

Saint Lawrence and Saint Philip Roman Catholic Churches



Saint Philip Mission Church 25797 State Highway #98 Edinboro, Pa. 16412 Founded 1807 Saint Lawrence Church 180 East State Street Albion, Pa. 16401 Founded 1914

# **Rev. James J. Kennelley - Pastor**

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<u>Reconciliation:</u> Schedule Weekend Masses:	Saturday 4:15 to 4:45pm in St. Lawrence Saturday @ 5:00pm in St. Lawrence Sunday @ 8:00am in St. Philip Sunday @ 10:00am in St. Lawrence	
<u>Schedule Weekday Masses:</u>	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday @ 8:00am in St Lawrence Tuesday and Thursday @ 8:00am in St Philip	
First Friday Masses:	Adoration 4:00pm to 5:00pm Mass @ 5:15pm in St. Lawrence	

<u>Sacrament of Baptism</u> By appointment. Please call

the Parish Office for more information. Pre-Baptismal instruction is required.

### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Parishioners are requested to contact the pastor at least six months in advance to begin preparation for this sacrament. Participation is required in the Pre-Cana Program or Engagement Encounter.

#### **Sponsor Certificates**

Letters of recommendation issued only to confirmed parishioners (age 16+) in good standing, who attend Mass regularly and support the parish with time, treasure or talent.

#### Sick Calls

Visits to the hospitals are made per patient request. Notify the Parish Office of hospitalization and/or Communion to the sick and shut-ins. Emergencies will be addressed at any time.

## PARISH OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION:

Email: Webpage: Office Fax: Center and Religious Education Office: stlawrencealbion@gmail.com www.stlawrencealbion.org 814-756-3623 Office hours: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm 814-756-5918

814-756-4840



Saturday, January 5, 2019- Vigil

Mass Intentions

5:00 PM ♥ Willis Walk - (Irene Mando) Sunday, January 6, 2019 - The Epiphany of the Lord 8:00 AM ♥ For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip (at St. Philip)

10:00 AM 🕈 Pamela Curtis - ( Elsie Phillabaum )

Monday, January 7, 2019 - Christmas Weekday

8:00 AM 🕈 James and Virginia Fratalia - (Estate)

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 - Christmas Weekday

8:00 AM Communion Service

8:00 AM **†** For our Homebound Parishioners (at St. Philip)

Wednesday, January 9, 2019 - Christmas Weekday

8:00 AM For all those serving in the Military

Thursday, January 10, 2019 - Christmas Weekday

8:00 AM *Communion Service* 

8:00 AM **<sup>‡</sup>** Shirley Jones - (Husband and Family) (at St. Philip)

Friday, January 11, 2019 - Christmas Weekday

8:00 AM 🕈 No Mass ( Fr. Jim will be out of Town )

<u>Saturday, January 12, 2019 - Vigil</u>

5:00 PM **†** For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip

Sunday, January 13, 2019 The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 AM 🕆 *Ralph Niebaurer - ( Elaine Schmidt )* (at St. Philip)

10:00 AM 🕈 Paul Bensur - ( The Kaleida Family )





The Epíphany of the Lord

#### LIGHT OF THE WORLD

We believe that Jesus is the Light of the World. To say this about Jesus is to say something about ourselves. Christ's light is meant to illuminate every corner of the earth and gather all people together. Today's scriptures reveal what that means.

In the Gospel story of the magi from the East we see Jesus, even as an infant, gathering people of different religions and races to his light. The magi bring the child their finest gifts and tell others of the light that they have seen. The reading from Ephesians reminds us that all Christians are "members of the same body, and copartners" in divine life. There ought not to be divisions among us: all should gather together under the light of Christ. Finally, Isaiah paints a picture of what the people of God, the church, should look like. We are to reflect the Light of the World so that all nations can walk by Christ's light and rulers by his shining radiance. When we do, all people will be gathered to Christ, bearing their finest gifts and "proclaiming the praises of the LORD."

#### GOLD, FRANKINCENSE, AND MYRRH

The gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh portend the manner in which Jesus' light is to spread to the whole world. Myrrh, a perfume used for burial, foreshadows his death. Gold is a gift for royalty, and frankincense signifies holiness. Together they indicate that, through his suffering and death, Jesus will become both the afflicted King, in whose service we are to offer our gifts to the afflicted, and the eternal Priest, whose sacrifice we are to make known as the source of light uniting Christians and all humanity.

