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

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<u>Reconciliation:</u> <u>Schedule Weekend Masses:</u> 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

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday @ 8:00am in St Lawrence

Schedule Weekday Masses:

First Friday Masses:

Adoration 4:00pm to 5:00pm Mass @ 5:15pm in St. Lawrence

Tuesday and Thursday @ 8:00am in St Philip

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 wit h 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



<u>Mass Intentions</u>

Saturday, April 4, 2020 - Lenten Weekday

Private & Adam and Mary Stankiewicz - (Jackie Stankiewicz)

Sunday, April 5, 2020 - Palm Sunday of the Passion

Private & Tim Tobin - (The Kaleida Family)

(Live Streamed for your convenience at 9:00 am)

Monday, April 6, 2020 - Monday of Holy Week

Private **†** Thomas Thompson - (Ladies of the Rosary)

Tuesday, April 7, 2020 - Wednesday of Holy Week

Communion Service (Suspended)

Private **†** For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip (at St. Philip)

Wednesday, April 8, 2020 - Wednesday of Holy Week

Private **†** Mercedes & Chuck Ray - (Jim & Norella Consedine)

<u>Thursday, April 9, 2020 - Thursday of Holy Week</u> (<u>Holy Thursday</u>)

Private For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip (Live Streamed for your convenience at 7:00 pm)

<u>Friday, April 10, 2020 - Friday of the Passion of the</u> <u>Lord (Good Friday)</u>

Private P *For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip* (*Live Streamed for your convenience at 7:00 pm*)

Saturday, April 11, 2020 - Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

Private **†** For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip (Live Streamed for your convenience at 7:00 pm)

Sunday, April 12, 2020 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Private Private For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip (Live Streamed for your convenience at 9:00 am)



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THE JOURNEY NEARS ITS END

On any long journey it is only natural to tire as we progress; we often need, as we near our destination, a bit of a "boost" to help us make it through the last leg of the trip. The triumphant beginning of Passion Sunday serves that purpose. It energizes our Lenten pilgrimage so we have the stamina to walk the last few-and by far most difficult-days with Jesus in Jerusalem. As our blessed palms stir the air around us in triumph, we should ask ourselves how committed we truly are to taking these last steps with him. Perhaps we might choose a "traveling companion" with whom we can identify. Would it be Judas or disloyal Peter? Perhaps one of those who waved palm fronds with enthusiastic sincerity, but who later mocked Jesus when his fortunes seemed to turn? Maybe we would choose Simon, to help carry his cross; perhaps the brave, faithful women who went to Calvary, who waited with linen and myrrh to honor his dead body. Or we might identify with the pagan Roman centurion, who made his profession of faith at the foot of the cross.

WHO WILL CHRIST SAY THAT I AM?

The story of the Passion contains many characters with whom we can identify; likewise it features a whole range of emotions, from the glory of Palm Sunday's beginnings to the insistent command of Christ that we imitate him by washing feet as our remembrance of him. He also commanded that we eat of the bread that is his body and drink of the cup that he will drink these days, filled with the blood of the new covenant. Ultimately, we-who are the Body of Christ through our baptism—must identify with Jesus Christ at the end of this Lenten trek. We must be witnesses to the humility and compassion he showed, even in the face of adversity, suffering, hatred, and rejection. Like him, with renewed energy, we must turn away from any desire to seek or justify revenge; instead, we must continually extend our hands in forgiveness, healing, and tenderness. As Christ, our reconciling embrace must stretch wide open, until we resemble him, arms stretched wide on the cross of our salvation.

Dear Friends in Christ:

We're making it! One day at a time, practicing safe distancing, sanitation, and clean up everything, including your soul. <u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u> - Scheduled confessions have been suspended by the Diocese. Confessions by appointment will still be heard. You may contact the rectory if you would like an appointment.



Our life in this world is very limited as we are being taught during this pandemic. The latest statistics I read suggest we will lose over 100,000 people to it in the United States, alone. So, clearly take it seriously, do what needs to be done for your best interest and that of your family.

The broadcast team and I enjoy being able to <u>'live-stream Sunday Mass'</u> at 9:00 am. We will continue to do it each week, learning from each experience how to fine tune it for volume, lighting and timing. Your positive feedback is encouraging.

Susie will continue to <u>'live-stream' the Rosary at 4:30 on Saturday afternoons</u>. We invoke the spiritual support of Mary as we meditate on the Sorrowful Mysteries during Lent, and then on the Glorious Mysteries following Easter. Join us in prayer.

