

Saint Lawrence the Martyr Saint Philip, Secondary Mission

*Rev. Michael Kesicki - Pastor
Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon Assistant*

Weekend Masses

Saturday - 4:00 pm
at St. Lawrence
Sunday - 8:00 am
at St. Philip
Sunday - 10:00 am
at St. Lawrence

Weekday Masses

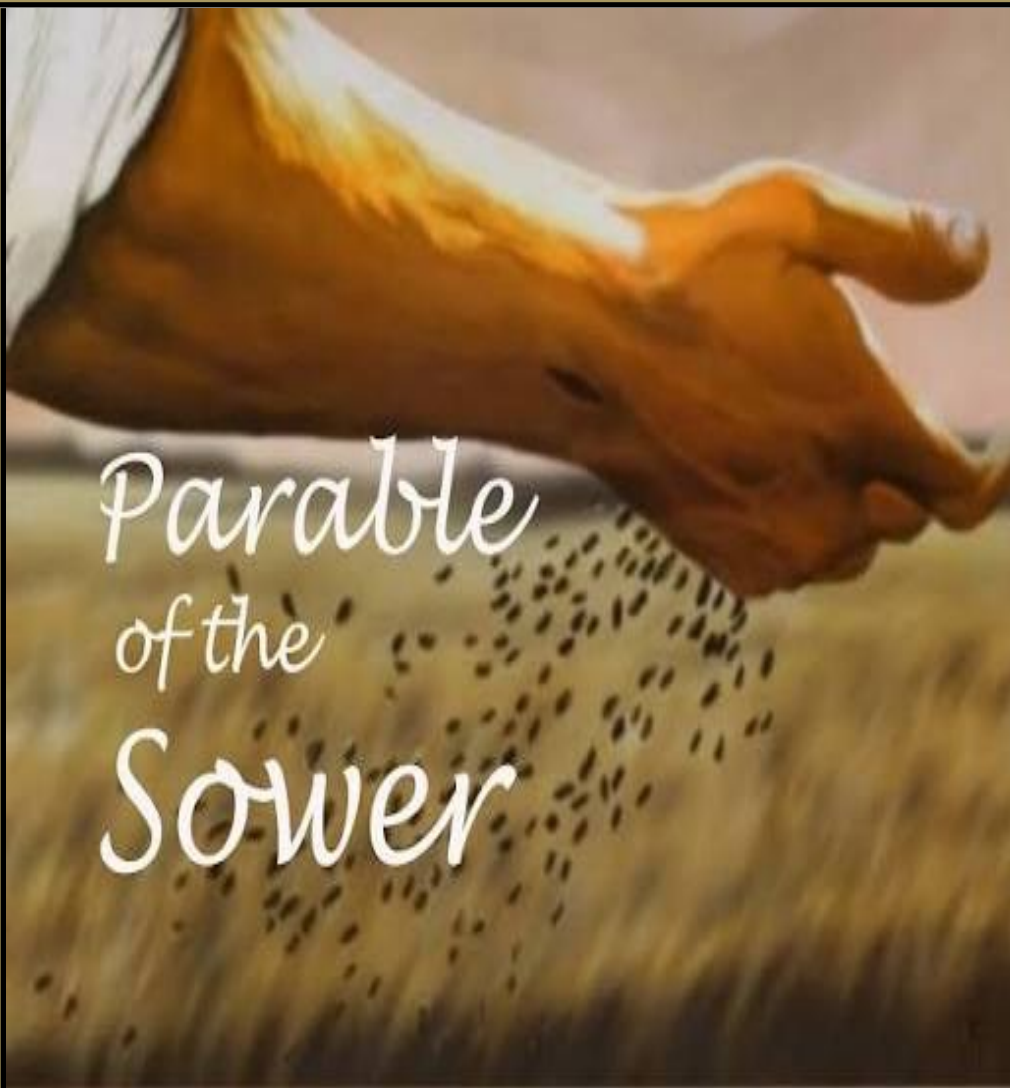
All at St. Lawrence
8:00am
Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday, and Friday
No Mass on Tuesday