By our unity, our lives, and our witness, we are to reveal that Jesus Christ is indeed the Light of the World.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 12/13, 2018				
	5:00 PM	10:00 AM		
Lectors	S. Muetzel	C. Pry		
Servers	volunteer	volunteer		
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	C. Hudacky C. Rotko / H. Risinger	C. Niedermeyer C. Heberlein / J. Heberlein		

### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Dear Friends in Christ:

There are countless 'small signs' that indicate the quality of relationship we have with other people. When we 'care enough' to make that phone call, send a thank you note, wave in recognition of the person, and encourage them to succeed, we are demonstrating how important they are to our lives. Countless ways we say: "I love you."

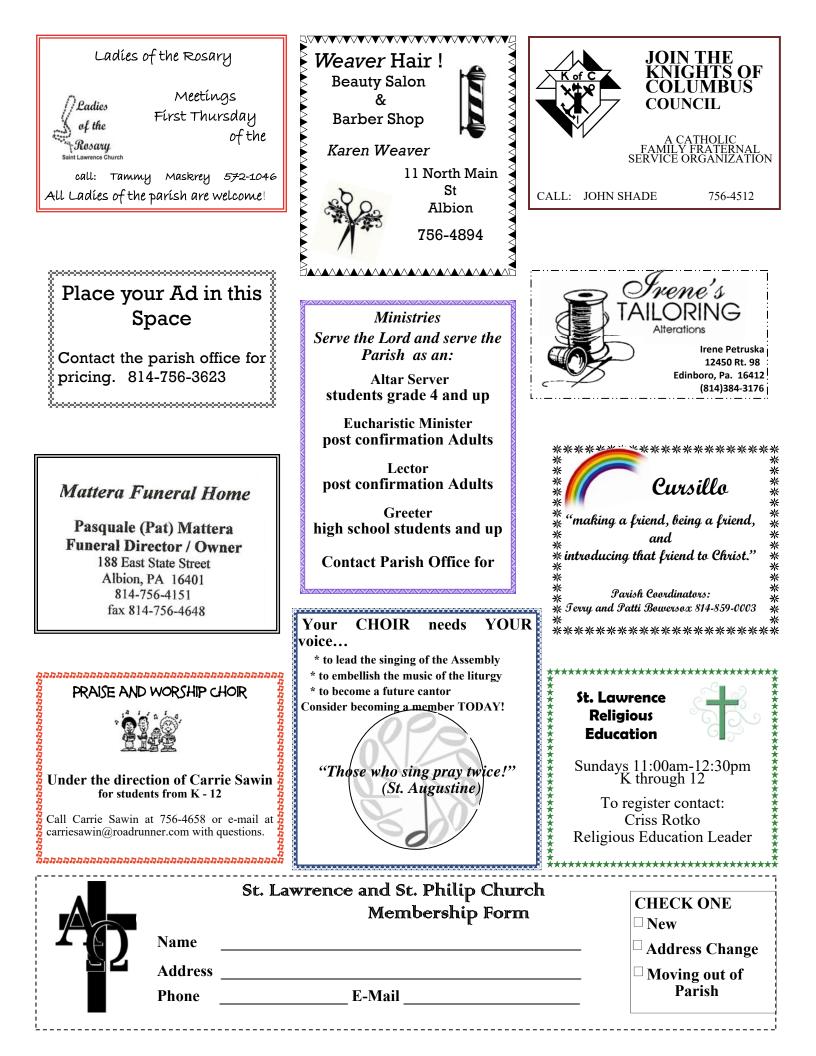
Don't take these for granted, they are important compliments to each other that reinforce strong feelings and best wishes. Be gracious and accepting. Epi = small; Phanatos = sign – Epiphany is a 'small sign (the infant, Jesus) vulnerable and entrusted to Mary and Joseph to love, protect, teach, discipline and prepare him to go into the world with confidence and a sense of purpose. He remains a special "sign" of God's Presence in many experiences that invite you and me to 'come closer' and become signs of faith to encourage others to follow our example.

When we are successful in making 'small signs of love and faith' in our relationship with others, they are encouraged to imitate and find out for themselves that God's love for them is real. If we fail to make small signs of love and faith in our relationship with others, we sow small signs of lack of love and discourage them.

So not only was the infant, Jesus, a small sign of God's Love for humanity, but you and I are equally small signs, epiphanies of God's love for all people. Epiphany IS a participation holiday, not a spectator holiday.