Some have asked about Offertory Contributions. If the pandemic has not derailed your income, please put your parish donation envelope into a legal sized envelope and mail it to St. Lawrence parish. Even though our physical attendance is discouraged because of fear of contagion, the mail basket still receives several invoices and bills that need to be paid. Thank you for making it possible for us to be 'debt-free' and current in all financial obligations.

If anxiety, matters of conscience, or any specific problems are 'setting you back,' please know that I am available for personal prayer, counseling, and spiritual direction. As members of this 'community of faith', coming together safely is still a priority. I will be happy to come to your home or meet with you in the church or rectory as well. Hopefully, today, I will have time to bake up a couple of loaves of Irish Soda Bread. That special treat saw thousands through the Irish Potato Famine and can be helpful for us as well. © Fr. Jim

Palm Sunday April 5, 2020

Catholic Services Appeal 2020 Diocesan Assessment \$28,287.00 Parish Goal \$28,287.00			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, Glen Black,	
	St. Lawrence	St. Philip	Jim and Julia Žurinsky, Jeanette Meeker Dennis Melquist, Irvin & Patricia Smith, Judy Graham,	
Parish Goals	\$18,858.00	\$9,429.00	Doug Sweet, The Family of Phyllis Merritt	
# Families / # Pledges	123 / 42	59 / 13		
Amount Pledged	\$16,235.00	\$3,680.00		
Amount Collected	\$10.400.00	\$2,296.00		
Amount Till Goal	\$8,458.00	\$7,133.00	Please continue to support your church	
Special Collection Envelope Friday April 10, 2020 *Good Friday for the Holy Land*			by mailing in your weekly offertory and CSA payments.	



Phone

E-Mail

Palms will be available to all parishioners after the <u>Palm Sunday Live Stream Mass</u>.

The Palms can be found in the front vestibule of St. Lawrence Church, and you may pick them up during the week between 7:30 am to 7:30 pm

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE Live Streams

Thursday, April 9, 2020 - Holy Thursday (Live-Streamed at 7:00 pm)

Friday, April 10, 2020 - Good Friday (Live-Streamed at 7:00 pm)

Saturday, April 11, 2020 - The Rosary (Live-Streamed at 4:30)

Saturday, April 11, 2020 - Holy Saturday Easter Vigil (Live-Streamed at 7:00 pm)

Sunday, April 12, 2020 - Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord (Live-Streamed at 9:00 am)

Faith Formation

<u>**All</u> Faith Formation Classes** including the adults classes, have been suspended. Watch for updates on the church website</u>

Contact Susie Muetzel if you have any questions or concerns.

Contact Info: Susie Muetzel Office Hours : Tuesday & Thursday 9 - 2 Office- 756-4840 Home- 756-0624

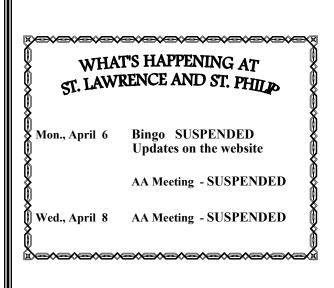
Faith Formation has gone SOCIAL! Find us on Facebook at St. Lawrence Faith Formation And Instagram at stlawrencelife

Sacrament of Reconciliation *New Update*

The Diocese has suspended all scheduled confessions.

Confessions can still be heard by appointment. Please call if you would like to schedule a time.

Renae Mihalak has a strong history of faithful service in our church and community. Tenacious and detailed, she has served her family and devoted herself to high quality availability as a family person, spouse, mother, post office manager, church service with her positive organizational skills. She now chooses to cut back from her secretarial work and be more available to her family. She will still head up the Social Hall scheduling and management and help with Bingo Concessions but be more able to be available to her parents and family and personal activities she enjoys. Lori Adamson, our parish Finance Secretary will bravely extend her talent to accomplish much of Renae's responsibilities as parish secretary. Gratefully, Aileen and Renae are not 'far away' and are willing and available to bail us out as needed. As a 'new guy' on board, I deeply appreciate the expertise and friendly efficiency that Aileen, Renae and Lori share in bringing such good spirit and work efficiency into our parish community.



POSTPONED

The St. Lawrence Ladies of the Rosary Trash to Treasure Sale On Saturday April 18th is postponed due to Covid-19

Please watch for more information regarding a rescheduling date.



The Sanctuary Light is burning in honor of the Most Blessed Sacrament and for Paula Fetterolf Hlivko

Requested by: The Bahny, Thompson, Hlivko and Moore Families

Please continue to stay safe.

St. Lawrence Church is open daily 7:30am until 7:30pm.

Take note of our Holy Week schedule for live-streamed services.

Use this link to view the live-streams. <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/StLawrenceLife/</u>

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