

# 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:

4:15 to 4:45pm in St. Lawrence Saturday

Schedule Weekend Masses:

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 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

> 814-756-3623 Office: Fax: 814-756-5918

Center and Religious Education Office: 814-756-4840 Faith Formation email: stlawrencelife@gmail.com



## Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, December 21, 2019- Vigil

( Jackie Stankiewicz )

#### Sunday, December 22, 2019 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

(at St. Philip)

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

#### Monday, December 23, 2019 - Late Advent Weekday

8:00 AM **†** Robert Arnold Jones - (Rose Teed)

#### Tuesday, December 24, 2019 - Christmas Eve

5:00 PM For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip (at St. Philip)

7:00 PM **†** For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip

#### Wednesday, December 25, 2019 - Christmas Day - The **Nativity of the Lord**

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

10:00 AM † Dave Diehl - (The Kaleida Family)

#### Thursday, December 26, 2019 - Late Advent Weekday

8:00 AM Communion Service

(at St. Philip)

#### Friday, December 27, 2019 - Late Advent Weekday

8:00 AM **†** Thomas Thompson - (Jim & MaryJo Jordano)

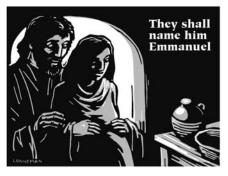
#### Saturday, December 28, 2019 - Vigil

5:00 PM • Deceased Members of the Gage Family -(Diana Mooney)

#### Sunday, December 29, 2019 - The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph

(at St. Philip) ( Janet and Family )

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



Fourth Sunday of Advent

#### INTO OUR HOMES

Since the beginning of Advent the Church has turned our attention to Matthew's Gospel. Today Matthew opens the doors of Saint Joseph's house, as well as his dreams, and tells the story of the events leading up to Jesus' birth. The final line of today's Gospel is worth noting: "When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home" (Matthew 1:24). Today is a day to consider our devotion to and appreciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in our faith lives. Today is a day for us to take her into our homes.

Mary stands as a reminder that nothing is impossible with God. This young woman's life was thrown into confusion when the angel announced that she, although a virgin, would be the mother of God's Son. She is the one to whom we can look when our lives are thrown into confusion. She gave herself over to the power of God. This did not mean that she would live her life free from fear and pain. We all know the rest of the story-how she would watch her son suffer and die. Mary is a source of comfort for all who have lost children. We can look to her for comfort in times of grief and pain. How fitting that we focus on the Virgin Mary on this final Sunday of Advent. When we open the doors of our hearts and welcome Mary into our lives, what we really do is prepare a place where the Lord is born to us again.

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Christmas Mass

Servers- Lectors - Eucharistic Ministers

\*Christmas Eve 5:00 pm

G. Seneta

M. Salisbury

C. Rotko / I. Hosey / J. Hosey

\*Christmas Day 10:00 am

A. Rimel

S. Muetzel

K. Levis / A. McNally / S. McNally

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF DEC 28 / 29 2019

	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
Lectors	C. Sawin	R. Adamczk
Servers	C. Sawin	volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	S. Sawin C. Hudacky / P Thompson	J. Aldridge C. Mackey / J. Mackey



Dear Friends in Christ:

In these few days before our Christmas Celebration, let us be grateful for having the opportunity to do charitable work for so many people over the past year. We bring the love of Christ into hearts and homes that hunger for signs of their personal worth and respect as

the Beatitudes of Jesus teach us so strongly.

We contribute to *Love, Inc.*, the charitable resource that helps Albion area poor with utilities, rent and other necessities throughout the year. We provide support and commitment to the *Northwestern Food Pantry* by the Annual Community Dinner and by special utilities collections for Christmas gifts, toiletries, and special items throughout the year. Independently, through our 10% share of the Community Dinner, we help people who come directly to our parish for emergency assistance. Ours is a generous community that contributes time, talent and service for many throughout the year.

When we 'embody' the teachings of Sacred Scripture, we make 'little incarnations' that reflect Jesus' Presence in our daily lives. When there is true 'evidence of our faith' in our church, we are signs of the Mystical Presence of Christ in the Albion community. This gives many reasons for us to be 'merry, happy' people – people who celebrate their personal self-worth as being living signs of Christ's Presence in life experiences!

