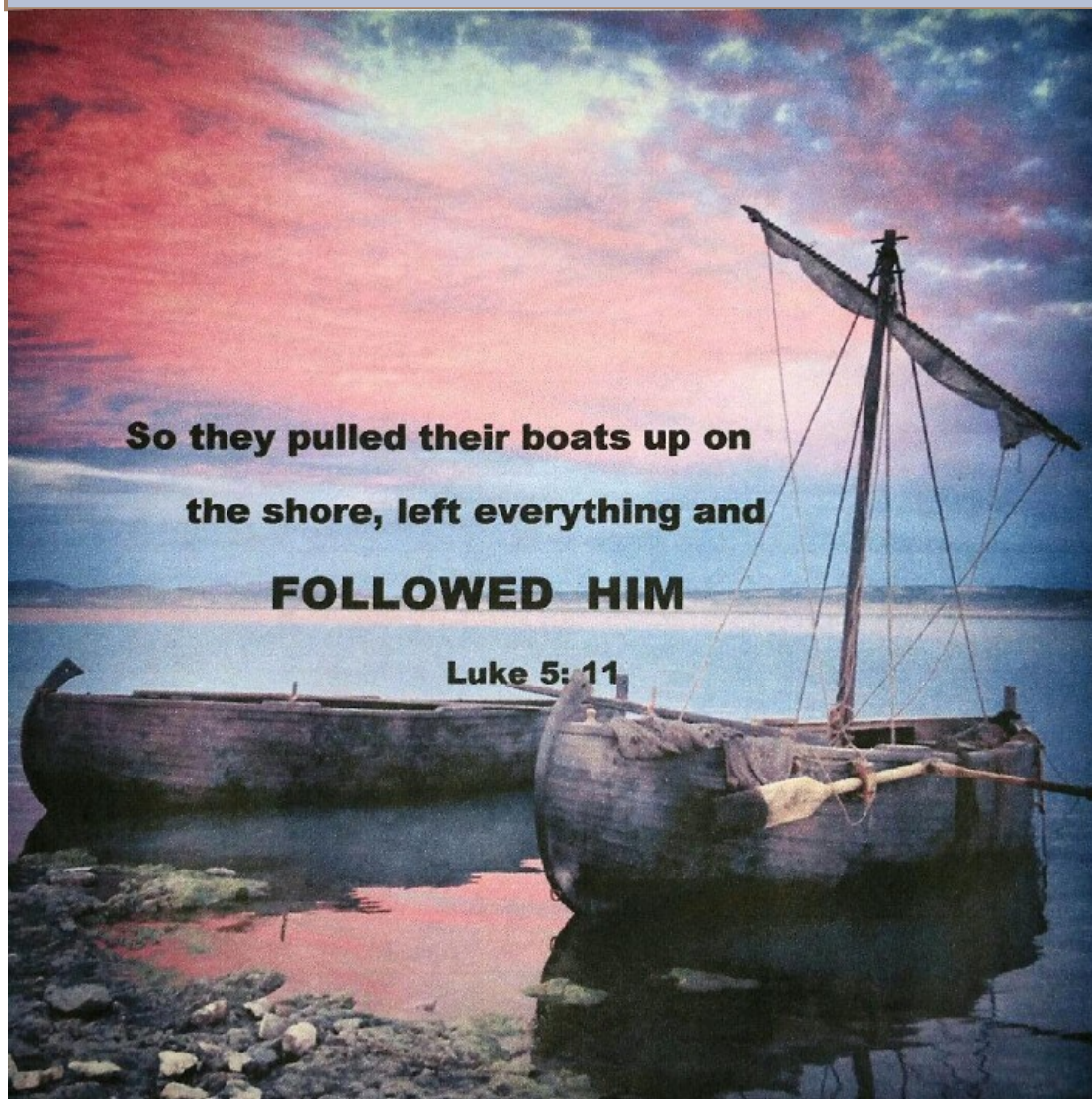


*Saint Lawrence the Martyr Parish  
Saint Philip, Secondary Mission Church*

*Rev. Thomas Trocchio - Pastor  
Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon Assistant*



**So they pulled their boats up on  
the shore, left everything and  
FOLLOWED HIM**

**Luke 5: 11**

*Fifth Sunday  
In  
Ordinary  
Time*

*Sunday, February 9, 2025*

# February 9, 2025 - Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

## \*Contact Information\*

Rev. Thomas Trocchio  
Phone - 814-756-3623

Deacon Paul McCoy  
Email - pwmccoy@aol.com

### Parish Office

Lori Adamson  
Phone - 814-756-3623  
Mailing Address  
St. Lawrence-St. Philip Church  
180 East State Street  
Albion, Pa 16401  
Email - stlawrencealbion@gmail.com

