

*Saint Lawrence/Saint Philip
Catholic Church*

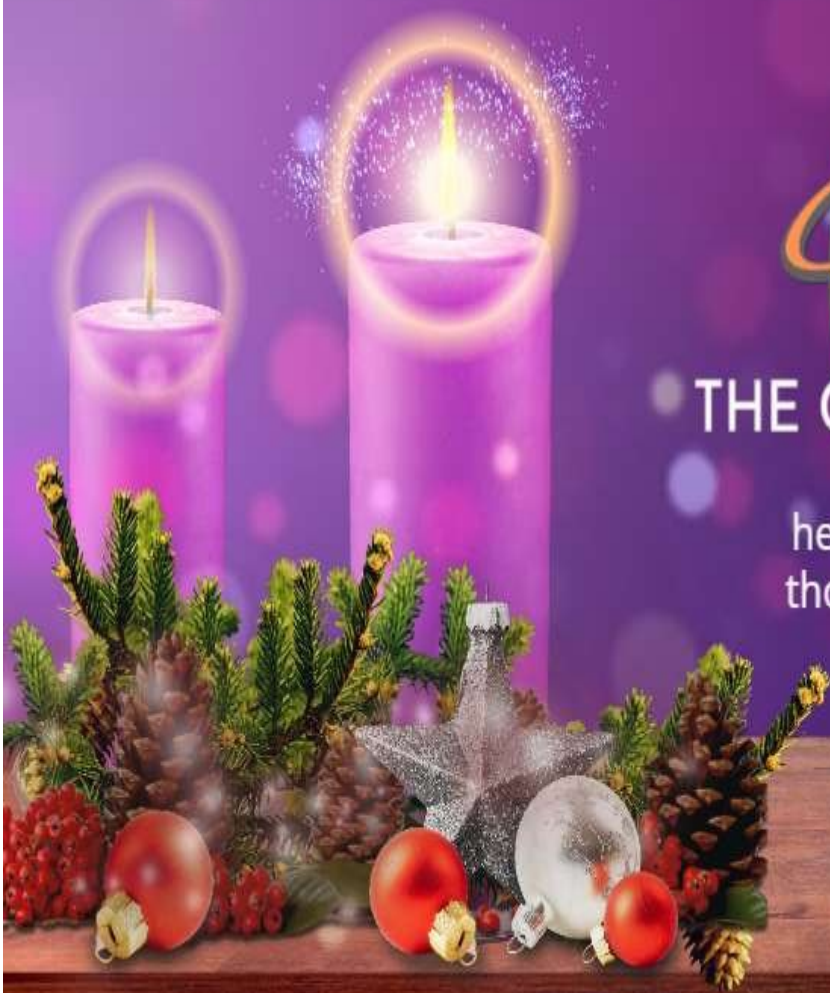
*Fr. Marc Solomon - Pastor
Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon Assistant*

Peace

THE CANDLE OF PEACE

Glory to God in the highest
heaven, and on earth peace to
those on whom his favor rests.

Luke 2:14



*Sunday, December 10, 2023
Second Sunday Of Advent*

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Contact Information

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Parish Office Hours
9:00 am till 2:00 pm
Monday thru Thursday
Thursday - Closed 12:00-12:45 For Mass

Faith Formation Leader
Cassie Adamczyk
Faith Formation Leader
814-756-4840 - Office
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Maintenance
Jim Mitchell

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Rena Mihalak
814-756-4840 -- Please Leave a Message.

