

# ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

MAY 3, 2026 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



IN MY FATHER'S  
HOUSE THERE ARE  
MANY DWELLING PLACES.

JOHN 14:2

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Rev. Msgr. Paul Dotson, Pastor

Rev. Charles Balamaze, Associate Pastor | Rev. Msgr. Peter O'Reilly, In Residence  
Deacon Don Burt | Deacon Jim Egnatuk | Deacon Dale Sheckler

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 PM (Sunday Liturgy)  
Sunday 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM,  
11:30 AM, 5:00 PM

## DAILY MASSES

Monday - Saturday 8:10 AM  
Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 PM

## ADORATION CHAPEL

Sunday 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
Monday - Friday 7:00 AM - 3:30 PM  
Saturday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

## MEMORIAL GARDEN

Monday - Friday 7:00 AM - 3:30 PM  
Saturday & Sunday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Pastoral Center 310-540-0329  
Office for Worship 310-316-0090  
Office of Religious Education 310-316-4460  
O.C.I.A. for Adults 310-316-0961  
St. Lawrence Martyr School 310-316-3049  
Youth Ministry/Confirmation 310-316-0466  
Funerals 424-458-7861  
St. Lawrence Martyr Gift Shop 424-385-0546

To become a member of our community of faith visit  
[www.stlm.org/im-new](http://www.stlm.org/im-new) or stop by the Pastoral Center.



**GIVING TO ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR IS EASY WITH ELEXIO**

Forgot your envelope? Are you visiting us today and want to make a ONE TIME GIFT? Want to give to a special collection? Follow these easy and secure steps to Text-to-Give:

- Text **GIVE** to **424-414-STLM**.
- Follow the text instructions to complete your donation.
- Save the number as a contact in your phone to make future giving faster and easier.

You may also give by scanning this QR Code with the camera app on your cellphone or visit **STLM.ORG/GIVING**



*We thank you for your generosity and support of our St. Lawrence Martyr Catholic Community.*

**PASTORAL CENTER HOURS**  
MAY 3 - MAY 11

Sun	5/3	08:00 am - 01:00 pm
Mon	5/4	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Tue	5/5	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Wed	5/6	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Thu	5/7	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Fri	5/8	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm
Sat	5/9	<b>Closed</b>
Sun	5/10	08:00 am - 01:00 pm
Mon	5/11	08:30 am - 12:30 pm 01:30 pm - 04:00 pm

**PRAYER FOR EVERYDAY**

Dear Lord,  
You have said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Bless me with Your peace. Fill my heart with trust in You, and hope in Your promises. Be my rock in times of distress, my light in times of darkness, and my rest in the storm. Amen.

**Mother's Day Novena Spiritual Bouquet**

This Mother's Day, offer the gift of a Mother's Day Novena spiritual bouquet in honor of the mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and women, living and deceased, who have shaped you, formed you, and loved you; this is a wonderful way to remember them. Those honored with a Spiritual Bouquet will be remembered and prayed for during our Mother's Day Novena Masses, May 9 - May 10.

Envelope packets for the Mother's Day Novena Spiritual Bouquet consist of a Mother's Day card and an offering envelope. You can find them in the church or at the Parish Office. The Mother's Day card is for you to give. To be included in the Mother's Day Novena, please return the offering envelope to the Parish Office, or drop it into the offertory basket at Mass.

**First Holy Communion Celebrations**

**May 2, 4pm | May 3, 9 & 11:30 am | May 16, 4 pm | May 17, 9 & 11:30 am**

Our parish will joyfully celebrate the First Holy Communion of our children in the coming weeks. Please keep these young disciples and their families in your prayers as they receive the Eucharist for the first time. *Front pews will be reserved for seniors and those needing handicap access at 4:00 pm and 9:00 am (May 2-3, May 16-17). The next six pews on each side of the main aisle will be reserved for First Communicants and families at all listed Masses, except May 17, 11:30 am.*

Thank you for your understanding and hospitality as we celebrate this sacred milestone. Let us rejoice together in the gift of the Eucharist—the source and summit of our faith—and support these children as they encounter Christ in this profound way.



