

# Saint Lawrence & Saint Philip Roman Catholic Churches Rev. James J. Kennelley - Pastor

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## <u>Mass Intentions</u>

<u>Saturday, February 27, 2021</u> <u>Lenten Weekday</u>

> 5:00 PM 🕆 Ann Malena ( Joan Cowfer )

<u>Sunday, February 28, 2021</u> <u>Second Sunday of Lent</u>

8:00 AM <sup>1</sup> For the People of St. Lawrence & Saint Philip 10:00 AM <sup>1</sup> James Zurinsky (Kevin & Renae Mihalak) (Live Streamed For Your Convenience At 10:00 am)

> Monday, March 1, 2021 Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Tom Thompson (Moved from 2/3) (Rose Teed)

> <u>Tuesday, March 2, 2021</u> <u>Lenten Weekday</u>

8:00 AM 🕆 Cecelia Kerns (Moved from 2/5) ( Jim & Norella Consedine )

> <u>Wednesday, March 3 2021</u> <u>Lenten Weekday</u>

8:00 AM 🕆 Ed Kicey (Rose Teed)

<u>Thursday, March 4, 2021</u> <u>Lenten Weekday</u>

8:00 AM 🕆 Tom Thompson (Moved from 2/4) ( Patricia Thompson )

> <u>Friday, March 5, 2021</u> <u>Lenten Weekday - First Friday</u>

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Adoration 5:15 PM Mass ♥ Jim Zurinsky (St. Lawrence Parish)

Saturday, March 6, 2021 Lenten Weekday

5:00 PM 🕆 Harry Wertelet ( Family )

Sunday, March 7, 2021 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM 🕆 Living & Deceased Members of St. Philip Altar Rosary (St. Philip Altar Rosary)

10:00 AM 🕆 For the People of St. Lawrence & Saint Philip ( Live Streamed For Your Convenience At 10:00 am )





of Lent

#### TEMPTED BY TRANSFIGURATION

Jesus faces a different sort of temptation in today's Gospel. Peter (whom Jesus would refer to as "Satan" in their encounter at Caesarea Philippi) tempts him to stay on the mountain of the Transfiguration, residing in a tent of glory with Moses and Elijah, as the Ark of the Covenant had dwelt in a tent of glory among the people of Israel. Jesus doesn't succumb, but makes Peter and his other followers come down with him off their mountain of glory to continue their ministry of proclaiming the reign of God. Jesus turned down the glory and power offered to him in last week's temptation passage; he likewise turns it down again, even when it seems to portray him as the fulfillment of Israel's messianic expectations. Yet, in a way, Jesus did allow himself to be tempted by transfiguring moments in his public ministry when he faced illness, demons, disbelief, hypocrites. He allowed each of these moments to transfigure the world around him more and more into the image of God's reign. They also each transfigured him a bit more on his road to Jerusalem, Calvary, the tomb, and his everlasting transfiguration in resurrection.

### **TRANSFIGURED BY TEMPTATION**

The words "disciple" and "discipline" are very close relatives. People in various walks of life know that our personal transfigurations frequently happen only when we encounter times of trial. Those in recovery know that ongoing encounters with temptations are sources of growth and strength. And so it is for us as faithful disciples renewing our lives through Lenten disciplines. We need to turn aside from the allure of the temptations of self-centeredness, greed, and unhealthy appetites as we increase the presence of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in our lives. Daily, most of us confront a "demon," an illness in body, mind, or spirit, whether in ourselves or in the world. With Christ, we are called upon to confront its presence in ourselves or others, and like Christ, find our true and lasting transfiguration by growing in obedience to the Father's will. By God's grace we will one day come to live in the everlasting glory of the Resurrection that we also share.

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The transfiguration is such an unusual experience for the disciples! In the ordinariness of their gathering for prayer, Jesus appears different, there is a voice revealing Him as being the one especially loved by God the Father, and the disciples see how different Jesus is from them. They experience great fear of Jesus, His Presence with the Father, and cower in His Presence.

What would your response to the transfiguration be if you were there on that mountain? Moses was on the mountain when he encountered Yahweh! Moses brought them the tablets of Covenant, the Old Testament Constitution, which formed them into being God's People. Everything changed!

What changed for the disciples?

Things got a lot more formal. Jesus' teaching became more Gospel – Centered and personal. As they came down from the mountain, their relationship with Jesus changed – they looked at Him with awe and wonder. They were set apart from the other disciples and audience. They were changed. They saw what no one else saw, they heard what no one else heard. How did that affect what they heard Jesus saying in the next few months?

Pay attention to the transfiguration! It alone changed the hearts and lives of these men as never before!

Who were these special men? What did they experience in prayer with Jesus? How did their experience change the way Jesus looked, and sounded from that day forward?

