

*Saint Lawrence the Martyr
Saint Philip, Secondary Mission*

Rev. Michael Kesicki - Pastor

Deacon Paul McCoy - Deacon Assistant



**FATHER,
THE HOUR HAS COME.**

**GLORIFY YOUR SON,
THAT YOUR SON
MAY GLORIFY YOU.**

*May 17th
2026*

*Seventh
Sunday
Of Easter*

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

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, May 17, 2026

~ From Fr. Michael ~

~ Parish Staff ~

Clergy

Rev. Michael Kesicki
 Email - mkesicki@eriercd.org
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Faith Formation

Carrie Sawin - 814-440-0487
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Custodian/Maintenance

Renaë Mihalak

Parish Center

Renaë 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

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 180 East State Street
 Albion, Pa 16401

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 stlawrencealbion@gmail.com

St. James Cemetery

Greg Petrus

Faith Formation

Our Faith Formation program concluded its year on May 3rd. What a blessing our students have been — not only in their learning, but in their witness. Each month, as they animated the liturgical roles at Mass, they reminded all of us of the beauty of active participation in our worship. Their example is a true inspiration to the entire parish family.



As our students now wind down their school year, let us keep them in our prayers — that they may carry with them the seeds of faith planted this year and allow them to grow throughout the summer and beyond.

Memorial Day Mass at St. James Cemetery

Next weekend we observe Memorial Day, a time to pause in gratitude for all those who gave their lives in service to our country. We remember them not only with civic pride, but with the prayers of a grateful and faithful people. Please join us for a special Holy Mass **on Monday, May 25th** at the **Chapel at St. James Cemetery at 8:30 AM**. Together we will commend to God's mercy our fallen heroes and all our own beloved dead who rest in that sacred ground. All are welcome.

Blessings on your week!

~ Ministry Schedule ~

	May 23 - 4pm	May 24 - 8am	May 24 - 10am
Lector	Marge M.	Patti P.	Criss R.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Julio P.
Gift Bearers	Marge M./Norma J.	Cotton Family	Victor/Andrea M.
	May 30 - 4pm	May 31 - 8am	May 31 - 10am
Lector	Patricia T.	Kimberly B.	Grace S.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Branden L.	Brooke W./Sophia P.
Gift Bearers	Al/Miriam Y.	Dennis/Patti P.	Bill/Elsie M.
	June 6 - 4pm	June 7 - 8am	June 7 - 10am
Lector	Carrie S.	Erinn W.	Carl P.
Altar Server	Nelli S.	Branden L.	Ethan P.
Gift Bearers		Elaine M.	
	June 13 - 4pm	June 14 - 8am	June 14 - 10am
Lector	Marge M.	Robert W.	Criss R.
Altar Server	Nellie S.	Brandon L.	Vivian B.
Gift Bearers		Valerie S.	

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.

Seventh Sunday Of Easter

~ Mass Intentions ~

Monday, May 18
Easter Weekday

No Mass

Tuesday, May 19
Easter Weekday

No Mass

Wednesday, May 20
Easter Weekday

8:00 AM † Hubert & Emily McCommons
(James McCommons Family)

Thursday, May 21
Easter Weekday

8:00 AM † Jack & Jeanette Meeker
(Jim & Cathy Hudacky and Family)

Friday, May 22
Easter Weekday

8:00 AM † Bill Leone
(Palma Leone)

Saturday, May 23
Easter Weekend
At St. Lawrence

4:00 PM † Adam & Mary Stankiewicz
(Jackie Stankiewicz)

Sunday, May 24
Pentecost Sunday

At St. Philip

8:00 AM † The Living and Deceased Members
Of St. Lawrence and St. Philip

At St. Lawrence

10:00 AM - Judy Diehl - (Living)
In Honor Of Her Birthday
(Her Family)

Please Note...
There will be no Daily Mass
on Monday, May 18th.

~ Deacon's Corner ~

The Rosary

As we move through May, it is significant to remember that the Holy Rosary is a way to honor and remember Jesus' mother.



You may occasionally ask yourself, what is the background and history of the Rosary? The structure of the Rosary gradually evolved between the 12th and 15th centuries. There is a long tradition in the Church that St. Dominic de Guzman was the source of the Rosary in the 12th century to counter the Albigensians, who had denied the mystery of Christ. However, the early account of Dominic's life does not mention it, the Dominican constitutions do not link him with it, and portraits do not include it as a symbol to identify the saint.

Furthermore, the evolution of the Rosary over four hundred years is very interesting. Many scholars and theologians conclude that it is the outgrowth of the early monks saying the Psalms. The Rosary started to take form with the Our Father being said 150 times to replace the Psalms. Eventually, Carthusian monk Henry of Kalkar in 1365 divided the 150 Hail Marys into 15 groups of 10 beads. The Our Father was also placed between each group or decade. Later, around 1480, Dominican priests suggested focusing on fifteen episodes in the life and work of Mary and Jesus. From the 16th to the 21st centuries, there were 3 sets of mysteries: the Joyful, the Glorious, and the Sorrowful. In 2001 Pope St. John Paul II added the Luminous Mysteries. The intent was to include meditations on the time in Jesus' life between His incarnation (a Joyful Mystery) and His passion (a Sorrowful Mystery).

