



SEPTEMBER 8, 2024
TWENTY-THIRD 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

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

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

SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

School Office & Mailing Address: 8245 West Chester Pike
Upper Darby, PA 19082

Phone: 610-789-2670 FAX: 484-452-6271

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PARISH STAFF

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610-449-0600, ext. 227 or
henry@saintlaurencedelco.org

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mego@saintlaurencedelco.org

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MINISTRIES/MINISTERIOS

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610-789-8792 or walber33@verizon.net

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R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults),

Parish Religious Education Program (PREP): Mia Cardenas,
religioused@saintlaurencedelco.org,
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Pre-Jordan (Baptism Prep) Catechesis:
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Men's Group: Harry Dietzler, 484-557-0201

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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

ROSARIO Y CLASE BÍBLICA

Miércoles, 7:00 - 9:00PM, Iglesia

CLASES PRE-BAUTISMALES

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



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 7:00PM in the parish hall. Beginning Sept. 18, adoration will return to the church and end with simple benediction at 6:15PM to be ready for 6:30PM Mass in Spanish. Jesus awaits your visit!



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM Deceased members of Korte & Harvey Families

8:30AM Misa Comunitaria

10:45AM Hugh McGee

12:15PM Pro Populo

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 Mass is in the parish hall

ST. PETER CLAVER

8:30AM Frank DeCaro

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 Mass is in the parish hall

8:30AM Mary Lou Cashman (L)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 Mass in the parish hall

8:30AM Patricia McEaney

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 Mass is in the parish hall

8:30AM Pat Noonan Bonner

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 Mass is in the parish hall

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM,

BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8:30AM Denise DeFino

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

EXULTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

8:30AM Denis F. Sweeney

4:30PM Ronald Shtofman

7:00PM Misa Comunitaria

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM Donata & Mario Gallozzi

8:30AM Misa Comunitaria

10:45AM Yen Van Nguyen

12:15PM Pro Populo

(L) indicates living

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for 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. Amen

DONATIONS



For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

-Matthew 6:21

SEPTEMBER 1

Offertory \$ 10,447

Online \$ 459

Capital Campaign \$ 4,580

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

SENIOR EXPO

The Delaware County Senior Expo will be held on Thursday, September 12 from 9:00AM to NOON at the Drexelbrook. It's a great opportunity to learn what services are available for older adults in our county.

TIME OFF

I will be out of the office from Thursday, September 19 through Monday, September 30. My last day in the office will be Wednesday, September 18 and I will return to the office on Wednesday, October 2. I will leave instructions with the rectory, on my voicemail, and on my email how to reach my colleague if you have a need during that time.

GRIEVING SUPPORT GROUP

This will be offered for eight Tuesdays beginning September 10, from 7 to 8:30PM, for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one. The program will be held on the 1st floor of St. Bernadette's Wright Center. No matter how long it has been since your loss, unattended grief may linger. This is facilitated by George Salloom, a retired healthcare social worker, hospice volunteer, and a member of the Havertown Ministerium. For more information, call 610-306-0252 or email georgesalloom@hotmail.com

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

ANUNCIOS

CAMBIO DE LUGAR DE LAS MISAS DIARIAS ESTA SEMANA el 9 a el 13 de SEPTIEMBRE

Las misas diarias de esta semana de lunes a viernes se celebrarán en el salón parroquial de la planta baja, mientras se trabaja en el mosaico situado detrás del altar de la iglesia. Gracias por su paciencia.

EL DOMINGO de CATEQUÍA el 14 Y 15 de SEPTIEMBRE

Bendeciremos a los maestros de las escuelas católicas y de PREP en todas las misas. El enfoque de este domingo está en el importante trabajo y misión de nuestros maestros, especialmente en la transmisión de nuestra fe católica a nuestros jóvenes.

CAMBIO AL HORARIO DE MISAS Y ULTRELLA EN ESPAÑOL

A partir del 18 de septiembre, habrá una misa en español a las 6:30PM **todos los miércoles**. Esto eliminará la misa en español del "último martes del mes". **La Ultrella**, la reunión del Cursillo en español, se reunirá el último miércoles del mes después de la misa en español. La clase de Biblia en español se realizará los otros miércoles después de la misa en español.