First Friday

Holy Hour
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Mass - 5:00 pm
at St. Lawrence

Reconciliation

Saturday at St. Lawrence
3:15pm to 3:45pm
Sunday at St. Philip
7:30am



*July 19, 2026
Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

Sunday, July 19, 2026

~ Mass Intentions ~

**Monday, July 20
Weekday**

**8:00 AM † Stephen McDermott
(Patricia Thompson)**

**Tuesday, July 21
Weekday**

*** No Mass ***

**Wednesday, July 22
Saint Mary Magdalene**

**8:00 AM † David and Dave Diehl
(Bob & Pat Kalieda)**

**Thursday, July 23
Weekday**

**8:00 AM † Wally Alexander
(Debora Roe Alexander)**

**Friday, July 24
Weekday**

**8:00 AM † Gerald & Anne Proudfoot
In Memory of Their Wedding Anniversary
(Estate)**

**Saturday, July 25
Saint James, Apostle
* At St. Lawrence ***

**4:00 PM † Richard & Carol Brooks
(Jim & Cathy Hudack and Family)**

**Sunday, July 26
Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time
*At St. Philip***

**8:00 AM † The Living and Deceased
Members Of St. Lawrence-St. Philip Church
*At St. Lawrence***

**10:00 AM † Hubert & Emily McCommons
(James McCommons Family)**

~ From Fr. Michael ~

Parish Picnic

Join us today, Sunday, at 11:30am at St. Philip in Crossingville for our annual Parish Picnic. We welcome our parishioners and friends to gather together. I am grateful to the many volunteers whose hard work and dedication make this event possible. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to share a meal and strengthen the bonds of our community.



Wedding Anniversary Celebration

A reminder that we will be honoring couples celebrating a banner wedding anniversary with a special blessing at our Sunday Mass on August 9 at 10:00am at St. Lawrence Church. If you have not yet registered, please call the rectory soon so we can be sure to include you.

Let us continue to enjoy the summer, and blessings on your week.

The Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary,
is prayed every Saturday at 3:30,
at St. Lawrence Church

“Mary invites all her children
to pray her Rosary”

Clergy

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Deacon Paul McCoy
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St. James Cemetery

Greg Petrus

Faith Formation

Carrie Sawin - 814-440-0487
Criss Rotko - 814-449-0192

Parish Center

Renae Mihalak - 814-756-3623
Please Leave a Message

Custodian/Maintenance

Parish Center
Renae Mihalak

Parish Office

Lori Adamson
Office Hours
8:30 am till 1:30 pm
Monday thru Thursday
Phone - 814-756-3623

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Albion, Pa 16401

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Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

~ Deacon's Corner ~

Saint Mary Magdalene's Story

On July 22nd, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Mary Magdalene. The following is from an article from the Vatican News.



Apostle of the Apostles

"Apostle of the Apostles" is the title given Mary Magdalene by St Thomas Aquinas. Her name comes from her hometown of Magdala, a fishing village on the western shore of Lake Tiberias. St Luke the Evangelist tells us, in Chapter 8 of his Gospel, how Jesus went from town to town announcing the Good News of the Kingdom of God, and how the Twelve Apostles were with Him together with some women who had been healed of evil spirits or infirmities, and were serving them. Among these was a certain "Mary, called the Magdalene, from whom seven demons came out."

Misconceptions About Her Identity

As Biblical critical interpretation teaches, the expression 'seven demons' could indicate a serious physical or moral malady that had struck the woman and from which Jesus had freed her. But, until now, tradition has claimed that Mary Magdalene was a prostitute. This is only because in Chapter 7 of Luke's Gospel we read of the conversion of an anonymous "known sinner in that city" who, when Jesus was a guest in the house of a notable Pharisee, bathed His feet with perfume and her tears and dried them with her hair." Without any real textual connection, Mary of Magdala was identified with that unnamed prostitute. But, according to Cardinal Ravasi, there is a further misunderstanding: anointing with perfumed oil is a gesture that was also performed by Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus, on a different occasion, as reported by the Evangelist, St John. And so, in some popular traditions, Mary Magdalene has come to be identified with this Mary of Bethany, after being confused with the prostitute of Galilee.