### Office Hours

8:00 am till 1:00 pm  
Monday thru Thursday

### Faith Formation

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

### Parish Custodian/Maintenance

Jim Mitchell

### Parish Center/Rental Information

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

### 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

Thursday After the Noon Mass  
Except Thursdays Before a First Friday  
St. Lawrence Church

### First Friday

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

### Reconciliation

Thursday During Holy Hour at St. Lawrence  
12:45-1:15  
Saturday - 4:15pm to 4:45pm at St. Lawrence  
Sunday - 7:30am at St. Philip



## Mass Intentions for The Week

Monday, February 10  
Saint Scholastica, Virgin

\*No Mass\*

Tuesday, February 11  
Weekday

8:00 AM † *Bernie Bristol*  
( John & Criss Rotko )

Wednesday, February 12  
Weekday

8:00 AM † *Richard Pavolko*  
( John & Ilene Hosey )

Thursday, February 13  
Weekday

12:00 PM - *Judy Diehl*  
For Comfort & Strength  
( Bob & Pat Kaleida )

Friday, February 14  
Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop

12:00 PM † *Richard Pavolko*  
( Sawin Family )

Saturday, February 15  
Weekday

\*At St. Lawrence\*

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

Sunday, February 16  
Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

\*At St. Philip\*

8:00 AM † *Richard Sr. & Peggy Ivan*  
( Elaine McGraw )

\*At St. Lawrence\*

10:00 AM † *Stanley Weidner*  
( Greg & Lori Adamson )

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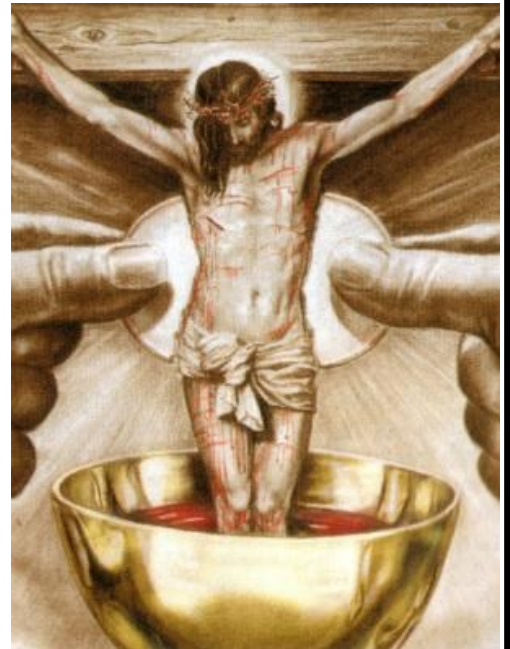
The Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary,  
is prayed every Saturday at St. Lawrence Church,  
beginning at 4:30, just before the 5:00 Mass.

~Mary invites all her children to pray her Rosary~

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Holy Eucharist is the most important sacrament that the Lord gave us. As Catholics, we believe that during the Holy Sacrifice at Mass, during the Communion, the bread and wine on the altar become the flesh and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Why is this important? For us to believe in the supernatural, in the transformation of a simple wafer and wine at mass, into the precious blood and body of Christ is the *entire* purpose of our Mass. For us to partake in His sacrifice, in His body, and in His blood, joins us with Him, in communion, and fills our body with the Holy Spirit. In being united to the humanity of Christ we are at the same time united to his divinity. Our mortal and corruptible natures are transformed by being joined to the source of life. "Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me" (Jn 6:57).



Many non-Catholics accuse the Church of idolatry, in that we worship statues, icons, etc, when in fact we do not! These are reminders of the Saints before us, but we do indeed, worship the Eucharist, because the Eucharist *IS* God. We do this through Eucharistic adoration, and through the partaking of His most precious body and blood during Mass.

The Eucharist enables us to become one with God, for He is truly present within the Church, but most importantly within the Holy Eucharist. To be a part of this, and understand how this happens is hard to explain even within the Church, but the Eucharist exemplifies the Lord's divinity and His presence, for it is written. For us, to question the transformation of the bread and wine into His most precious body and blood, is to question His divinity, and his ability to perform what some may call supernatural feats.

This is why the Catholic Church asks that non Catholics do not partake of the Eucharist, because they do not fully understand its importance, nor accept the doctrine involved in the transformation into His most precious body and blood. This Eucharist, this sacrifice is the most important thing to us, and for us to joined together through the power of the Holy Spirit, with our most blessed Savior!

