

Saint Lawrence-Saint Philip Catholic Church

Fr. Marc Solomon - Pastor

Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon Assistant



"I do will it.
Be made clean."
-Mark 1:41

Sunday, February 11, 2024
Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

February 11, 2024 - Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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Parish Office Hours
9:00 am till 2:00 pm
Monday thru Thursday
Thursday - Closed 12:00-12:45 For Mass

Faith Formation Leader
Cassie Adamczyk
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Maintenance
Jim Mitchell

Parish Center/Rental Information
Renaë Mihalak
814-756-4840 -- Please Leave a Message.

St. James Cemetery
Manager - Greg Petrus

Mass Schedule

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

All at St. Lawrence
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 8:00am
Thursday & Friday - 12:00pm

Holy Hour

Tuesday Evenings 6:00 at St. Lawrence

First Friday

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
Sunday @ 7:30am at St. Philip



Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, February 12, 2024 Weekday

8:00 AM † *Linda Kennedy*
(Aunt Rose)

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 Weekday

8:00 AM † *James & Virginia Fratalia*
(Estate)

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 Ash Wednesday at St. Lawrence Church

6:00 PM † *All Souls*

Thursday, February 15, 2024 Thursday After Ash Wednesday

12:00 PM † *Mike Mihalak*
(Sue & Family)

Friday, February 16, 2024 Friday After Ash Wednesday

12:00 PM - *Max Stephen*
(Ray & Terry Garries)

Saturday, February 17, 2024 Sunday Vigil Mass Saturday After Ash Wednesday

5:00 PM † *Adam and Mary Stankiewicz*
(Jackie Stankiewicz)

Sunday, February 18, 2023 First Sunday Of Lent

8:00 AM † *For The Living & Deceased Members Of*
St. Lawrence And St. Philip Church

10:00 AM *The Sisters Of The Convent Of The Holy Spirit*
(Greg & Lori Adamson)

Deacon's Corner

February 11, 2024



Rule 8: Serve

This week, let's continue to look at the book *Living Joy: 9 Rules to Help You Rediscover and Live Joy Every Day* by Chris Stefanick, Rule 8: Serve.

Chris starts this chapter with, "To experience true joy, your heart has to shift from self-centered to other-centered. The only way to truly shine is to help others shine." Serving others should be part of the sacrifices of almsgiving we practice during this upcoming season of Lent.

"Your stuff makes you more comfortable but not happier. That's why wealthy people with the wrong hearts are so miserable. What sad irony." "Stop letting your heart believe the lie that happiness lies in more success, more notoriety, more stuff, or more zeros in your bank account. Stop digging for your treasure in the wrong place."

Serving others with time, talent, and treasures leads to joy. Pope Saint John Paul II writes, "We are not looking for a shallow joy but rather a joy that comes from faith, that grows through unselfish love... We realize that joy is demanding; it demands unselfishness." Chris further tells us, "Taking on the mind of a servant doesn't only make you holier; it makes you happier."

Here are three simple tips on how to develop a heart and mind to embrace service:

1. Claim it. Out loud. – You need to preach to yourself, "I want to serve others today. Help me find opportunities to serve."
2. Don't just sit there. Do something. – Serve the poor by each month giving time or money to an organization that serves the poor. Remember that little acts of service are a big deal. "We underestimate our impact because we weigh things with the wrong scales."
3. Give money away. – "It's a scientifically proven fact that money can, in fact, make you happy, but only when you spend it on other people!" Winston Churchill once said, "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." By giving, we can be an answer to someone's prayer.

During this Lent, pray for some ways you are being called to serve.

Deacon Paul

Please join us for
Stations of the Cross,
Every Friday
Beginning February 16th
at 6:30 pm
St. Lawrence Church



~ Monday Night Bingo ~
St. Lawrence Center
Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30
Games Begin at 6:30
Jackpot... \$1,150
in 56 balls or less
Come Join The Fun!!

Ladies of the Rosary



Meetings
First Thursday of the
month at 6:30PM

Contact: Tammy Maskrey

All Ladies of the parish are welcome!



Cursillo

"Making a friend, being a friend,
and
introducing that friend to Christ."

Parish Coordinators:
Needed



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SERVICE ORGANIZATION

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St. Lawrence/St. Philp Faith Formation

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

To register contact:
Cassie Adamczyk at
814-756-4840 (Office)
814-873-8339 (Cell)



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

Altar Server
students grade 4 and up

Lector
post confirmation Adults

Greeter
high school students and up

Contact Parish Office for
more information
756-3623

Your CHOIR Needs YOUR Voice

- * to lead the singing of the Assembly
 - * to embellish the music of the liturgy
 - * to become a future cantor
- Consider becoming a member TODAY!



"Those who sing pray twice!"

