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ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday: 9:30 am-1:00 pm, 2:00-5:30 pm
Phone: 410-799-1970 **Fax:** 410-799-1134
Website: www.SaintLawrenceMartyr.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 9:00 am *(Historic Church)*
 Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am *(Main Campus)*
 Saturday: 5:00 pm
 Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 am, 12 noon, 5:30 pm

RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 4:00-4:45 pm *(or by appointment)*

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: 9:00 am, 12 noon, 6:30 pm
(check website and bulletin for info on Easter, Christmas, and Mary, Mother of God)

DEVOTIONS

Morning Prayers: Weekdays at 8:30 am
Rosary: Weekdays after Daily Mass **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** Tuesdays at 6:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday from 7:00-9:00 pm; First Fridays from 9:30 am-6:30 pm



Main Campus – open June 2017



Historic Church – circa 1866

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Weekly Bulletin: All announcements must be received in writing in the Parish Office or email bulletin@saintlawrencemartyr.org by 12:00 noon on the Thursday 2 weeks prior to the weekend in which they are to appear.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Members expecting a child are encouraged to make arrangements for Baptism by contacting Deacon Dave prior to the birth. Adults wanting baptism or other Sacraments of Initiation can contact Jim Leddy at adultfaith@saintlawrencemartyr.org. Preparation Sessions are required.

Marriage: Couples should contact one of the priests or deacon at least six months before the planned marriage. Pre-marriage instruction is required.

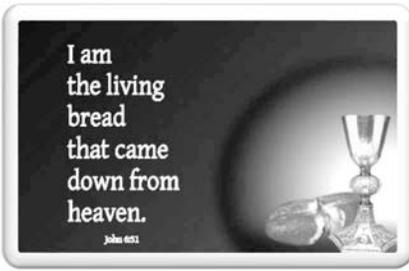
Anointing of the Sick: Call the Parish Office before surgery, when serious diagnosis received or at advanced age. A parishioner homebound, in the hospital, or in a care facility wishing to receive a visit or a sacrament, call the Parish Office at 410-799-1970, ext. 50.

PARISH REGISTRATION: All Catholics attending St. Lawrence Martyr Parish are asked to register with the Parish. Cards are available in the Parish Office, from an Usher at any weekend Mass, or from the Information Desk. Return registration cards by placing in the offertory basket. You can also register online at www.SaintLawrenceMartyr.org/joinus.

We will then mail you an informative Welcome Folder.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

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August 19, 2018
Twentieth Sunday
in
Ordinary Time
Gospel Reflection
Proverbs 9:1-6
Jn. 6:51-58

Imagine Lady Wisdom from today's first reading preparing a sumptuous banquet, mixing her wine and spreading her table. She sends out invitations. She calls out in the street, text messages and tweets, but no one comes.

Something like that happened to me this time last year. I planned a meal for Labor Day. I invited friends from around Maryland. I bought filet mignon and other rich foods. I invited fifteen people and everyone said they were coming. I felt excited, especially as I fired up the grill and the steaks sizzled. The wine was chilled and uncorked, the table was set and the steaks were perfectly medium rare --- the way I liked them. But then the phone began to ring and one by one, all but two people backed out. While I enjoyed the two who did come, albeit nearly an hour late, I have to say that as I hung up the grilling tongs and put away my chef's hat, my heart was a little less than festive.

We don't typically think of God as a chef and only occasionally consider him as a gracious and thoughtful host. The fact is, however, that Lady Wisdom (the Holy Spirit personified) has prepared a feast for us. She invites us into her home and offers us rich fare.

Interpreting today's reading from Proverbs, St. Procopius of Gaza puts these words on the Lord's lips: "Come, eat my body, the bread that is the nourishment of virtue, and drink my blood, the wine that cheers you with the joy of true knowledge and makes you divine. For I have miraculously mingled my divinity with my blood for your salvation."

Wisdom will not disappoint and the Bread of Life will always nourish, but it's up to us to come to the feast. The Table is spread and feast is ready. Do RSVP and, for heaven's sake, don't forget to come!

~ Fr. Victor Scocco, O.S.S.T.

PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

Our Prayer Intention Book is located just outside the main glass doors, just as you enter the worship space. You may write down your prayer intention or use it to express thanksgiving for prayers answered. Our Prayer Intention Book is presented with our Offertory Gifts at Mass. These intentions will be remembered throughout the year at our Masses, Rosaries, and other prayer services. We ask that you also keep all these intentions in your own daily prayers.



