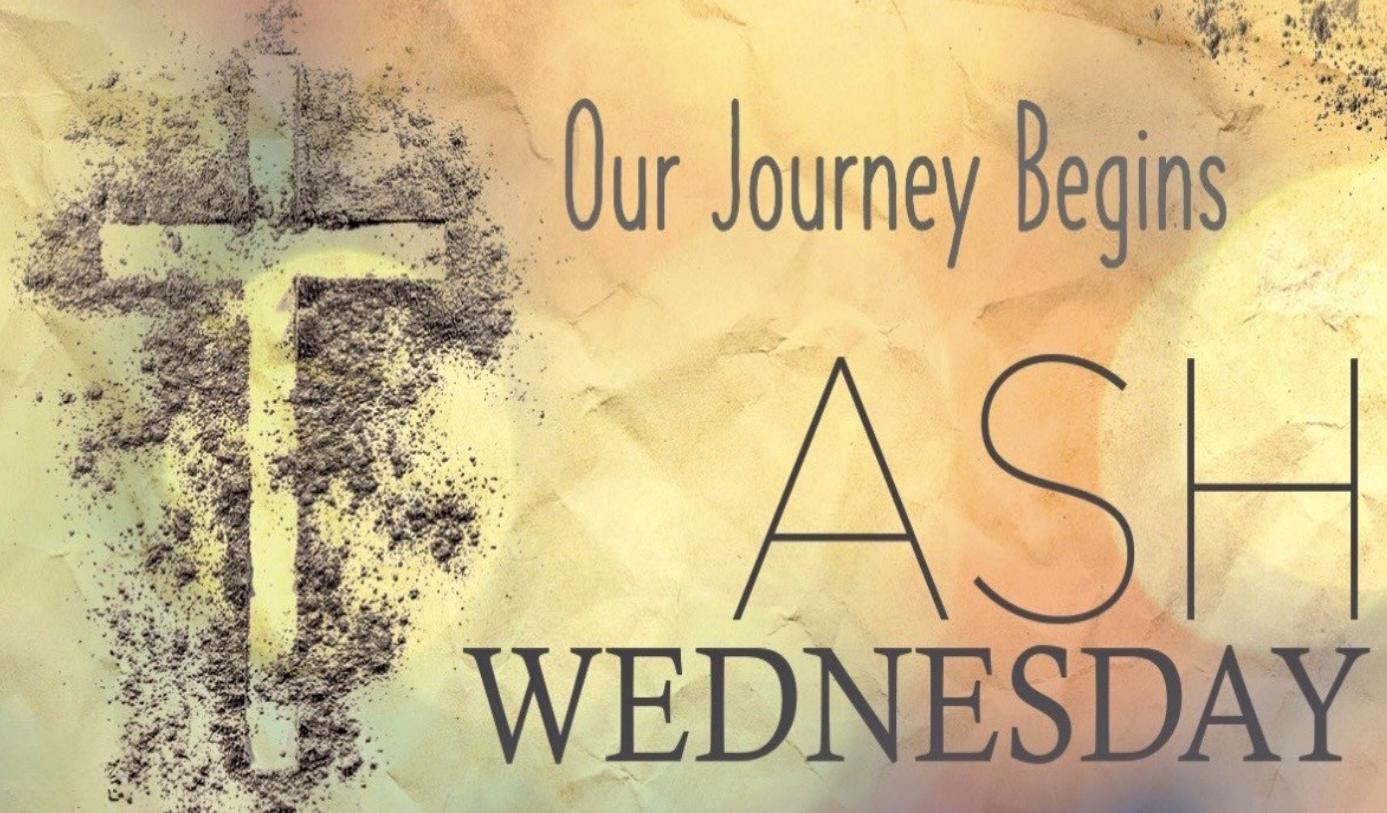


*Saint Lawrence the Martyr  
Saint Philip, Secondary Mission*

*Rev. Michael Kesicki - Pastor*

*Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon Assistant*



*Our Journey Begins*

**ASH**  
**WEDNESDAY**

*February 15, 2026  
Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

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**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, 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 - 3:15pm to 3:45pm  
at St. Lawrence  
Sunday - 7:30am at St. Philip

