

# Saint Lawrence & Saint Philip Catholic Church

Fr. Marc Solomon - Pastor

Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon Assistant



Jesus said to them again,  
"Peace be with you.  
As the Father has sent me, so I send you."  
When he had said this,  
he breathed on them and said to them,  
"Receive the Holy Spirit.  
If you forgive the sins of any,  
they are forgiven them;  
if you retain the sins of any,  
they are retained."

## May 28th – Pentecost Sunday

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

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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.

**There will be no Holy Hour on Tuesday May 30.**

# Pentecost Sunday

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## Deacon's Corner

May 28, 2023

### Memorial Day

On the last Monday of May, our nation celebrates the civic holiday of Memorial Day. Originally called "*Decorating Day*," it was a day set aside for decorating the graves of soldiers of the American Civil War. As time went on, it evolved into a day to remember veterans of all wars, and hence the name was changed to Memorial Day.

Tom McGrath writes in an article, *Why We Celebrate Memorial Day – A Lesson in Service and Sacrifice*:

"What we remember—and honor—on Memorial Day is heroic sacrifice. We acknowledge those who nobly gave of themselves, even unto death, for a purpose they believed was greater than themselves. Since the days just following the end of the Civil War, Americans have gathered in late May to honor those who died in military service to their country. In the spirit of the day, we can also recall, honor, and pray for all those we know who have lived lives of service and sacrifice for the good of others.

One definition of sacrifice is "the destruction or surrender of something for the sake of something else." Though suffering is always a part of sacrifice to some extent, seeking suffering for its own sake is not sacrifice. Sacrifice implies giving up one good for a higher good. For example, a child gives up a day of play to visit an ailing grandparent, or a parent sacrifices watching a favorite television program to help a child who is struggling with homework. Life in the family is full of opportunities for service and sacrifice.

What counts in this definition is the phrase "for the sake of something else." Is that "something else" worthy of the sacrifice we make? True sacrifice is always at the service of life. We learn this from Jesus, who made the ultimate sacrifice and remained faithful through his Passion, death, and Resurrection. Jesus' greater purpose for this sacrifice was our well-being—that we might have life and have it abundantly.

This Memorial Day, as we remember all who have served and sacrificed on our behalf, let us not forget what Jesus was willing to give up for us—and the lessons we can learn from that perfect example of sacrifice."

Here is a Memorial Day Prayer from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB):

*God of power and mercy,  
you destroy war and put down earthly pride.  
Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,  
that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters.  
Keep in your mercy those men and women  
who have died in the cause of freedom  
and bring them safely  
into your kingdom of justice and peace.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen*

May you experience God's peace this Memorial Day Weekend.

Deacon Paul

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★ **A Memorial Day Mass will be held on** ★  
★ **Monday May 29 at 10:00 am** ★  
★ **In the Chapel at St. James Cemetery** ★  
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There will be No Bingo  
on Monday, May 29th  
Games will resume  
on June 5th  
Have a Safe Memorial Day



## Ladies of the Rosary



Meetings  
First Thursday of the  
month at 6:30PM

Contact: Tammy Maskrey

All Ladies of the parish are welcome!

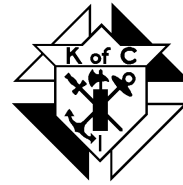


## Cursillo

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

Parish Coordinators:

Ferry and Patti Bowersox 814-756-5859



## JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #3979

A CATHOLIC  
FAMILY FRATERNAL  
SERVICE ORGANIZATION

CALL: JOHN SHADE - 756-4512

## Mattera Funeral Home

**Pasquale (Pat) Mattera**  
**Funeral Director / Owner**

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



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

## Springfield Monument Company Cemetery Memorial Specialists

**Jim & Rosa Youschak**  
er / Memorial Designer

Own-

**PO Box 247**  
**11885 Main Street**  
**East Springfield PA 16411**

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



## 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

## 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)

## 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!"

## Weaver Hair !

Beauty Salon  
&  
Barber Shop



**Karen Weaver**  
11 North Main St  
Albion  
756-4894



## St. Lawrence/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

## Let's Celebrate Our Graduates

*If you have a graduate in your family,  
we would love to salute them.*

*Please send their name, school, parents,  
grandparents, and/or godparents name  
to the church office email address  
on the front of the bulletin.  
We love photos too!*



St. Lawrence Church is looking for someone, or a group of people to take over maintaining our outdoor flower beds and landscaped areas. This will include weeding, pruning flowers, and planting when needed. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office at 814-756-3623 Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 to 2:00.



## ~Praying With A Purpose~

**Please keep the following people  
in your prayers.....**

Kylie Allen-Kulyk  
Melissa  
Judy Graham  
Cherie  
Mike Sawin  
Andrew Segal  
Judy Diehl  
Maddalena Ranelli  
Kelly Wojtecki  
Andrew Lavor  
Tom Lascek  
Lisa Ballmann  
Angela Mulligan  
Katie Mihalak  
Dawn Betle  
Jon Reibel  
Jim Bernoski  
Marilyn Madden



**To add a prayer request,  
please contact  
Cathy Wojtecki 756-5961  
or Norma Jafko 756-3889**

## This Week at St. Philp & St. Lawrence

Monday, May 29

Mass at St. James Chapel - 10 am

AA Meeting - 8 pm  
St. Lawrence Parish Center

Wednesday, May 31

AA Meeting - 8 pm  
St. Lawrence Parish Center

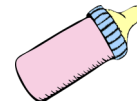
## Congratulations

Congratulations to Deacon Paul  
on his 2nd Anniversary of his  
Ordination on May 28th!

## Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Fundraiser

There are still a few baby bottles and envelopes left over, for the Knights of Columbus fundraiser. They are located in the back of the churches.

Please return your donation on or before Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th. If you have any questions, you may call John Shade at 814-823-7468



**First Friday - June 2, 2023**  
**Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction of**  
**The Most Blessed Sacrament**  
**4:15 - 5:15 PM**  
**First Friday Mass 5:15 PM**





## Financial Information

**Sacrificial Giving For The Weekend Of  
May 13 & 14**

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

**Amount Collected  
\$ 2,453.00**



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

**Current Households—152  
Total Pledges Made—39  
Total Amount Pledged—\$20,175.00  
Total Amount Paid—\$15,418.00**