# Saint Lawrence-Saint Philip Catholic Church

Rev. Thomas Trocchio - Fastor Deacon Faul McCoy - Deacon Assistant



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> 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

#### Weekday Masses

All at St. Lawrence Tuesday & Wednesday - 8:00am Thursday & Friday - 12:00pm No Mass on Monday

> Holy Hour Tuesday - 6:00pm St. Lawrence Church

#### <u>First Friday</u>

Adoration 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm Mass - 5:15 pm at St. Lawrence

#### **Reconciliation**

Tuesdays During Holy Hour at St. Lawrence 6:15 pm to 6:45 pm Saturday - 4:15pm to 4:45pm at St. Lawrence Sunday - 7:30am at St. Philip



Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday, October 7, 2024 Our Lady of the Rosary \*No Mass\*

Tuesday, October 8, 2024 <u>Weekday</u> \*No Mass\*

Wednesday, October 9, 2024 Weekday \*No Mass\*

<u>Thursday, October 10, 2024</u> <u>Weekday</u> \*No Mass\*

Friday, October 11, 2024 Weekday \*No Mass\*

Saturday, October 12, 2024 <u>Weekday</u> Sunday Vigil Mass \*At St. Lawrence\*

5:00 PM ⊕ *Helen Connors* ( St. Lawrence-St. Philip Parish )

Sunday, October 13, 2024 Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time \*At St. Philip\*

8:00 AM 🕆 *Russell Worley* ( Janet and Family )

\*At St. Lawrence\*

10:00 AM 🕆 For The Living and Deceased Members Of St. Lawrence and St. Philip Church

## ~Please Note~

There will be no Holy Hour and no Daily Mass this coming week. Fr. Tom will be away on vacation.



October 6, 2024



Beautiful Eucharist – Bobby Angel

To continue to share the main message of the National Eucharistic Congress, lets continue to look at the book Beautiful Eucharist. The 8 th chapter is: The Eucharist: God's Hiding & amp; Our Seeking, by Bobby Angel.

Bobby Angel is a writer, speaker, and evangelist for the Catholic faith. He hosts the Conversations podcast. And alongside his wife, he is the author of the book Pray, Decide, and Don't Worry.

When Bobby Angel was 17 years old, he found himself kneeling in a very small youth room during his first proper experience of Eucharistic Adoration. Bobby had these thoughts "Why are we kneeling before bread? This is weird. What am I supposed to do with my hands? My knees hurt. This is really weird...kneeling before a piece of bread...This is crazy...Or... this is really Jesus." Bobby left that evening confused but somehow comforted. He began to feel a great peace he had never known prior.

Bobby says this is similar the "Trilemma" described by writer C.S. Lewis that Jesus is a liar, a lunatic, or the Lord. Bobby writes, "We can't have Jesus as a 'nice teacher' who also claims to be God in His ability to forgive sins, rise from the dead, and declare that you must eat His flesh to have eternal life. To be intellectually honest, we must take sides. He's either a dangerous or delusional man and we should flee Christianity--- or He's telling the truth about Himself and He is indeed God Incarnate, the Word that became flesh to take away the sin of the world."

"But why would God hide from us? If God loved us, wouldn't He 'show up' and dispel our difficulty in belief? And why, if the Eucharist is truly Christ, why hide within a

simple wafer of bread?" God's ways are not our ways. God is God, and we are not. God speaks in the quiet, in the still small voice, and in unassuming bread. God wants us to pursue and seek him. "God awaits us always in the Eucharist. As long as we never tire of seeking Him there, we will find exactly what our souls need."

Therefore, let us pray, "Lord, we spend our lives chasing things, people, and experiences. Help me to chase those that are worthy of me; those that are worthy of my hopes, dreams, faith and love; those that are worthy of my time—the precious time you have gifted me on this earth. Amen."



