Saint Lawrence-Saint Philip Catholic Church

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



October 27, 2024 - 30th Sunday In Ordinary Time



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> St. James Cemetery Manager - Greg Petrus

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## \*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

#### First Friday

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

<u>Monday, October 28, 2024</u> Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles \*No Mass\*

<u>Tuesday, October 29, 2024</u> <u>Weekday</u>

8:00 AM 🕆 *Poor Souls In Purgatory* ( Lana & Dan Mesley )

Wednesday, October 30, 2024 Weekday

8:00 AM 🕆 *Fr. Spike C.SsR* (Kathleen Levis)

Thursday, October 31, 2024 Weekday All Saints - Vigil Mass \*At St. Philip Church\*

5:00 PM 🕆 For The Living and Deceased Members Of St. Lawrence and St. Philip Church

> Friday, November 1, 2024 All Saints - Holy Day of Obligation

> > \*At St. Lawrence Church\*

12:00 PM - *Marilyn Madden For Health & Well-Being* ( Kaleida Family )

6:00 PM 🕆 John Mitchell Morris (Kaleida Family)

Saturday, November 2, 2024 All Souls' Day

\*At St. James Chapel\*

9:00 AM 🕆 For All Our Beloved Dead

Saturday, November 2, 2024 Weekday Sunday Vigil Mass \*At St. Lawrence\*

5:00 PM <sup>+</sup> *Tom Thompson* (Marcia Lowe)

Sunday, November 3, 2024 31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

\*At St. Philip\*

8:00 AM 🕆 *Mildred Remek* ( Linda DeVito )

\*At St. Lawrence\*

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





#### <u> Beautiful Eucharist – Sister Helena Burns</u>

Lets continue to look at the book Beautiful Eucharist. The 11<sup>th</sup> chapter is: Why I lied to My Pastor About First Communion, by Sister Helena Burns.

Sister Helena Burns, FSP is a member of the Daughters of St. Paul, an international congregation founded to communicate God's Word through the media. In addition, she is a speaker, filmmaker, and writer for The Catholic Register.

Sister Helena starts with, "I made my First Communion at seven years old, pretending to believe in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ." Her pastor Father Hurley went to great pains to explain that the small white wafer was not ordinary bread. When he said the words of consecration, it would become the body, blood, soul, and divinity of the Lord Jesus Christ. Sister Helena said she lied because she wanted the First Communion party with the pretty white dress and presents.

As Sister Helena grew older, she became a Deist where she believed God the creator was like a watchmaker that wound up the world and stepped back. The God of the Deist was not a personal God, a caring God, or part of the Most Holy Trinity. At fifteen and out of frustration, Helena knelt by her bed and prayed, "O God, if You can hear me, I need Your help because I don't know why I'm alive." The next morning everything change and Helena could feel God's presence. When she looked at the crucifix on the wall she writes, "At that moment I was given the grace to believe that Jesus was God."

She asked with so many Christian denominations which one was real? What make the Catholic Church different from all the other Christian churches? The Most Blessed Sacrament present in the tabernacles of Catholic churches all over the world. Much later, Helena also prayed in front of the tabernacle saying, "I will accept the Catholic teachings, lock, stock, and barrel, stop rejecting them, and strive to understand them. So are you there, Lord? I looked intently at the white and gold repository and instantly heard, 'Yes, I am here." Four days later, God called Helena to be a Sister.

Helena closes her reflection on the Eucharist with, "Looking back, I am still amazed at the extraordinary grace God poured into my life right when I felt like everything was hopeless. I don't think I'll ever make sense of it all."

<u>Point to Ponder</u>: Next time you think that God has stopped speaking to you, consider the alternative reality that perhaps you have stopped listening to His voice in you life.

Deacon Paul

Please remember to make all checks out to **"St. Lawrence Church".** Thank you for your continued generosity!