YOUTH MINISTRY

Today, Sunday August 19th, our Youth Ministry will meet at 6:30pm for an evening of Faith Formation.

YDisciple Ministry will also have a **Kick Off Social** Sunday, September 9th. This is an ideal opportunity to get to know a little more about this ministry and have some fun at the same time.

All high school students are welcome to attend any and all youth ministry events. For more information on this and other Youth Ministry events, please contact: youthministry@saintlawrencemartyr.org.

DEVOTIONAL CANDLES

There are some candles which our candle stand has available as *Memorial Candles*. The Memorial Candle remains lit 24 hours a day, every day, for one year and includes a small plaque with the name of your loved one in front of your candle. Plaques will remain on display for a year for an annual fee of \$200.



If you would like to reserve a Memorial Candle, please contact the Parish Office.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

Natural Family Planning is for couples looking for a natural means to avoid or achieve pregnancy. It is safe, effective and low cost.

Trained and certified instructors will teach a woman to observe her body's fertile signs. Natural family planning is tailored to the individual woman's cycle. It works for women with regular or irregular cycles. It also works for women who are breastfeeding or going through premenopause.

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To register for this highly reliable method go online to www.StAgnes.org or call 1-866-690-9355.

PARENTS AND CHILDREN
GET TOGETHER

Do you have at least one child age 5 or under? Come hang out at the Parish **Café** one Saturday a month from 10am-12pm.



*Our next get together is **September 8th***

Feel free to bring your child(ren) so they can play with other children. You're welcome to bring a simple food item to share if you'd like (pastries, snacks, kids' items, etc.).

Questions and comments, feel free to email Danelle at Danelle.R.Fernandez@gmail.com.

Saturday, August 18th:

5:00pm + **James Prisco III** *req by James Prisco Jr.*

Sunday, August 19th:

8:00am **Mass for the People**

10:00am + **Mary Fecko** *req by Jack Popovich*

12:00pm **Philomena Onwuegbule-Thanksgiving for God's Mercy**

5:30pm **Sheill Mae Lapastora Sinoben** *Thanksgiving for job promotion req by Sinoben family*

Monday, August 20th:

9:00am** **Special Intention** *req by Richard Lambiasi*

Tuesday, August 21st:

9:00am **Kevin Shyn** *req by May Shyn*

Wednesday, August 22nd:

9:00am*** **Sheriff James Wilcher** *req by Richard Lambiasi*

Thursday, August 23rd:

9:00am **Kwangsup Jeon** *req by May Shyn*

Friday, August 24th:

9:00am **Paul Smith** *req by his parents*

Saturday, August 25th:

5:00pm **Special Intention** *req by Richard Lambiasi*

Sunday, August 26th:

8:00am + **Julio Ruiz** *req by the Ruiz family*

10:00am **John Edet** *req by Anthony-Mary Edet*

12:00pm **Mass for the People**

5:30pm **Special Intention for general healing**
req by Maria Egudu

*Rosary following Mass

** Rosary and Novena to St. Agatha

*** Rosary and Novena to St. Michael of the Saint

August 25th - 26th Ministry Schedule				
Time	Servers	Lector	EM	Ushers/Greeters
Saturday 5:00pm	Axel B Erick B	Ron L	Janet B Rick B Steven S	John S Steve S Jeff F
Sunday 8:00am	Amanda S Isabelle S	Judi M	Liz D Kathy M Patrick M	Ella M Dwayne G Ronnie M
Sunday 10:00am	Christian C Jason S	Alan A	Michaela B Katie C Donna F	Mary C Angie N Ed B Darryl B
Sunday 12:00pm	Angela G Rhea G	Elnora G	James G Mary Ann G Walter L	Cathy G Michael L Jerry S
Sunday 5:30pm	Bianca H	Judith I	Daniel H Michael R Steven S	Ushers & Greeters needed

August 12, 2018	This year	Last year
Envelopes: Regular Weekly	\$3,997.00	\$4,110.00
Loose: Regular Weekly	1,707.00	2,066.00
E-giving: Regular Weekly	2,694.00	1,520.00
2nd coll: Restoration/Maintenance	2,243.00	803.00
TOTAL Offertory	\$10,641.00	\$8,499.00
Poor Box:	\$162.00	\$415.00

ON-LINE GIVING

Please consider making your contributions using our Online Giving program. Many Parish families are enjoying the security, convenience, and flexibility of the program.