At the Foot of the Cross

Mary Magdalene appears in the Gospels in the most dramatic moment of Jesus' life, when she accompanies Him to Calvary and, along with other women, observes Him from afar. She is still there when Joseph of Arimathea places the body of Jesus in the sepulcher, which is closed with a stone. And on the morning of the first day of the week, she returns to the tomb, finds the stone rolled away, and runs to warn Peter and John. They in turn hurry to the empty tomb and discover that the body of the Lord is missing.

Meeting with the Risen Lord

The two disciples return home but Mary Magdalene remains at the tomb in tears. Her initial disbelief gradually turns to faith when she sees two angels and asks them if they know where Jesus' body has been taken. Then she sees Jesus Himself, but fails to recognize Him. She thinks He is the gardener, and when He asks why she is crying and who she is looking for, she replies: "Sir, if you have taken Him away, tell me where you have put Him and I will go and remove Him." But Jesus says her name, "Mary" – and she recognizes Him at once: "Rabbuni! , she says, which in Hebrew means "Master!" Jesus then tells her: "Do not cling to me because I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go and find the brothers and to tell them I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." So Mary Magdalene goes to the disciples and tells them she has seen the Lord and that He said these things to her. (cf. John 20).

She Announces Jesus' Resurrection from the Dead

Mary Magdalene is the first among the women following Jesus to proclaim Him as having overcome death. She is the first to announce the joyful message of Easter. But, she also proved she was among those who loved Him most when she stood at the foot of the Cross on Mount Calvary together with Mary, His Mother, and the disciple, St. John. She did not deny him or run away in fear as the other disciples did, but remained close to Him every moment, up to and including the tomb.

Let us remember to always stay close to Jesus though all of life's trials as St. Mary Magdalene did.

Peace,
Deacon Paul

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



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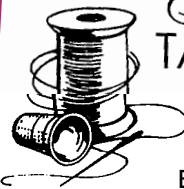


St. Lawrence/St. Philip Faith Formation

Sundays 9:00 - 10:00 Mass
K through 11

To register contact:

Carrie Sawin - 814-440-0487
Criss Rotko - 814-449-0192



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Alterations

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

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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

St. Lawrence/St. Philip Church Membership Form



Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Please Check One

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

~Prayer Requests ~



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

Judy Diehl
Jim Bernoski
Marilyn Madden
Jon Reibel
Mike Sawin
Andrew Segal
Philip Kleckner
Marc Kearns
Joseph Sharpe
Norella Consedine
John & Sharon
Shultz

Kristin Bucci
Tim Smock
Rob Leninsky
Conrad Woods
Donald DiFiori
Stacey B.
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Karen
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Joseph Lewis, O.de.M
Alexis Mundkoswky
Irasema Rimel

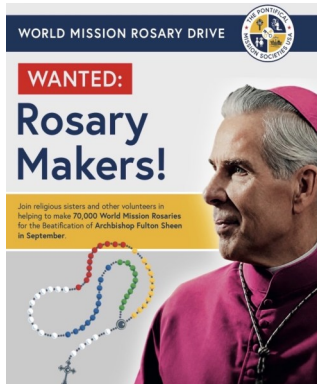
Casey Lawrence
Wanda Manculich
Sue Mihalak
Dave & Marilyn O'Brien
Elaine Schmidt
Diann Hinkle
Sal Kitko
Dorothy
Rachel P.
Stacey
Gail
Dianne

The Family of
Phyllis Giewont

Our Homebound
and Care Center

Parishioners
Intentions In Our
Prayer Box

Help Make 70,000 Rosaries for the Beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen



On Sept. 24 in St. Louis, the Church will honor one of the greatest evangelists in American history. Before the Mass, tens of thousands of people will gather to pray the World Mission Rosary! We are looking for volunteers from parishes, to help us make rosaries, it could be 100 or 1,000 and every rosary contributes to something meaningful. Each one will be blessed before the beatification and prayed for long after the celebration ends. All materials needed to make the rosaries will be provided.