# Sunday, February 15, 2026

## ~ Mass Intentions ~

**Monday, February 16**  
Weekday

8:00 AM <sup>†</sup> **Paul Madden**  
( Families of Karen Mitchell and  
Richard & Erin Mitchell )

**Tuesday, February 17**  
Weekday

\*No Mass\*

**Wednesday, February 18**  
Ash Wednesday

\*At St. Lawrence\*

8:00 AM - **Intention of Arnold Tobin**  
( Paul & Judy King )

7:00 PM <sup>†</sup> **The Living and Deceased  
Members Of St. Lawrence and  
St. Philip Church**

**Thursday, February 19**  
Thursday After Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM <sup>†</sup> **Rev. John Fischer**  
( John & Angie Shade )

**Friday, February 20**  
Friday After Ash Wednesday

\*No Mass\*

**Saturday, February 21**  
Saturday After Ash Wednesday

\*At St. Lawrence\*

4:00 PM <sup>†</sup> **Adam & Mary Stankiewicz**  
( Jackie Stankiewicz )

**Sunday, February 22**  
First Sunday Of Lent

\*At St. Philip\*

8:00 AM <sup>†</sup> **The Living and Deceased  
Members Of St. Lawrence and  
St. Philip Church**

\*At St. Lawrence\*

10:00 AM - **Intentions Of Conrad Woods**  
( Scott & Sharon Beery )

## Please Note...

**There will be no Daily Mass  
on Friday, February 20**

**The Mass Intention for that day  
has been rescheduled.**

## ~ From Fr. Michael ~

Last Sunday, I gave the presentation for the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) and invited you to take this to prayer during the week as you discern how you may participate. Our contribution to the Diocese of Erie is \$29,770; what we collect above that amount remains in the parish. We are looking to make some needed repairs as follows:



1. St. Philip Church: final repairs for one of the two boilers. Our church in Crossingville continues to provide a Sunday morning Mass for residents in both Erie and Crawford Counties. We need two working boilers so that we will never be without heat should one of the two break down.
2. St. Lawrence Parish Center: the Center is a great place for gatherings, dinners, celebrations and for meetings of various groups, including our Faith Formation students. In addition, it is a valued community resource. The repairs needed are:
  - a. Replace ceiling fans in the hall and replace non-functioning outlets in the kitchen and bar area.
  - b. Work on the fascia, soffits and gutters on the center's exterior.
  - c. Repairs in the furnace room
  - d. Work on the exterior stairwell to the basement to prevent water from entering and flooding the basement including fixing drains, a possible roof over the stairs and a curb to divert water runoff from the parking lot.

Parish leadership will be discussing plans for this to happen including consulting with some of you who have already come forward with knowledge and expertise about ways to make substantive repairs that will allow our buildings to remain in great condition to serve our community for the future.

The CSA and the money we receive above our required contribution will be a significant help in caring for our parish and will bring us together as a family of faith united in the work of the Gospel. Thank you for your prayers, your consideration and for your participation.

May we continue to accept the Master's call to be "salt for the earth and light for the world."

God bless you,  
Fr. Michael

## Ministry Schedule

	Feb 21 - 4pm	Feb 22 - 8am	Feb 22 - 10am
Lector	Marge M.	Kimberly B.	Criss R.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Vivian B.
Gift Bearers	Norma J./Rose P.	Cotton Family	Debbie/Grace S.
	Feb 28 - 4pm	March 1 - 8am	March 1 - 10am
Lector	Patricia T.	Patti P.	Student
Altar Server	Volunteer	Volunteer	Student
Gift Bearers	Al/Miriam Y.	Volunteer	Student
	March 7 - 4pm	March 8 - 8am	March 8 - 10am
Lector	Carrie S.	Robert W.	Grace S.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Julio P.
Gift Bearers		Elaine M.	
	March 14 - 4pm	March 15 - 8am	March 15 - 10am
Lector	Marge M.	Erinn W.	Criss R.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Brooke W./Sophia P.
Gift Bearers		Wnek Family	

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"

## Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

### ~ Parish Staff ~

#### Clergy

Rev. Michael Kesicki  
Email - [mkesicki@eriercd.org](mailto:mkesicki@eriercd.org)

