

Saint Lawrence & Saint Philip Roman Catholic Churches

Rev. James J Kennelley - Pastor

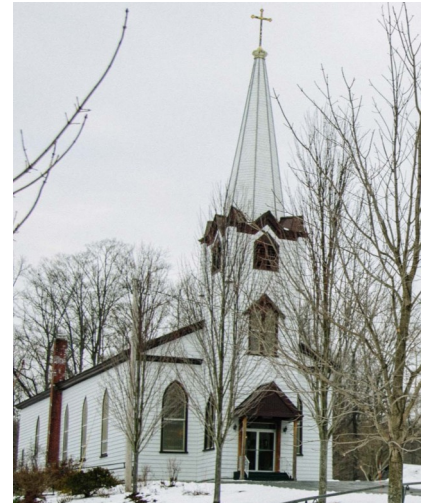
Paul McCoy - Deacon

Susan Muetzel - Faith Formation Facilitator

Saint Lawrence Church
180 East State Street
Albion, Pa. 16401
Founded 1914



Saint Philip Mission Church
25797 State Highway #98
Edinboro, Pa. 16412
Founded 1807



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Center/Rental Information: 814-756-4840 ~ Leave a Message for Renae Mihalak

Weekend Masses:

Saturday @ 5:00 pm at St. Lawrence
Sunday @ 8:00 am at St. Philip
Sunday @ 10:00 am at St. Lawrence
(Live-Streamed For Your Convenience)

Weekday Masses:

Monday thru Friday @ 8:00 am
at St Lawrence

First Friday Masses:

Adoration 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Mass @5:15 pm at St. Lawrence

Reconciliation:

Saturday @ 4:15pm to 4:45pm
at St. Lawrence

Sacrament of Matrimony

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

Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment. Please call the Parish Office for more information. Pre-Baptismal instruction is required.

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. Please notify the office of any hospitalization, Communion to the sick and shut-in visits. Emergencies will be addressed at any time.



Mass Intentions



Saturday, August 28, 2021

St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

5:00 PM † *John & Ilene Hosey*
66th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, August 29, 2021

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † *Steve Krolczyk*
(*Sonny & Jessie Durasa*)

10:00 AM † *Barbara Richards*
(*Larry Hudacky*)

(Live Streamed For Your Convenience At 10:00 am)

Monday, August 30, 2021

Weekday

8:00 AM † *Jacob Serrano*
(*Greg & Lori Adamson*)

Tuesday, August 31, 2021

Weekday

8:00 AM † *All Souls*

Wednesday, September 1, 2021

Weekday

8:00 AM † *All Student, Faculty & Staff*
While Beginning a New School Year
(*The Seneta Family*)

Thursday, September 2, 2021

Weekday

8:00 AM † *All Souls*

Friday, September 3, 2021 - First Friday

St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM - Adoration

5:15 PM Mass † *All Souls*

Saturday, September 4, 2021

Weekday

5:00 PM † *Anthony Lozier (Uncle Tony)*
(*Donny & Susie Muetzel*)

Sunday, August 29, 2021

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † *Steve Krolczyk*
(*St. Philip Church*)

From the
Pastor's Desk



Dear Friends in Christ:

God calls us to perfection in a material world. We are in tension between the goods and goals of the world and the ideal holiness taught and lived by Jesus. Some people have discounted the Lord and moral teaching, and live only for personal fulfillment in the here and now. They are unscrupulous in body, mind and spirit. They live to fulfill themselves at the expense of everyone else. Drinking, sexual perversion, disregard for human values become a way of life for them. They are the extreme, self-centered humans. There is an aura of evil that surrounds their identity. Fortunately, they are very few in our world and we can navigate around them in our society. We are called to pray for them that they become enlightened and convert while there is still time.

Also, there are those who are seriously scrupulous. These people have no pleasure, they accuse themselves of trivial faults and do great penances every day for forgiveness of superficial faults and errors of judgment. Literally, they are squeaky clean but see themselves as abject sinners living for divine forgiveness for human faults as the focus of their lives.

