

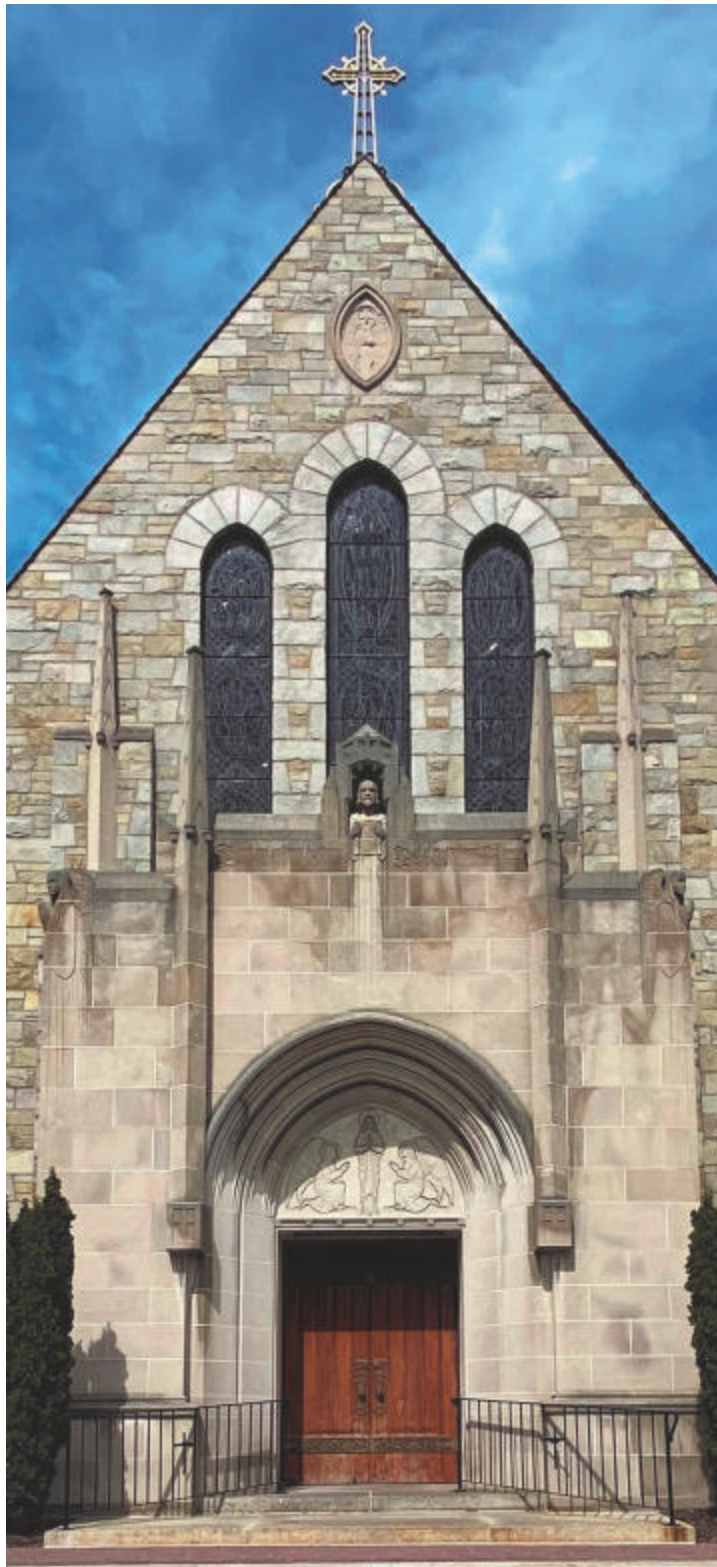
# St. Luke's Church

1241 STATE STREET, SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK 12304

Parish Office 518 346-3405

Web Site: [stlukesschenectady.org](http://stlukesschenectady.org)

Email: [slrcc7@gmail.com](mailto:slrcc7@gmail.com)



## PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Dominic P. Isopo, Pastor [slrcc7@gmail.com](mailto:slrcc7@gmail.com)  
Kristin Black, MSW, Pastoral Associate for Pastoral Care  
518 347-9955 [stlukescare@gmail.com](mailto:stlukescare@gmail.com)

Linda Quant, Office Manager  
518-346-3405, [stlukeschurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:stlukeschurchoffice@gmail.com)

Maria Riccio Bryce, Music Director  
[mariariccibryce@gmail.com](mailto:mariariccibryce@gmail.com)

Arlene Parisi, Director of Faith Formation  
518 377-0506 [arleneparisircffp@gmail.com](mailto:arleneparisircffp@gmail.com)

