



NOVEMBER 3, 2024
THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

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; 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 FAX: 484-452-6271

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PARISH STAFF

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franthony@saintlaurencedelco.org

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Parish Religious Education Program (PREP): Mia Cardenas,
religioused@saintlaurencedelco.org,
610-449-0600, ext. 215

Pre-Jordan (Baptism Prep) Catechesis:
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Finance Council: Joan Mazur, 484-433-0022

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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#

PRE-JORDAN BAPTISMAL CLASSES

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

PRAISE & WORSHIP PRAYER GROUP

Tuesdays at 2:00PM, Church

ST. LAURENCE ADULT CHOIR

Thursdays at 7:00PM, Choir Loft

NEEDLECRAFTERS

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

ROSARIO Y CLASE BÍBLICA

Miércoles, después de la misa en español, Iglesia

VIGILIA DEL PRIMER SÁBADO

Viernes, 8:00 - 11:00PM, 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, when adoration will end with a simple benediction in order to be ready for 6:30PM Mass in Spanish.

Jesus awaits your visit!



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM Eileen Szolack
 8:30AM Misa Comunitaria
 10:45AM Mary Clifford
 12:15PM Pro Populo

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

8:30AM Fr. Ken Omeke (L)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

8:30AM Jimenez & Talero Families

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

8:30AM Andrew Civak
 6:30PM Misa Comunitaria

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

8:30AM Deceased members of the Jabbour Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

8:30AM Lawrence Joseph Dugan, Jr. - 5th Anniversary

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

8:30AM Joe & Emily Murphy
 4:30PM Pro Populo
 7:00PM Misa Comunitaria

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM Percide Agossou (2nd Anniversary)
 8:30AM Misa Comunitaria
 10:45AM Yen Van Nguyen (5th Anniversary)
 12:15PM Deceased members of Boyce, Carr, & McHugh Families

(L) indicates living

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Rebecca Eger and John Flood, as well as all those suffering from serious illnesses, incurable diseases, & substance abuse.

PRAYER FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of the faithfully departed: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Through the mercy of God, may they rest in peace.



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DONATIONS



WE GIVE *because* GOD GAVE FIRST

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

	OCTOBER 27
Offertory	\$ 7,088
Online	\$ 989
Capital Campaign	\$ 6,313

BLESSED MOTHER'S SIDE SANCTUARY LAMP
 Anna Cugini by Family

ST. JOSEPH'S SIDE SANCTUARY LAMP
 Faculty & Staff of St. Laurence Church & School

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE
 donated by Katina Vignola

ELDERCARE

Education Opportunities for Medicare Updates

Medicare's annual open enrollment is in full swing. PA MEDI offers several Zoom and in-person programs over the next several weeks in a variety of locations in the county. Offerings include: changes in Medicare for 2025; how to go online to check your drug plan or Advantage plan; Medigap, also known as Supplemental Plans, and; Extra Help with Medicare Costs. Contact me for details, or Glenda Radical at (484) 494-3769.

LIHEAP 2024-2025

Applications will be accepted starting on November 4. The program provides financial assistance to eligible households to help pay their heating bills. The minimum benefit is \$200. I will be glad to help you apply.

Free COVID tests

Every US household can order free at-home COVID-19 tests; they will detect the currently circulating COVID-19 variants and are intended for use through 2024. Order at COVIDTests.gov.

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

2025 MASS INTENTION BOOK WILL OPEN MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11 9:00AM-12:00NOON

Please come to the narthex of the church anytime from 9:00AM-12:00NOON to make your requests. First come, first served. If you have an questions please call the parish office.

ANUNCIOS



PARA DESTACAR EN LA ESCUELA SAN LORENZO Hna. Regina Matulka

- El 4 de noviembre es el comienzo de nuestra recaudación de fondos escolar para Joe Corbi's. Los folletos están disponibles con los estudiantes de la escuela y en la nartex de la iglesia.
- Esta semana recordamos a las almas santas y a todos aquellos que han fallecido en nuestra parroquia y comunidad escolar el año pasado.
- Seguimos preparándonos para la reunión de todas las clases. Planee asistir a este gran evento. Esperamos verlo allí. ¡Que tenga una semana bendecida!

