

# Saint Lawrence & Saint Philip Roman Catholic Churches

Fr. Marc Solomon - Pastor

Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon



**matthew 5:16**

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**LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE  
MEN, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR  
GOOD DEEDS AND PRAISE YOUR  
FATHER IN HEAVEN.**

## 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, Thursday & Friday - 8:00am  
Wednesday - 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

### Contact Information

Fr. Marc Solomon  
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Deacon Paul McCoy  
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Parish Office  
Lori Adamson  
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Email - stlawrencealbion@gmail.com

Faith Formation  
Cassie Adamczyk  
Faith Formation Leader  
814-756-4840 - Office  
814-873-8339 - Cell  
Email - stlawrencelife180@gmail.com

Center/Rental Information  
Rena Mihalak  
814-756-4840 ~ Leave a Message.

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

### Lector Schedule

Saturday, February 11 – 5:00 pm – Marge Mayer  
Sunday, February 12 – 10:00 am – Carl Pry

Saturday, February 18 – 5:00 pm – Pat Thompson  
Sunday, February 19 – 10:00 am – Rob Adamczyk

Saturday, February 25 – 5:00 pm – Marge Mayer  
Sunday, February 26 – 10:00 am – Carl Pry

Saturday, March 4 – 5:00 pm – Pat Thompson  
Sunday, March 5 – 10:00 am – Rob Adamczyk



### 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.

### Sacrament of Baptism

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

### 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.

### 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.

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, February 6, 2023**  
**St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs**

8:00 AM † **Bob Grinarm**  
( *St. Philip Parish* )

**Tuesday, Feb 7, 2023**  
**Weekday**

8:00 AM † **Tim Snodgrass**  
( *Savin Family* )

**Wednesday, February 8, 2023**

**Weekday**

**\*No Mass\***

**Thursday, February 9, 2023**

**Weekday**

**\*No Mass\***

**Friday, February 10, 2023**

**St. Scholastica, Virgin**

**\*No Mass\***

**Saturday, February 11, 2023**

**Weekday**

5:00 PM † **Mary Teed**  
( *John & Ilene Hosey* )

**Sunday, February 12, 2023**  
**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM † **Bob Grinarm**  
( *Family* )

10:00 AM † **For the Living & Deceased Members of**  
***St. Lawrence and St. Philip Church***

Please note there will be no Weekday Masses on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.  
All Mass Intentions have been rescheduled.  
~Thank you.

## Deacon's Corner

February 5, 2023

### St. Josephine Bakhita

This week on February 8<sup>th</sup> the Church celebrates St. Josephine Bakhita. She was born in 1869 in Olgossa in the Darfur region of southern Sudan, kidnapped at the age of 7, sold into slavery, and given the name Bakhita meaning "fortunate." For the next 12 years, she would be bought, sold, and given away over a dozen times. Finally, in 1883 Bakhita found herself in the household of Callisto Legnani, the Italian consul in Khartoum, Sudan.

Two years later, Legnani took Bakhita to Italy and gave her to his friend Augusto Michieli. Bakhita became a babysitter to Mimmina Michieli, Augusto's daughter. Bakhita accompanied Mimmina to Venice's Institute of Catechumens, run by the Canossian Sisters. While there, Bakhita felt drawn to the Catholic Church, was baptized and confirmed in 1890, and took the name Josephine.

When the Michieli family returned from Africa and wanted to take Mimmina and Josephine back with them, the future saint refused to go. During the ensuing court case, the Canossian Sisters and the patriarch of Venice intervened on Josephine's behalf. The judge concluded that since slavery was illegal in Italy, she had actually been free since 1885.

Josephine entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later. In 1902, she was transferred to the city of Schio (northeast of Verona), where she assisted her religious community through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and welcoming visitors at the door. She soon became well loved by the children attending the sisters' school and the local citizens. She said, *"Be good, love the Lord, pray for those who do not know Him. What a great grace it is to know God!"*

Josephine endured unimaginable hardships in her life, but she showed mercy. *"If I were to meet the slave traders who kidnapped me and even those who tortured me," she once said, "I would kneel and kiss their hands, for if that did not happen, I would not be a Christian and religious today. The Lord has loved me so much. We must love everyone." In the face of inhuman trials, she only saw the face of Christ.*

Josephine Bakhita died in 1948 and was canonized on October 1, 2000.

The Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace and the International Union of Superiors General has designated February 8 as an annual day of prayer and awareness against human trafficking.

On February 8, Catholics worldwide are encouraged to host or attend prayer services to create greater awareness about this phenomenon. Through prayer, we not only reflect on the experiences of those that have suffered through this affront to human dignity, but also comfort, strengthen, and help empower survivors.

God, help us to be as forgiving and loving as St. Josephine Bakhita.


Deacon Paul

Let us pray for the soul of  
Kathleen Heffren, who passed away  
January 26th.



May God give comfort to  
her family and her friends,  
and may she rest in peace.