**ST. LUKE'S DAILY BREAD FOOD PANTRY**,  
518 347-1385 Mary Jane Smith, Coordinator  
Kathy Spano, Co-Coordinator

## WORKS OF MERCY INITIATIVE

Kristin Black, MSW, Coordinator, for the Schenectady Parishes  
518 347-0871 [worksofmercyschdy@live.com](mailto:worksofmercyschdy@live.com)  
Mary Ann Fiminski, Liaison for St. Luke's

## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm, Sunday: 8:00am and 11:00am

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Communal Baptism celebrated on the last Sunday of the month.  
A Baptism preparation class is a requirement prior to Baptism.  
Please call the Parish Office for further information.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:00pm or by appointment

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married should contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the proposed date to allow ample time for preparation. No other arrangements should be made before contacting the Church.

## VISITATION AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please notify the parish office when serious illness occurs or when the sick, aged or incapacitated are confined to the home or hospital.

## ST. LUKE'S SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Classes are available for grades PreK-11. Please call the Religious Education Office, 518 377-0506 to register or for more information.

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

We welcome all our visitors and guests who worship at St. Luke's. We invite families and individuals who wish to become members to register with us by visiting our website, calling or stopping by the Parish Office.

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 8:00am - 12:00pm, Phone only 12-3

Handicapped accessible. Personal amplified units for the hearing impaired available in sacristy. See Usher for assistance.

**ST. LUKE'S PRAYER CHAIN**

Contact: Eleanor Ann Olbrich 518 346-3537

AS A LASTING TRIBUTE TO ST. LUKE'S FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS, PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.  
CORPORATE NAME:  
**ST. LUKE'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

*Reconciliation* The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated each Saturday at 3pm at St. Luke's and Monday-Friday following the 12:15pm Mass at St. Joseph's.

**PROJECT RACHEL**

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW SUFFERING FROM THE EMOTIONAL AFTERMATH OF ABORTION? TO FIND COMPASSION, HELP AND SUPPORT OR TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THIS MINISTRY CALL;

**ST. LUKE'S OUTREACH OFFICE 518 347-9955**

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
**"A DAY WITH the LORD"**  
On the **FIRST FRIDAY** of each month, St. Luke's hosts the **EXPOSITION** of the **BLESSED SACRAMENT** from 11:30am to 4:00pm. The exposition closes with a simple benediction. All parishioners are encouraged to make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament and spend some time in prayer and reflection. At 7:00pm the Nocturnal Adoration Society will lead those present in prayer until 8pm.  
**The next day of adoration will be Friday, January 7th**

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

St. Peter's Health Partners is offering training to become a Certified Home Health Aide beginning January 10 through 21st. From 8:30am-5:00pm at 1938 Curry Road, (Eddy Senior Center). Home Health Aides provide health care services and other supportive services in the home and work under the supervision of a Registered Professional Nurse. Once certified, employment opportunity is available with the Eddy Senior Care Services at a starting rate of \$15.00 per hour. For more information, visit: <https://www.sphp.com/classes-and-events/home-health-aide-training>.



**WEEK of JANUARY 3 - 9**

**DAILY MASS at 11:00am**

- Monday Jimmy Sanzone req Claire Neugebauer  
Harriet Rodwell req Sherrill Redmond
- Tuesday Marianne Cook req Patrice Russell  
Mark Cook req Patrice Russell
- Wednesday **NO SERVICES**
- Thursday Paula Mazzotti req Children  
Rose Shields req Michele Shields
- Friday Michael Kubik req Patrice Russell  
Doris Kubik req Patrice Russell
- Saturday 4:00 PM Margaret Pucio req Patty Isopo-Croteau  
Anthony Florio req Eileen & Mike Clark  
Frank Gallo req Linda & Joe Grassi
- Sunday 8:00 AM Anna May & Jack Barry  
req Anne & Alan Grzelecki  
Intentions of Erwin & Jane Susich  
req Barb & Joe Pallante
- 11:00 AM Helen Nagle req Marguerite Herring  
Frances Passafiume  
req Joe & Denise Lapczenski  
Rose Cerasso  
req Joe & Denise Lapczenski

**FOOD for the NEEDY** St. Luke's Daily Bread Food Pantry food collection is **next weekend**. You may place your grocery items in the Gathering Area of the Church. If you are wondering how to best help us, there are some items which can be difficult or expensive for us to get even through the food bank: **tuna, macaroni & cheese, and bathroom tissue**. Please no perishable items. Envelopes are available for your **cash donations** which are always very much appreciated. Your continued generosity has helped many parishioners and others to feed their families and experience God's helping hand. Thank you for your continued support of this vital ministry.