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Tom

**~Sacrificial Giving ~**

**February 1/2**

Envelopes - \$ 3,151.00

Loose/Guests - \$ 502.00

**Weekly Budget Goal**

**\$ 3,750.00**

**~The 2024 Catholic Services Appeal~**

**Our Diocesan Assessment - \$28,881.00**

**Amount Paid To Date - \$23,918.41**

**Current Registered Households - 150**

**Household Pledges To Date - 52**

**Amount Pledged - \$19,168.41**

**2024 Donation Statements**

If you would like a donation statement for 2024, please contact the Parish Office by email, at [stlawrencealbion@gmail.com](mailto:stlawrencealbion@gmail.com), or you may call at 814-756-3623 during office hours, Monday thru Thursday, 8am till 1pm.

~Thank You.

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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KNIGHTS OF  
COLUMBUS  
COUNCIL #3979**

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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



**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  
If You Are Interested  
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!



**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 time.

**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 ~



Please Keep The Following  
People In Your Prayers

- Judy Diehl-
- Jim Bernoski-
- Marilyn Madden-
- Jon Reibel-
- Mike Sawin-
- Andrew Segal-
- Bill Pavolko-
- Judy Graham-
- Bob Pacansky-
- Anthony-
- Bill Skadhauge-
- Kathy (Hudacky) Oswald-
- Eddie LaCastro-
- Teofilo Gomez (Mr. Serrano)-
- Steve Smith-
- Bob Stewart-
- Philip Kleckner-
- Joseph Sharpe-
- Bill Mundkoswky-
- Craig-
- Fran Harrington-
- Jim & Norella Consedine-
- Sandy Pavolko-
- Tim Smock-
- 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**

## 52/200 Tickets

There are 16 tickets still available  
for this 52/200 season.  
We are selling these tickets  
at a reduced cost of \$25.00  
If you would like to purchase a  
ticket, please see a Rosary Member  
or you may call the Parish Office.



**St. Lawrence Ladies of the Rosary will be  
serving Coffee and Pastries on Sunday,  
February 16 in the Gathering Space at  
St. Lawrence Church, Following the 10am  
Mass. Come join us for good food and**

## Offertory Gift Bearers

We are in the process of setting a schedule of volunteers to bring  
down the Gifts during all Masses at St. Philp and St. Lawrence  
Church. If you are interested, please seek out Patricia  
Thompson at St. Lawrence, or Charlotte Lowery at St. Philp.

Here is the schedule for February at St. Lawrence

- Feb 8 - 5pm - Marcia Lowe & Pat Thompson
- Feb 9 - 10am - Bill & Elsie Mundkowsky
- Feb 15 - 5pm - Skip & Lynn Buttaccio
- Feb 16 - 10am \* Debbie & Grace Seneta
- Feb 22 - 5pm - Chris & Peggy Balogh
- Feb 23 - 10am - Melquist Family

If you have spoken with Charlotte and scheduled for St. Philip,  
please remember that date as yours and we will post a schedule  
as soon as February is filled in.

## Lector Schedule - St. Lawrence Church

- Saturday, Feb 8 - 5:00 pm - Patricia Thompson
- Sunday, Feb 9 - 10:00 am - Criss Rotko
  
- Saturday, Feb 15 - 5:00 pm - Marge Mayer
- Sunday, Feb 16 - 10:00 am - Carl Pry
  
- Saturday, Feb 22 - 5:00 pm - Carrie Sawin
- Sunday, Feb 23 - 10:00 am - Criss Rotko
  
- Saturday, Mar 1 - 5:00 pm - Patricia Thompson
- Sunday, Mar 2 - 10:00 am - Family Mass

## Lector Schedule - St. Philip Church

- Sunday, Feb 9 - 8:00 am - Robert Wnek
  
- Sunday, Feb 16 - 8:00 am - Erinn Wnek
  
- Sunday, Feb 23 - 8:00 am - Kimberly Boal
  
- Sunday, Mar 2 - 8:00 am - Patty Pavolko



## Parish Council/Finance Committee

\*\*\*NEW DATE \*\*\*

Our next meeting will be  
**Thursday, February 13th**  
at 6:00 pm, at the  
**St. Lawrence Parish Center.**



## ~Help Wanted~

We are still in need of a Custodian/Maintenance Technician, and are now extending our reach to the community. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this position, which may include both St. Lawrence and St. Philip Church. please have them contact the Parish Office during office hours for a job description.

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

- Monday, Feb 10 \*Bingo - 6:30  
Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30  
St. Lawrence Parish Center
- \*AA Meeting - 8 pm  
St. Lawrence Parish Center
- Wednesday, Feb 12 \*AA Meeting - 8 pm  
St. Lawrence Parish Center
- Thursday, Feb 13 \*Finance/Parish Council Meeting - 6pm  
St. Lawrence Parish Center



Fr. Tom will offer a Bible Study beginning February 19th and will run through March 26. We will meet on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the St. Lawrence Parish Center. This 6 lesson study, is designed to “enhance your Lenten journey by preparing you for the celebration of the Resurrection.”

