



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

Email: jjk103@zoominternet.net

Reconciliation:
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

Schedule Weekday Masses:

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

Sacrament of Baptism

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:

Office hours: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday - Thursday

Email: stlawrencealbion@gmail.com

Webpage: www.stlawrencealbion.org

Office: 814-756-3623

Fax: 814-756-5918

Center and Religious Education Office: 814-756-4840

Faith Formation email: stlawrencelife@gmail.com



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 7, 2019- Vigil

5:00 PM † *Fr. Francis Johnston - 7th Pastor St. Lawrence*

Sunday, December 8, 2019 –Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM † *Genevieve Zemlansky - (Janet and Family)*
(at St. Philip)

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

Monday, December 9, 2019 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 AM † *Brian Steadman - (Larry and Joyce Kulyk)*

Tuesday, December 10, 2019 - Advent Weekday

8:00 AM *Communion Service*

8:00 AM † *All Souls*
(at St. Philip)

Wednesday, December 11, 2019 - Advent Weekday

8:00 AM † *Fr. Francis Johnston -*
(Jim and Norella Consedine)

Thursday, December 12, 2019 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 AM *Communion Service*

8:00 AM † *All Souls*
(at St. Philip)

Friday, December 13, 2019 - St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 AM † *Arnold and Shirley Jones -*
(Rich and Joyce Fellows)

Saturday, December 14, 2019 - Vigil

5:00 PM † *Dennis Mooney - (Diana Mooney)*

Sunday, December 15, 2019 - Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM † *For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip*
(at St. Philip)

10:00 AM † *James and Virginia Fratalia - (Estate)*



Second Sunday of Advent

We encounter people at every Mass who help prepare the way for the Lord each and every week. Our ushers and greeters make us feel welcome and help prepare us to encounter the Lord. When our musicians lead us in the opening song of the Mass, their talents help prepare the way for the coming of the Lord. When the lectors, priests, and deacons proclaim God’s living word, another way of the Lord is opened before us. When the priest prays the sacred prayers of the Mass, the way is prepared for the sacramental presence of Christ to enter our hearts. We believe that the Lord Jesus is the shoot that sprouted from the stump of Jesse, the fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophecy. Perhaps each of us can become a present-day John the Baptist by continuing to make the ground fertile for the sprouting and growth of the Lord Jesus in ever new and surprising ways. We can be John the Baptist for those who are seeking ways to encounter the Lord.



Year End Donations – Reminder – We have until the end of December to have a ‘special year-end’ donation made for St. Lawrence or St. Philip Church that can be tax deductible for 2019!! Above and beyond your weekly Offertory Donation, this special ‘Year-End Donation’ is intended to help the parish balance budget for the calendar year and narrow the gap from our budgeted weekly goal and actual Offertory receipts. Our normal weekly Offertory is in the negative for both parishes as noted in the bulletin. Your Year End Donation can make a difference...and it is a reasonable tax deduction for you as well. Better to ‘keep it local’ rather than losing our benefits. Thank you.
Fr. Jim

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF DEC 14 / 15, 2019

	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
Lectors	M. Mayer	R. Adamczyk
Servers	A. Oliveria	C. Sawin
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	K. Levis P. Thompson / C. Hudacky	S. Sawin C. Rotko / K. Kulyk



Dear Friends in Christ:

Perhaps a great Xmas Present we could celebrate together is to Reconcile with God, each other and ourselves. Reconciliation for Catholics is a special experience of divine grace. We prepare by having a mature spiritual awareness of who we are by God's divine creative genius. We come to an awareness that we are sharing in eternal life and we are responsible to our Creator for how we use the talents and abilities we have. Take time to embrace God's eternal love and come close to be touched by that love with the Sacramental words of Absolution for past failures and receive His encouragement to 'go forth' with a personal purpose and mission...to love and to forgive others from the heart.

Note the special times we have to celebrate Reconciliation this Advent Season. Take it more seriously as a personal invitation to 'get right with the Lord' and the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church.