**THIS IS THE HOUR FOR** *love*  
**OUR GOAL: \$159,641**  
**PLEGGED: \$ 56,290**



## PRAYER REQUESTS

*We pray for all those suffering illness and in need of healing and comfort.*

Rita Cunningham	Joanne Verespej	James Geddie
Peggy Zelenay	Gilda Lane	Henry Buchheit
Jesus Sy	David Roberts	Johanna May
Susan Gaitan	Ray Rafael Payuyo	Diane Cole
Brent Everhart	Carol Pfaff	Sobeira Rodriguez
Maria Goretti	Ted Kredo	

## THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

*May all the souls of the recently departed, through the mercy of Christ, rest in peace.*

Byron Stefferud	Beal Mossman	Eleanore Colliau
Richard Price		

*Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord.*

## SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading:** The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly. (Acts of the Apostles 6:7)

**Psalm:** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Psalm 33)

**Second Reading:** The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. (1 Peter 2:7)

**Gospel:** Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

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## WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7, 1 Peter 2:4-9, John 14:1-12  
 Monday: Acts of the Apostles 14:5-18, John 14:21-26  
 Tuesday: Acts of the Apostles 14:19-28, John 14:27-31a  
 Wednesday: Acts of the Apostles 15:1-6, John 15:1-8  
 Thursday: Acts of the Apostles 15:7-21, John 15:9-11  
 Friday: Acts of the Apostles 15:22-31, John 15:12-17  
 Saturday: Acts of the Apostles 16:1-10, John 15:18-21  
 Next Sunday: Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17, 1 Peter 3:15-18, John 14:15-21



## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, MAY 3

7:00 am Alvaro Fernandez †  
 9:00 am Phanxico Xavier †  
 11:30 am Bill Leone †

### MONDAY, MAY 4

8:10 am Joseph & Mary Borg †

### TUESDAY, MAY 5

8:10 am Carol Betts †  
 12:00 pm Glenn Cuppy †

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

8:10 am Derick Garvey †

### THURSDAY, MAY 7

8:10 am Tom Malone †  
 12:00 pm Bill Leone †

### FRIDAY, MAY 8

8:10 am Amalia Quirico †

### SATURDAY, MAY 9

8:10 am Anita Keating †  
 4:00 pm Helen Wilson †

### SUNDAY, MAY 10

7:00 am Mother's Day  
 9:00 am Mother's Day  
 11:30 am Mother's Day

(† Deceased)

Parishioners are invited to offer Mass intentions for loved ones, living or deceased. A donation of \$20 is suggested. You may also add your loved ones to the Book of Intentions in the church by Mary. Your offering supports our parish and the spiritual work of the Church. Thank you for your generosity.



**MARY**  
 O.C.I.A. in Pastoral Center  
 Wednesday, May 6, 7:00 pm  
 ALL ARE WELCOME!



## A LOVE THAT SURPASSES LOGIC

### GOSPEL MEDITATION by FR. JOHN MUIR

We generally approach life with the question, “What can this do for me?” We try a new workout, a low-carb diet, intermittent fasting, or a new career path, hoping it will make us healthier, stronger, happier. The assumption is that if I invest in this, I’ll eventually reap some benefit, or I won’t do it.

It is easy to think of faith the same way: if I really practice my faith, what will it do for me? Will it make me calmer, more moral, more successful?

But in today’s Gospel, Jesus says something astonishing. He doesn’t present himself as a teacher who shows us the way to life. He says, **“I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.”** (*John 14:6*) He is not merely a guide toward some higher benefit. He is the benefit itself. To know him is to know Life.

Thomas Aquinas explains that every desire in the human heart — love, joy, meaning, all of our restless cravings — is really an indirect cry for life. Even despair testifies to this longing: people despair precisely because they feel they are not, and might never be, fully alive.

The good news is that Jesus is not simply the means to a better life; He is Life itself. To believe in him is to share in God’s own eternal vitality. Not simply later but even now. Faith is not a transaction that produces results — it is a union that fills us with joy. To be in communion with Christ is to be truly, fully alive. ©LPI

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

**Mini-reflection:** There are lots of different routes to Heaven. But there’s only one Way.

### The Way

A friend of mine who had family members belonging to several different religions once told me that there were as many different routes to Heaven as there were to the grocery store.

This was an analogy her family had used to remember that they all sought the same thing — God — even though they were going about the search in different ways.

