



FEBRUARY 4, 2024
FIFTH 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

Saturday Vigil

4:30PM

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

Saturday 3:15-4:15PM

Wednesdays 9:30AM - 7:00PM

Confessions

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

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

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

HORA SANTA EN ESPAÑOL

Miércoles, 7:00 - 9:00PM, Iglesia

CLASES PRE-BAUTISMALES

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for Francis Pirrotta, Juliet Mannello, and Renate Meeley. Also pray for all those suffering from serious illnesses, incurable diseases, and substance abuse.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of the faithfully departed, especially Rev. Jason V. Kulczynski and Edward J. Campuzano, Sr.

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

BLESSED MOTHER'S SIDE SANCTUARY LAMP

Martin & Mary Stanton by the Family

ST. JOSEPH'S SIDE SANCTUARY LAMP

Parishioners of St. Laurence Parish

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

Parishioners of St. Laurence Parish

Donations to cover the cost of the sanctuary candles on either side of the main altar can be made in honor or in memory of loved ones. Making a donation toward the altar bread and wine for the parish is another way to honor those who have gone before you. Please call or visit the parish office if you are interested in sponsoring the candles or bread/wine. Thank you!

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, 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 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. 210 or mia@saintlaurencedelco.org

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:30AM Charles & Kathleen Albertus
- 8:30AM Misa Comunitaria
- 10:45AM Patrick Cawley (10th Anniversary)
- 12:15PM Salvatore DeSimone

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- 8:30AM Kathleen McGoohan (5th Anniversary)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- 8:30AM Living Members of the Cugini Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- 8:30AM Jimmy Miller

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 8:30AM Special Intention

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 8:30AM Tom Van Sant

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- 8:30AM Anna Heckler (4th Anniversary)
- 4:30PM Peter & Marie Venuti

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:30AM Pro Populo
- 8:30AM Misa Comunitaria
- 10:45AM Yen Van Nguyen
- 12:15PM Vincenza Scorsone

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PARISH NEWS

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce. Proverbs 3:9

COLLECTION	JAN. 28
Weekly Offertory	\$ 7,905
On-Line Giving	\$ 792
Capital Campaign	\$ 7,740
Catholic Schools	\$ 1,570

PENNSYLVANIANS FOR HUMAN LIFE CELEBRATE LIFE BANQUET

Sunday, February 25

Reception 4:00PM Dinner 5:00PM

Springfield Country Club

400 West Sproul Road (Route 320), Springfield, PA

Special Guest: Teresa Tomeo, Talk Show Host

The Margaret Way Hoffner Award:

Reverend James J. Shea, SchP

PHL Lifetime Achievement Award:

John M. Haas, PhD, STL, MDiv,

President Emeritus of the National Catholic

Bioethics Center, Professor at St. Charles

Borromeo, Consultant to USCCB on Life Issues

\$90.00/adult or \$800.00/table of ten

\$50.00/student or \$400.00/table of ten

Make your check out to "PHL Ed. Fund" & send to:

Pennsylvanians for Human Life

590 Snyder Ave., Suite 201,

West Chester, PA 19382

If you would like to sit at the St. Laurence table, please write "St. Laurence Table" on your check. Call Joan at 484-433-0022 if you have questions.

ST. LAURENCE PARISH

*Ash
Wednesday*

February 14, 2024

6:30AM - English Mass

8:30AM - English Mass

12:00PM - Prayer Service (Eng.)

4:00PM - Prayer Service (Eng.)

7:00PM - Spanish Mass

COFFEE & DONUTS

The St. Laurence Social Committee will be providing coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall **this Sunday, February 4,** after Masses.

Come and enjoy fellowship, a delicious treat, and a warm drink on a cold Sunday! We look forward to seeing you there!



ANUNCIOS



PARA DESTACAR EN LA ESCUELA SAN LORENZO Hna. Regina Matulka

Gracias a todos los que participaron en la Semana de las Escuelas Católicas. Tuvimos una asistencia increíble en todos los eventos que sucedieron durante toda la semana. Desde nuestra liturgia de apertura y jornada de puertas abiertas hasta nuestro Día Especial de Amigos y Abuelos... desde el bingo de nuestra escuela hasta el concierto de nuestra banda...todo salió bien.