Many thanks to all who participated in our 2021 Christmas Food and Toy Distribution Project. Because of the generosity of St. Luke's parishioners, friends of the Daily Bread Food Pantry and other community donations, over \$15,150.00 was raised and used to provide over 800 adults and children with enough food for 3 days including Christmas dinner and toys for children to open on Christmas morning. A special thanks to all our food pantry volunteers who gave so generously of their time and talent to this project. We are truly doing the work of the Lord!!!

**EPIPHANY PROCLAMATION**



We join with the Universal Church in celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany. We observe Epiphany as a major Church festival to commemorate Christ's manifestation as the son of God and Savior of the world.

Within the Church, however, there is an ancient tradition of announcing the dates of the movable Feasts for the coming year. This Epiphany Proclamation helps us see the unfolding of our salvation through the changes and the rhythms of time. Here, in part, is the Epiphany Proclamation:

**“Dear Brothers and Sisters: The Glory of the Lord has shown upon us and shall ever manifest itself among us until the day of His return. Through the rhythms and changes of time, let us call to mind and live the mysteries of salvation. The center of the whole Liturgical Year is the Paschal Triduum of the Lord, crucified, buried and risen, which will culminate in the solemn Vigil of Easter during the holy night that will end with the dawn on April 17. Every Sunday, as in a weekly Easter, Holy Church makes present that great and saving deed by which Christ has forever conquered sin and death.**

**From Easter, comes forth and are reckoned all the days we keep holy: Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten Spring the 9th of March; the Ascension of the Lord, the 26th of May; Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit, the 5th of June and the First Sunday of Advent, the 27th. of November.**

**Likewise the Feast of the Holy Mother of God, of the Apostles and Saints and commemoration of the faithful departed. The Pilgrim Church on earth proclaims the resurrection of Jesus Christ Our Lord. To Christ who was, who is to come, the Lord of time and history, be endless praises forever.”** *(Adopted from the Roman Missal, translated by Peter Scagnello)*

**2022**

**A NEW YEAR UPON US**

Consult not your fears, but your hope and your dreams,  
Think not about your frustrations,  
but about your unfulfilled potential.

‘Concern not yourself with what you tried and failed in,  
but what is still possible to do.

Now is the time to put aside past and present setbacks  
and look with confidence to the new day  
called tomorrow.

-St. Pope John XXIII

**The Schenectady Vicariate Ladies of Charity fund raiser, held at St. Luke’s, was very successful. Many, many thanks for all the support and extreme generosity of so many parishioners. Special thanks to Eileen Clark, Eleanor Ann Olbrich and Linda Koelling for their help.**  
**-Patty Marra**



**A NEW YEAR of GRACE**

We welcome the New Year of God’s grace with great hope and an abiding faith. The Christmas gift giving and receiving is fading into memory for another year. But through the gift of the Savior, celebrated on the Feast of the Epiphany, the universal Savior has been revealed to us by God through the Scriptures. In the name of Jesus we are saved! In the name of Jesus we are healed! In the name of Jesus we are forgiven! In the spirit of the Epiphany, we too, must offer similar gifts to others.

I want to thank the parishioners who made our Christmas services both prayerful and beautiful; to all who donated to the Christmas Flower Fund, to those who helped decorate the Sanctuary; to those who served as Readers, Special Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers, Greeters and Ushers who welcomed and assisted; to the Choir and Music Director for their inspiring ministry of Sacred Music and to all the parishioners who celebrated Christmas at St. Luke’s for your continued generosity and faithfulness. Together we have made Christmas 2021 a beautiful celebration of our Savior’s birth.

I want to personally thank those who sent cards, baked goods and gifts, I appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness. May God pour out his choicest blessings upon the people of our parish in 2022.

God Bless..... Fr. Isopo



*For First Time and Expectant Parents*

At St. Luke’s, the birth of each child is a joyous occasion for the whole parish family. We look forward to welcoming your child into the family of God’s people through the faith-filled celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism.

Because Baptism is a sacrament of initiation, parents should be registered members of the parish into which they initiate their child. Recognizing the expectation of the Church that parents are the primary teachers of their children in the ways of faith, St. Luke’s requires special formation for both parents through a Baptism Preparation Class.

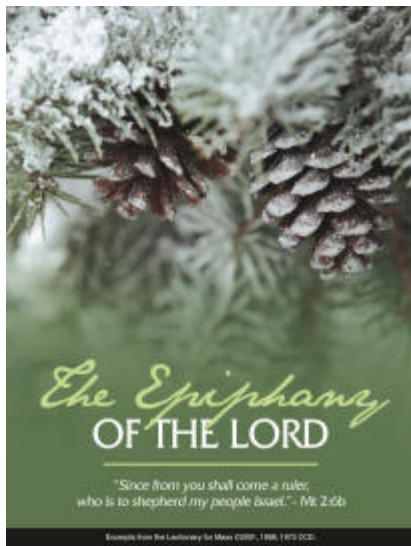
**The next Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for Saturday, January 8 at 2:00pm in the Church. Both parents are required to attend prior to scheduling a date for Baptism.**

To register for the class or for more information, please call the Parish Office, 518 346-3405.