I’ve thought a lot about her words in the years since she shared them with me. It’s not an untrue analogy — there are a lot of different routes to the grocery store. An infinite number, in fact. There is actually no “right” way to get to the grocery store, because it all depends on where you’re starting from and what other errands you have along the way.

And there are a lot of different routes to Heaven — likewise, an infinite number. It all depends on where you’re starting from. It all depends on what you have to do along the way.

There it is: the part that matters. The way.

Whether we’re talking about Heaven or the grocery store as our destination, all routes are not created equal. Some take too long. Some are impassable. Some are hard to navigate. Some are just plain made-up — the glitch of a GPS, the promise of a false prophet. And inevitably, if you take a less-than-ideal route, you will find yourself flagging down a pedestrian, asking, “I’m lost. Which way do I go?”

See, you can meander all you want. But in the end, you have to find The Way. And there’s only one. Don’t worry, though.

You’ll know him when you see him.

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman . ©LPI

## ON THE DEATH OF A LOVED-ONE

Families experiencing the loss of a loved one may call 424-458-7861 at any time to begin funeral arrangements at St. Lawrence Martyr. This dedicated line is checked three times a day, and a minister will return your call within 24 hours.

## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

### REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

Our Sunday readings show a Church that is contemplative, ordered, and sent. She serves the vulnerable, draws her identity from Christ, and walks in confidence because Jesus leads her to the Father. The disciple is called not simply to “do more,” but to become more deeply rooted in Christ so that service, witness, and trust all flow from union with Him.

*What part of my discipleship most needs strengthening right now: prayer, identity in Christ, or charitable service?*

*How might the Lord be asking me to make His presence visible in my parish, home, or daily encounters?*

## LIVE THE LITURGY

How often do we contemplate the mercy of God, but fear it will run out? How often do we consider following the path of Christ and worry that it is too steep? But God has not overpromised. Dare to believe Him. Dare to follow Him. ©LPI

## QUESTIONS FOR THE FAMILY

These readings remind families that Jesus is the center of the home. When children see prayer, kindness, and trust in Jesus, they begin to understand who God is. Families become small missionary communities when they pray together, care for one another, and help others with joy. Even simple acts of patience, welcome, and love can teach children the Gospel.

*What simple habit can help our family keep Jesus at the center this week?*

*How can we help our children see that loving and serving others is part of following Jesus?*

## ROSARIES WITH OUR LADY THIS MAY

FIRST MONDAY ROSARY - MAY 4  
RESPECT LIFE ROSARY - MAY 5, 12, 19, & 26  
7:00 PM | IN THE CHURCH

Join our parish community this May, the month of Mary, as we gather in prayer with Our Lady. Our First Monday Rosary forms missionary disciples to encounter Christ, grow in faith, and be sent as Gospel witnesses. In our weekly Respect Life Rosary, we entrust every human life to Mary’s loving intercession, praying for a culture of life, compassion, and courage. Come be renewed in prayer and united as a community following Christ through His Blessed Mother. All are welcome.

## See You in the *Eucharist*



## OUR WORK MUST FLOW FROM PRAYER

Did you know that SLM's parish staff holds a weekly Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Midday Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours (Divine Office)? Every Tuesday at 1PM, bells can be heard in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of the church, accompanying the Host in procession into the Pastoral Center. There on the altar chapel stands a monstrance to enthrone the Eucharist. Members of the Pastoral Staff, including clergy, gather to pray for the needs of the community and the world. We pray for God’s blessings in our ministry of service to SLM. During this time, all work stops not out of obligation, but out of conviction that our work must flow from prayer. Meetings pause, emails wait, and the busyness of the day gives way to stillness before the Lord truly present in the Eucharist.

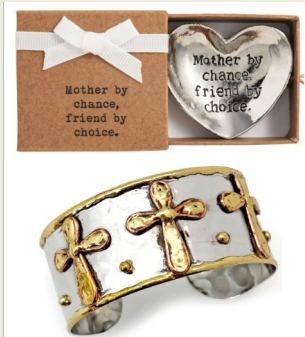
In that quiet hour, we, the staff, are reminded that ministry is not simply about what we do, but about who we serve—and how we remain rooted in Christ. Midday Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours unites our voices with the prayer of the universal Church, while Eucharistic Adoration draws us into a deeper awareness of God’s presence among us.