Nuestra celebración de nuestros niños, profesores y personal fue un poderoso recordatorio de quiénes somos como escuela católica, unidos en la fe y la comunidad.

Dios bendiga a cada uno de ustedes.

VAYAN, Y HAGAN DISCÍPULOS FORMACIÓN INTRODUCTORIA AL DISCIPULADO MISIONERO

Únase a nosotros para un entrenamiento poderoso y práctico en los hábitos y habilidades del discipulado misionero. Este curso le ayudará a profundizar su amistad personal con Jesús y adquirir habilidades para relacionarse y acompañar a otros en el amor de Cristo.



9:00AM - 12:00PM

Sábado 10 de febrero: Amistad con Dios

Sábado 9 de marzo: Habilidades para acompañar a otros en la Fe

Sábado 20 de abril: Cómo compartir el evangelio

Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de la Esperanza
5200 N. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA

Facilitador: Paola Herrera, Directora Asociada
Oficina para la Nueva Evangelización

Registración: El precio es de \$25 por las 3 sesiones e incluye desayuno ligero y guía. Se prevé que se agoten las cupos; inscribese a tiempo en:

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

Los participantes deberán atender las 3 sesiones.

Mas información: Paola Herrera (215)320-8065
o Vicky Fontánez (484)788-4208

CAFÉ Y DONAS

El Comité Social de San Lorenzo ofrecerá café y donas en el Salón Parroquial **este domingo, 4 de febrero**, después de las Misas.



¡Ven y disfruta del compañerismo, un delicioso dulce y una bebida caliente en un domingo frío! Esperamos verlos allí!

BENDICIÓN DE GARGANTAS

La bendición individual de las gargantas se dará en la Misa diaria el sábado 3 de febrero, en la fiesta de San Blas. La bendición general de las gargantas se dará en la Misa de vigilia del sábado y en las Misas dominicales el 4 de febrero.

PARROQUIA SAN LORENZO

*Miércoles
de ceniza*

14 de febrero de 2024

6:30AM - Misa en inglés

8:30AM - Misa en inglés

**12:00PM - Servicio de
Oración en inglés**

**4:00PM - Servicio de
Oración en inglés**

7:00PM - Misa en español



MARCA TUS CALENDARIOS: CUARESMA 2024 VÍA CRUCIS

7:00PM miércoles - Vía Crucis en español

7:00PM los viernes - Vía Crucis en inglés

CONFESIONES

3:00 - 4:15PM Sábados, **excepto** Sábado Santo
1:30 y 7:30PM, hasta completar las filas,
martes 12 de marzo

9:00 - 10:00AM Sábado Santo, 30 de marzo, **no hay** confesiones a las 3:00 el sábado santo.

FROM OUR PASTOR



JESUS HEALS BY POPE BENEDICT XVI

First Simon Peter's mother-in-law, who was in bed with a fever and Jesus, taking her by the hand, healed her and helped her to her feet; then all the sick in Capernaum, tired in body, mind, and spirit, and he *healed many...and cast out many demons* (Mk 1:34). The four Evangelists agree in testifying that this liberation from illness and infirmity of every kind was — together with preaching — Jesus' main activity in his public ministry.

Illness is in fact a sign of the action of evil in the world and in people, whereas healing shows that the Kingdom of God, God himself, is at hand. Jesus Christ came to defeat evil at the root, and instances of healing are an anticipation of his triumph, obtained with his Death and Resurrection.

Jesus said one day: *those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick* (Mk 2:17). On that occasion he was referring to sinners, whom he came to call and to save. It is nonetheless true that illness is a typically human condition in which we feel strongly that we are not self-sufficient but need others. In this regard we might say paradoxically that illness can be a salutary moment in which to experience the attention of others and to pay attention to others!

However illness is also always a trial that can even become long and difficult. When healing does not happen and suffering is prolonged, we can be, as it were, overwhelmed, isolated, and then our life is depressed and dehumanized. How should we react to this attack of evil? With the appropriate treatment, certainly — medicine in these decades has taken giant strides and we are grateful for it — but the Word of God teaches us that there is a

crucial basic attitude with which to face illness and it is that of faith in God, in His goodness. Jesus always repeats this to the people he heals: your faith has made you well (cf. Mk 5:34, 36).