There are sign up sheets at both Churches. Please include an e-mail for correspondence if necessary.

The last Bible Study was wonderful and very well received. It was also very well attended and we hope this one will be as well.

~ Monday Night Bingo ~  
St. Lawrence Parish Center  
Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30  
Games Begin at 6:30  
Jackpot... \$1,000  
in 50 balls or less  
Come Join The Fun!!



We will be purchasing a new Paschal Candle, for both St. Lawrence and for St. Philip Church. If you, your family, your Parish Group, or friend group, would like to purchase one of the candles in memory, or in honor of a loved one, please call the Parish Office and let us know. The Paschal candle burns during the Easter season, for baptisms and for funerals.

What a beautiful way to remember your loved one.



\* February 9 - Class

\* February 16 - No Class

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



Last Saturday, our Faith Formation held a Girls Retreat at the Parish Center. Pictured are some of the girls having Pizza, doing activities, and also a picture of some of the Valentines that were made by the girls, and also the rest of the Faith Formation Students, which will be sent to WCTL for their Healing Hearts Valentines Project. The girls also attended Mass together and stayed after and enjoyed a discussion with Fr. Tom about our beautiful Stained Glass Windows.

Thank you Fr. Tom and our Catechists for sharing your time and making this retreat possible.



# 22:32 MEN *Strengthen Your Brothers*

## 2025 CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 1st

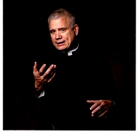
8:30 AM - 1:00 PM Event

At St. Jude Parish, Erie, PA and at

local parishes in NW PA and NE Ohio

*All Faiths are Welcome!*

Inspiring NATIONAL SPEAKERS including:



FATHER LARRY RICHARDS



BE RENEWED IN CHRIST!



"BUT I HAVE PRAYED FOR YOU THAT YOUR FAITH MAY NOT FAIL. AND WHEN YOU HAVE TURNED BACK, STRENGTHEN YOUR BROTHERS." LUKE 22:32



DAN DEMATTE



JEFF JOAQUIN

*Our conference will be held live at St. Jude Parish in Erie and will also be live-streamed out to parishes in the Erie Diocese and others in surrounding areas. Our website has a list of those parishes.*

[www.2232Men.com](http://www.2232Men.com)  
[info@2232Men.com](mailto:info@2232Men.com)

for more details and to register.

\$20 Adult Early Registration (before February 1st)  
\$25 Adult Registration (after January 31st)  
\$20 Group of 8 or more  
\$15 Adult - first time attendee ONLY  
High School and College Students - FREE  
Please register beforehand.

All information is also on the bulletin board at St. Lawrence Church.

*Say Yes!*  
*to the tenth annual*

## 1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025

PLACE: ST. JUDE PARISH, 2801 West 6th Street, Erie

TIME: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS:

8:00 - 8:45 AM in the Church

COST: \$25

College students, High school students & Religious - FREE!

Conference Includes: Two talks, Adoration, Confession,

Mass, Basket Raffle, Book/Media Sales, and 1:38 Women attire for sale.

ATTENDANCE: Live in-person, Live-streamed to a satellite parish or your home



Danielle Bean

*Danielle is a Catholic writer and speaker. She helps women to know their dignity and worth so they can find peace, balance, and joy in faith and family living.*



Sister Mary Gabriel, SV

*Sister Mary Gabriel is a member of the Sisters of Life, a religious community dedicated to the protection and enhancement of the sacredness of human life.*

MORE INFO

[www.138women.com](http://www.138women.com) or 814-455-7364

ALL FAITHS WELCOME!



## ~Candles~

Prayer candles are available to light at both St. Lawrence and St. Philp Churches. You may leave a donation for the small 6 hour candles, and the large 6 day candles are \$5 or a donation. The Sanctuary Light burns in honor of The Most Blessed Sacrament, but you can have intentions for your loved one included, for a week or for a month, for a donation. You can call the Parish Office to set this up.

Lighting a candle gives us a physical form to think about during our prayers. They are used to accompany a prayer for your own needs, for someone else that you're thinking of in need, or for any prayer of thanks.

When you enter Church, maybe look at the candles that are lit. We do not know what prayers those people have offered, but we know they're important to them, and maybe we can pray silently along with them.



## Palm Recall

Please bring in your old palms from last year and place them in the box available in the gather space at St. Lawrence Church, and the in the front entrance at St. Philip Church.