This weekly Holy Hour is both a privilege and a responsibility: time to intercede for our parishioners, to seek guidance in our service, and to be renewed in faith. Please know that you and your intentions are always part of this sacred time of prayer.

Les Rangel-Santos  
Director of Worship: Liturgy & Music

## SLM GIFT SHOP

Sun | 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
Tue, Thu, Fri | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Mon, Wed, Sat | Closed



There's still time to find the perfect gifts for moms, grandmothers, and all the women who inspire us.

### DONUTS THIS WEEK

Sunday | after 7 am & 9 am Masses  
This Sunday we give thanks to our host

#### St. Lawrence Martyr School

*Freewill offerings always greatly appreciated  
and support our Donut Ministry.*

### VOTIVE CANDLES

Candles are available at the Pastoral Center or in the Gift Shop. Candles are \$5.00 ea. and stay lit for five days.

### BAPTISM MINISTRY

Each baby baptized at SLM receives a a blanket crocheted by our Knitting Ministry.

If you want to support this ministry, you may drop off a monetary donation at the Pastoral Center. Please indicate **Baptism Ministry**.

Interested in  
volunteering?  
Looking for  
support?



### YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Mon, May 4, 7:00 pm | Pastoral Center  
Young Adult fellowship and formation  
guided by Fr. Charles.  
310-540-0329

### AMERICAN MAHJONG CIRCLE

Tue, May 5, 10:00 am | Parish Hall  
New and experienced Mahjong players  
sharing laughter & good conversation.  
310-540-0329 x540

### RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY ROSARY

Mon, May 5, 7:00 pm | In the Church  
Dedicated to bringing the message of life to  
the parish & the world.  
310-678-2583 | DaleSheckler@gmail.com

### ONE IN CHRIST MINISTRY

Tue, May 5, 7:00 pm | Pastoral Center  
A ministry for racial healing and cultural  
celebration. Come pray with us.  
310-540-0329 x 276

### SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

Wed, May 6, 10:00 am | Pastoral Center  
Small Community of Faith who love reading  
& discussing books.  
310-415-0876

### CATECHISM & COFFEE

Thu, May 7, 9:00 am | Parish Hall  
Discussion of the Catechism of the Catholic  
Church guided by Fr. Charles.  
310-540-0329

### PADDLE N PRAISE

Sat, May 9, 9:00 am | Lower Courts  
All adults 18 and over invited to fun, faith  
and fellowship through Pickleball.  
424-408-9738

### SOUTH BAY STRUMMERS

Sat, May 9, 9:00 am | Parish Hall  
Ukulele Group - everyone's welcome! Just  
bring your smile and love of music!  
SouthBayStrummers@yahoo.com

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Sun, May 10, 10:30 am | Pastoral Center  
Group meeting for those mourning the loss  
of a loved one.  
310-540-0329 x 540

### MICHELANGELO MINISTRY

Mon, May 11, 10:00 am | Parish Hall  
Explore the artist within you & be part of a  
community who love the creative process.  
310-540-0329 x 540

### LGBT+ (ONE HEART) MINISTRY

Tue, May 12, 7:00 pm | Pastoral Center  
Ministry open to members of the LGBT+  
Community, family, friends & allies.  
Don.Burt@stlm.org

### ST. KATERI CIRCLE

Fri, May 15, 6:00 pm | Call for location  
A Native American prayer group devoted to  
St. Kateri Tekakwitha.  
310-901-2432

### CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT

May 16 | Houston Group | Call for time  
Small groups discuss topics through the lens  
of faith and provide support for each other.  
310-722-0176

### WOMEN IN TRANSITION

Sun, May 17, 10:30 am | Pastoral Center  
A group of women supporting each other  
through life's many transitions.  
310-540-0329 x 540

### SINGALONG JAM NIGHTS

Mon, May 18, 7:00 pm | Parish Hall  
Bring instruments and/or the desire to sing  
along to well-loved songs in a group setting.  
RauLisaV@gmail.com

### F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY

Thu, Aug 20, 7:00 pm | Parish Hall  
Supports the victims of human trafficking in  
the South Bay and Los Angeles County.  
310-540-0329 x 380