Here are the special Advent Penance Services we are participating in:

- Monday, December 16 – Our Lady of the Lake, Edinboro – 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, December 18 – All Saints, Waterford – 7:00 pm
- Thursday, December 19 – St. Lawrence, Albion – 7:00 pm
- Sunday, December 22 – St. Anthony, Cambridge Springs – 3:00 pm
- Saturdays at St. Lawrence, Albion – 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Christmas Masses:

- December 24 – 5:00 pm St. Lawrence, Albion
7:00 pm St. Philip, Crossingville
- December 25 -- 8:00 am St. Philip, Crossingville
10:00 am St. Lawrence, Albion

Please mark your calendar for Reconciliation and for Christmas Mass for your best convenience – then participate joyfully to welcome God's Son in Sacramental unity this Season of Joy!!

Fr. Jim
December 2, 2019

Catholic Services Appeal 2019

	St. Lawrence	St. Philip
Parish Goals	\$18,377.00	\$9,188.00
# Pledges	52	12
Amount Pledged	\$19,460.00	\$4,970.00
Amount Collected	\$20,050.00	\$8,814.00
Amount for Parish	+ \$1,673.00	- \$374.00

**St. Philip
December 1st Collection**

Weekly Offertory Budget Goal	\$723.00
Amount collected.....	\$627.00
Surplus / Deficit.....	- \$ 96.00

**St. Lawrence
December 1st Collection**

Weekly Offertory Budget Goal	\$2,148.00
Amount collected.....	\$1,832.00
Surplus / Deficit.....	- \$316.00

Praying with a Purpose

Cathy Wojtecki 756-5961, Norma Jafko 756-3889,
or Jim Pellegrino.

Among those we are praying for

*Kylie Allen-Kulyk, Tom Lascek,
Justin Lascek, Jim and Julia Zurinsky,
Dave and Judy Diehl, Michael Lavor, Glen Black*



December, 2019

\$50.00 Weekly

52 - 200 Club Winners

Congratulations to the December Winners!

- Week 1 Betty Jo Leicht Dec. 1, 2019**
- Week 2 Christina Golden Dec. 8, 2019**
- Week 3 Lucy Fuller Dec. 15, 2019**
- Week 4 Rose Beverage Dec. 22, 2019**
- Week 5 Bob Kaleida Dec. 29, 2019**

**January winners will be drawn at the next
Ladies of the Rosary Meeting.
December 5th, 2019 ~ 6:00 pm
Valenza Restaurant**

Ladies of the Rosary



Meetings
First Thursday of the
month at 6:30PM

Contact: Tammy Maskrey

All Ladies of the parish are welcome!

Weaver
Hair!
Beauty Salon
&
Barber Shop




Karen Weaver
11 North Main St
Albion
756-4894




JOIN THE
KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #3979

A CATHOLIC
FAMILY FRATERNAL
SERVICE ORGANIZATION

CALL: JOHN SHADE 756-4512



Cursillo

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

Parish Coordinators:
Terry and Patti Bowersox 814-859-0003

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

Contact Parish Office for



Irene's
TAILORING
Alterations

Irene Petruska
12450 Rt. 98
Edinboro, Pa. 16412
(814)384-3176

Mattera Funeral Home

Pasquale (Pat) Mattera
Funeral Director / Owner
188 East State Street
Albion, PA 16401
814-756-4151
fax 814-756-4648

Springfield Monument Company
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Owner / Memorial Designer


PO Box 247
11885 Main Street
East Springfield PA 16411

1-800-729-3516
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PRAISE AND WORSHIP CHOIR




Under the direction of Carrie Sawin
for students from K - 12

Call Carrie Sawin at 756-4658 or e-mail at
carriesawin@roadrunner.com with questions.

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!"
(St. Augustine)

St. Lawrence
Religious
Education



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

To register contact:
814-756-4840

Religious Education Leader



St. Lawrence and St. Philip Church

Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

CHECK ONE

New

Address Change

Moving out of
Parish

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

Mon., Dec. 9 **Bingo** 5:30 pm Doors open and Concessions
Game begins at 6:30 - St. Lawrence Center
AA Meeting 8:00 pm St Lawrence Center

Wed., Dec. 11 **AA Meeting** 8:00 pm St. Lawrence Center

Angel Trees

Thank you all for taking tags!

The wrapped gifts should be returned to the church no later than Sunday December 15th as distribution will be December 21st. Be sure to tape the tag and a card onto the wrapped gift, tags are numbered

Love Inc. is sponsoring a coat distribution at Girard Alliance Church on Wednesday December 12th between 6-8 pm. Please spread the word to those who might need a coat this season.