Deacon Paul



### **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 are made per parishioner request. Please notify the office of any hospitalizations, injuries, or illnesses. Homebound visits and communion are at

	St. Lawrence-St. Philip Church	Please Check One
	Membership Form	□ New
Name		— 🗌 Address Change
Address		— Or Moving out of Parish
Phone	E-Mail	

~Faith Formation~ October 13th - No Class - Fall Dinner October 20 - Class

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Carrie Sawin - 814-440-0487 or Criss Rotko - 814-449-0192



# Come Play Bingo!!

Every Monday at The St. Lawrence Parish Center Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30 Games Begin at 6:30 This Week's Jackpot is \$1,100.00 in 54 Balls or Less.

> Join In On The Fun!! Help Is Always Needed!



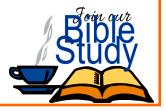
#### Please Keep The Following People In Your Prayers

-Judy Diehl--Jim Bernoski--Marilun Madden--Tom Lascek--Jon Reibel--Mike Sawin--Andrew Segal--Bill Pavolko--Judy Graham--Max Stephen--Bob Pacansky--Anthony--Bill Skadhauge--Kathy (Hudacky) Oswald--Bishop Persico--Eddie LaCastro--Teofilo Gomez (Mr. Serrano)--Steve Smith--Bob Stewart--Philip Kleckner--Intentions In Our Prayer Box--Our Homebound Parishioners-

To Add A Prayer Request To Our List, Please Contact Norma Jafko at 814-756-3889 or Marie Lavor at 814-587-6094

Mark Your Calendars and join us for a Advent-Christmas Bible Study. Classes will be lead by Fr. Tom, and will be held on Wednesdays, at 6pm at St. Lawrence Church. The Study will run for 6 weeks, beginning Wednesday, November 6th thru December 18th, with the exception of Wednesday November 27th.

There are sign up sheets at the entrances of both Churches. Please sign up so we know how many study packets we need. Join us and take a break from all the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season, and remember what the season is really about.



Lector Schedule - St. Lawrence Church

Saturday, Oct 5 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer Sunday, Oct 6 - 10:00 am - Faith Formation

Saturday, Oct 12 - 5:00 pm - Patricia Thompson Sunday, Oct 13 - 10:00 am - Criss Rotko

Saturday, Oct 19 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer Sunday, Oct 20 - 10:00 am - Carl Pry

Saturday, Oct 26 – 5:00 pm – Patricia Thompson Sunday, Oct 27 – 10:00 am – Criss Rotko Lector Schedule - St. Philip Church

Sunday, Oct 6 - 8:00 am - Kimberly Boal

Sunday, Oct 13 – 8:00 am – Erinn Wnek

Sunday, Oct 20 – 8:00 am – Robert Wnek

Sunday, October 27 - 8:00 am - Patty Pavolko





## St. Lawrence-St. Philip Fall Dinner Sunday October 13th Serving from 11:30 - 2:00 Dine-In or Take Out \$15.00/Meal

# St. Lawrence/St. Philip Fall Dinner

Next Sunday is the day!!! Thank you to all who have volunteered so far!

More Servers Are Still Needed In The Dinning Area And One Person For The Serving Line.

Don't Forget To Donate If You Are Able

\*Pies for the Dinner (No Cakes, Cookies, etc.)\* \*Baked Goods for the Bake Sale\* \*Chance Auction Items\* \*Or a Monetary Donation to Help Off Set Costs\*

All donations may be dropped off at the Parish Office M-Th 8-1, at the Parish Center on Saturday October12th, from 4:45 till 6:00 or the morning of the dinner at the Parish Center by 9:00

Please Contact The Parish Office at 814-756-3623

The Knights of Columbus are raffling off a beautiful Polywood Bench. They will be selling tickets at the Fall Dinner, and at the Christmas Dinner. The winner will be drawn during the Christmas Dinner on Sunday December 8th. Tickets are \$1.00 each.





The Knights will also be setting up tables for the Fall Dinner on Tuesday, October 8th beginning at 7pm. Any help would be appreciated.

