOL

Sr. Regina Matulka

A great big thank you to all who supported our Souls on Fire event. It was a complete success. A good time was had by all. Next week we will post our final tally. Thank you again for all your support!

God bless each and every one.

Have a blessed week.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Give blood. Help save lives.



St. Laurence School Cafeteria 8245 West Chester Pike, Upper Darby, PA Sunday, May 12 from 9:00AM-2:00PM

#### **NOCTURNAL ADORATION AT ST. ANDREW'S**

The St. Andrew's Nocturnal Adoration Society of Drexel Hill will meet from 7:30—8:30PM on Thursday, May 2 for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration in the church.

St. Andrew the Apostle Church 3500 School Lane, Drexel Hill, PA 19026 All are welcome to attend.

#### YOUNG DISCIPLES YOUTH GROUP



### SUNDAY DINNER WITH JESUS

- APRIL 21 ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE
  - \*The What, Why and How of Adoring our Lord
- MAY 19 ST. CHARLES BORROMEO
  - \*How to Equip Yourself for Spiritual Warfare
- JUNE 9 ST. LAURENCE, UPPER DARBY

\*Arise Youth Event

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL THE DETAILS AND TO JOIN US IN SERVICE:

HTTPS://SITES.GOOGLE.COM/VIEW/DELCO-YOUNG-DISCIPLES/HOME



#### DELCO PRO-LIFE MEETING APRIL 24, 7:00PM

Please join the monthly Delco Pro-Life meeting this Wednesday at the Holy Cross Parish Center in Springfield. The Parish Center is located behind the school.

Jesus, protect and save the unborn.

#### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

St. Margaret of Antioch parish is hosting a Bereavement Support Group every other Wednesday, May 11-July 10 from 7:00PM-8:30PM for people grieving the loss of a loved one.

Cost: \$8 for the Participant Journal St. Margaret of Antioch School Cafeteria 208 N Narberth Ave., Narberth, PA Advance Registration Required. Contact Tara at tplymouth@comcast.net or 215-808-7640.



## NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE SUNDAY, JUNE 2 3:00pm and 7:00pm

There will be prayer and benediction at **St. Charles Borromeo Seminary**, at 3:00PM, Sunday, June 2.

And we will have the special opportunity to welcome and adore Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist at 7:00PM Sunday, June 2 in **St.** Laurence Church. There will be adoration and testimonies. All are invited to join us.

For the full schedule of opportunities for prayer, processions and other Eucharistic events, visit:

phillyeucharisticrevival.org/pilgrimage.