Even in the face of death, faith can make possible what is humanly impossible. But faith in what? In the love of God. This is the real answer which radically defeats evil. Just as Jesus confronted the Evil One with the power of the love that came to him from the Father, so we too can confront and live through the trial of illness, keeping our heart immersed in God's love.

We all know people who were able to bear terrible suffering because God gave them profound serenity.... Nonetheless, in sickness we all need human warmth: to comfort a sick person, what counts more than words is serene and sincere closeness.

catholiceducation.org/en/religion-and-philosophy/spiritual-life/jesus-heals.html

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

February 2 marks the Presentation of the Lord and the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is celebrated in the Universal Church. Our parishes in the Archdiocese are marking this special occasion this weekend, February 3-4.

The Archdiocese continues to be blessed with many different forms of consecrated life. This is a day to celebrate the many religious priests, sisters, brothers, consecrated virgins, and hermits who serve the Archdiocese.

Let us join in prayer, thanking the Lord for their faithful presence and diligent work on behalf of our Lord each day.
—Abp. Nelson Pérez

ANNOUNCEMENTS



SPOTLIGHT ON ST. LAURENCE SCHOOL Sr. Regina Matulka

Thank you to everyone who participated in Catholic Schools Week. We had an amazing turn out for all the events that happened all week. From our opening liturgy and Open House to our Special Friends and Grandparents Day... from our school bingo to our band concert...

Our celebration of our children, faculty, and staff was a powerful reminder of who we are as a Catholic School, united in faith and community.

God bless each of you.

COME & SEE WEEKEND



VOCATION OFFICE FOR THE
DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD
ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

HEED THE CALL

For men who are discerning a call to the priesthood, please visit Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary for a Come & See Weekend.

There is no cost to attend the weekend, which includes Mass, praying Liturgy of the

Hours, holy hours, talks on discernment and vocations, and the opportunity to spend time with the seminarians who are in formation.

If you wish to attend, contact Fr. Friel at:

fr.dfriel@archphila.org.

High School

February 10-11

March 9-10

Post-High School

February 23-25

MAIN LINE SINGLES DINNER CLUB (AGES 52-67)

Catholic men and women are cordially invited to join The Main Line Singles Dinner Club to share common interests and dine together. Our next scheduled event is on Sunday, February 11 at 5:00PM. It's a Super Bowl party at a member's home in Havertown, PA. For more info, call (please do not text) Barb at 610-896-6542. Catholic men are encouraged to participate.

MAN UP PHILLY MEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE FROM DEATH INTO LIFE

Saturday, March 2

The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 16th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference at Cardinal O'Hara HS. Speakers include Phillies Hall of Famer, Mike Schmidt; acclaimed author of Back to Life, Danny Bader; That Man is You VP, Mark Hartfiel; and Coordinator of Young Life, Deacon Nathan Gunn. Mark Forrest, internationally recognized Irish tenor will lead our Eucharistic Adoration. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available, and the Conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Archbishop Nelson Pérez.

To register: www.manupphilly.com

RACHEL'S VINEYARD: A PLACE TO HEAL FROM ABORTION

March 8 – 10, 2024

IHM Spirituality Center

210 IHM Drive Malvern, PA 19355

If you or someone you love has been suffering from the emotional and spiritual pains of an abortion – no matter how much time has passed – please know that a Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekend will help your soul transform that pain into a hope for the future. Rachel's Vineyard retreats bring healing and God's forgiveness to the trauma and darkness of abortion for those who think they have committed the unforgivable sin.

God's mercy is greater than sin and is waiting for us to reach out for it. Join us for a safe, loving, and confidential weekend to experience the healing power of God's infinite mercy.

Contact our team to register or for questions:

Susan: 610-716-4795

Georgeann: 484-955-4278

BLESSING OF THROATS

The individual blessing of the throats will be given at the daily Mass on Saturday, February 3, the feast of Saint Blaise. The general blessing of throats will be given at the vigil Mass on Saturday and at Sunday Masses on February 4.