FORMACIÓN MUSICAL: FORMACIÓN PASTORAL PARA MINISTERIOS DE LA MUSICA

Dos clases en línea (7:00PM) —Teoría de la música
martes 10 y 17 de septiembre

Dos clases en persona (7:00PM)—Clases practicas
viernes 27 de septiembre y 4 de octubre

Centro Pastoral Arquidiocesano
222 N 17th Street, Filadelfia
Inversión: \$50

Para información y registro,
llamar al 215-667-2824



PARA DESTACAR EN LA ESCUELA SAN LORENZO

Hna. Regina Matulka

¡La escuela está en pleno apogeo! El miércoles 27 de agosto, 20 estudiantes tuvieron el honor de ser elegidos como Becarios Howley. El Sr. Andrew Howley entregó a cada uno de los estudiantes pins y certificados. La fundación Howley está aportando \$2500 para la matrícula de cada uno de estos estudiantes. La fundación Howley también está haciendo una donación considerable a nuestro programa de ESL. Próximamente habrá más información sobre estos dos programas.

La reunión de todas las clases de noviembre también está ganando impulso. Las entradas estarán disponibles en breve. Por favor, planea venir a ayudar el 10 de septiembre a las 6:00 p. m. en el laboratorio de computación de la escuela. Esperamos que este gran evento sea un éxito, pero necesitamos su ayuda. Gracias por su apoyo. ¡Que tengan una gran semana!

¡Dios los bendiga!

GRUPO DE JÓVENES DE SAN LORENZO: SEPTIEMBRE

Estamos profundamente agradecidos a todos los que asistieron a nuestra reunión de agosto. Vuestro entusiasmo hizo que el acto fuera realmente especial. Fue edificante aprender sobre nuestra fe, reflexionar sobre ella y divertirnos juntos. Nuestra próxima reunión es el **13 de septiembre**, de 6:30PM a 8:30PM en el salón parroquial de San Lorenzo. Su participación es valiosa, y esperamos verlos de nuevo. ¡Invita a tus amigos y no faltes!

MARCHA POR LA VIDA EN PENNSILVANIA



Harrisburg, PA

23 de septiembre de 2024

10:00AM Hora de inicio

<https://marchforlife.org/pennsylvania/>

FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear friends in Christ,

As we wrap up our first week of full days of class at St Laurence School and prepare for catechism classes for our other students to begin next weekend I write to encourage us and share a few additions to our parish schedule that begin this weekend.

First – a temporary regression to the lower church is necessary this coming week. We will move downstairs for daily Mass and adoration once again while the workers correct the flawed installation of the mosaic and Crucifix behind the main altar in the church. Our move downstairs should enable them to work more quickly without having to set up and tear down each day – so they should finish by the end of the week and the weekend liturgies should be in the church. The crucifix is also receiving an upgraded 'INRI' sign as part of these touch ups.

Second – as our Spanish speaking population continues to grow in numbers and in devotion we are adding a weekly Mass in Spanish on Wednesday evenings. This Mass will begin Wed., September 18 and will be scheduled weekly at 6:30PM. In the past year we have noticed more and more people attending daily morning Mass from our Spanish community and we are trying to grow our offerings as a parish to meet their needs for devotion while not taking away from our offerings in English wherever possible. Please know that everyone is welcome to attend this Mass in Spanish – just as everyone is always welcome to attend our Masses and devotions offered in English. To facilitate this change, Adoration will conclude on Wednesdays at 6:15PM with a simple benediction and then we will prepare the sanctuary for Mass at 6:30PM. Thank you for your understanding.

Lastly, I want to offer a word of catechesis and welcome to a new community that will be joining us at First Saturday Masses throughout the academic year. Fr. Anthony and I have both been working with local homeschooling families and as part of our ongoing connections with them we are pleased to host a regional gathering for them (you may have seen it advertised elsewhere in the bulletin already or on social media) on the First Saturday of the month. They will join our parish Mass and then afterwards they are going to use the parish hall to pray a children's rosary and to offer some social time for any families that care to join. The purpose is to observe the beautiful First Saturday devotions and to foster community among believers. As part of this I'm

taking the opportunity to try something a little different at this one Mass each month. If you attend that Mass you will see two changes from what you probably consider "normal" Mass.