### CAREGIVERS SUPPORT

Sun, May 24, 10:30 am | Pastoral Center  
Gathering of people who are directly or  
indirectly affected by care giving of others.  
310-540-0329 x 540

### NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Wed, May 27, 7:00 pm | Parish Hall  
Family Support Group for those with loved  
ones suffering from mental illness.  
310-792-0244

### ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

#### Stephen Ministry Message Line

Christian friend to listen, pray and support  
you in difficult times.  
(Confidential) 310-540-0329 x540

#### Saturday Street Ministry

Provide food & clothing to homeless in LA.  
310-540-0329 x276

#### Open Arms Ministry

Friendly visits to home bound parishioners.  
310-540-0329 x 540

**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY BIBLE STUDY**

Join us in the Pastoral Center at 7:00 PM every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month as we break open the Word and have honest conversations about our faith. ALL YOUNG ADULTS WELCOME!



**SLM SCHOOL SCRIP**

Tue & Thu | 8:00 AM - 2:45 PM  
310-316-3049

*Available from the Parish Office outside of regular Scrip office hours.*

**The SLM American Mahjong Circle**

Gather for relaxed, friendly play and fellowship. Whether you're an experienced player looking to join a table or a brand-new player simply curious, all are welcome. New players are invited to watch, learn, and jump in when ready. Bring a tile set if you have one, and come connect through this classic game - sharing laughter, conversation, and good company along the way.

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 10 am | Parish Hall | 310-540-0329 x540



**PRAYER SHAWLS**

Shawls and blankets available to give to anyone who needs an uplift. The shawls and blankets are free of charge and available in the Pastoral Center.

**F.A.I.T.H. MINISTRY**

The F.A.I.T.H. (Freedom & Intervention for the Trafficking of Humans) Ministry supports the victims of human trafficking in the South Bay and in Los Angeles County.

*We are collecting toiletry items for victims of human trafficking. The items can be dropped off at the Pastoral Center during normal business hours.*

faith.ministry@stlm.org  
310-540-0329 x 380

**RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY**  
invites you to participate in a

**Rosary for Life**  
4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month, 7 pm  
in the church

310-678-2583  
dalesheckler@gmail.com



**A MINISTRY FOR RACIAL HEALING & CULTURAL CELEBRATION**

One in Christ - A ministry to recognize and emphasize that every person should be treated with respect and dignity as a child of God. Our mission is to offer parish-wide prayer experiences, education, and dialogue to recognize where racism and other biases exist and promote greater appreciation, understanding and respect for all persons.

1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm | Pastoral Center Chapel  
Deacon Jim Egnatuk | 310-540-0329 ext. 276



**FOOD PANTRY**

Saturday | 8 AM - 10 AM  
1st Sunday | 8 AM - 11 AM

We prepare **bags of groceries** for individual families and **sack lunches** given to the homeless. For a list of preferred donations please visit [www.stlm.org/giving-back](http://www.stlm.org/giving-back).

**Monetary donations** may be given online through Elexio Giving, mailed or dropped in the Pastoral Center mail slot. Please indicate **Food Pantry**.

*Thank you for your ongoing generosity as we continue to serve those in need.*  
310-540-0329 x 276

**SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB**

All are welcome to join this Small Community of Faith. Our new book is **Imagine You Walked with Jesus: A Guide to Ignatian Contemplative Prayer** by Jerry Windley-Daoust. Call for more information, or just show up.

1st and 3rd Wed of each month | 10:00am | Pastoral Center  
Jeanine Gallagher | 310-415-0876



Join us for a cup of coffee as we chat about our Faith and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. A round table discussion guided by Fr. Charles where we discuss various topics of interest. We meet the first Thursday of every month at 9 am in the Parish Hall. Questions/topics may be sent in advance to [catechism.coffee@gmail.com](mailto:catechism.coffee@gmail.com).

LET'S GROW TOGETHER IN OUR FAITH

 **flocknote**  
Keep in touch with us  
via email & text  
Text **STLM** to **84576**

**SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN: DIGITAL AGE FAMILY SAFETY**

The Daughters of St. Paul (often referred to as the media nuns) have introduced a YouTube series designed to help parents navigate online safety and media skills for their children. The Digital Age Family Safety course offers short videos that teach parents about media mindfulness and discernment, best practices for technology use, and how to protect children from unsafe and dehumanizing content. These videos can be found at <http://digitalfamilysafety.org/>.

