



MARCH 24, 2024

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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: 8245 West Chester Pike
Upper Darby, PA 19082

Phone: 610-789-2670

FAX: 484-452-6271

Principal:

Sr. Regina Matulka, IHM

Website:

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 - 9:00PM, 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

Parishioners of St. Laurence Parish

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 religiously@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 DeFrusco, 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, MARCH 24

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

7:30AM Theresa & Steve Slater

8:30AM Misa Comunitaria

10:45AM Susan McGee

12:15PM Pro Populo

MONDAY, MARCH 25

8:30AM William Albertus

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

8:30AM Christine Somers

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

8:30AM Nestel Family (L)

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28

7:30PM Mass of the Lord's Supper /
Misa de la Cena del Señor
(English & español): Pro Populo

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29,

NO MASSES

12:00NOON Stations of the Cross (English)

3:00PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion/
Celebración de la Pasión del Señor
(English & español)

6:30PM Stations of the Cross (español)

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30

8:00PM Easter Vigil/Vigilia de Pascua
(English & español): Pro Populo

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
OF THE LORD**

7:30AM English

8:30AM Español

10:45AM English

12:15PM English

(L) denotes living

CATHOLICPHILLY PRESENTS...

On March 7, Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez ordained Most Reverends Keith J. Chylinski, Christopher R. Cooke, & Efren V. Esmilla to the Episcopacy. CatholicPhilly presents a commemorative supplement celebrating this joyous occasion in the life of our local Church. You can view it here:

issuu.com/catholicphilly/docs/episcopal_ordination_special_edition_cp_march_2024?fr=sZDA0ODcxNzQ00Tg

PARISH NEWS

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

~ Matthew 6:21

COLLECTION	MARCH 17
Offertory	\$ 7,409
On-Line Giving	\$ 916
Capital Campaign	\$ 6,377
Easter Flowers	\$ 405
Easter Remembrance	\$ 697
Lenten Daily Mass	\$ 590

PRAYER REQUESTS

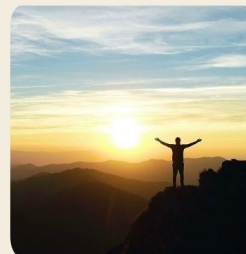
PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Michael Campuzano, Susan Meehan, Kathleen Gallagher, Robert Hartman, Mary Lou Carey, Michael Scogna, and Helen Glowacki. Also pray for those suffering from serious illnesses, incurable diseases, and substance abuse.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of the faithfully departed, especially Elizabeth Ann Mosco, Alfred Altopiedi, & Phyllis Momrow: 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.

**Unbound Freedom in
Christ Conference at
St. Laurence Parish**

**Friday, April 26, 2024 -
Saturday, April 27, 2024**



ANUNCIOS



PARA DESTACAR EN LA ESCUELA SAN LORENZO Hna. Regina Matulka

Gracias a todos en nuestra gran comunidad de San Lorenzo por sus oraciones por el éxito de nuestra Evaluación de Middle States. Fue una semana maravillosa.

Esta bendita Semana Santa, nuestros niños y profesores observarán la semana más santa con oración, servicios de oración tranquilos en el aula y reflexión sobre los pasos de Cristo. Oramos para que al finalizar nuestras celebraciones de Cuaresma y comenzar el Triduo Pascual nos acerquemos a Jesús con corazones amorosos y agradecidos por todo lo que Cristo soportó por nosotros.

UN CAMINO DE ESPERANZA – RETIRO BILINGÜE PARA PADRES CON HIJOS CON DISCAPACIDADES Y SUS HIJOS



Únase a nosotros:

el sábado 13 de abril

Escuela parroquial de San

Carlos Borromeo

1731 Hulme Road en Bensalem

para un retiro bilingüe que incluirá sesiones para adultos y actividades para todos los niños. El monseñor Joseph Shields será nuestro predicador principal del retiro acompañado por la Hermana Mimi DePaul, IHM.

Los niños con síndrome de Down, autismo, sordera/deficiencia auditiva, ceguera/deficiencia visual, discapacidad intelectual, discapacidad de aprendizaje, discapacidad conductual, discapacidad ortopédica, discapacidad del habla o ADHD (por sus siglas en inglés) son bienvenidos.

Aunque la asistencia es gratuita, aceptamos donaciones voluntarias para el retiro. Le rogamos que inscriba a su familia en línea antes del 5 de abril en www.opdarchphilly.org o llame al 215-587-0500 para inglés o al 215-667-2820 para español.

PARROQUIA SAN LORENZO *Semana Santa*



**Domingo de Ramos,
24 de marzo**

Horario normal



**Jueves Santo,
28 de marzo**

7:30pm - Última Cena del Señor,
inglés y español



**Viernes Santo,
29 de marzo**

5:30pm - Celebración de la Pasión
del Señor
Vía Crucis en vivo



**Sábado Santo,
30 de marzo**

9:00am - Rosario de los dolores
de María

9:00 - 10:00am Confesiones
(no hay confesiones a las 3:00pm el
Sábado Santo)

8:00pm - Vigilia Pascual, inglés y
español



**Domingo de Resurrección,
31 de marzo**

8:30am - Español

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:
LEARNING FROM THE HUMILITY OF JESUS' SUFFERINGS
BY FATHER CASSIDY STINSON



The authentic experience of Palm Sunday is, in my mind, one of spiritual whiplash. Beginning with the opening Gospel at the procession and blessing of the palms, the liturgy of the Church takes us on an emotional and existential roller coaster – from the shouts of praise at Christ's arrival in Jerusalem to the screams of condemnation at his crucifixion.