Give using checking, savings, and credit cards. Signing up is easy. Simply go to our parish website www.SaintLawrenceMartyr.org and click the Online Giving logo to get started!

UPCOMING EVENTS



- Aug 18th:** 4:00pm Reconciliation
5:00pm Vigil Mass
- Aug 19th:** **2nd Collection: Catholic Schools**
1:00pm Baptism
6:30pm Teen Ministry
- Aug 20th:** 9:00am Daily Mass (*Historic Church*)
7:00pm Practice for Noon Choir
- Aug 21st:** 9:00am Daily Mass
10:30am TLC (*55 year old + group*)
6:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
7:00pm Parish Pastoral Council
- Aug 22nd:** 9:00am Daily Mass
9:30am St. Michael of the Saints Novena
7:00pm Eucharistic Adoration (until 9:00pm)
- Aug 23rd:** 9:00am Daily Mass
7:00pm Evangelization Meeting
- Aug 24th:** 9:00am Daily Mass
- Aug 25th:** 4:00pm Reconciliation
5:00pm Vigil Mass
- Aug 26th:** **2nd Collection: Capital Campaign**
6:30pm Teen Ministry

SIT REFLECTION - SITUATION

"I know now that I don't have a chance, without you. I know now that I couldn't make it home. I need you. Now I see the only thing I need is missing. Now you're coming, believe this, all I feel ... I want you here." ~Solarstone

This weekend one of our ministry members got married. In advance my family shared a little gift with her: some items of prayer to St. Dorothy – patron saint of brides and newlyweds. St. Dorothy lived in north-central Israel during Roman Emperor Diocletian's rule – arguably the single most intense period of Christian persecution in our storied history. I explained to the future bride that our ministry's appreciation for her support of Persecuted Christians certainly was partial reason these gifts were given to her. More so than that, many look to her and other young adults in our parish as role models for the affirmation and propagation of our faith.

St. Dorothy's story was one of constant turmoil – imprisoned, tortured, bargained for a pagan life by two apostate girls (that *she* later converted back to Christianity), more torture, and finally beheading. She was young and resolute in her faith. And she should be an inspiration to all young Christians.

I was recently asked to speak about our ministry at my high school alma mater in Pennsylvania this fall. A great honor indeed, I couldn't help to think back at my time there, sitting amidst friends at Mass after Mass over the years. Now most of those friends have gone away to live their lives elsewhere, but the saddest dynamic is that easily 90% of them no longer attend Mass, or even consider themselves Catholic.

We celebrate the unwavering defense of our faith that modern day heroes in our world exhibit as they hearken back to martyrs such as young St. Dorothy. And we must also celebrate, pray for, and support the continuance of active faith showcased by our young adults, like our newlywed ministry member. Do you know a young adult that may have walked from the faith? We pray for them, indeed, but perhaps think of unique ways to "re-evangelize" them back to the glory of God. Maybe start simply by ending conversations with "God bless you," instead of "see you later." Possibly recommend the revolutionizing "Word on Fire" videos that agnostics and practicing Catholics alike have praised for their effectiveness. Or simply invite them, for an isolated moment, back to Mass. God parted seas and rose from the dead; surely, He can reignite the fire within those who may have strayed, especially our young.

God bless you all and God bless the persecuted.

Matt Behum, SIT Director, (mbehum@gmail.com)

PARISH GRILLIN' PICNIC

Thank you to the many volunteers who made this year's *Parish Grillin' Picnic* a huge success.



The Hospitality Ministry, led by Kathy Furth, prepared food on Friday and Saturday as well as served food during the picnic. The Knights of Columbus manned the grills and our Young Adult Ministry and YDisciple program contributed time and talent to the day. The Topasna Family, who provided the use of their canopies, which aided in shading the sun.

Over 200 Parishioners attended and many brought a dessert and beverage to share. The children had fun with the face painting (Meghan Furth) and games.

This year the winner of the Cornhole Tournament was Fr. Binoy and his teammate Milt McKenna. 50/50 Raffle winner was the Furth Family.

Thanks to the local restaurants and businesses who support our parish community. A *Special Thank You* to Kathleen Leddy & her sister, Paula Ann Noll, who coordinated the volunteers, door prizes and 50/50 Raffle.