CFM Presents:

**Family Fun Day**

May 9, 4pm-7pm  
SLM Down the Hill

Relay Races, Family Competitions, and Dinner  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Questions? Contact Karen Rosolowski (310) 809-2708





**WALK FOR LIFE SOUTH BAY**

SATURDAY | MAY 16, 2026  
8:30AM – 11:00AM  
VETERAN'S PARK





**EMPTY BOWLS**

May 16, 5pm  
First Christian Church of Torrance

Chili & soup cook-off in support of Family Promise LA




**Madonna Festival May 23-24, 2026**

Join us for our upcoming Madonna Festival, a unique and prayerful display of Marian statues and icons from our parish community. This special event will highlight the beauty and diversity of devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Light refreshments will be served.




**Annual Rummage Sale**  
Saturday, June 13, 7:00 am - 1:00 pm

Donations will be accepted in the Parish Hall  
Thursday, June 11, from 3:00 - 8:00pm  
Friday, June 12, from 12:00 - 8:00pm.

We welcome clean, usable clothing, household goods, small appliances, décor, tools, electronics, collectibles, and small solid wood furniture.

Please note we cannot accept old or obsolete electronics, liquids, particle board items, large furniture, large appliances, or books.

**CASH ONLY**



Rich Heisen | 310-686-0309 | [rjheisen@cbbank.com](mailto:rjheisen@cbbank.com)  
Matt Hadnett | 310-686-7113 | [Matt@southbayequity.com](mailto:Matt@southbayequity.com)

**TEA FOR GOD'S CHILDREN FUNDRAISER**  
June 14, 2026 at 3 pm





# GOD HAS A PLAN. YOUR VOCATION

*is your path to  
holiness and joy.*



**HE IS CALLING.  
WILL YOU SAY YES?**

God calls each of us by name to a vocation that is a unique gift. Whether to the priesthood, the diaconate, religious life, or married life—your “yes” can change the world.



**FOUR PATHS. ONE MISSION: LOVE.** 



## PRIESTHOOD

In the person of Christ, the priest serves, sanctifies, and shepherds God’s people through the Sacraments.



## DIACONATE

Those who are called to single or married life may also serve in the diaconate—proclaiming the Gospel, serving others, and assisting at the altar in charity and truth.



## RELIGIOUS LIFE

With hearts totally given to God, religious men and women witness His love through prayer, community, and service.



## MARRIED LIFE

In the covenant of marriage, husband and wife reflect Christ’s faithful love and build up the Church as a domestic church.



## A BEAUTIFUL CONNECTION

The diaconate is a ministry of service and communion. Both single and married men who are called to this vocation serve the Church and their families with the same self-giving love.

- Diaconal ministry strengthens families and the life of the Church.
- Marriage and diaconate share the same call to love, sacrifice, and serve.

**DISCERN.  
PRAY.  
SAY YES.**

*“ Do not be afraid!  
Open wide the doors  
for Christ.”*

— SAINT JOHN PAUL II



**THE CHURCH NEEDS YOU.  
CHRIST COUNTS ON YOU.**

*St. Lawrence, pray for us!*



**ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



**LEARN MORE**  
Ask one of our  
deacons or priests.



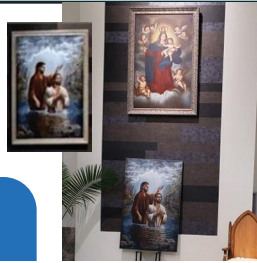
**PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**  
The harvest is abundant,  
but the laborers are few.  
(Matthew 9:37)



**SUPPORT VOCATIONS**  
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pray for those discerning  
God’s call.

[STLM.ORG/VOCATIONS](http://STLM.ORG/VOCATIONS)

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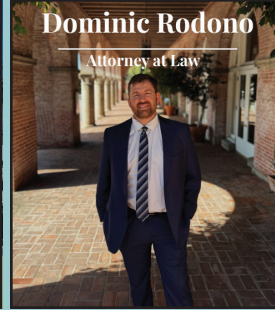


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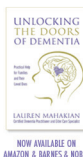
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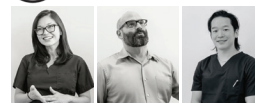
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