Archbishop Fulton Sheen said, *"The rosary is the book of the blind, where souls see and, there enact the greatest drama of love the world has ever known; it is the book of the simple, which initiates them into mysteries and knowledge more satisfying than the education of other men; it is the book of the aged, whose eyes close upon the shadow of this world, and open on the substance of the next. The power of the rosary is beyond description."*

In the book *Praying the Rosary Like Never Before: Encounter the Wonder of Heaven and Earth* by Edward Sri we read, *"Think of the rosary as being like the ocean: There's something in it for everyone, whether you consider yourself a veteran mystic longing to go deeper in prayer with our Lord, a novice struggling to learn how to pray, or someone seeking the Lord's help, right now, with something going on in your life. The deep-sea explorer and the child making sand castles on the beach can fully enjoy the same ocean while playing at different levels. And this is true with the rosary."*

So, take some time this month to pray the Rosary.

Holy Mary, pray for us during this month of the Most Holy Rosary.

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!

DeColores!

Cursillo
*"Making a friend, being a friend,
 and
 introducing that friend to Christ."*
 Parish Coordinators:
 Needed

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 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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 Irene Petruska
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This Space Available

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

~ Offertory~

~Sacrificial Giving ~ May 9/10 Weekly Budget Goal \$ 3,660.00	*2026 CSA* Our Diocesan Assessment \$ 29,770.00
Envelopes Registered - 134 Envelopes In This Week - 78	Amount Pledged \$36,170.42
Weekly Envelopes - \$ 3,268.00 Loose Cash - \$ 141.00 Guests - \$ 430.00	Amount Collected \$26,312.42

52 - 200 Club

**May 2025 - April 2026
Final Drawing Winners**

\$1000..... #158 - Mark Paradise
\$500..... #187 - John & Sharon Schultz
\$250..... #193 - William Huntley Jr.
\$250..... #079 - Criss Rotko
\$100..... #155 - Zachary Balogh
\$100..... #122 - William Eschweiler
\$100..... #169 - Anthony Brown
\$100..... #045 - Elaine Melquist
\$100..... #092 - Carl & Judy Pry

**Thank you for supporting
our fundraiser this year.
Congratulations to all our winners!**

**Second Collection Next Weekend
International Needs**

A combined collection for Catholic Relief Services, Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and Support for the Church in Africa, will be taken next weekend at all Masses. Please give as generously as you can.

~ Monday Night Bingo ~

St. Lawrence Center
Doors/Concessions Open at 5:30
Games Begin at 6:30
Jackpot:
\$1,050 in 52 balls or less
Come Join The Fun!!



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"

St. Philip Church Bell

Recently, Greg and Jack inspected the bell at St. Philip Church to do some maintenance. They wanted to share an inscription they found, on both sides of the bell. The one side reads,

**" Presented to the Catholic Congregation
of St. Philip's Church, Crossingville, Pa.
By Rev. Michael Edward Tracy
Clinton H. McNeely Bell Company
Troy, NY"**

The other side reads,

**"In Honore Immaculate Conceptionis
Beatae Mariae Virginis
December 8, 1882"**

~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
Bob Stewart
Philip Kleckner
Marc Kearns
Joseph Sharpe
Norella Consedine
Tim Smock
John & Sharon Shultz
Bob Cochran
Rob Leninsky

Carl Pry
Conrad Woods
Justin Corwin
Donald DiFiori
Ben
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Stacey B.
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Joseph Lewis, O.de.M
Mary Tad
Karen
Alexis Mundkoswky
BJ Leicht
Irasema Rimel
Casey Lawrence

Kristin Bucci
Sue Wadsworth
Phyllis Giewont
Everett
Wanda Manculich
Sue Mihalak
The Families of
John Rotko, Norbert Reibel,
& Nancy Cherry
Our Homebound &
Care Center Parishioners
All Intentions In Our
Prayer Box

There are still tickets available for
The Ladies of the Rosary Purse Bingo
on Saturday, May 30th.

Tickets are available for purchase
after both Masses at St. Lawrence Church,
through any Ladies of the Rosary Member,
or by calling the Parish Office.

Thank You!

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

**Trash and Treasure Sale - Help Needed
Saint Philip Church**

Sale Dates

Thursday, May 21 9:00 - 5:00
Friday, May 22 9:00 - 5:00
Saturday, May 2 9:00 - Noon

(Buy 1 Bag Get 2 Free on Saturday)

Help is needed to set up, sort and price items.

Sunday May 17 9:00 - Noon
Monday May 18 9:00 - 3:00
Tuesday May 19 9:00 - 3:00
Wednesday May 20 9:00 - 3:00

Volunteers Are Also Needed To Work The Sale

Thursday May 21 9:00 - 5:00
Friday May 22 9:00 - 5:00
Saturday May 23 9:00 - Noon

Help is also needed on Saturday
to help pack items not sold.

Please see the insert in last weeks bulletin
or call the Parish Office at 814-756-3623
if you would like to volunteer and
for information on how you can donate your items.