LOOKING FOR A VEHICLE DONATION

One of our mothers being assisted by our **Gabriel** team is in desperate need of a vehicle so that she can work and attend classes to support her family. If you have a vehicle that can be donated to help this mother and her child, please let us know! We would be very grateful!

ST. JOHN PAUL II FORMATION COOPERATIVE

St. John Paul II Formation Cooperative, a Catholic Home School Association, will be relocating to St. Lawrence Martyr Parish beginning this Fall 2018.

There are two programs available: Pre-K through 8th grade Cooperative that meets one day a week and a High School Tutorial Program that meets Tuesday and Thursday.

We are blessed with a **full staff** of instructors for our high school program. There remain a few openings for students in our high school classes.

If you are interested in learning more about St. John Paul II Formation, please contact the Parish Office or Chris Sybert at sybernet@comcast.net.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Put Christ's love into your relationship by attending the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on **November 2nd – 4th in Gaithersburg, MD**. Go to moments4marriage.org to sign-up or call 301-541-7007. It's not too early to sign-up! Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: moments4marriage.org.

In this session we're going to discuss Mary's royal title a little further and then move into another of the Marian dogmas: Mary's status as Mother of God. For those of us who pray the Rosary, this is a familiar title, though perhaps we've never given it much thought. If not, now is the opportunity. Go to **DISCOVER THE CATHOLIC FAITH**

Watch *Is Reincarnation Reasonable?* Reincarnation, which literally means "to be made flesh again," is the belief that after death the soul lives on in another body, believed by many around the world. Is it reasonable to hold this belief? Trent Horn gives reasons why we should reject the theory of reincarnation. Go to **APOLOGETICS- READY REASONS**

Listen *Searching the Scriptures: The Gospel of John* Join Biblical expert and Catholic apologist Stephen Ray on a personal pilgrimage through the pages of St. John's Gospel. Stephen draws from his extensive scholarship and his time spent in the Holy Land filming documentaries to bring forth many of the profound theological truths that lie beneath the surface of this Gospel and bring to light the many levels of revelation contained within. This exciting presentation will ignite your heart and soul with a burning passion for Christ and a deep conviction to defend the Faith that has been handed down to us. Go to **SACRED SCRIPTURE**

Read *111 Questions on Islam* How was Islam born? What does the Quran represent for Muslims? What relationships have developed between Islam and violence, between Islamic culture and the West? How can a real integration of Islam take place in European societies? What are the conditions for a constructive encounter between Christians and Muslims? Samir Khalil Samir—one of the world's leading experts on Islam—responds to these questions in an in-depth interview that can help one learn and judge for oneself, without prejudice or naiveté. This is a contribution in the spirit of the realism needed to build adequate ways of living with those who have become our new neighbors. Go to **CURRENT TOPICS** (available for eBooks, Nook, Android and Kindle)

FORMED ACCESS

Signing up for Formed is easy! Go to www.formed.org and click "Register", located in the lower right-hand corner. Then enter both the Parish Code, which is **ed1783**, and your email address. You'll need to fill out some basic information and then click "Submit". Formed will send an email for verification to your email. Go to and open your mail received from "Formed" and click on the word "Verify". It's as easy as 1-2-3 and it will help build your faith life!

MONDAYS AT THE HISTORIC CHURCH

Morning Prayer and Morning Mass on Mondays takes place at the Historic Church. Morning Prayer begins at 8:30 am with Mass following at 9:00am.

Currently there are NO bathroom facilities available at the Historic Church. Support of our Restoration & Maintenance fund goes toward a planned project to install a restroom.



BABY & MATERNITY CLOTHES NEEDED FOR MARY'S HOME IN MARYLAND



Mary's Home in Maryland, which assists women in crisis pregnancies who wish to carry their babies to term, has a client family with an urgent need for clothing and toddler boy diapers.

The following are needed: boys and girls size 5 clothes, girls size 6 pants and tops size 6/small for kids, size large maternity clothing and size 8-8.5 women's shoes. Those wishing to help may contact the center at www.maryshomemaryland.org

INTERESTED IN FURTHERING YOUR FAITH?



Have you or someone you know thought about joining the Catholic faith? Have you missed receiving some of the Sacraments and want to receive them now?

A new season of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will begin this September on Monday evenings from 7-8:30pm.

