



# *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](mailto:jjk103@zoominternet.net)

**Reconciliation:**  
**Schedule Weekend Masses:**

**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**

**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 with 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](mailto:stlawrencealbion@gmail.com)**

**Webpage: [www.stlawrencealbion.org](http://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](mailto:stlawrencelife@gmail.com)**



Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 30, 2019- Vigil

5:00 PM † *Charles and Paula Shafer - (St. Lawrence Parish)*

Sunday, December 1, 2019 –First Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM † *Harold Schmidt - ( Family )*  
(at St. Philip)

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

Monday, December 2, 2019 - Advent Weekday

8:00 AM † *Margaret Hoffman - ( Steve and Allene McNally)*

Tuesday, December 3, 2019 - Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

8:00 AM *Communion Service*

8:00 AM † *All Souls*  
(at St. Philip)

Wednesday, December 4, 2019 - Advent Weekday

8:00 AM † *Thomas Thompson - ( Greg and Jan Petrus )*

Thursday, December 5, 2019 - Advent Weekday

8:00 AM *Communion Service*

8:00 AM † *All Souls*  
(at St. Philip)

Friday, December 6, 2019 - First Friday

4:00 - 5:00 PM *Adoration*

5:15 PM Mass *Jim Consedine / Birthday -*  
*( Norella Consedine)*

Saturday, December 7, 2019 - Vigil

5:00 PM † *Fr. Francis Johnston - 7th Pastor St. Lawrence*

Sunday, December 8, 2019 - First Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM † *Genevieve Zemplansky - ( Janet and Family )*  
(at St. Philip)

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



*First  
Sunday of  
Advent*

Let us walk  
in the light of the Lord

**THE MOUNTAIN OF PEACE**

Isaiah describes the mountain of the Lord's house as a place where we receive instruction from God. In prophetic exhortation we are reminded that we are to beat our swords into plowshares and our spears into pruning hooks. We are not to raise a sword against another nation or train for war again. We can choose to throw our hands in the air and give up hoping that this could ever become a reality. Or we can choose to heed the call of Saint Paul, issued in today's second reading: "Let us throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light" (Romans 13:12). Preparing ourselves for the coming of the Lord means much more than putting our own spiritual house in order. It means that in our everyday life we dedicate ourselves to being peacemakers: at home, at work, and in our relationships. The stunning prophecies we hear during this holy season remind us that, like a peaceful mountaintop high above the clouds, our world can become a place of peace, tranquility, and light.

*Special Collection Next Weekend  
Retirement Fund for Religious*

*Give to those who have given a lifetime. Please  
be as generous as you can.*

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF DEC 7 / 8, 2019**

	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
<b>Lectors</b>	C. Sawin	M. Salisbury
<b>Servers</b>	C. Sawin	G. Seneta
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	S. Sawin E. Mundkowsky/W. Mundkowsky	J. Aldridge C. Mackey / J. Mackey



Dear Friends in Christ:

1. Jesus warns us to “Stay awake!” be prepared to meet the Lord. Obviously it is a warning about the Final Coming of Christ; it is also a warning about the reality of our individual deaths; yet, it is a message about looking for Christ in one another. God is the author of all life, Jesus is His Word, his expression of Presence. Do we recognize His Presence? St. Paul encourages us to “Put on the Lord Jesus Christ.” Let us become expressions of the Presence of Christ in our thoughts, words and deeds throughout our lives.

Isaiah inferred that if we would “...walk in the light of the Lord,” our lives and those of all the people around us would be so much better! The Communion antiphon today, reads: “The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.” Don’t miss the opportunity to share in this ‘way of life’ as we all begin to prayerfully prepare during Advent to celebrate the fullness of Christmas Joy in all ways!

2. Don’t be bashful about helping with our December Community Dinner next Sunday. Our parish has a rich history of providing significant support to the Albion Food Pantry throughout the year. This dinner succeeds when many hands come together to form a loving *community* to support this local outreach. It is a community effort with many individuals donating turkeys and food for the meal and Food Pantry donations for food and helpers. After all known materials expenses are covered, the net result will be divided, 90% to Albion Food Pantry and 10% reimburses St. Lawrence for facility operations, and establishes our parish base fund for charitable outreach for people with emergencies who come to our parish for assistance. The final balance sheet will be presented in next weekend’s bulletin.

Thank you for all your good efforts, prayers and hard work that makes this annual Community Banquet so special!

Fr. Jim

November 24, 2019


*Special Collection Results*  
*Catholic Campaign for Human Development*

<i>St. Philip</i> .....	<i>\$134.00</i>
<i>St. Lawrence</i> .....	<i>\$391.00</i>

*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,*  
*Dave and Judy Diehl, Michael Lavor*



Catholic Services Appeal 2019

	St. Lawrence	St. Philip
<b>Parish Goals</b>	<b>\$18,377.00</b>	<b>\$9,188.00</b>
<b># Pledges</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Amount Pledged</b>	<b>\$19,460.00</b>	<b>\$4,970.00</b>
<b>Amount Collected</b>	<b>\$19,740.00</b>	<b>\$8,704.00</b>
<b>Amount for Parish</b>	<b>+ \$1,363.00</b>	<b>- \$484.00</b>



Terry and Pat Bowersox will be stepping away from their role as coordinators of the Cursillo movement at St. Lawrence Church. At this time they are looking for someone to take over beginning January 1, 2020. Terry and Pat are willing to help anyone wanting to step into the role of coordinator.

