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.

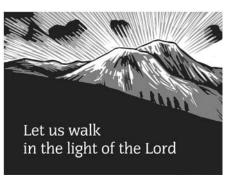
PARISH OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION:

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



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 Zemlansky - (Janet and Family) (at St. Philip) 10:00 AM **†** For the People of St. Lawrence and St. Philip



Fírst Sunday of Advent

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 778, 2019			
	5:00 PM	10:00 AM	
Lectors	C. Sawin	M. Salisbury	
Servers	C. Sawin	G. Seneta	
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	S. Sawin E. Mundkowsky/W. Mundkowsky	J. Aldridge C. Mackey / J. Mackey	

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From the Pastor's Desk

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 <u>throughout the year</u>. 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 St. Philip\$134.00 St. Lawrence\$391.00		.\$134.00	Praying with a PurposeCathy 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	
<u>Catholic</u>	Services Appeal 20	<u>19</u>	Terry and Pat Bowersox will be	
	St. Lawrence	St. Philip	stepping away from their role as cursillo coordinators of the Cursillo movement at	
Parish Goals	\$18,377.00	\$9,188.00	St. Lawrence Church. At this time they	
# Pledges	52	12	are looking for someone to take over beginning January 1, 2020. Terry and Pat are willing to help	
Amount Pledged	\$19,460.00	\$4,970.00	anyone wanting to step into the role of coordinator.	
Amount Collected	\$19,740.00	\$8,704.00		
Amount for Parish	+ \$1,363.00	- \$484.00		
St. Philip November 24th Collection Weekly Offertory Budget Goal \$723.00 Amount collected \$1,019.00 Surplus / Deficit \$1,019.00 St. Lawrence + \$296.00 St. Lawrence November 24th Collection Weekly Offertory Budget Goal \$2,148.00 Amount collected \$2,250.00		\$1,019.00 + \$296.00 \$2,148.00 \$2,250.00	December, 2019 \$50.00 Weekly 52 - 200 Club Winners Congratulations to the December Winners! Week 1 Betty Jo Leicht 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	
Surplus	/ Deficit	+ \$102.00	Ladies of the Rosary Meeting. December 5th, 2019 ~ 6:30 pm St. Lawrence Church	



Phone

E-Mail

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. LAWRENCE AND ST. PHILD

Mon., Dec. 2	Bingo 5:30 pm Doors open and Concessions Game begins at 6:30 - St. Lawrence CenterAA 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



Oplatkí Chrístmas 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 lífe. Many famílies still celebrate this tradition.

Oplatkí wíll be avaílable for you to purchase at St. Phílíp and St. Lawrence beginning this weekend.

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Be sure to use the envelope províded to make your Christmas Flower Offeríng.

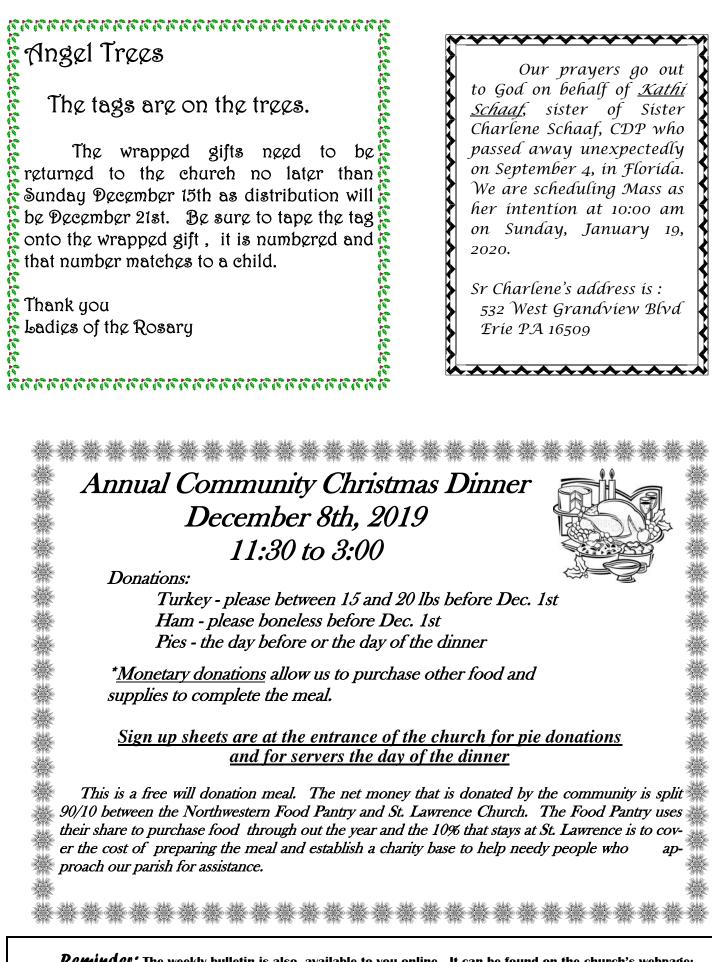


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