Fortunately you and I can find ourselves between these population polarities. When we do wrong, our moral compass cries out the alarm. We have a choice to make. Do we continue doing wrong or do we tell on ourselves and strive to overcome wrong with good. That choice of nurturing evil or overcoming it with good, is the moral point of conscientiousness for which we have to be prepared. That is the point of moral persuasion. That is where we choose to follow good or evil. That is the point of moral decision making. Not the temptation. Not the impulsive behavior. But the choice to pursue good and overcome evil.

Make good choices. Evil surrounds us and we make a declaration of purpose. Overcome temptation to self-indulge and be creative and holy. Learn from mistakes, and choose to be a faithful follower of the Lord in all things.

Fr. Jim

August 29, 2021

Deacon's Corner

August 29, 2021

This week on Friday, September 3rd, we celebrate the feast day of St. Gregory the Great. He was Pope in the 6th century and is among the original Doctors of the Church. Gregory was a saint brought up among saints. Two of his aunts were nuns – St. Tarsilla and St. Aemiliana. His great-grandfather was Pope Felix II. He received an excellence and traditional Roman education and learned the virtues of prudence, constancy, moderation, kindness, and a sense of responsibility for the public welfare.

At the end of the 6th century, Rome’s population had significantly declined and Italy was devastated by floods, pestilence, famine, and deteriorated infrastructure. Six barbarian nations surrounded Rome and the Lombards were at the gates. Many other wealthy citizens left Rome for safer locations throughout Italy. With all of these challenges, Gregory stayed in Rome and fed as many as 3,000 people a day. He referred to himself as the “Servant of the Servants of God.”

St. Gregory was also a very prolific and compulsive writer. His works include a 2,000-page book called *Morals on the Book of Job*, *The Pastoral Rule*, *The Dialogues*, over 900 letters that survived until today, and countless homilies on the Gospels, Ezekiel, Song of Songs, and Samuel. Additionally, he addressed many timely themes, such as the mystery of suffering. Lastly, a central characteristic of his writing was his warm and pastoral sensitivity.

Now that we have learned a little about St. Gregory the Great, what does it mean to be a Doctor of the Church? This is a title given since the Middle Ages to certain saints whose writing or preaching is outstanding for guiding the faithful in all periods of the Church's history. Initially the Western Fathers of the Church, Gregory the Great, Ambrose, Augustine, and Jerome, were considered the great doctors of the Church.

Ultimately, St. Gregory is a pivotal person in the Church’s history, shifting from the patristic period to the middle ages. He was first and foremost a pastor of souls. No man was ever less spoiled by power.

This week I would encourage you to read more about the life of a favorite saint.

Have a very blessed week,
Deacon Paul

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

September 4 & 5		
	Saturday September 4th 5:00 PM	Sunday September 5th 10:00 AM
Lectors	Patricia Thompson	Rob Adamczyk
Servers	None	None
Eucharistic Ministers	Susan Muetzel	Darcy Paradise

September 18 & 19		
	Saturday September 18 5:00 PM	Sunday September 19 10:00 AM
Lectors	Susan Muetzel	Rob Adamczyk
Servers	None	None
Eucharistic Ministers	Criss Rotko	Mark Paradise

September 11 & 12		
	Saturday September 11 5:00 PM	Sunday September 12 10:00 AM
Lectors	Marge Mayer	Carl Pry
Servers	None	None
Eucharistic Ministers	Kathleen Levis	Kelli Kulyk

September 25 & 26		
	Saturday September 25 5:00 PM	Sunday September 26 10:00 AM
Lectors	Patricia Thompson	Carl Pry
Servers	None	None
Eucharistic Ministers	Susan Muetzel	Steve Sawin

Ladies of the Rosary



Meetings
First Thursday of the
month at 6:30PM

Contact: Tammy Maskrey

All Ladies of the parish are welcome!

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&
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and
introducing that friend to Christ."*

Parish Coordinators:
Ferry and Patti Bowersox 814-756-5859

Ministries

*Serve the Lord and serve the
Parish as an:*

Altar Server
students grade 4 and up

Eucharistic Minister
post confirmation Adults

Lector
post confirmation Adults

Greeter
high school students and up



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DAY!



"Those who sing pray twice!"