In concert with so many other religious groups that celebrate the Presence of God in so many positive and meaningful ways, "*Happy Holidays*!" Let us become living signs of God's love in our world!

Fr. Jim December 17, 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
<b>Amount Collected</b>	\$20,475.00	\$8,990.00
Amount for Parish	+ \$2,098.00	- \$198.00

#### St. Philip December 15th Collection

Weekly Offertory Budget Goal	\$723.00
Amount collected	\$688.00
Surplus / Deficit	- \$ 35.00

#### St. Lawrence December 15th Collection

Weekly Offertory Budget Goal	\$2,148.00
Amount collected	\$1,765.00
Surplus / Deficit	,

## 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, Judy Diehl, Michael Lavor, Glen Black



#### December, 2019 \$50.00 Weekly 52 - 200 Club Winners

#### Congratulations to the December Winners!

Week 1	<b>Betty Jo Leicht</b>	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's Restaurant

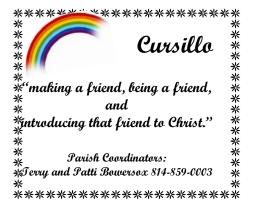
## Ladies of the Rosary



Meetings First Thursday of the month at 6:30PM

Contact: Tammy Maskrey

All Ladies of the parish are welcome!



### Mattera Funeral Home

Pasquale (Pat) Mattera Funeral Director / Owner

> 188 East State Street Albion, PA 16401 814-756-4151 fax 814-756-4648



**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.

## Weaver Hair! **Beauty Salon** Barber Shop



Karen Weaver 11 North Main St Albion

756-4894

#### 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** 

#### 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

sing pray twice!" (St. Augustine)



## **JOIN THE** COUNCIL #3979

CALL: JOHN SHADE

756-4512

(814)384-3176



**Springfield Monument Company Cemetery Memorial Specialists** 

Jim & Rosa Youschak Owner / Memorial Designer

PO Box 247 11885 Main Street East Springfield PA 16411

1-800-729-3516 Local: 922-3596



#### 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	F_Mail

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☐ Address Change

☐ Moving out of Parish

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. LAWRENCE AND ST. PHILID

Mon., Dec. 23 Bingo No Bingo - Merry Christmas

Bingo will return on Monday Dec. 30th

AA Meeting 8:00 pm St Lawrence Center

Tue., Dec. 24 **Christmas Eve Masses** 

> 5:00 PM St. Lawrence 7:00 PM St. Philip

Wed., Dec. 25 **Christmas Day Masses** 

8:00 AM St. Philip 10:00 AM St. Lawrence

AA Meeting 8:00 pm St. Lawrence Center



## **Faith Formation**

December 22 ~ Class / Faith Formation Christmas Party

December 29 ~ No Class Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

January 5 ~ Class

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

## New Years Masses

Servers - Lectors - Eucharistic Ministers

\*New Years Eve ~ 7:00 PM

G. Seneta

P. Thompson

S. Atkinson / M. Salisbury / R. Salisbury

\*New Years Day ~ 10:00 AM

A. Teed

M. Mayer

S. Muetzel/E. Mundkowsky/W. Mundkowsky

**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

Bingo Update: Dec. 30,2019

Planned Payouts

8 Regular games......\$35

Early Bird Jackpot.....\$250 in

61 #s or less Consolation..... \$75

Progressive Jackpot .....\$1100 in

55#s or less

Consolation......\$150

Instant games throughout the night

No Bingo Monday, December 23rd. We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas! Bingo will return Monday, December 30th

## Gift Certificates for Bingo!

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We have Gift Certificates available for Bingo. What a great way to invite a friend to join you for a night out. The certificates are available for purchase every Monday night at Bingo. They are not just for Christmas.



# Merry Christmas

We are asking for your help in selling tickets for the John Deere lawnmower that we will be giving away on March 14th, 2020. Jim Mitchell and Renae Mihalak have tickets for you to sell to family, friends, strangers, co-workers...everyone!



If you have tickets that you've sold please put ticket stubs and money in an envelope with your name on the envelope and turn it into Jim, Renae or you can put the envelope into the collection basket at Mass.

# St Patrick's Party

Saturday, March 14, 2020







An organizational meeting will be held for this party on January 7th at 6:30pm in the St. Lawrence Center. <u>Anyone</u> wanting to help is welcome and so are all of your ideas!