Sacrificial Giving For The Weekend Of October 19th & 20th Envelopes - \$ 2,185.00 Loose - \$ 620.00

Weekly Budget Goal \$ 3,750.00



~The 2024 Catholic Services Appeal~

Our Diocesan Assessment - \$28,881.00 Amount Paid To Date - \$18,668.41

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



|         | St. Lawrence/St. Philip Church<br>Membership Form | Please Check One       |
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| Name    | •                                                 | □ New                  |
|         |                                                   | <b>Returning</b>       |
| Address |                                                   | □ Address Change       |
|         |                                                   | ☐ Moving out of Parish |
| Phone   | <b>E-Mail</b>                                     |                        |

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

-Judy Diehl--Jim Bernoski--Marilyn Madden--Jon Reibel--Mike Sawin--Andrew Segal--Bill Pauolko--Judy Graham--Max Stephen--Bob Pacansky--Anthony--Bill Skadhauge--Kathy (Hudacky) Oswald--Eddie LaCastro--Teofilo Gomez (Mr. Serrano)--Steve Smith--Bob Stewart--Philip Kleckner--Joseph Sharpe--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





\* November 2 - Mass at St. James Chapel - 9am
\* November 3 - Family Mass - 10am Class - All Saints Day Celebration

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



#### Family Mass

The First Sunday of each month will be a Family Mass during the 10:00 Service. This allows our Faith Formation students the opportunity to take part in the different ministries during the Mass allowing them to see the importance of being active participants in our Church.

#### Lector Schedule - St. Lawrence Church

Saturday, Oct 26 – 5:00 pm – Patricia Thompson Sunday, Oct 27 – 10:00 am – Criss Rotko

Saturday, Nov 2- 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer Sunday, Nov 3 - 10:00 am - Faith Formation

Saturday, Nov 9 - 5:00 pm - Patricia Thompson Sunday, Nov 10 - 10:00 am - Criss Rotko

Saturday, Nov 16 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer Sunday, Nov 17 - 10:00 am - Carl Pry

#### Lector Schedule - St. Philip Church

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

Sunday, Nov 3 - 8:00 am - Kimberly Boal

Sunday, Nov 10 - 8:00 am - Erinn Wnek

Sunday, Nov 17 - 8:00 am - Robert Wnek



~ Monday Night Bingo ~ St. Lawrence Center Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30 Games Begin at 6:30 Jackpot... \$1,150 in 57 balls or less Come Join The Fun!!



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

| Monday, October 28    | *Bingo - 6:30 pm<br>St. Lawrence Parish Center<br>Doors Open at 5:30 pm |  |
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|                       | *AA Meeting - 8 pm<br>St. Lawrence Parish Center                        |  |
| Wednesday, October 30 | *AA Meeting - 8 pm<br>St. Lawrence Parish Center                        |  |

On November 1, we observe All Saints Day. On this day, we honor all of the Saints of the church that have attained heaven.

Vigil Mass on Thursday, October 31st will be at St. Philip Church at 5 pm

Masses on Friday, November 1st, will be at Noon and 6pm at St. Lawrence Church

On November 2, All Souls' Day, we honor of all the faithful departed, those baptized Christians who may still require spiritual help to fully enter into heaven.

Mass for All Soul's Day will be on Saturday, November 2nd at 9am at St. James Chapel

> Lector Schedule All Saints Day

Thursday Vigil, October 31st at St. Philip Church 5 pm - Patty Pavolko

Friday, November 1st, at St. Lawrence Church Noon - *Patricia Thompson* 6pm - *Criss Rotko* 

Saturday, November 2nd at St. James Chapel 9am - *Kimberly Boal* 

Due to the 6pm Holy Day Mass on Friday, which is a First Friday, there will be no Holy Hour & no Confessions.

#### **Book of Remembrance**

November is the month in which we are especially mindful of our deceased family and friends because of All Souls Day and the fact that we are in the last weeks of the Church year. During this month, we will have out in church, The Book of Remembrance. Any time from now until the end of November, you may add to this Book, the names of your loved ones who have passed on. During the month of November, as we see the book in church, we offer our thoughts and prayers for the repose of their souls, including those who have no one to pray for them.