Bingo Update: Dec. 9, 2019

Planned Payouts

8 Regular games.....	\$35
6 Doubles.....	\$40
3 Specials.....	50/50
Early Bird Jackpot.....	\$250 in 59 #s or less
Consolation.....	\$75
Progressive Jackpot.....	\$1050 in 53 #s or less
Consolation.....	\$150
Instant games throughout the night	

Faith Formation

*December 1 ~ Advent Begins ~ No Class ~
Thanksgiving Weekend*

*December 8 ~ Community Dinner ~
All students will help serve the
Community Dinner during class time.*

December 15 ~ Class

*December 22 ~ Class / Faith Formation
Christmas Party*

*Contact Info: Susie Muetzel Office hours Tues/Thur 9 - 2
Office~ 756-4840 Home~ 756-0624

Adult Faith Formation

*Sundays beginning January 12th after
10:00 Mass in the Center from 11:00 - 12:30.
Catechist for this class will be Rob Adamczyk.

* *Topic: a Biblical Walk Through the Mass
(yes, this is the program that was studied several
years ago). Understanding what we say and do in
the Liturgy and WHY is a positive result of healthy
reading, reflecting and discussion.*

* *The Diocese of Erie has expanded the
scope of Faith Formation to "Life Long Faith
Formation". We can never know too much about
God, read too much of His Word, nor spend too
much time with Him. Ongoing adult faith
formation will continue through the year following
the Faith Formation Calendar. If you have any
questions contact Susie Muetzel, Faith Formation
Leader.*

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2019 Christmas Craft Fair

INCOME	
Tables	\$ 950.00
50/50	\$ 38.00
Christmas Auction	\$ 460.00
Concession/Bake Sale	<u>\$ 359.70</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 1,807.70
EXPENSES	
Concession Supplies	\$ 116.90
Donuts For Crafters	\$ 27.96
Postage	<u>\$ 27.50</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 172.36
TOTAL PROFIT	\$1,635.34

Thank You Peg Balogh, for chairing this event!

There will be some much needed repairs made to the front doors of St. Lawrence church in the next couple of weeks. Corporate Glass of Frie will be out to lubricate the closers, replace the seals and provide an overall maintenance on the doors. They will also replace the piece of glass that has frosted over.



Mass Intentions update:

Canon Law and Liturgical Planning are very specific in directing that Masses for the deceased be satisfied in a reasonable manner. Having Mass Intentions pile up over the course of several years is totally discouraged. All Masses on record at any parish ought to be completed within the course of one [or two years. Excessive Masses can be forwarded to the Chancery for distribution to priests and](#) missionary posts where shortage of Masses exist 'so that' they can be said within a reasonable amount of time. The point is the person should receive the prayerful benefit of those intentions as soon as possible without monopolizing the local parish's Intention schedule.

When someone passes away, our parish will *automatically* schedule a Mass to be said: one month, three months, six months, nine months and one year for that person's intention. If another Mass intention is already scheduled for that day, the new intention will be scheduled at the closest date possible. Random Mass requests will be scheduled from the amount of Mass envelopes presented by the family shortly after the person has died. The deceased family may especially request special dates for Mass intentions for their convenience. Individual dates for Mass intentions can be scheduled upon request for anniversaries, birth days, special individual or family requests unless those dates are already requested and scheduled in the Mass Book.

Mass Intentions for Christmas, Easter, Holy Week and other Major Church Holidays are reserved for the intention of the *People of the Parish*, not individuals.

When a person's funeral is completed, funeral home Mass Request envelopes ought to be given directly to the 'family person-in-charge' by the funeral home director. That person should bring the envelopes to the rectory where the secretary will work with them to schedule appropriate Masses to be satisfied. Mass envelopes should *not* be banded and kept at home or 'stacked up' on a shelf in the rectory safe for the indeterminate future. They should be scheduled to be satisfied within one or 'at most' two years of request. Additional Masses can be requested and satisfied for special occasions according to survivors' convenience in an efficient and respectful manner of scheduling or forwarding to the Chancery Office for satisfaction within the reasonable future.

I hope this brief reflection helps people understand and appreciate the Church's responsibility for the living and deceased.

Fr. Jim

December 2, 2019

Reminder: The weekly bulletin is also available to you online. It can be found on the church's webpage:

www.stlawrencealbion.org