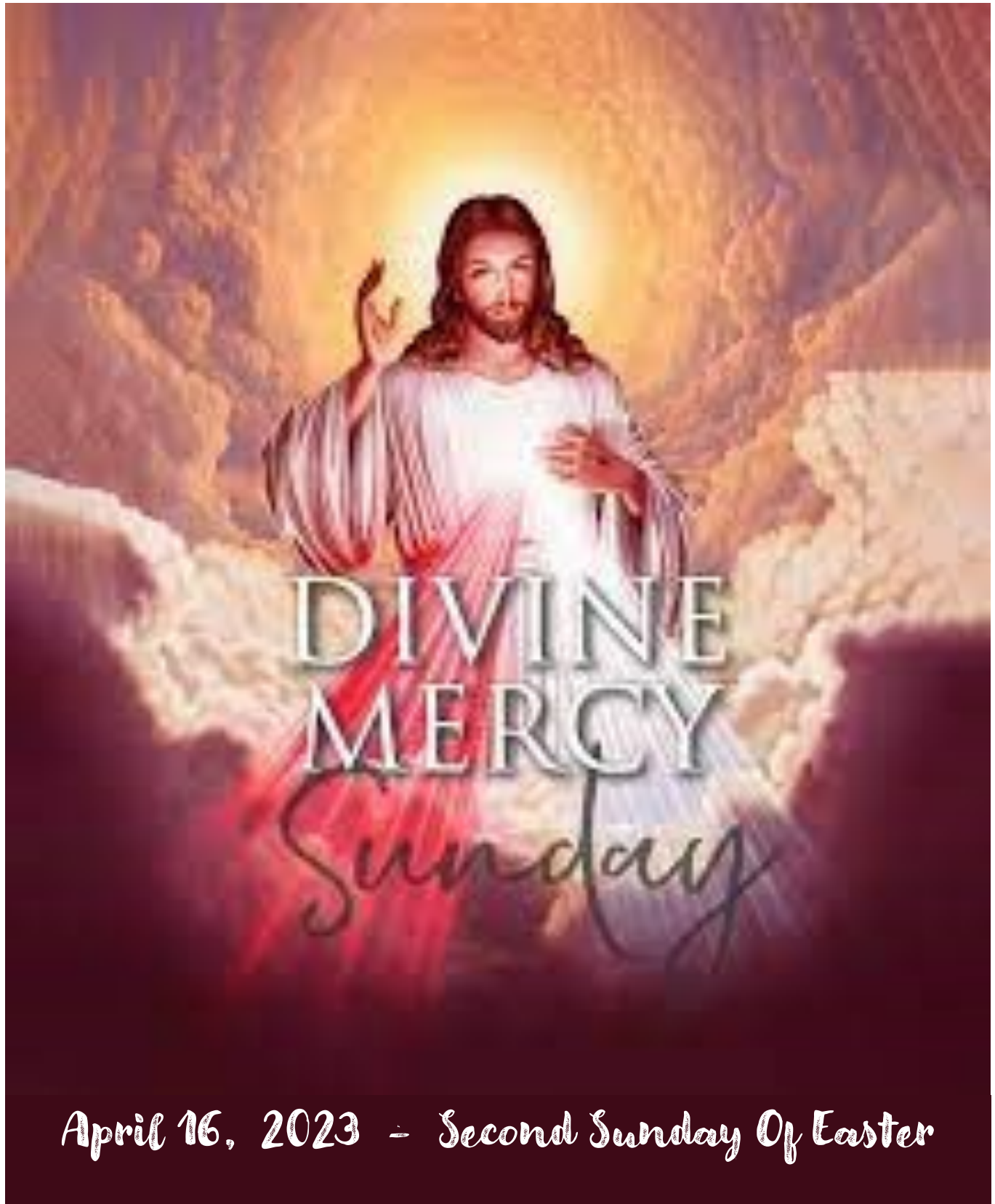


Saint Lawrence & Saint Philip Catholic Church

Fr. Marc Solomon - Pastor
Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon



April 16, 2023 - Second Sunday Of Easter - Sunday Of Divine Mercy

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Monday thru Thursday
Thursday - Closed 12:00-12:45 For Mass

Faith Formation Leader
Cassie Adamczyk
Faith Formation Leader
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Maintenance
Jim Mitchell

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

Lector Schedule

Saturday, April 22 - 5:00 pm - No Mass - Confirmation
Sunday, April 23 - 10:00 am - Rob Adamczyk

Saturday, April 29 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer
Sunday, April 30 - 10:00 am - Carl Pry

Saturday, May 6 - 8:00 pm - Patricia Thompson
Sunday, May 7 - 10:00 am - Rob Adamczyk

Saturday, May 13 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer
Sunday, May 14 - 10:00 am - Carl Pry



This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, April 17, 2023

Easter Weekday

**8:00 AM † Mary Teed
(Edith Cardamone)**

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

Easter Weekday

**8:00 AM † Bob Grinarm
(Family)**

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

Easter Weekday

8:00 AM † Delores Palmer

Thursday, April 20, 2023

Easter Weekday

**12:00 PM † Bob Grinarm
(Family)**

Friday, April 21, 2023

Easter Weekday

12:00 PM No Mass

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Easter Weekday - Sunday Vigil Mass

Confirmation Mass at St. Peter Cathedral 4:00 pm

Sunday, April 23, 2023

Third Sunday Of Easter

**8:00 AM † Bill Leone
(St. Philip Parish)**

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

Please Note....