St. Lawrence
Faith Formation

Sundays 11:00am-
12:30pm
K through 12

To register contact:
Susan Muetzel at
814-756-4840



St. Lawrence and St. Philip Church
Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Please Check One

New

Address Change

Moving out of Parish

~*Praying With A Purpose*~

To add a prayer request, please contact
Cathy Wojtecki 756-5961, Norma Jafko 756-3889
or Jim Pellegrino.

*Please keep the following people
in your prayers.....*



Kylie Allen-Kulyk, Tony Jantosik,
Palla Tautin, Liz Koenitzer,
Tammy Melquist and Jon Reibbl



7 Days of Wisdom
by Fulton Sheen

August 29

“But there was no room at the inn”; the inn is the gathering place of public opinion; so often public opinion locks its doors to the King.

August 30

A dying man asked a dying man for eternal life; a man without possessions asked a poor man for a Kingdom; a thief at the door of death asked to die like a thief and steal Paradise. One would have thought a saint would have been the first soul purchased over the counter of Calvary by the red coins of Redemption, but in the Divine plan it was a thief who was the escort of the King of kings into Paradise. If Our Lord had come merely as a teacher, the thief would never have asked for forgiveness. But since the thief's request touched the reason of His coming to earth, namely to save souls, the thief heard the immediate answer.

August 31

It was the thief's last prayer, perhaps even his first. He knocked once, sought once, asked once dared everything, and found everything. When even the disciples were doubting and only one was present at the Cross, the thief owned and acknowledged Him as Savior.

September 1

Since the basic course of man's anxiety is the possibility of being either a saint or a sinner, it follows that there are only two alternatives for him. Man can either mount upward to the peak of eternity or else slip backwards to the chasms of despair and frustration. Yet there are many who think there is yet another alternative, namely, that of indifference. They think that, just as bears hibernate for a season in a state of suspended animation, so they, too, can sleep through life without choosing to live for God or against Him. But hibernation is no escape; winter ends, and one is then forced to make a decision-indeed, the very choice of indifference is itself a decision. White fences do not remain white fences by having nothing done to them; they soon become black fences.

September 2

A man who has taken poison into his system can ignore the antidote, or he can throw it out the window; it makes no difference which he does, for death is already on the march. By the mere fact that we do not go forward, we go backward. There are no plains in the spiritual life, we are either going uphill or coming down.

September 3

The wicked fear the good, because the good are a constant reproach to their consciences. The ungodly like religion in the same way that they life lions, either dead or behind bars; they fear religion when it breaks looks and begins to challenge their consciences.

September 4

Why are you disappointed? Because of the tremendous disproportion between your desires and your realizations. Your soul has a certain infinity about it, because it is spiritual. But your body, like the world around you, is material, limited, “cabined, cribbed, confined.”

**52-200 Club Weekly Winners
~ July 2021 ~**

Week 1	Norma Jafko	August 1
Week 2	Fr. Jim	August 8
Week 3	Ron Allen	August 15
Week 4	Ron Allen	August 22
Week 5	Mark Ochalek	August 29

Congratulations to our July Winners!

**There are tickets available for the 2021-2022 Season.
If you would like to purchase one,
please contact Tammy Maskrey
or any member of The Ladies of the Rosary.**

***Special Collection
The Church of Latin America***

St. Philip \$114.00

St. Lawrence \$195.00

**Thank you for your generosity.
Your support provides lay leadership training,
catechesis, priestly and religious formation,
and other programs.**

**Catholic Services Appeal 2021
Diocesan Assessment/Parish Goal - \$28,807**

	St. Lawrence	St. Philip
Parish Goals	\$20,577	\$8,230
# Families / # Pledges	#115 / #39	#59 / #5
Total Amount Pledged	\$16,060	\$2,750
Total Amount Collected	\$14,605	\$4,965
Shortfall Between <i>Total Pledges & Goal</i>	\$4,517	\$5,480
Shortfall Between <i>Amount Collected & Goal</i>	\$5,972	\$3,265

**St. Philip
Last Week's Collection**

**Weekly Offertory Budget Goal
\$ 723.00**

**Amount Collected..... \$ 505.00
Surplus / Deficit..... - \$ 218.00**

**St. Lawrence
Last Week's Collection**

**Weekly Offertory Budget Goal
\$ 2,148.00**

**Amount Collected..... \$ 1,608.00
Surplus / Deficit..... - \$ 540.00**



Wednesday September 8 Catechist Meeting - 6:30 at Valenza's

Wednesday September 15 Adult Faith Formation Team Meeting - 6:30 at Valenza's

Sunday, September 19 Catechetical Sunday - All Catechist, Students, and Parents,
Please Attend

If you have any questions or concerns,
please contact our Faith Formation Facilitator,
Susie Muetzel, OFS.