Fr. Jim

Fr. Pete: "When I take a detour, peace is the road sign on the way back."			Praying with a Purpose Cathy Wojtecki 756-5961, Norma Jafko 756-3889, Grace Black 844-0246 or Jim Pellegrino 882-0877. Among those we are praying for Kylie Allen-Kulyk and Tom Lascek
Catholic Services Appeal 2018         Parish Goal \$29,029         St. Lawrence       St. Philip         Parish Goals       \$19,353.00       \$9.676.00			\$50.00 Weekly 52 - 200 Club Winner <u>Week # 35</u> <u>12/30/2018</u> Congratulations to: <u>Ron and MaryAnn Salisbury</u> Drawings for the month are made at the Ladies of
# Pledges Amount Pledged Amount Collected	\$19,353.00 64 \$24,100.00 \$23,550.00 \$ 4 107.00	27 \$ 8,615.00 \$ 11,752.00	the Rosary's meeting. The meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm in the St. Lawrence Church.
Amount for Parish\$ 4,197.00\$ 2,076.00St. Philip December 30th CollectionWeekly Offertory Budget Goal\$723.00Amount collected\$993.00\$993.00Surplus / Deficit+ 270.00		\$723.00 \$993.00	January, 2019 \$50.00 Weekly 52 - 200 Club Winners Congratulations to: Week 36 Jackie Stankiewicz Jan 6, 2019
St. Lawrence December 30th Collection Weekly Offertory Budget Goal \$2,148.00 Amount collected \$1,791.04 Surplus / Deficit 356.96			Week 37 John Borland Jan 13, 2019 Week 38 Charlie Quay Jan 20, 2019 Week 39 Jay Mackey Jan 27, 2019 February winners will be drawn at the Ladies of the Rosary Meeting on Thursday February 7, 2019 at 6:30 pm St. Lawrence Church



Jan. 6       Class 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.         Jan. 13       Class 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.         Jan. 20       Class 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.         All Parents Class – All parents of students in our Faith Formation program are to gather in the multi-purpose room in the church center. Please plan to attend.	We Celebrate and Rejoice Jacob Ronald Melquist To be Baptized Saturday, January 12, 2019 11:00am at St. Lawrence Church Son of William and Melisa Melquist
Fr. Jim will be out of town next week from Thursday after- noon, January 10, 2019, until Sat- urday morning, January 12, 2019.	WHAT'S HAPPENING AT St. LAWRENCE AND ST. PHILOMon., Jan., 7Bingo Doors open and Concessions at 5:30pm Game starts at 6:30pm St. Lawrence Center AA Meeting 8:00 pm St Lawrence CenterTues., Jan., 8Adult Education 7:00 pm St. Lawrence CenterWed., Jan., 9AA Meeting 8:00 pm St. Lawrence Center
The Poinsettias were once again a beautiful addition to our Christmas decorations. Thank you to all who made donations for the flowers in memory of your loved ones. If you would like to take a plant home you may take it today following Mass. <b>Bingo Update: Dec. 17, 2018</b> Planned Payouts Regular games\$25 Doubles\$30 3 Specials\$20 Progressive Jackpot\$1200 in 51#s or less Consolation\$100 Instant games throughout the night	The Ladies of the Rosary will be taking down the Christmas dec- orations following 10:00 am Mass on Sunday January 6th. Any and all help would be greatly appre- ciated. <i>Thank you</i> <i>Thank you</i> <i>Thank you</i> <i>Thursday January 24, 2019</i> St. Lawrence Center - Classroom <i>2:00 PM</i>

## Congratulations! Claire Shade

Claire achieved recognition in the area of academics within the Villa Maria Academy. Students are recognized for

their dedication and hard work, leadership, service and talents.

## **Public Meeting** January 26th, 6:00 pm Albion Fire Department

# Albion's Plan

The Borough of Albion is happy to announce that the update to our comprehensive plan is nearing completion. Our residents, business owners and community leaders identified Albion's top priorities. Please join us to learn how to help!

> Light refreshments will be served. Doors will open at 5:30 pm.

# Student News

Your Student News is Welcome. Glad to Celebrate the Victories! Send the information to the church email address

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People for Life invites you to participate in the Erie March for Life on Saturday, January 26, 2019. This year's theme is *Choose Hope*!

Gather at the pavilion in west Perry Square by 10:45 am the March will begin at 11:00 am and conclude around 12:30 pm with a brief program in Perry Square.

🖌 For information call (814) 882-1333 or go online to 🏹 🗸 www.peopleforlife.life/january2019

## **Updates:**

Lights

Light fixture replacement will begin in the St. Lawrence center. Changing from older more costly florescent to LED bulbs and fixtures.

## Breezeway door repair

Plyler will be repairing the door between the house and the church. The lock and latch have been broken for sometime.

## Insurance Appraisals

On January 15th an independent appraisal of the St. Lawrence and St. Philip properties will be completed by Duff & Phelps. They are undertaking appraisals of all parish/school owned buildings within the Diocese of Erie.

This program is designed to provide accurate insurable values to replace our buildings with new and like kind materials in the event of a covered lots. This appraisal will not represent the market value of our property.