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.



St. Lawrence/St. Philip Church

Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Please Check One

- ☐ New
- ☐ Address Change
- ☐ Moving out of Parish

52-200 Club Weekly Winners ~ February 2024 ~

Week 1 - Feb 4 Rose Podluzne
Week 2 - Feb 11 Betsy Baker
Week 3 - Feb 18 Heather Gacek
Week 4 - Feb 25 Richard Fratus

Congratulations To Our Winners!

There are tickets available
for the 2023 - 2024 Season.
If you would like to purchase one,
please contact Tammy Maskrey
or any member of The Ladies of the Rosary.

Next Sunday the Diocese of Erie will celebrate "The Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion", for all Catechumens and Candidates. This Service will take place at St. Peter Cathedral.

St. Lawrence-St. Philip Church is excited to have one Candidate, Michael Rastetter, who will be attending. Mike has been studying and preparing with Fr. Marc in our RCIA program. Please keep Mike in your prayers for this Service next Sunday and also during his final period of study, before being initiated into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass, on Holy Saturday.

This Week at St. Lawrence-St. Philip Church

Monday, February 12

*Bingo - 6:30
St. Lawrence Parish Center
Doors Open at 5:30

*AA Meeting - 8 pm
St. Lawrence Parish Center

Tuesday, February 13

*Holy Hour - 6 pm
St. Lawrence Church

Wednesday, February 14

*Ash Wednesday Service - 6 pm
St. Lawrence Church

*AA Meeting - 8 pm
St. Lawrence Parish Center

Friday, February 16

*Stations Of The Cross - 6:30 pm
St. Lawrence Church



Fr. Marc will lead a 5-week Bible Study for the Men of our Parish, beginning Thursday, February 22nd. This Bible Study will run every Thursday during Lent, at 7pm at St. Lawrence Church.

What a wonderful way to journey through the 40 days of Lent.

Ash Wednesday is a solemn reminder of human mortality, and the need for reconciliation with God. It marks the beginning of the penitential Lenten season, and is commonly observed with ashes and fasting.

~Britannica.com

Ash Wednesday



*Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.*

ECCLESIASTES 3:20

**Ash Wednesday
Service**

**Wednesday, February 14
6:00 PM
At St. Lawrence Church**

**Lector,
Patricia Thompson**

St. Lawrence Lector Schedule

Saturday, February 10 - 5:00 pm - Patricia Thompson
Sunday, February 11 - 10:00 am - Carl Pry

Saturday, February 17 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer
Sunday, February 18 - 10:00 am - Criss Rotko

Saturday, February 24 - 5:00 pm - Patricia Thompson
Sunday, February 25 - 10:00 am - Carl Pry

Saturday, March 2 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer
Sunday, March 3 - 10:00 am - Criss Rotko





~Praying With A Purpose~

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

Please keep the following People in your prayers...

Melissa	Jon Reibel	Max Stephen
Cherie	Jim Bernoski	Tony Hudacky
Mike Sawin	Marilyn Madden	Ron Salisbury
Andrew Segal	Carol (Schantz) Raiff	DJ
Judy Diehl	Bill Pavolko	Carrie Sawin
Maddalena Ranelli	Janet Lance	BJ Leicht
Kelly Wojtecki	Shawn	Cathy Wojtecki
Tom Lascek	Judy Graham	Our Homebound
Lisa Ballmann	Nancy Cherry	Parishioners
Angela Mulligan	Tammy Lynn	
Dawn Betle	& Kevin	

Sunday, February 11th
Class

Sunday, February 18th
Class

If you have any questions or concerns,
please contact our Faith Formation Facilitator,

Cassie Adamczyk

Office - 814-756-4840

Cell - 814-873-8339

Faith Formation



Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2024 Catholic Services Appeal **One Faith, One Family**. The CSA is essential to carrying out the Church's mission to evangelize, educate, serve, proclaim the Word, celebrate the sacraments, and provide hope to people in need, beyond what any parish can provide on its own.

As baptized Catholics, the Lord calls each one of us to share His love and build up His Church. Through our gifts to the CSA, we unite as One Faith, One Family in carrying out His life-giving mission. Thank you for your faithful generosity and prayers for the CSA

Our 2024 CSA Assessment Is
\$28,881.00.



Sacrificial Giving For The Weekend Of
February 3rd & 4th

\$3,145.00

Weekly Offertory Budget Goal
\$ 1,945.00



The 2024 Catholic Services Appeal
Our Diocesan Assessment—\$28,881.00

Current Households—137

~52/200~

52/200 is a fundraiser sponsored by St. Lawrence Ladies of the Rosary. It is a weekly drawing that runs from May to April. 52/200 Tickets cost \$50.00 and we sell 200 tickets.