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:  
Terry and Patti Bowersox 814-756-5859



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COLUMBUS**

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**St. Lawrence**   
**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

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voice...**

- \* to lead the singing of the Assembly
- \* to embellish the music of the liturgy
- \* to become a future cantor

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**Karen Weaver**  
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Albion  
756-4894




**St. Lawrence and St. Philip Church  
Membership Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check One

New

Address Change

Moving out of Parish

# Happenings Around The Church & Community

## Attention Students!!



**FOURTH ANNUAL  
ESSAY CONTEST**

"CHRIST IS ALIVE AND HE WANTS YOU TO BE ALIVE!  
HE IS IN YOU, HE IS WITH YOU AND HE NEVER ABANDONS YOU."  
— POPE FRANCIS

**CONTEST**  
You are invited to participate in a nationwide essay contest for students in grades 3 through 8.

**PRIZES**  
You will receive:  
\$100  
Any Bible available at comcenter.com  
\$100 for a class celebration

**DETAILS**  
Contact your religion teacher for more information.

  
For complete details, please visit [comcenter.com/christisalive](http://comcenter.com/christisalive)



**STUDENT VISUAL ART + VIDEO CONTEST**

**Students, we want to hear from you!**  
The Catholic Schools Office and the Office of Faith Formation are sponsoring a contest, open to all students from K-12, using art or video.

Acrylic paint, oil paint, watercolor, ink, charcoal, pastel, colored pencil, markers or crayons can be used.  
Animation, live action, public service announcement, documentary, music video and webisodes are welcome as video submissions.

**All submissions should demonstrate or respond to:**  
Eucharist, what does it mean to you?

**Deadline for submissions: March 17, 2023**  
Visit [ErieRCD.org/art.html](http://ErieRCD.org/art.html) for details.

**We lift up our heARTs to the Lord!**



## This week's events

- Monday, February 6      Bingo - 6:30 pm  
Doors Open at 5:30 pm  
St. Lawrence Parish Center
- AA Meeting - 8 pm  
St. Lawrence Parish Center
- Wednesday, February 7      AA Meeting - 8 pm  
St. Lawrence Parish Center

## Faith Formation

- Sunday, February 5 - Class  
Sunday, January 12 - Class

If you have any questions or concerns,  
please contact our Faith Formation Facilitator,  
**Cassie Adamczyk**  
Office - 814-756-4840  
Cell - 814-873-8339

## ~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.....



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|-------------------|-------------------|
| Melissa           | Andrew Segal      |
| Judy Graham       | Kylie Allen-Kulyk |
| Judy              | Katie Mihalak     |
| Tom Slomski       | Ruth Ann          |
| Tom & Pam         | Madeline          |
| Lascek            | Jim Bernoski      |
| Fr. Scott Detisch | Ed Jones          |
| Cherie            | John Hosey        |

- Dawn Betle  
Jon Reibel  
Mike Sawin  
Erica Grucza  
Norella Consdine

Please Remember All Of Our  
Homebound Parishioners.

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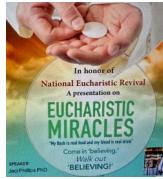
If you did not get a chance to attend the presentation by Dr. Jaci Phillipson "Eucharistic Miracles" here at St. Lawrence, here are a few Parishes that are offering the presentation.

~St. Luke on Sunday, February 12th at 1:00pm

~St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Smethport, on Sunday February 19th at 3:30  
( If you feel like taking a drive )

~Our Lady Of Mercy in Harborcreek on March 8th at 6:45pm

Those who attended the program here at St. Lawrence, where emotionally and spiritually touched by what they heard and saw regarding evidence of the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.



## ~ Monday Night Bingo ~

### St. Lawrence Center

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

Jackpot...\$1,200  
in 58 balls or less

Come Join The Fun!!



# Financial Information

## 2023 CSA

Our Assessment for the 2023 CSA is \$28,655, which is down \$720 from last year. Any amount that we collect over our Assessment, will be used for roof repairs and probable furnace replacement for St. Lawrence Church.

CSA Commitment Sunday will be the weekend of February 19th. Please pray about the amount you would like to pledge.



## Sacrificial Giving For The Weekend Of January 28th & 29th

Weekly Offertory Budget Goal  
\$ 3,750.00

Amount Collected ..... \$2,541.00

**The 2023 Catholic Services Appeal** will be conducted throughout our diocese on **February 19**. The CSA is the main source of support for projects and services of the diocese which serve parishes and the wider community in northwestern Pennsylvania. Our diocese does the work of the Gospel and needs your help to continue this important work.

Bishop Lawrence Persico assures us that funds donated to the CSA are placed in a designated account and used solely to support the programs and ministries of the diocese and cannot be used for any other purpose.

The CSA is essential to helping the Diocese of Erie fulfill its mission to evangelize, educate, serve, proclaim the Word, celebrate the sacraments, and provide hope to people in need. Your participation ensures the success of the CSA and is important to the health of our parish. Please join other Catholics from across the 13 counties of our diocese in supporting this important appeal.