Many adults from different backgrounds journey through RCIA for different reasons to become Catholic. These reasons include:

- Catholics who missed out on the Sacraments as a child.
- Christians from other traditions attracted by the teaching of the Catholic Church.
- Non-Catholics who have been coming regularly to Mass for years with their Catholic relatives and now wish to celebrate the Sacraments as full members of the Church.

If you are interested in the RCIA process, please contact Jim or Kathleen Leddy to set up a personal meeting. They can be reached at [Kledddy@ SaintLawrenceMartyr.org](mailto:Kledddy@SaintLawrenceMartyr.org) or you can leave a msg at the Parish Office at 410-799-1970.

WEEKLY ADORATION – WEDNESDAY 7-9PM

Do you desire a more intimate union with Christ? Would you like more time to visit Our Lord during the week?



Weekly adoration may be the answer to what you seek! St. Lawrence Martyr Parish will host two hours of evening adoration every Wednesday from 7-9pm. Plan on dropping by for a few minutes with the Lord.

CONFIRMATION



St. Lawrence Martyr Parish will be providing appropriate catechesis training for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The actual date of the Adult Confirmation has not been set by the Archdiocese but, generally, this celebration happens in October at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen. Please contact Kathleen Leddy at the Parish Office at 410-799-1970 x 53 if interested in receiving the accelerated mini course. This is a 3-session (1.5 hr. each) course that will be given toward the end of August.

HOLY INNOCENTS MINISTRY MISCARRIAGE SUPPORT

The Office of Cemeteries and the Office of Respect Life recently formed the new *Holy Innocents Ministry*. Nearly 25% of pregnancies end in a miscarriage and often families have no place to bury their child in order to memorialize the child's short life and to care for their grief.

The Holy Innocents Ministry provides an opportunity for the child to be buried. Trained volunteers will come to the family's home to take custody of the child and secure the child at the State Anatomy Board while anticipating burial.

A Memorial Garden at *Holy Cross Cemetery* has been established as a place of burial for these children. On **October 6th at 1:00pm**, Bishop Brennan will dedicate the Garden and bury those children who presently are in the custody of the Office of Cemeteries and Office of Respect Life at the Anatomy Board.



If you wish to have more information regarding this ministry, please contact Johanna Coughlin: Helpline number: 410-547-3142,

Email: holyinnocents@archbalt.org

Website: www.holyinnocentsbaltimore.org

JESSUP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT FUND RAISER



Join us at a *Family Fundraiser Night** on Monday, August 20th & Tuesday, August 21st at **Ledo Pizza**, 2657 Annapolis Rd, Hanover, MD 21076 from **12pm–9pm**, (Children activities 6-8:30pm).

Be sure to mention that you are supporting the *Jessup Volunteer Fire Department*. For more info, call Theresa 410-707-8429 *Dine in or Carry out

Thank you for your support!

10TH ANNUAL RACE TO EMBRACE INDEPENDENCE

5K RUN AND WALK



It's family-friendly, dog-friendly, and kid-friendly. Come enjoy a fun morning filled with pre- and post-race goodies and activities. Event will take place at Lake Montebello, Curran Dr, Baltimore, MD 21206.

Over 75% of the women who come to Marian House suffer from domestic violence trauma and undiagnosed mental illnesses. Often, factors like these lead to their homelessness and, in many cases, addiction and incarceration. Marian House works extremely hard to provide vital services such as housing, food, clothing, education, life skills, employability training and counseling to help break the cycle and help our women leave their lives of dependence and find true independence. We do this through our Transitional Housing Program.

By registering to participate in the Marian House Race to Embrace Independence 5K Run and Walk, you help to do the same. This event is their only fundraiser and allows participants to not just learn more about our mission, but to truly embrace it. Runners and walkers will have the opportunity to see Marian House as they finish the 5K course and celebrate with the women in our Family Race Village. What are you waiting for? Join us September 29th. Please visit www.MarianHouse.org/5kRace

FRIDAY NIGHT FOR THE HOMELESS-BREAKING BREAD

St. Vincent de Paul Church provides meals for the homeless on Friday evenings. Volunteers join from area parishes to prepare and serve food, help with set up and clean up, and restock the dessert table. You can also assist the disabled with food selection. Time commitment 3:30-6:30pm on a Friday of your choice.

Deacon Candidate Steve can provide you with more details about this wonderful service to our brothers and sisters in need. Email Steve at bemoresalt@gmail.com

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