CONFERENCIA LIBERADO (UNBOUND)

7 & 8 de diciembre, 2024

Parroquia San Lorenzo

\$75

Para registrarse: Use este código QR. También puede visitar o llamar a la oficina parroquial. Para información adicional puede enviar un mensaje a liberado@saintlaurencedelco.org



AYUDA A ST. VINCENT de PAÚL a ALIMENTAR a NUESTROS VECINOS

Para que la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl pueda llevar a cabo nuestro evento de Acción de Gracias el sábado 23 de noviembre por la mañana, solicitamos una vez más la ayuda de los feligreses. NECESITAMOS los siguientes alimentos vigentes antes del 8 de noviembre:

Papas instantáneas, salsa de pavo enlatada, salsa de arándanos enlatada, mezcla de relleno, batatas enlatadas, maíz enlatado, sopas, salsa para pasta, mermelada, macarrones con queso en caja. De antemano, "bendiciones y gracias" a todos los que están ayudando en nuestros esfuerzos con alimentos o donaciones monetarias para ayudar a nuestros vecinos necesitados.

CAFÉ Y DONUTS ESTE DOMINGO

El 3 de noviembre es el domingo de café y donas. ¡Únase a sus compañeros feligreses en el salón parroquial después de todas las misas dominicales para disfrutar de dulces, café y compañerismo!



LAS INTENCIONES PARA las MISAS de 2025

El libro de intenciones para las misas de 2025 se abrirá el 11 de noviembre. Por favor, acérquese al nártex de la iglesia en cualquier momento entre las 9:00AM y las 12:00 DEL MEDIODÍA para hacer sus pedidos. Por orden de llegada.

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.

Parroquia Santos Inocentes

1337 E. Hunting Park Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19124

\$20: Desayuno, almuerzo y materiales incluidos.

Para registrarse haga clic en:

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

GRUPO DE JOVENES

REUNIÓN DEL GRUPO DE JÓVENES DE NOVIEMBRE

¡Gracias por su participación en nuestro evento de octubre! Fue maravilloso compartir momentos de reflexión, aprendizaje y diversión juntos. Los invitamos a nuestra próxima reunión el 8 de noviembre de 6:00 a 7:30PM en el salón parroquial de San Lorenzo. Su participación es valiosa para nosotros y esperamos verlos nuevamente. ¡Invita a tus amigos y no te lo pierdas!

POR FAVOR REZAR CINCO AVE MARÍAS CADA DÍA

Pide a Nuestra Santísima Madre el fin del aborto a través de la conversión de corazones y mentes.

Jesús, protege y salva a los no nacidos.

FROM OUR PASTOR

EXCERPT FROM: THE NEW SACRED HEART ENCYCLICAL: ENCOURAGING!

by: Dr. Jeff Mirus



When I say that Pope Francis' encyclical on the Sacred Heart of Jesus is encouraging, I mean just what the word "encourage" means, which comes from the French world *encoragier* which means precisely "to hearten", in the sense of "to make strong". That is one reason that the devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary are so effective in making us strong in Faith, and in action for Christ.

From the section entitled "The Importance of the Heart":

Instead of running after superficial satisfactions and playing a role for the benefit of others, we would do better to think about the really important questions in life. Who am I, really? What am I looking for? What direction do I want to give to my life, my decisions and my actions? Why and for what purpose am I in this world? How do I want to look back on my life once it ends? What meaning do I want to give to all my experiences? Who do I want to be for others? Who am I for God? All these questions lead us back to the heart.

From the section entitled "The Heart Unites the Fragments":

We see, then, that in the heart of each person there is a mysterious connection between self-knowledge and openness to others, between the encounter with one's personal uniqueness and the willingness to give oneself to others. We become ourselves only to the extent that we acquire the ability to acknowledge others, while only those who can acknowledge and accept themselves are then able to encounter others.

From the section entitled "Fire":

*...Along the same lines, Saint John Henry Newman took as his motto the phrase *Cor ad cor loquitur*, since, beyond all our thoughts and ideas, the Lord saves us by speaking to our hearts from his Sacred Heart. This realization led him, the distinguished intellectual, to recognize that his deepest encounter with himself and with the Lord came not from his reading or reflection, but from his prayerful dialogue, heart to heart, with Christ, alive and present. It was in the Eucharist that Newman encountered the living heart of Jesus, capable of setting us free, giving meaning to each moment of our lives, and bestowing true peace....*

From the section entitled "Actions that reflect the heart":

Whenever Jesus healed someone, he preferred to do it, not from a distance but in close proximity: "He stretched out his hand and touched him" (Mt 8:3). "He touched her

hand" (Mt 8:15). "He touched their eyes" (Mt 9:29). Once he even stopped to cure a deaf man with his own saliva (cf. Mk 7:33), as a mother would do, so that people would not think of him as removed from their lives. "The Lord knows the fine science of the caress. In his compassion, God does not love us with words; he comes forth to meet us and, by his closeness, he shows us the depth of his tender love".