At the beginning of each month, we draw a winner for each week of that month. Each weekly winner receives \$50.00. So you have 52 chances to win \$50.00. In May you are eligible for 9 additional cash prizes.

All profits are used for purchase of the Breaking Bread Missalettes, and are also used to maintain the altar, by purchasing candles, linens, hosts, or anything else that is needed.

We have left over 2023-2024 tickets that are available for purchase for \$10.00 each. The ticket will give you 1 chance to win \$50.00 every week until May 4th. You will also be eligible for our big money cash prizes to be drawn on May 4th.

These tickets will be on sale after the 10am Masses, or you may call the Parish Office for additional information on how to purchase one.

22:32 MEN *Strengthen Your Brothers!*

2024 CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 2nd

8:30 AM - 1:00 PM Event

At St. Jude Parish, Erie, and at

local parishes in NW Pa and NE Ohio

All Faiths are Welcome!

Inspiring NATIONAL SPEAKERS including:



FATHER
LARRY RICHARDS



BISHOP
LAWRENCE PERSICO



"BUT I HAVE PRAYED FOR YOU
THAT YOUR FAITH MAY NOT FAIL.
AND WHEN YOU HAVE TURNED BACK,
STRENGTHEN YOUR BROTHERS."
LUKE 22:32



DAMON OWENS



FATHER
PATRICK SCHULTZ

\$20 Adult Early Registration
(before February 1st)
\$25 Adult Registration
(after January 31st)
\$20 Group of 8 or more
\$15 Adult - first time attendee ONLY
High School and College Students - FREE
Please register beforehand.

Our conference will be held live
at St. Jude Parish in Erie and will
also be live-streamed out to
parishes in the Erie Diocese and
others in surrounding areas.
Our website has a list of those
parishes.

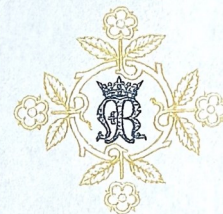
www.2232Men.com
info@2232Men.com
for more details and to register.

And She Said Yes!

to the Ninth Annual

1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024



PLACE: ST. JUDE PARISH, 2801 W. 6th Street, Erie

TIME: 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS:

8:00 - 8:45 AM in the Church; COST: \$20 (\$25 at door)
College and High school students & Religious - FREE!

SPEAKER: Lisa Cotter

Conference includes: Two talks, Adoration,
Confession, Mass, Basket raffle & Book/media sales

Master of Ceremonies: Fr. Larry Richards

ATTENDANCE: In-person and Live-streamed

ALL FAITHS WELCOME!

www.138women.com or 814-455-7364





NOTICE – LENTEN PRACTICES 2024

The season of Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024, and concludes when the Paschal Triduum of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord begins at the start of the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024.

The following practices and regulations are promulgated and binding for all Latin Rite Catholics in the Diocese of Erie for Lent and the Paschal Triduum, 2024. Eastern Rite Catholics who may be attending Latin Rite parishes have their own proper regulations and should consult their own eparchy or parish.

1. Traditional Lenten practices of **PRAYER, FASTING, and ALMSGIVING**, and other forms of self-denial, are recommended most warmly by the Church. Daily Mass is particularly encouraged.
2. **ASH WEDNESDAY, ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT, and GOOD FRIDAY** are days of **abstinence** from eating meat for those 14 years of age and older.
3. In 2024, St. Patrick's Day (March 17 – Principal Patronal Feast Day of the Diocese of Erie) falls on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. In recognition of the importance of this day for the faithful, Bishop Persico has directed that St. Patrick be liturgically observed (at daily Mass, Divine Office, etc.) throughout the diocese on Monday, March 18, 2024.
4. **ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY** are also days of **fasting** for those ages 18 to 58 inclusive. *(On these days, those bound by the law of fasting may take one full meal. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength according to one's needs, are also permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or work is seriously affected, the law does not oblige.)*
5. On **HOLY THURSDAY**, no celebration of the Mass is to begin anywhere in the diocese earlier than 4:30 pm without the explicit approval of Bishop Persico.
6. Although it does not include the Liturgy of the Eucharist, by its very nature the **GOOD FRIDAY** service is celebrated by a priest only.
7. All celebrations of the **EASTER VIGIL** are to begin *after nightfall* (which is defined as approximately one hour after local sunset.) Nightfall is about 8:45 pm this year. To balance pastoral need and liturgical prescriptions, Bishop Persico has decreed that the Easter Vigil in the Diocese of Erie is to begin at 8:30 pm or any later time. Any start time earlier than 8:30 pm must receive explicit approval from the Bishop.

By order of the Most Reverend Bishop
January 19, 2024

Sincerely,
Christopher J. Singer
The Rev. Christopher J. Singer, JCL
Chancellor