St. James Cemetery
Manager - Greg Petrus

Mass Schedule

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



Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, December 11, 2023

Advent Weekday

12:00 PM *Maximus Stephen
For Health
(Marcia Lowe)*

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Our Lady Of Guadalupe

8:00 AM ✠ *All Souls*

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 AM *Maximus Stephen
For Health
(The Kaleida Family)*

Thursday, December 14, 2023

Saint John Of The Cross, Priest and Doctor Of The Church

12:00 PM ✠ *James & Virginia Fratalia
(Estate)*

Friday, December 15, 2023

Advent Weekday

12:00 PM *Nancy Cherry
For Health & Healing
(St. Lawrence Ladies of the Rosary)*

Saturday, December 16, 2023

Sunday Vigil Mass

Advent Weekday

5:00 PM ✠ *Adam & Mary Stankiewicz
(Jackie Stankiewicz)*

Sunday, December 17, 2023

Third Sunday Of Advent

8:00 AM ✠ *Randy Payne
(Ralph & Janet Payne)*

10:00 AM ✠ *For The Living & Deceased Members Of
St. Lawrence And St. Philip Church*

Please Note....

Daily Mass on Monday December 11th
will be at Noon.

Deacon's Corner

December 10, 2023



Our Lady of Guadalupe

This week on Tuesday, December 12th, the Church celebrates the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

An article from Franciscan Media Saint of the Day describes the story.

"The feast in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe goes back to the 16th century. Chronicles of that period tell us the story.

A poor Indian named Cuauhtlatohuac was baptized and given the name Juan Diego. He was a 57-year-old widower, and lived in a small village near Mexico City. On Saturday morning December 9, 1531, he was on his way to a nearby barrio to attend Mass in honor of Our Lady.

Juan was walking by a hill called Tepeyac when he heard beautiful music like the warbling of birds. A radiant cloud appeared, and within it stood an Indian maiden dressed like an Aztec princess. The lady spoke to him in his own language and sent him to the bishop of Mexico, a Franciscan named Juan de Zumarraga. The bishop was to build a chapel in the place where the lady appeared.

Eventually the bishop told Juan to have the lady give him a sign. About this same time Juan's uncle became seriously ill. This led poor Juan to try to avoid the lady. Nevertheless the lady found Juan, assured him that his uncle would recover, and provided roses for Juan to carry to the bishop in his cape or tilma.

On December 12, when Juan Diego opened his tilma in the bishop's presence, the roses fell to the ground, and the bishop sank to his knees. On the tilma where the roses had been appeared an image of Mary exactly as she had appeared at the hill of Tepeyac.

Mary's appearance to Juan Diego as one of his people is a powerful reminder that Mary—and the God who sent her—accept all peoples. In the context of the sometimes rude and cruel treatment of the Indians by the Spaniards, the apparition was a rebuke to the Spaniards and an event of vast significance for the indigenous population. While a number of them had converted before this incident, they now came in droves. According to a contemporary chronicler, nine million Indians became Catholic in a very short time. In these days when we hear so much about God's preferential option for the poor, Our Lady of Guadalupe cries out to us that God's love for and identification with the poor is an age-old truth that stems from the Gospel itself."

Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patron Saint of The Americas and Mexico.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us during this Advent season.

Deacon Paul



Faith Formation

Sunday, December 17th
Pageant Practice Following Mass
Christmas Party

Sunday, December 24th
No Class

If you have any questions or concerns,
please contact our Faith Formation Facilitator,

Cassie Adamczyk
Office - 814-756-4840
Cell - 814-873-8339



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:
Needed



JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #3979

A CATHOLIC
FAMILY FRATERNAL
SERVICE ORGANIZATION

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St. Lawrence/St. Philp Faith Formation

Sundays 11:00am-12:30pm
K through 11

To register contact:
Cassie Adamczyk at
814-756-4840 (Office)
814-873-8339 (Cell)



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

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!"

Sacrament of Matrimony

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.

Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment.
Please call the Parish Office
for more information.
Pre-Baptismal instruction
is required.

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. Please notify
the office of any hospitalization,
Communion to the sick and
shut-in visits. Emergencies will
be addressed at any time.



St. Lawrence/St. Philip Church

Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Please Check One

- ☐ New
- ☐ Address Change
- ☐ Moving out of Parish

~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...

~ Monday Night Bingo ~ St. Lawrence Center

Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30
Games Begin at 6:30
Jackpot... \$1,200
in 59 balls or less
Come Join The Fun!!