<b>St. Philip</b> November 24th Collection	
Weekly Offertory Budget Goal	\$723.00
Amount collected.....	\$1,019.00
Surplus / Deficit.....	+ \$296.00
<b>St. Lawrence</b> November 24th Collection	
Weekly Offertory Budget Goal	\$2,148.00
Amount collected.....	\$2,250.00
Surplus / Deficit.....	+ \$102.00

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

*Congratulations to the December Winners!*

<b>Week 1 Betty Jo Leicht</b>	<b>Dec. 1, 2019</b>
<b>Week 2 Christina Golden</b>	<b>Dec. 8, 2019</b>
<b>Week 3 Lucy Fuller</b>	<b>Dec. 15, 2019</b>
<b>Week 4 Rose Beverage</b>	<b>Dec. 22, 2019</b>
<b>Week 5 Bob Kaleida</b>	<b>Dec. 29, 2019</b>

**January winners will be drawn at the next**  
**Ladies of the Rosary Meeting.**  
**December 5th, 2019 ~ 6:30 pm**  
**St. Lawrence Church**

Ladies of the Rosary



Meetings  
First Thursday of the  
month at 6:30PM

Contact: Tammy Maskrey

All Ladies of the parish are welcome!

Weaver  
Hair!  
Beauty Salon  
&  
Barber Shop




Karen Weaver  
11 North Main St  
Albion  
756-4894




JOIN THE  
KNIGHTS OF  
COLUMBUS  
COUNCIL #3979

A CATHOLIC  
FAMILY FRATERNAL  
SERVICE ORGANIZATION

CALL: JOHN SHADE 756-4512



Cursillo

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

Parish Coordinators:  
Terry and Patti Bowersox 814-859-0003

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



Irene's  
TAILORING  
Alterations

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

Mattera Funeral Home

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fax 814-756-4648

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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.

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!"  
(St. Augustine)

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

CHECK ONE

New

Address Change

Moving out of  
Parish

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

- Mon., Dec. 2**     **Bingo** 5:30 pm Doors open and Concessions  
Game begins at 6:30 - St. Lawrence Center  
**AA Meeting** 8:00 pm St Lawrence Center
- Tues., Dec. 3**     **Knights of Columbus** 8:00 pm  
St. Lawrence Center
- Wed., Dec. 4**     **AA Meeting** 8:00 pm St. Lawrence Center
- Thur., Dec. 5**     **Ladies of the Rosary** 6:30 pm  
St. Lawrence Church
- Sun., Dec 8**     **Community Dinner** 11:30am to 3:00pm  
St. Lawrence Center  
**St. Philip Altar Society Christmas Dinner**  
5:00 pm St. Philip Center

## Faith Formation

*December 1 ~ Advent Begins ~ No Class ~  
Thanksgiving Weekend*

*December 8 ~ Community Dinner ~  
All students will help serve the  
Community Dinner during class time.*

*December 15 ~ Class*

*December 22 ~ Class / Faith Formation  
Christmas Party*

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

## Bingo Update: Dec. 1, 2019

### Planned Payouts

- 8 Regular games.....\$35
- 6 Doubles..... \$40
- 3 Specials..... 50/50
- Early Bird Jackpot.....\$250 in  
58 #'s or less  
Consolation..... \$75
- Progressive Jackpot..... \$1050 in  
52 #'s or less  
Consolation.....\$150
- Instant games throughout the night

## Oplatki Christmas Wafers

Before sitting down to Christmas Eve dinner, many families with roots in Poland and other Eastern European countries will take part in this tradition, which has roots dating back hundreds of years. Christmas Eve marks the end of Advent. Traditionally, that meant the last day of fasting, so in mostly Catholic Poland, the dinner was typically meatless. The menu might have included items such as pea soup, boiled potatoes, fried fish and stewed fruits. At the start of dinner, just after grace, the sharing of this unleavened bread with another person is sharing all that is good with life. Many families still celebrate this tradition.

Oplatki will be available for you to purchase at St. Philip and St. Lawrence beginning this weekend.

## Poinsettias

*Be sure to use the envelope  
provided to make your Christmas  
Flower Offering.*

#iGIVECATHOLIC  
December 3, 2019



Support our Parish! Participate in #iGiveCatholic  
by donating on #GivingTuesday, December 3!

**It's as easy as 1, 2, 3!**

[erie.iGiveCatholic.org](http://erie.iGiveCatholic.org)

Visit the  
website

Search for  
our Parish

Donate \$25  
or more

## Angel Trees

The tags are on the trees.

The wrapped gifts need to be returned to the church no later than Sunday December 15th as distribution will be December 21st. Be sure to tape the tag onto the wrapped gift, it is numbered and that number matches to a child.

Thank you  
Ladies of the Rosary

Our prayers go out to God on behalf of Kathi Schaaf, sister of Sister Charlene Schaaf, CDP who passed away unexpectedly on September 4, in Florida. We are scheduling Mass as her intention at 10:00 am on Sunday, January 19, 2020.

Sr Charlene's address is :  
532 West Grandview Blvd  
Erie PA 16509

## Annual Community Christmas Dinner December 8th, 2019 11:30 to 3:00



### *Donations:*

*Turkey - please between 15 and 20 lbs before Dec. 1st*

*Ham - please boneless before Dec. 1st*

*Pies - the day before or the day of the dinner*

*\*Monetary donations allow us to purchase other food and supplies to complete the meal.*

*Sign up sheets are at the entrance of the church for pie donations and for servers the day of the dinner*

*This is a free will donation meal. The net money that is donated by the community is split 90/10 between the Northwestern Food Pantry and St. Lawrence Church. The Food Pantry uses their share to purchase food through out the year and the 10% that stays at St. Lawrence is to cover the cost of preparing the meal and establish a charity base to help needy people who approach our parish for assistance.*

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

[www.stlawrencealbion.org](http://www.stlawrencealbion.org)