First – the priest will celebrate Mass *ad orientem*. This means literally "toward the East." It is sometimes derogatorily referred to as, "with his back to the people." The simple symbolism is that the priest, standing in the person of Christ the head and spouse of the Church, leads the body of believers in the same direction – namely toward heaven. It will take some getting used to if you've never experienced it before.

Second – we will use the Communion Rail to distribute Holy Communion. Instead of simply waiting in line and processing one by one, you will form a line and then approach the Communion rail at any open spot. You may kneel or stand, whichever you prefer. You may also receive Holy Communion on your tongue or in your hand, whichever you prefer. Once you have received Holy Communion, you will return to your pew as normal down the side aisles.

We warmly welcome all to experience this slight shift at this one single Mass each month. I want to emphasize that neither of these changes is meant to become normative for Masses in English at St. Laurence – particularly the orientation of the priest during the prayers at the altar. Those of you who have ever attended a Spanish Mass at St. Laurence know that we already use the Communion rail smoothly and efficiently at those Masses.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Tom

40 HOURS with **FR. PIO MANDATO**
SEPTEMBER 26- 28
Three evenings of homilies,
40 Hours of personal prayer and
community prayer
in the presence of the Lord.
MORE DETAILS TO COME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DAILY MASS WILL BE IN THE PARISH HALL Monday through Friday, SEPTEMBER 9 - 13

This week while work is being done on the mosaic in the church, daily Mass will be downstairs in the parish hall. Thank you for your patience.

SEPTEMBER 14-15 IS CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

We will bless Catholic School and PREP teachers at all Masses. The focus of this Sunday is on the important work and mission of our teachers especially as they pass on our Catholic Faith to our young people.

RESUMPTION OF ST. LAURENCE GROUPS

St. Laurence Men's Group and the Praise and Worship Prayer Group both resume this week after their summer hiatus. **Men's Group** meets Mondays at 7:00PM, Main school entrance. **Praise and Worship Prayer Group** meets Tuesdays at 2:00PM, Rectory.

ST. LAURENCE YOUTH GROUP: SEPTEMBER

Thanks to all who attended our August meeting — your presence and enthusiasm made the event truly special. Our next meeting is **September 13, 6:00 — 8:30PM** in the St. Laurence Parish Hall. We hope to see you again! Please invite your friends!

CHOIR SEEKS NEW MEMBERS!

St. Laurence Adult Choir is looking for new members. The only requirement is that you enjoy singing and can blend your voice with others. Practices start on Thursday, September 12 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

PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION SESSION

Thursday, September 19

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
1400 Evans Rd., Ambler, 19002
7:00PM - 9:00PM

Register: <https://archphila.org/deacon/>



SPOTLIGHT ON ST. LAURENCE SCHOOL Sr. Regina Matulka

School is in full swing!

- On Wednesday, August 27, 20 students were honored to be chosen as Howley Scholars. Mr. Andrew Howley presented each of the students with pins and certificates. The Howley foundation is providing \$2500 towards each of these student's tuition. The Howley Foundation is also making a sizable donation to our ESL program. We will have more information on both of these programs.
- The November All-Class Reunion is also gaining steam. Tickets will be available shortly. Please plan on coming to help on September 10 at 6:00PM in the school computer lab. We look forward to this great successful event but we need your help. Thank you for your support.

Have a great week and God bless you!

DELCO PARISHES PRO-LIFE MEETING

Please join us for our first Delco Pro-life meeting of the season on Wednesday, September 11, 6:30PM in St. Francis of Assisi Rectory Basement Conference Room in Springfield.

Make plans to attend the PA March for Life on Monday, September 23, in Harrisburg. Transportation will be provided. Rally at 11:00AM with March around the Capitol building at 12 NOON. More info to follow.

MAIN LINE SINGLES DINNER CLUB (AGES 52-68)

Single Catholic men and women are cordially invited to join The Main Line Singles Dinner Club to share common interests & dine together regularly. Join us Sunday, September 15, 5:15PM at: Momoyama Hawaiian BBQ 11

2305 Darby Rd., Havertown, PA 19083

For more info, please call Barb at 610-896-6542 (please do not text). Catholic single men are encouraged to participate.