# St. Lawrence Garden Committee

We would like to form a Garden Committee, to help maintain the beauty of the Church Grounds. Members will help plan, plant and maintain the flowers and beds around the church and rectory. If you would like to be a part of this new committee, please contact the Parish Office at 814.756.3623



# This Week At St. Lawrence-St. Philip Church

Monday, October 7	*Bingo - 6:30 pm Doors Open At 5:30 pm St. Lawrence Parish Center	
	*AA Meeting - 8 pm	

\*AA Meeting - 8 pm St. Lawrence Parish Center

Wednesday, October 9

\*AA Meeting - 8 pm St. Lawrence Parish Center Please remember to make all checks out to "St. Lawrence Church".

Thank you for your

Sacrificial Giving For The Weekend Of September 28 & 29 Envelopes - \$ 2,276.00 Loose - \$ 747.00 Weekly Budget Goal \$ 3,750.00



~The 2024 Catholic Services Appeal~

Our Diocesan Assessment - \$28,881.00 Amount Paid To Date - \$18,018.41

Current Registered Households - 148 Household Pledges To Date - 51 Amount Pledged - \$18,768.41

# The Liturgy of the Eucharist

# **The Eucharistic Prayer**

This is the prayer of thanksgiving and sanctification-when the center and high point of our entire Celebration begins.

The Eucharistic prayer starts with the preface. Just like in a book, the preface is an introduction. At Mass, the preface has two parts: a dialogue and a prayer.

The three exchanges at the beginning of the preface dialogue are very familiar to us. The first exchange ("The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.") tells us WHO is praying – the Church. The baptized pray for the whole world; the ordained prays to show the prayer belongs to the Body of Christ.

The second exchange ("Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.") tells us WHERE we are praying – to heaven. Saint Cyril of Alexandria states we assent to "dismiss all physical cares and domestic anxieties, and to have our hearts in heaven with the benevolent God." (Dubruiel)

The third exchange ("Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.") tells us HOW we are praying – in thanksgiving. Giving thanks that our hearts are now on high is only possible by God's grace. As St. Paul states, "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thessalonians 5:18) After the dialogue, the priest directs our prayer to God the Father and starts with "[i]t is truly right and just..." connecting to our last dialogue response. Then, it focuses on the reason for giving thanks on the particular day, liturgical season, etc. Some give thanks for God's work of creation. At Christmas, we give thanks for God becoming man. In Lent, we give thanks for the practice of fasting. During Easter, we give thanks for the eternal life Christ won for us. The Prefaces of Saints gives thanks for their example and actions. The preface concludes asking us to join the angels and saints in their song of praise: the Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy Lord...).

The history of the Eucharistic Prayers begins in the table prayers required at every Jewish meal. The Last Supper had strong Passover connotations for early Christians. The Eucharistic Prayer belongs to all the baptized. "We unite our minds and hearts with the Priest, who acts in the person of Christ, as he offers the prayer aloud. It is Christ's prayer of thanks addressed to the Father." (Buzaitis)

As was mentioned a few articles ago, there are ten Eucharistic Prayers from which to choose. They all have the same 'parts,' but are told in a different way.

**Eucharistic Prayer I:** This is known as the Roman Canon. This has been used for over 1600 years and was edited and finalized by Pope St. Gregory the Great. It was changed just a bit after Vatican II. This is still a favorite choice by many. You will recognize it as the one with the saints' names, acknowledging we are all united in the praise and worship of God.

**Eucharistic Prayer II:** This is the shortest Eucharistic Prayer. Probably also the most familiar because it is used often because of the short length. It was inspired by the eucharist prayer in the Apostolic Traditions from the third century.

**Eucharistic Prayer III**: This was inspired by the Roman Canon and composed in the 1970s with contemporary images.

**Eucharistic Prayer IV**: This was based on St. Basil's eucharistic prayer and used in the Eastern Churches. "It provides an eloquent and succinct survey of salvation history with many biblical images: creation, covenant, Incarnation." (Buzaitis)

There are three Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children. They all use acclamations throughout to solidify the prayer. Two Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation were approved for use only during the 1975 Holy Year for Reconciliation and Renewal.

In 1995, a Eucharistic Prayer for Masses for Various Needs and Occasions was approved. It is basically four different prayers with distinct themes.

Maripat Grant, C.Th.

Next article: The Communion Rite