Office - 756-4840 Home - 756-0624



Answer: The Big Bang Theory was proposed by a Catholic Priest! (who knew) 😊

Question: The Mass was originally spoken in?

- Latin
- Hebrew
- Greek

Poverty in Spirit? What exactly IS it?

The very first Beatitude, *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.*

The fruit of the third Joyful Mystery of the Rosary, the Birth of our Lord, is "Poverty in Spirit."

Poverty of spirit, spiritual poverty, poor in spirit...the state of knowing that we are completely dependent on God **and being** completely dependent on God in all things and in all situations. To be poor in spirit is to recognize clearly that we have nothing which was not received from God, that we are nothing except by the grace of God.

God is God, we were created to praise, love, and serve God. Before all else, we depend on God for our happiness and fulfillment. While we are grateful for our talents, abilities, wealth, and achievements, we offer those gifts to the service of God and others and to let go of them when they get in the way of that self-giving. In short, poverty of spirit is a complete emptying of self so that God can fill us with life and love.

All of us are "poor" in that we are dependent beings. We didn't bring ourselves into existence and at some time we will die. We don't hold the universe together. We cannot grant ourselves eternal life. When we sin, we can't give ourselves forgiveness. In all these things, we are dependent on God. Poverty of spirit means knowing your need for God. It means being open to what God can do for you.

Thus, a person who is poor of spirit clearly sees and appreciates his dependence on God both physically and spiritually, we are nothing in our own eyes. Humility is a fruit of the realization of our complete dependence.

Pax et Bonum,
Susie Muetzel, OFS

What's Happening at St. Lawrence and St. Philip

Alms Box

Many times, throughout the year, we receive phone calls from people looking for help. Most of the time people need money for bills, rent, or gas money to get to appointments. Sometimes the need is for bedding, or food. The parish accommodates their needs through our general fund, as best as we can, and sometimes, Fr. Jim gives to them out of his own pocket. We thought it would be good to have money set aside, to give to those who call. Therefore, we are implementing an Alms Box. This money will be kept, and used when someone is in need of help.

Look for our new Alms Box, It will be located in the front vestibule of St. Lawrence Church.

Please donate whenever you have a little extra.
Help us, help others.

*"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord,
and he will repay him for his deed."*

~Proverbs 19:17

~ Monday Night Bingo ~

Doors will open at 5:30
Concessions open at 5:30
Games will begin at 6:30

Jackpot...\$1,150
in 56 balls or less

Masks & social distancing
will be in effect.

Come on out and join the fun!!!
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Mark Your Calendars!!

We will be having our Annual Fall Dinner
on Sunday October 10th
from 11 am till 2 pm or until sold out.

We need your help!

New sign up sheets
are at the side vestibule of the Church,
with specific jobs that we will need
your help doing.

Servants of Mary Center for Peace

There are 9 people signed up for the Trip to Windsor, Ohio to visit the Center for Peace. The date we selected is Monday, September 27th. Please meet in the parking lot of the Church at 9:00 am and we will car-pool from there, arriving at our destination in about an hour. We plan on stopping for lunch on the way home.

There is still plenty of time if you decided to join us. It will be a very beautiful, spiritual experience.



This Week

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| Monday, August 30 | Bingo - 6:30 pm
Doors & Concession Open at 5:30 pm
St. Lawrence Center |
| Monday, August 30 | AA Meeting - 8 pm
St. Lawrence Center |
| Wednesday, September 1 | Spanish Class - 7:00 pm
St. Lawrence Center Classroom |
| Wednesday, September 1 | AA Meeting - 8 pm
St. Lawrence Center |
| Thursday, September 2 | Adult Faith Formation - 6:30 pm
St. Lawrence Center |