Let us keep in our prayers, John Salisbury and Johnny Baumgardner who will be attending their Retreat for Confirmation on November 9th at Pitt Bradford. May they, and all of the Confirmation Candidates, feel Gods love, and take in all they learn and experience that day.

#### Seeking Choir Members

The Choir, accompanied by Larry, sings at the 10am Mass at St. Lawrence Church. We now have a Choir Director!! We welcome Maripat Kitchen as our Director! We are starting fresh, so now is the perfect time to join if you have been thinking about it. Our next rehearsal, will be on Sunday, November 3rd at 9:00am, prior to Mass, in the Parish Center. (Please watch the Facebook Page for changes) If you are unable to make every rehearsal, that is OK....you may still join.

We need you! All voices are welcome!





A huge "Thank You" to Chris and Peg Balogh who planted between 250 and 300 Tulip Bulbs in the new landscaping, in front of the Rectory. We can't wait until Spring, when we will see a beautiful array of color from all of the Tulips!



#### **Cemetery Clean Up**

If you have potted flowers or any other type of adornment at the St. James Cemetery, you are asked to please remove it as soon as possible. The cemetery is being prepared for the winter and everything must be removed before the end of October, or it will be disposed of.

#### 52-200 Club Weekly Winners ~ October 2024 ~

Week 1 - Oct 6 Week 2 - Oct 13 Week 3 - Oct 20 Week 4 - Oct 27

Jeanette Meeker Josh Brown Melody Card Charlie Quay

Congratulations To Our Winners!

# facebook

Please remember to join and follow our new Facebook Group "St. Lawrence-St. Philip Parish" for all information including event photos, meeting reminders, and for any changes and cancelations.

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#### The Liturgy of the Eucharist

#### The Communion Rite, continued...

The word 'Communion' is taken from the Greek word 'koinonia' which means fellowship or community. Communion is *"our fellowship and union with Jesus and other baptized Christians in the Church, which has its source and summit in the celebration of the Eucharist."* (CCC definitions) We recognize this in the procession and Communion Chant.

The Communion Procession is a religious action (as are all the processions that take place during a liturgy.) We are united through baptism. The procession marks and fosters our unity with Christ and with one another. We are a *"pilgrim Church 'on the way'…join[ing] the countless ranks of all the baptized who have gone before us, our loved ones, the canonized and uncanonized saints down through the ages, who at their time in history formed a part of this mighty stream of believers."* (USCCB)

While some believe the singing of a hymn intrudes on their own private prayer and thanksgiving after Communion, it is actually corporate thanksgiving prayer: "a hymn in praise of Christ sung by the united voices of those who believe in him and share his life." (USCCB) It "express[es] the spiritual union of the communicants, [showing] more clearly the "communitarian" character of the procession to receive the Eucharist." (GIRM 86) The Communion Chant (or hymn) should begin when the Priest receives and continue until all have received.

After Communion has been distributed, the priest, deacon, or an instituted acolyte may purify the vessels immediately (or do so after Mass.) Saint Thomas Aquinas notes that Christ is present in every particle of the Body of Christ and every drop of the Precious Blood, so the priest purifies the vessels and consumes the remaining fragments. While purifying, the priest silently prays that "[w]hat has passed our lips as food . . . may be our healing for eternity." (Order of Mass 137)

#### The Prayer After Communion

This prayer concludes The Communion Rite. Said by the presider, it focuses on a phrase or image to help us remain faithful to what we have just received. For an example, on the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, we pray that the *"divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life,…so that, bound to you in lasting charity, we may bear fruit that lasts for ever."* If we have been paying attention and are thankful after receiving communion, we will find that this prayer expresses our sentiment. However, if we've been pre-occupied with other things, this prayer can help us re-focus on the importance of that moment.

Maripat Grant, C.Th

Next week, we will look at the Concluding Rites.