Fr. Jim 02/28/2021

Catholic Services Appeal 2021 Diocesan Assessment/Parish Goal - <i>\$28,807</i>				
St. Lawrence St. P				
Parish Goals	\$20,577	\$8,230		
# Families / # Pledges	#115 /19	#59 / 3		
Total Amount Pledged	\$9,000	\$2,000		
Total Amount Collected	\$5,075	\$1,135		
Shortfall Between Total Pledges & Goal	\$11,577	\$6,230		
Shortfall Between Amount Collected & Goal	\$15,502	\$7,095		

St. Philip Last Week's Collection Weekly Offertory Budget Goal \$ 723.00 Amount Collected......\$ 545.00 Surplus / Deficit.........\$ 178.00

> St. Lawrence Last Week's Collection

Weekly Offertory Budget Goal \$ 2,148.00

 Amount Collected......
 \$ 2,882.00

 Surplus / Deficit......
 +\$ 738.00





## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

March 6 & 7		
	Saturday Mar 6th - 5 PM	Sunday Mar 7th - 10 AM
Lectors	Pat Thompson	Robert Adamczyk
Servers	None	None
Eucharistic Ministers	Cheryl Krolczyk	Steve Sawin

March 20 & 21			
		Saturday Mar 20th - 5 PM	Sunday Mar 21st – 10 AM
Lectors		Marge Mayer	Robert Adamczyk
Servers		None	None
Eucharistic Ministers		Criss Rotko	Mark Paradise

March 13 & 14		
	Saturday Mar 13th - 5 PM	Sunday Mar 14th - 10 AM
Lectors	Susan Muetzel	Carl Pry
Servers	None	None
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat Thompson	Kelli Kulyk

March 27 & 28				
		Saturday Feb 27th - 5 PM		Sunday Feb 28th - 10 AM
Lectors		Pat Thompson		Carl Pry
Servers		None		None
Eucharistic Ministers		Susan Muetzel		Darcy Paradise

#### 52-200 Club Weekly Winners February 2021

etsy Baker	February 7, 2021
enae Mihalak	February 14, 2021
hristina Golden	February 21, 2021
athleen Szympruch	February 28, 2021
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## Congratulations to our February Winners!

There are still tickets available. If you would interested, please contact Tammy Maskrey or any Rosary Ladies to purchase one.



A Message From Love INC....

Love INC is trying to raise funds to help with updating our office equipment. Moving into our new office we realized that the Laptop we use is really outdated, and we can't run a lot of the updates that it needs in order to work properly. The Laptop was purchased back in 2012. We run off of a really tight budget and we don't have much wiggle room to purchase office equipment. We could really use help in raising the funds. Any donation would help tremendously.

You can mail donations to Love INC - PO Box 108 - Girard, Pa 16417 Donations can also be made through their website: <u>www.loveincofwesteriecounty.org</u>

## ~ Fraying With A Furpose~

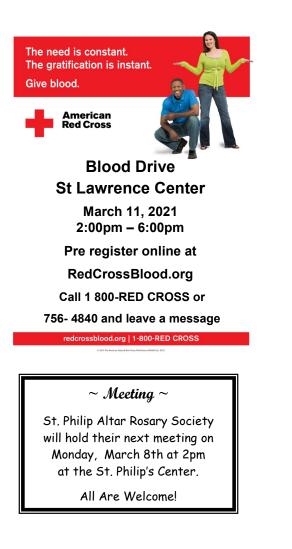
To add a prayer request, please contact Cathy Wojtecki 756-5961, Norma Jafko 756-3889 or Jim Pellegrino.

> Among those we are praying for...



Kylie Allen-Kulyk, Robert Stewart, Judy Pry, Henry Gilbert, Ron Salisbury, Gabe Sobina and his family, Rachel Graham, Tony Jantosik, Chris Balogh, Mike Mihalak, Dawn Marie, Fr. Jim, Warren Leone, Palla Tautin, & Andy Benedict.

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



Never underestimate the difference YOU can make in the lives of others. Step forward, reach out and help. This week reach to someone that might need a lift.

Pablo



Sunday, February 28 Sunday, March 7

Class Class Grades 4/5 Reconciliation

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Faith Formation Facilitator, Susie Muetzel, OFS. Office - 756-4840 Home - 756-0624

Monday, March 1

AA Meeting - 8 pm St. Lawrence Center

Wednesday, March 3

AA Meeting - 8 pm St. Lawrence Center

God, grant me the screnity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

## Adoration/Confession/Stations

6:00 - Adoration & Confessions 6:30 - Stations & Closing Benediction

Every Wednesday & Friday at St. Lawrence Church. ~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*~\*\*

## PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no Stations on Friday, March 5. Instead, there will be Adoration from 4:00 - 5:00 and First Friday Mass at 5:15.