Melissa
Cherie
Mike Sawin
Andrew Segal
Judy Diehl
Maddalena Ranelli
Kelly Wojtecki
Tom Lascek
Lisa Ballmann
Angela Mulligan
Dawn Betle

Jon Reibel
Jim Bernoski
Marilyn Madden
Tonya
Missy
Skip Buttaccio
Morgan
Carol (Schultz) Raiff
Bill Pavolko
Colleen Lance
Janet Lance

Tammy Lynn
& Kevin
Shawn
John Proske
Judy Graham
Pat Gilbert
Nancy Cherry
Barb Wallet
Max Stephen
Our Homebound
Parishioners

52-200 Club Weekly Winners

~ December 2023 ~

Week 1 - Dec 3	Helen Connors
Week 2 - Dec 10	Elaine Melquist
Week 3 - Dec 17	Bill & Nancy Cherry
Week 4 - Dec 24	Scott & Sue Olivera
Week 5 - Dec 31	Richard Fratus

Congratulations To Our Winners!

There are tickets available
for the 2023 - 2024 Season.
If you would like to purchase one,
please contact Tammy Maskrey

St. Lawrence Lector Schedule

Saturday, December 16 - 5:00 pm - Patricia Thompson
Sunday, December 17 - 10:00 am - Criss Rotko

Sunday Mass

Sunday, December 24 - 10:00 am Carl Pry

Vigil Mass of Christmas

Sunday, December 24 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer

Sunday Vigil Mass

Saturday, December 30 - 5:00 pm - Criss Rotko

Solemnity of Mary - Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 31 - 5:00 pm - Patricia Thompson

Solemnity of Mary

Monday, January 1 - 10:00 am - Carl Pry

This Week at St. Lawrence/St. Philp

Monday, December 11	*Bingo - 6:30 St. Lawrence Parish Center Doors Open at 5:30 *AA Meeting - 8 pm St. Lawrence Parish Center
Tuesday, December 12	*Holy Hour - 6 pm St. Lawrence Church
Wednesday, December 13	*Woman's Bible Study - 7 pm St. Lawrence Church Conference Room *AA Meeting - 8 pm St. Lawrence Parish Center
Thursday, December 14	*The Light Is On For You Penance Service St. Lawrence Church 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm



**The Light Is On For You
Penance Service**

In preparation for the celebration of Christmas,
The Light Is On For You, Penance Service.
will be offered at St. Lawrence Church
on Thursday, Dec. 14.

This evening will include Adoration and Confessions
until 7 pm, with Exposition beginning at 5 pm.

All are welcome to come visit with Our Lord,
and to take advantage of the His gift of mercy
through the sacrament of reconciliation.

St. Lawrence's light is on for you!

Thank You 

Thank you to everyone who helped out in any way with the Community Christmas Dinner. A Special thanks to our Head Cooks again this year, Steve and Pam Bahny and their crew, who began prepping on Thursday and continued cooking into Sunday. Thank you also to those who helped in the kitchen on Sunday, did dishes, packaged take outs, served food, poured beverages, cleared tables, and cleaned up after it as all done. Those who donated turkeys, hams, baked deserts, purchased a meal or helped financially. We appreciate you all, and we could not have done it without you!

Thanks to Larry Hudacky and Carrie Sawin for organizing the beautiful vocals of some of our Faith Formation students, and for Larry who continued to play throughout the day.

A little over 300 meals were served, and we collected \$2,195.00 for the Northwestern Food Pantry.

Wonderful job everyone!! What a perfect way to begin our Season of Advent!

**Sacrificial Giving For The Weekend Of
December 2nd & 3rd**

Weekly Offertory Budget Goal
\$ 3,750.00

Amount Collected
\$2,140.00



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

Current Households—152

Total Pledges Made—41

Total Amount Pledged—\$21,275.00

Total Amount Paid—\$24,738.00