Phone - 814-756-3623

Deacon Paul McCoy  
Email - [pwmccoy@aol.com](mailto:pwmccoy@aol.com)

#### Faith Formation

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

#### Custodian/Maintenance

Renae Mihalak

#### Parish Center

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

#### Parish Office

Lori Adamson

#### Office Hours

8:30 am till 1:30 pm  
Monday thru Thursday

Phone - 814-756-3623

#### Mailing Address

St. Lawrence-St. Philip Church  
180 East State Street  
Albion, Pa 16401

Email  
[stlawrencealbion@gmail.com](mailto:stlawrencealbion@gmail.com)

#### St. James Cemetery

Greg Petrus

### 52-200 Club Weekly Winners

#### ~ February 2026 ~

Week 1 - Feb 1  
#55 - Sarah & Dave Hurl

Week 2 - Feb 8  
#84 - Dave O'Brien

Week 3 - Feb 15  
#140 - Josh Brown

Week 4 - Feb 22  
#129 - Linda Quay

**Congratulations  
To Our Winners!**

**There are a few tickets  
available for purchase.  
If you are interested,  
please contact  
Darcy Paradise at  
814-572-4715**

### ~ Deacon's Corner ~

#### What is Cursillo?

Here is some information from the Erie Diocesan Cursillo Movement website: **Cursillo (kur-SEE-yo)** literally means “little course” and is a three-day spiritual retreat, the purpose of which is a deep personal encounter with Jesus Christ. Those who experience the Cursillo Movement know it is more than just three days of religious instruction. It is an effort to change the spiritual environment, to bring Jesus Christ into the world.

To understand what the Cursillo Movement is all about, a person must first realize that the Cursillo Movement is a method of spirituality. This method for living one's faith has a twofold goal. The **first goal** is the internal renewal of the person. The **second goal** is the Christianizing of the person's environment.

For the **Cursillista (kur-SEE-ista)**, faith impels the person to “incarnate” the world, to do as the son of God did: to bring into daily life the Word of God, the Christian Message, the dynamic power and thrust of the trinity in human history. The person who has made a Cursillo knows that Jesus did not come to save us “from this world,” but to help us give God back to His world.

The Cursillo Method for living a Christian life is wrapped up in two phrases used frequently during the three-day Cursillo experience (that is, the Cursillo Weekend that people talk about “making”). These two phrases are the “Cursillo Tripod” and the “Fourth Day.”

#### The Cursillo Tripod:

The Cursillo Tripod is symbolized by a “STOOL” that consists of three legs. All three legs are needed to ensure the “STOOL” is solid and functional. For us, the Cursillo Tripod represents the three legs of our Spiritual Foundation; which are **PIETY, STUDY and ACTION**.

**PIETY** is the outward expression of a person's FAITH. Developing our Piety goes “hand in hand” with developing a rock solid relationship with Christ.

**STUDY** is the pursuit of Meaning. Study allows us to learn more about our faith, ourselves and helps us to grow to become true Christians.

**ACTION** is the application of our Piety and Study. Action translates into our opportunity to live out Piety and Study and ultimately gives us the chance to “Make a Friend,” “Be a Friend,” and “Bring a Friend to Christ.” This is how we help build the “Body of Christ” in our families, neighborhoods, Churches and places of work.

#### How Do You Attend a Cursillo Weekend?

Men's Cursillo – March 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

Women's Cursillo – April 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>

If you have not attended a Cursillo retreat, prayerfully consider one of the next weekends. If you have participated, pray for those attending and helping with the next Cursillo weekends. Please keep me in pray as I will be one of those assisting, filling the role for my first time as one of the co-spiritual directors for the Men's March weekend. Also please pray for my wife Joanie who will be helping with the Women's weekend in April. If you have not attended a Cursillo retreat weekend yet, consider this a wonderful and special gift for the Lent and Easter seasons.

Our Lady of Guadalupe revered as the spiritual guide for the Cursillo movement, pray for us.

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!