Along the way, we may find we recognize ourselves in many of the painful encounters of the Passion narrative: Peter's moments of weakness and denial, the faithful suffering of Our Lady and her companions, and Christ's own cry of abandonment to the Father.

This challenging liturgy is a turning point for all of us in the Church as we enter the final days of preparation for the Triduum and Easter solemnities and approach the close of the forty days of Lent.

For me, this is always a moment for retrospection, especially to look back on my own experience and spiritual fruits of the season. I can't speak for anyone else, but so far, I can't think of a year in which I could say my Lent went completely according to plan. Every year, I set optimistic goals and try to challenge myself in each of the pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, only to find myself approaching the finish line of Holy Week with more than a few of those goals unmet.

But then, perhaps that's the point. Even if the only thing we were to take away from this sacred season was a greater humility and recognition of our total dependence on the merciful love of God, that would be more than enough to prepare our hearts to better receive the joy of Christ's Resurrection this Easter. As St. Paul writes so beautifully in his letter to the Philippians, this is the same virtue that Jesus himself models perfectly in his submission to the suffering of his Passion and death.

Like every other virtue, however, this isn't a quality that we are simply meant to admire from afar, or contemplate in the abstract; instead, Our Lord reveals his humility to us firsthand by coming to be with us in his Body and Blood in every Mass and renewing us with his merciful love in the sacraments of his Church. Where our own strength fails, he steps in to transform us from within, and make our hearts, wills, and minds like his own.

catholicvirginian.org/columns/reflection-on-mass-readings-for-palm-sunday-learning-from-the-humility-of-jesus-sufferings/

ST. LAURENCE PARISH

Holy Week



Palm Sunday, March 24
Usual Sunday Schedule



Holy Thursday, March 28
8:00am - Church open for private prayer
7:30pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper, English & Spanish



Good Friday, March 29
8:00am - Church open for private prayer
12:00pm - Stations of the Cross
3:00pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion
6:30pm - Live Stations of the Cross (Spanish), Parish Hall



Holy Saturday, March 30
8:00am - Church open for private prayer
9:00 - 10:00am Confessions (not 3 - 4:15pm)
8:00pm - Easter Vigil, English & Spanish



Easter Sunday, March 31
7:30am, 10:45am, 12:15pm in English
8:30am in Spanish

ANNOUNCEMENTS



SPOTLIGHT ON ST. LAURENCE SCHOOL Sr. Regina Matulka

Thank you to all in our great St. Laurence community for your prayers for our Middle States Evaluation success. It was a wonderful week.

This blessed Holy Week, our children and faculty will be observing the holiest of weeks with prayer, quiet classroom prayer services, and reflection on the footsteps of Christ.

We pray that as we end our Lenten observances and begin the Easter Triduum that we approach Jesus with loving and grateful hearts for all Christ endured for us.

PART-TIME SPANISH TEACHER NEEDED

SLS has need of a part-time Spanish teacher, for Grades 5-8, two days a week, seven 55 minute classes. Qualified applicants need to have: up-to-date clearances, teaching experience, good classroom management, and knowledge of technology. Please call the school and ask to speak with Sister Regina: 610-789-2670.



Call for Vendors!

SLS FLEA MARKET SAT., APRIL 13

9:00AM—3:00PM at St. Laurence School

Interested in being a Vendor? Email Sister Regina at srmatulka@saintlaurence.org or call 610-789-2670 x315

The cost of a space (one parking spot) is \$25.

Tables are **NOT** provided.

Options to Pay:

- Check made out to St. Laurence School
- Credit Card or Cash accepted at the school

THE PEACE IN THE STORM PROJECT

Thursday, April 11, 2:00PM or 7:00PM on Zoom

This program provides a model of spiritual and pastoral accompaniment with adults with chronic pain, illness, cancer, autoimmune disorders, diabetes and heart disease. Peace in the Storm Project is encouraging & theologically sound. To register, visit: www.opdarchphilly.org

ATTENTION! MARRIED COUPLES

When was the last time you gave your marriage a tune-up? Keep your engines running by getting away together on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Weekend! The next in-person experiences are April 19-21 and July 12-14 at:

Nat'l Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa
654 Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA

For more info visit: www.wwme-philly.org.

A PATH OF HOPE – BILINGUAL RETREAT FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Saturday, April 13

St. Charles Borromeo Parish School
1731 Hulme Road, Bensalem

Bilingual retreat includes sessions for adults and activities for all children. Monsignor Joseph Shields will be our retreat leader, accompanied by Sister Mimi DePaul, IHM. Children with Down Syndrome, Autism, impairments (deafness/hearing, blindness/vision, orthopedic, speech, ADHD), disabilities (intellectual, learning, behavioral) are all welcome.

While there is no cost to attend, we are accepting free will donations for the retreat. Please register your family by April 5 online at www.opdarchphilly.org or call 215-587-0500 for English or 215-667-2820 for Spanish.



HEALING WEEKEND RETREAT APRIL 12-14

Rachel's Vineyard is a healing opportunity for anyone with emotional and spiritual pain of traumatic pregnancy loss, whether through abortion or miscarriage. We welcome those who worked in the abortion industry to heal from their wounds. Call Evelyn at 215-317-5752 to register.

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa
654 Ferry Road, Doylestown, PA 18901