If you are interest, please see the sign up sheet at both churches or you may call the parish office.

**Please remember in your prayers,
Phyllis Giewont,
who passed away July 11th.**

**We ask that God give her family
and friends, comfort and peace,
and may her soul, and the souls
of all the faithful departed,
rest in eternal peace.**



Mass Intentions.

**All dates for Mass Intentions
for 2026 have been filled.
We are now scheduling Masses in 2027.**

Thank you.

**Please remember that all Contributions,
Donations, CSA Payments, Mass Stipends,
and Gifts, are deposited into bank
accounts under "St. Lawrence the Martyr
Church".**

**Thank you for remembering
to make all checks out only to
"St. Lawrence Church".**

**Thank You for your
continued support.**

~ Offertory~

**~Sacrificial Giving ~
July 11/12
Weekly Budget Goal
\$ 3,660.00**

Envelopes Registered - 136
Envelopes In This Week - 66
Weekly Envelopes - \$ 3,077.00
Loose Cash - \$ 242.00
Guests - \$ 665.00

***2026 CSA*
Our Diocesan Assessment
\$ 29,770.00

Amount Pledged
\$36,170.42
Amount Collected
\$30,422.42**

~ Ministry Schedule ~

	<i>July 25 - 4pm</i>	<i>July 26 - 8am</i>	<i>July 26 - 10am</i>
Lector	Marge M.	Patti P.	Criss R.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Vivian B.
Gift Bearers	Skip/Lynne B.	Cotton Family	Melquist Family
	<i>August 1 - 4pm</i>	<i>August 2 - 8am</i>	<i>August 2 - 10am</i>
Lector	Patricia T.	Erinn W.	Grace S.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Brooke W.
Gift Bearers	Lance Family	Val Smith	Bill/Elsie M.
	<i>August 8 - 4pm</i>	<i>August 9 - 8am</i>	<i>August 9 - 10am</i>
Lector	Carrie S.	Robert W.	Carl P.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Ethan P.
Gift Bearers	Marge M./Rose M.	Wnek Family	Debi/Grace S.
	<i>August 15 - 4pm</i>	<i>August 16 - 8am</i>	<i>August 16 - 10am</i>
Lector	Marge M.	Kimberly B.	Criss R.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Brooke W.
Gift Bearers	Sawin Family	Elaine M.	Melquist Family

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day, please find someone to fill in for you.

If you would like to be added to our Offertory Gift Bearers List at St. Lawrence, please email Patricia @trt51@roadrunner.com

Thank you for your continued dedication.

~ Bingo ~

~ Monday Night Bingo ~

St. Lawrence Center
Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30
Games Begin at 6:30
Jackpot - \$1,000
In 51 balls or less
Come Join The Fun!!



Prayer For A New Bishop

*O Almighty God,
Pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Holy Father
and those who assist him
in the discernment of our new bishop.
May the one chosen have the strength
to be a compassionate leader,
who models humility and joy.
Grant him the wisdom of Solomon,
the courage of the apostles,
and the tenderness of your son, the Good Shepherd.*

*We also pray for the Diocese of Erie
that he is called to serve.
May we welcome him with open hearts
and work with him in a spirit of synodality,
called to listen, collaborate, and build unity.*

*Through the intercession of the
Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,
St. Joseph, the protector of the Church,
and St. Patrick, the patron of our diocese,
may we journey the path of life
with an unwavering focus
on the hope we have in Christ.*

*For he lives and reigns forever and ever.
Amen.*

Imprimatur, October 28, 2025
The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L.
Bishop of Erie



Diocese of Erie
ROMAN CATHOLIC

**Banner Year
Marriage Anniversary Blessing
Sunday, August 9th
at the 10:00 Mass**

**Please do not forget to call the rectory
by July 20th to register.**

**Join us in wishing Father Michael
a Very Happy Birthday
on Monday, August 3rd!!**