There will be no Weekday Mass
on Friday, April 21st.

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There will be no Mass at St. Lawrence
on Saturday, April 22. Instead, join us in celebrating
Mass at St. Peter Cathedral at 4:00 pm.
Come and support our Confirmation
Candidates, as they received the
Sacrament of Confirmation.

Deacon's Corner

April 16, 2023

Celebrating the Easter Season

A recent article from the Catholic New Agency titled *Lent is over. Now what?* The article opens with a question, "Chocolate bunnies and marshmallow Peeps have graced the shelves of U.S. stores for weeks in anticipation of Easter, but now that the actual Easter season has begun, how should Catholics observe it?"

The Easter Triduum follows the 40-day penitential season of Lent, marked by penance, prayer, and almsgiving. We shouldn't feel like we must abandon good Lenten practices during Easter if those practices help us to be better Catholics, especially if we gave up things that were occasions of sin.

Father Chrysostom Baer of the Norbertines of St. Michael's Abbey in Orange County, California, provides his insights:

"I would think the first best way to celebrate the season is to go to daily Mass. That is bar none the best," Baer said. "Because it really puts you in the mind of the Church, with regard to the season. The prayers change every day, but they're all focused on the Resurrection."

"Catholics should also continue any good practices they fostered during Lent such as prayer or almsgiving, he insisted, and should give attention to virtues they cultivated from Lenten penance."

"The Easter season is for fostering those virtues that you've planted during Lent and allowing them to grow," he said. This requires taking "concrete steps" and not just vague promises to ensure that good habits are maintained, he added."

However, Easter shouldn't just be lived at church; it's got to live out in our everyday lives. There must be a more intense realization that every aspect of our life has come into communion with God.

The feasts of the Easter season are bested share with family and friends. All God's Blessing this Easter season as we remember that Christ died and rose from the dead for each and every one of us.

Deacon Paul

~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.....*



Kylie Allen-Kulyk
Melissa
Judy Graham
Cherie
Mike Sawin
Andrew Segal
Judy Diehl

Katie Mihalak
Dawn Betle
Jon Reibel
Jim Bernoski
Marilyn Madden
Maddalena Ranelli

Kelly Wojtecki
John Hosey
Andrew Lavor
Tom Lascek
Jason Hoderuy
Lisa Ballmann
Angela Mulligan

Please Remember All
Of Our Homebound Parishioners.

Ladies of the Rosary



Meetings
First Thursday of the
month at 6:30PM

Contact: Tammy Maskrey

All Ladies of the parish are welcome!

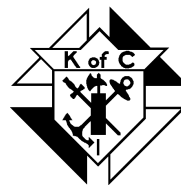


Cursillo

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

Parish Coordinators:

Ferry and Patti Bowersox 814-756-5859



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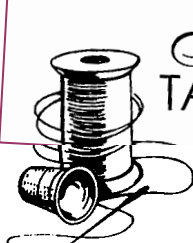
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Lector
post confirmation Adults

Greeter
high school students and up

Contact Parish Office for
more information
756-3623

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)

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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

What's Happening This Week

Monday, April 17 Bingo - 6:30 pm
Doors Open at 5:30 pm
St. Lawrence Parish Center

AA Meeting - 8 pm
St. Lawrence Parish Center

Tuesday, April 18 Holy Hour - 6 pm
St. Lawrence Church

Wednesday, April 19 Adult Faith Formation - 7 pm
St. Lawrence Conference Room

AA Meeting - 8 pm
St. Lawrence Parish Center

Saturday, April 22 Trash to Treasure Sale - 9 am - 1 pm
St. Lawrence Parish Center

Confirmation - 4 pm
St. Peter Cathedral

Please Remember in Your Prayers...

...the following students who will receive
the Sacrament of Confirmation
on Saturday, April 22 at St. Peter Cathedral

Hannah Adamczyk
Hunter Borland
Ashlyn Bucci
Carson Hajec
Caitlynn Kovacs
Olivia Kulyk
Ian Salisbury

As they receive the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit,
(Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude,
Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of the Lord)
we pray that God will complete and perfect these virtues
in these young people who have received them.

The Parish Office will be closed
Wednesday, April 19,
Thursday, April 20,
Monday, April 24 and
Tuesday, April 25.
~Thank You

New Adult Study Mystagogy Course

Mystagogy comes from the Greek word meaning,
“to lead through the mysteries.” The Catechism
describes mystagog as a “*liturgical catechesis that
aims to initiate people into the mystery of Christ*”.