## Mattera Funeral Home

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fax 814-756-4648

### 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



## 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!



### Maripat Kitchen - Choir Director

*"Those who sing pray twice!"*  
~St. Augustine



## 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 \_\_\_\_\_

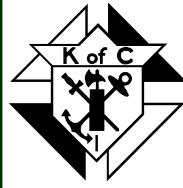
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## Cursillo

*"Making a friend, being a friend,  
and  
introducing that friend to Christ."*

Parish Coordinators:  
Needed



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## Please Check One

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

## LENTEN PRACTICES 2026

Traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, and other forms of self-denial, are recommended most warmly by the church. Daily Mass is particularly encouraged.

Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence from eating meat for those 14 years of age and older.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday also are days of fasting for those ages 18 to 58 inclusive. (On these days, those bound by the law of fasting may take one full meal. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength according to one's needs, are also permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or work is seriously affected, the law does not oblige.)

### ~ Bingo ~

~ Monday Night Bingo ~  
St. Lawrence Center  
Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30  
Games Begin at 6:30  
Jackpot:  
\$1,150 in 56 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

February  
18th  
ASH  
WEDNESDAY

Masses Are At  
St. Lawrence Church

8:00 am  
&  
7:00 pm

Lent Begins

"Ash Wednesday is a solemn reminder  
of human mortality, and the need  
for reconciliation with God.  
It marks the beginning of the penitential  
Lenten season, and is commonly observed  
with ashes and fasting."



### Personal Care Item/Food Drive For The Northwestern Food Pantry



Items Will Be Collected During  
The Month Of February.  
Spread Your Love To Those In Need!!

Boxes Are Located In The  
Large Gathering Space at St. Lawrence  
and The Front Vestibule at St. Philip

Sponsored By  
The St. Lawrence Ladies Of The Rosary.



## ~Prayer Requests ~



To Add A Prayer Request  
To Our List, Please Contact  
Norma Jafko at 814-756-3899  
or Marie Lauor at 814-587-6094

Judy Diehl  
Jim Bernoski  
Marilyn Madden  
Jon Reibel  
Mike Sawin  
Andrew Segal  
Bob Stewart  
Philip Kleckner  
Marc Kearns  
Joseph Sharpe  
Norella Considine  
Tim Smock  
John & Sharon Shultz

Bob Cochran  
Rob Leninsky  
Donald DiFiori  
Nancy Cherry  
Ben  
Kathy  
Stacey B.  
Brother Matthew  
Joseph Lewis, O.de.M  
Mary Tad  
Karen  
Alexis Mundkoswky  
BJ Leicht

Danielle Teed  
Irasema Rimel  
Casey Lawrence  
Carl Pry  
Justin Corwin  
Conrad Woods  
Kristin Bucci  
Dave  
Sue Wadsworth  
Our Homebound &  
Care Center Parishioners  
Intentions In Our  
Prayer Box

## ~ Faith Formation ~

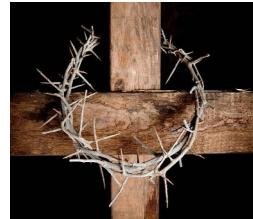
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If you have any questions  
or concerns, please contact  
Carrie Sawin - 814-440-0487  
or Criss Rotko - 814-449-0192



## ~ Save The Date ~

On Sunday, March 22nd, following the 10am Mass, our Faith Formation Students will be presenting Living Stations of the Cross. Under the direction of Grace Seneta, the students will reenact the events leading up to the crucifixion of Jesus Christ on Good Friday. Please plan to include this in your Lenten journey, and join us for this special event.



**22:32 MEN** Strengthen Your Brothers!

13th Annual 2026 CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 7th Info/Register: [www.2232men.com](http://www.2232men.com)

## ~ Financial Information ~

### ~Sacrificial Giving ~

February 7/8

Weekly Budget Goal  
\$ 3,750.00

Envelopes Registered - 134  
Envelopes In This Week - 57

Weekly Envelopes - \$ 2,228.00  
Loose Cash - \$ 193.00  
Guests - \$ 400.00



Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2026 Catholic Services Appeal *In Christ, We Are One*. The CSA is essential to carrying out the Church's mission to evangelize, educate, serve, proclaim the Word, celebrate the sacraments, and provide hope to people in need, beyond what any parish can provide on its own.

As baptized Catholics, the Lord calls each one of us to share His love and build up His Church. Through our gifts to the CSA, we carry out His life-giving mission. Thank you for your faithful generosity and prayers for the CSA.