From the section entitled "This is the heart that has loved so greatly":

Devotion to the heart of Christ is not the veneration of a single organ apart from the Person of Jesus. What we contemplate and adore is the whole Jesus Christ, the Son of God made man, represented by an image that accentuates his heart. That heart of flesh is seen as the privileged sign of the inmost being of the incarnate Son and his love, both divine and human. More than any other part of his body, the heart of Jesus is "the natural sign and symbol of his boundless love".

From Chapter 5, entitled "Love for Love":

Jesus is calling you and sending you forth to spread goodness in our world. His call is one of service, a summons to do good, perhaps as a physician, a mother, a teacher or a priest. Wherever you may be, you can hear his call and realize that he is sending you forth to carry out that mission. He himself told us, "I am sending you out" (Lk 10:3). It is part of our being friends with him.

My own conclusion is that this encyclical is well worth reading by just about every adult Catholic, no matter how young or how old. Though fairly lengthy, the essential human simplicity of this devotion that encompasses so much richness makes the encyclical easy to skim over quickly, slowing down for whatever aspects the reader finds particularly fresh, interesting or helpful. In this way, the reader can also derive immense benefit from renewed acquaintance with the many saints who have been central to the development of the devotion. The encyclical is not difficult to read, but neither minimize the need to take the devotion seriously. Rather, it provides the understanding and, yes, encouragement that can help us all to unite our hearts with the Heart of Christ.

<https://www.catholicculture.org/commentary/new-sacred-heart-encyclical-encouraging/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE & DONUT SUNDAY TODAY!

Join your fellow parishioners in the parish hall after all Sunday Masses for sweet treats, coffee, and fellowship!



SPOTLIGHT ON ST. LAURENCE SCHOOL Sr. Regina Matulka

- November 4 is the beginning of our school fundraiser for Joe Corbi's. Pamphlets are available from school students and in the narthex of the church.
- This week we are remembering the holy souls and all those who have died in our parish and school community this past year.
- We are continuing to prepare for the All-Class reunion. Please plan on attending this great event. We look forward to seeing you there.
Have a blessed week!

LEADERSHIP DAY-ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Saturday, Nov. 9 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Epiphany of Our Lord Church

3050 Walton Rd. Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

Rev. Stephen DeLacy, Main Celebrant

Maria Richardson mrichardson@archphila.org

Learn more at <https://archphilaccr.org/events/>

DELCO PRO-LIFE MEETING

Our monthly Delco Pro-Life Meeting is Wednesday, November 13, at 7:00PM in the Holy Cross Parish Center in Springfield. The building is behind the school.

STAND UP FOR LIFE ANNUAL DINNER

Sunday, November 24, 2024

4:30PM Reception 5:00PM Dinner

Philadelphia Sheraton Downtown, 201 N. 17th St.

Speaker: Isabel Vaughan Spruce—12 year Director with 40 Days for Life in England

Co-director of the March for Life - UK

Tickets: \$90.00 each/table of 10, \$825.00

Students: \$65.00 each/table of 10, \$620.00

Purchase tickets online at prolifeunion.org

Request seats at St. Laurence Upper Darby Table.

For info, contact Joan Mazur, 484-433-0022

HELP FEED OUR NEIGHBORS THIS THANKSGIVING

In order for St. Vincent de Paul Society to hold our Thanksgiving event on Saturday morning November 23, we are seeking your help. We need the following unexpired items before November 8:

Instant potatoes, canned turkey gravy, canned cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, canned sweet potatoes, canned corn, soups, pasta sauce, jelly, and boxed macaroni & cheese.

"Blessings and thank you" to all who are assisting in our endeavors with either food or monetary donations to help our neighbors in need.

ST. LAURENCE SCHOOL



ALL-CLASS REUNION

COME BACK TO THE PLACE WHERE WE ALL BECAME A FAMILY.
OUR HOUSE HAS BEEN REBUILT.
BE A PART OF THE FUTURE WHILE RELIVING THE PAST.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2024
5 PM WELCOME MASS
6-7 PM SCHOOL TOUR
7-10 PM SCHOOL REUNION
IN PARISH HALL

ENJOY RAFFLES, SLS SWAG, LIVE MUSIC, FOOD &
DRINK, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, EACH OTHER!
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



Hurry to get your reunion tickets now!
They are limited and may sell out fast!
They may not be available at the door!

NOVEMBER YOUTH GROUP MEETING

Thank you for your participation in our October event! It was wonderful to share moments of reflection, learning and fun together.

We invite you to our next meeting on **Friday, November 8 from 6:00PM to 7:30PM** in the St. Laurence parish hall. Your participation is valuable to us, and we hope to see you again. Invite your friends, and don't miss it!