Mystagogy is typically the fourth stage of RCIA,
to enable the newly baptized to continue learning,
but most Catholics can benefit from attending
these classes. Mystagogy, traditionally extends
throughout the Easter season until the feast of
Pentecost.

Fr. Marc and Deacon Paul will be leading this
course, on Wednesday Evenings at 7:00pm
beginning April 19th continuing through May
24th.

Join us and “*explore the spiritual treasures
contained in the sacraments by reflecting on their
meaning and significance in our personal lives of
faith*”.

(Quotes taken from catholicapostolatecenter.org)

~ **Monday Night Bingo** ~
St. Lawrence Center
Doors will open at 5:30
Concessions open at 5:30
Games will begin at 6:30
Jackpot...\$1,000
in 51 balls or less
Come Join The Fun!!



Happenings Around The Church & Community

Knights of Columbus 2022 Baby Bottle Fundraiser Update

Bishop Persico will be blessing the Ultrasound Van and Ultrasound Machine that was made possible through generous donations from the 2022 Knights of Columbus fundraiser. This event will be held on April 22nd at 10 AM in front of the St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 East Grandview Blvd. All Knights and parishioners with their families are cordially invited to attend this event. There is ample parking behind the St. Mark Catholic Center to which you will be directed from the West entrance. There will be no parking available in the front of the building. Please plan on arriving by 9:45 AM.

~Coffee & Donuts~

Join us for 8 am Mass at St. Philip Church on Sunday April 23rd and stay after for Coffee & Donuts served at the St. Philip Social Center.
All are invited!

Sponsored by, St. Philip Altar Rosary Society

Faith Formation



Sunday, April 23 - Class

Sunday, April 30 - Class

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

St. Lawrence Ladies of the Rosary will hold their monthly meeting on Friday, April 21st at St. Lawrence Church. The Rosary begins at 6:00 and our meeting will follow. All are welcome!



Financial Information

Sacrificial Giving For The Weekend Of April 8 & 9

Amount Collected\$3,152.00

**Weekly Offertory Budget Goal
\$ 3,750.00**

REMINDER

Please remember to make all checks payable to St. Lawrence Church.
Thank you.

The 2023 Catholic Services Appeal Our Diocesan Assessment—\$28,655.00

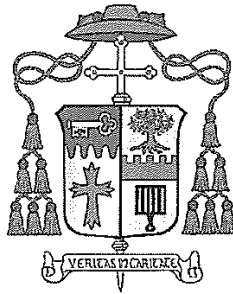
Current Households—152

Total Pledges Made—37

Total Amount Pledged—\$19,075.00

Total Amount Paid—\$12,733.00





April 10, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

May the peace and joy of the risen Christ be with us during the Easter season.

I am writing to let you know I am preparing a pastoral letter to the clergy, women and men religious and lay faithful of the diocese. My hope is to give you a fuller understanding of our ongoing efforts in pastoral planning. I have a significant amount of information to share with you. While the entire letter will be published on our planning website at www.eriecd.org/planning.html, I am hopeful that by sharing portions of it as a series, people will be able to absorb the details more easily.

We are, always have been and always will be a missionary church. We are called not only to care for the souls of the church, but also to invite others into the community Christ established on earth. My goal in beginning another more formal round of pastoral planning for parishes, is to create communities that are vibrant and dynamic, and in a position to extend a sense of welcome and belonging to all. Our planning website includes a good explanation of what I mean when I talk about vibrancy in a parish.

As the data we commissioned in 2015 predicted, our realities have changed significantly in the past eight years. The number of practicing Catholics in our diocese has declined steeply, as has the number of active priests available to serve in parishes. In fact, while the population in the 13 counties of our diocese has dropped by about seven percent since 1990, the number of Catholics who attend Mass on Sunday has dropped by 78 percent. I understand the pandemic hastened some of this decline. But that does not change our situation.

I have begun making visits to each region of the diocese and will continue to do so in the coming months. The needs in each area are different, and I plan to tailor information in my letters. But one message for all is that we must think of ourselves as a diocese, mindful of the needs of all of our sisters and brothers, as we lay out a sustainable plan for the future.

Our geography includes everything from mid-sized and small urban cities connected by four-lane highways to very small hamlets accessible only by winding, two-lane roads. In some areas, it is possible to walk between churches. In others, there may



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be 30 miles between churches. Decisions about the future need to be made with the big picture in mind. What needs to happen in order to care for all of the people in our diocese?

I invite you to visit our planning website as one way to remain informed. A bulletin announcement with the link has been made available, but we've created a prominent banner on the diocesan homepage as well. Just search for Diocese of Erie online.

I look forward to sharing more with you in the coming weeks, but until that time, I ask you to please join me in keeping the needs of the Diocese of Erie, its people and its clergy, in your prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie