



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 5, 2018 - Vigil

5:00 PM † Rudy and Marian Vanco -
(The Kaleida Family)

Sunday, May 6, 2018 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM † Martha Headley -
(at St. Philip) (Mark and Barbara Davies)

10:00 AM † For the People of St Lawrence and St Philip

Monday, May 7, 2018 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM † Jack Levis - (Family)

Tuesday, May 8, 2018 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Communion Service

8:00 AM † For the Deceased Parishioners of St Philip
(at St. Philip)

Wednesday, May 9, 2018 - Easter Weekday

8:00 AM † Msgr. Robert Reilly- 9th Pastor St Lawrence

7:00 PM † For the People of St Lawrence and St Philip
(at St. Philip)

Thursday, May 10, 2018 - The Ascension of the Lord

10:00 AM † For the People of St Lawrence & St Philip

7:00 PM † For the People of St Lawrence and St Philip

Friday, May 11, 2018 - Easter Weekday

5:00 PM † Dennis Songer - (John and Ilene Hosey)

Saturday, May 12, 2018 - Vigil

5:00 PM † Bernard Bristol - (Criss and John Rotko)

Sunday, May 13, 2018 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM † Helen Hecker - (Thomas and Jane Mallory)
(at St. Philip)

10:00 AM † For the People of St Lawrence and St Philip



***Sixth
Sunday of
Easter***

NURTURING OUR FRIENDSHIP WITH THE LORD

If we believe that Christ is truly present in his word, in the Eucharist, in those who minister to us, and in the gathered assembly of believers, we are assured of finding many opportunities to be present to the Lord. So often, we miss these opportunities and our friendship with the Lord becomes strained. Perhaps today is the day to recommit ourselves to strengthening our friendship with the Lord, who chose us in baptism to be his friend. The root of friendship, of course, is selfless love. Today we are called to bask in the love of God—to feel God’s loving presence through the experience of worship and the company of those dedicated to sharing in God’s love. Let us rejoice in the love shown to us by God.

**St. Philip’s Altar-Rosary Meeting
Mon., May 7~ 2:00pm**

This is a change from our regular schedule.



LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR ASCENSION MAY 10 & MAY 12/13

ASCENSION THURSDAY MAY 10	10:00AM	7:00PM
Lectors	S. Atkinson	J.Torba
Servers		
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	A. McNally / S. McNally	J. Kleckner D. Paradise / M. Paradise
MAY 12/ 13	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
Lectors	M. Mayer	Family Focus Mass
Servers	C. Mundkowsky	Family Focus Mass
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	E. Mundkowsky W. Mundkowsky / S. Muetzel	Family Focus Mass

**From the
Pastor's Desk**



Dear Friends in Christ:

As the school year winds to a closing, Baccalaureate ceremonies invoke God's blessing on graduates, First Communion celebrations bring family together in joyful sacred gatherings, spring flowers are planted on gravesites and home-centered gardens, and families are eager to have time to enjoy sun, surf and sand, walks on Presque Isle, visits to Waldameer Park, Tom Ridge Center and the Maritime Museum! These are 'good days.' Enjoy them by spending quality time together as families. Make memories that will last and be cherished over a long time. Have back yard bar-b-ques, go to a Sea Wolf game, Warner Theatre concert, Erie Playhouse entertainment and Celebrate life!

Ladies (May 17) and Men's (June 20) Communion Breakfasts are traditional gestures intended to bring people together to enjoy a small meal, prayer and community. Gathering to serve and to share a meal is a gesture of building community within the broader parish community. Please put these dates on your calendar, sign up and come to enjoy them with genuine Christian Fellowship.

Ascension Thursday celebration will include: 7:00 pm Wednesday Vigil Mass at St. Philip; 10:00 am and 7:00 pm Masses Thursday at St. Lawrence; 1:00 Mass Thursday at SCI-Albion. Ascension is a holy day of obligation and all Catholics are expected to attend Mass in prayerful gratitude for God's invitation to follow Jesus into Eternal Life, body and soul. This is the ultimate Covenant, the final gesture of Divine Love God desires to share with us forever. Let us "Rejoice and Be Glad!"


Fr. Jim
May 1, 2018

Fr. Pete: "It takes humility to accept God's gifts and courage to use them."

Praying with a Purpose

Contact people :
Cathy Wojtecki 756-5961, Norma Jafko 756-3889,
Grace Black 844-0943 or Jim Pellegrino 882-0877.

Among those we are praying for -
Mary Miller and Kylie Allen-Kulyk.



	St. Lawrence	St. Philip
Parish Goals	\$19,353.00	\$9,676.00
# Pledges	64	25
Amount Pledged	\$28,700.00	\$7,630.00
Amount Collected	\$17,670.00	\$5,155.00
Amount for Parish	\$0.00	\$0.00

St. Philip April 29th Collection	
Weekly Offertory amount needed to reach budget goals \$673.	
Offertory	\$ 675.00
Good Shepherd Collection.....	\$ 160.00
Food Bank.....	\$ 15.00
TOTAL	\$ 850.00

St. Lawrence April 29th Collection	
Weekly Offertory amount needed to reach budget goal \$2,048.	
Offertory	\$ 1,764.19
Maintenance.....	\$ 35.00
Good Shepherd Collection.....	\$ 70.00
Rent.....	\$ 300.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,169.19

Faith Formation



- May 6 Last Class**
All the students & catechists will gather together at noon for End of Year Festivities in the multi-purpose room in the church center.
- May 13 May Crowning ~ what a wonderful way to end our Faith Formation year.**
All students should attend & gather in the back of the church 15 minutes before Mass.
- June 3 10:00 Mass - Senior's Baccalaureate Mass**
- Thank you all for another blessed year!**

**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT
ST. LAWRENCE AND ST. PHILIP**

- Mon., May 7 St. Philip Altar Rosary Meeting** 2:00pm
St Philip Center
- Ladies of the Rosary Meeting** 6:30 pm
St Lawrence Church
- AA Meeting** 8:00 pm St Lawrence Center
- Tues., May 8 Adult Education** 7:00pm St Lawrence Center
- Wed., May 9 Adult Choir Practice** 7:00 pm St. Lawrence Church
- AA Meeting** 8:00pm St. Lawrence Center



Annual Mother's Day Carnation Project

Mother's Day carnations provided by People for Live will be available after our Masses next weekend. Help celebrate Mother's Day by selecting some beautiful carnations for that special mom in your life. Your donation of \$1 per carnation will help support pro-life educational programs and activities here in northwestern Pennsylvania



Congratulations



First Holy Communion Recipients Thanksgiving Mass April 29, 2018

*Sarah Brozich
Xander Helms
Alex Hough
Caitlynn Kovacs*

*With
Carrie Sawin
Cole Mundkowsky
Father Kennelley
Lydia Zwinsky*



Confirmation Recipients April 25, 2018

*Dustin Andrews
Ethan Hajec
Ryan Kulyk
Taylor Morini
Ellie Prichard
Susan Muetzel*

*With
Father Kennelley*

Love can change us as a people and a nation

By Sister Natalie Rossi , a member of the Sisters of Mercy in Erie.

Finding the love, wisdom and courage of God will lead us on a different path.

Do we believe in God? Is our God a God of love? Do we even believe that God does exist? Sometimes I wonder. How can a rich nation like ours founded on so-called Christian values forget the less fortunate and fill the pockets of the wealthy? What is our truth? Have we lost our inner strength to love, to reach out, to think of others?

God created us in God's image (male, female, white, colored, straight, LGBTQ) and our journey is to bring forth that part of us that God created into the world. Who are we to question God? Have we failed to see humankind as one manifesting God in many ways? Do we believe in a retributive God or a restorative God? It seems as if we have lived with a belief of a retributive God. But that is not the message. God is love and has given us the world to live in and to put more love into the crevices hiding deep down within hurting humanity. God is a God of love and nonviolence.

How do we get in touch with God's wisdom and courage to help us change this world that is in turmoil into a world of peace and compassion? Is our country any different than countries who allow the less fortunate to go to bed at night hungry, who fear to leave their homes, who live in rat-infested housing? Are we failing? Can we take the inner journey and find God — the power to love?

Love can be painful, can be risky, can be a lonely trail. But can we take this journey? How can we be complacent and allow families to be disrupted, allow unequal treatment of people of color, allow the deterioration of our public school system, to mention only a few of the crises facing us as a Christian nation? I believe in nonviolence — that peace, compassion and love will change who we are now as a nation. Many heroes of the past also believed this — Martin Luther King Jr., Mahatma Gandhi, Jesus of Nazareth — and they died for it. Are we up to the challenge?

Saint Philip's Annual Rummage Trash and Treasure Sale

Sale Dates

<i>Thursday , May 24th</i>	<i>9:00AM to 5:00PM</i>
<i>Friday, May 25th</i>	<i>9:00AM to 5:00PM</i>
<i>Saturday, May 26th</i>	<i>(BUY 1 BAG GET 2 FREE) 9:00AM to 12:00PM (Noon)</i>

Help is needed to set up, sort and price items

<i>Sunday May 20th</i>	<i>9:00AM to 12:00PM (Noon)</i>
<i>Monday May 21st</i>	<i>9:00AM to 3:00PM</i>
<i>Tuesday May 22nd</i>	<i>9:00AM to 3:00PM</i>
<i>Wednesday May 23rd</i>	<i>9:00AM to 3:00PM</i>

Volunteers also needed to work the sale

Mark this week in your calendar

Donation Suggestions:

Clothing - Men's , Ladies and Children's and Baby Items

Home Items - Dishes, pots, pans, silverware/utensils, curtains, sheets, blankets, lighting fixtures and any accessories, furniture. Small appliances and any electronics must be in working order.

Miscellaneous - Books, jewelry , houseplants, knick-knacks, decorations (seasonal), sports equipment, baskets, glassware, toys.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING JUNK , ANY THING BROKEN OR STAINED

NO COMPUTERS / ACCESSORIES AND NO TELEVISIONS