*JANUARY 2, 2022*

## Ministries & Services

Adult Christian Initiation	Nocturnal Adoration Society
Altar Servers	Office Volunteers
Bereavement Ministry	Pastoral Council
Building and Grounds	Prayer Chain
Central State Street	Readers
Ecumenical Cluster	Sacramental Preparation
Choir	Small Faith
Elizabeth Ministry	Communities
Finance Council	Special Ministers
Formation Ministry	of the Eucharist
Greeters	Special Events Committee
Hospitality	Stitches of Love
Martha Ministry	Ushers
Musicians	Visitation Ministry



### **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

St. Luke's School of Religion  
Grades Pre-K-11

### **PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

Altar Rosary Society

### **ST. LUKE'S OUTREACH SERVICES**

Counseling and Referral, Elderly and Family Care  
Hospital, Nursing Home and Home Visitations  
The Daily Bread Food Pantry

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Facebook - stlukes Schenectady  
(Must be typed as shown including space)  
Twitter - @stlukes14  
You Tube - St. Luke's, Schenectady NY  
Website - [www.stlukesschenectady.org](http://www.stlukesschenectady.org)

ST. LUKE'S PARISH  
EMBRACING THE 21ST CENTURY

*JANUARY 2, 2022*

## **A VISION FOR ST. LUKE'S**

St. Luke's Parish is a culturally, economically and socially diverse community of baptized men, women and children, who, inspired by the wisdom of the Gospel and by the tradition of the Catholic Church, are committed to fulfilling the Ministry and Mission of Jesus Christ.

By virtue of Baptism, we are called to build up the Kingdom of God, to affirm and give witness to the values and teachings of Jesus Christ as expressed in the Word of God and the teachings of the Universal Church.

As people of Faith, we are called to welcome, dignify and respect all God's people. We are called to serve the needs of others by sharing our time, talent and treasure.

We are called to celebrate the Eucharist as the Apex of our Catholic faith and Christian life. We are called to make life choices that reflect our willingness to grow in faith as the Holy People of God. (Adopted by St. Luke's Pastoral Council November 1997)



## **WE WELCOME YOU WITH GREAT JOY!**

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church;  
No matter what your current family or marital situation;  
No matter what your past or present religious affiliation;  
No matter what your personal history, age,  
sexual orientation, background, lifestyle, race or color;  
No matter your own self-image or self-esteem;

**We invite, welcome, accept, love and respect you in  
the name of our loving & life-giving  
Savior, Jesus Christ.**



**SCOTT & BARBIERI**  
FAMILY FUNERAL HOMES  
www.sbfuneralhome.com

**Light's Funeral Home**    **Griswold Funeral Home**  
1428 State St., Schenectady    1867 State St., Schenectady  
**518-374-1015**    **518-374-6188**  
Family Owned Since 1929    Family Owned Since 1932

**Traditional Funerals • Cremations**  
**PreArrangements • Monuments**

Peter O. & Leah R. Kucera, Parishioners • Michael J. May • Alicia C. DiCerbo, Parishioner

**1st** Committed to Customer Service.  
National Bank of Scotia  
Visit us on the web or at one of our ten convenient locations.  
370-7200  
firstscotia.com

**SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!**  
LPI

**KENNEDY OPTICAL**  
  
1675 Providence Ave. Schenectady  
**377-2144**

TIRES & AUTO REPAIR IN EAST GREENBUSH & SCHENECTADY  
**GRAND PREMIER**  
TIRES & CUSTOM WHEELS  
NOKIAN TYRES • YOKOHAMA • American Express  
3361 SOUTH THOMPSON, SCHENECTADY 518-630-5055  
591 COLUMBIA TPKE, EAST GREENBUSH 518-477-4753  
**WE ARE OPEN!!!! NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY!**

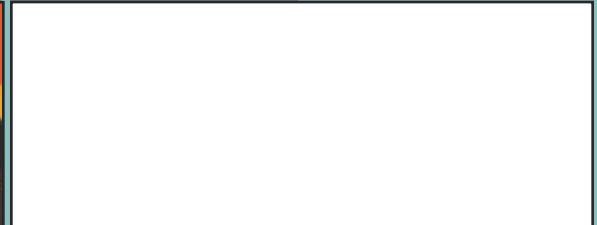
**DAGOSTINO BUILDING BLOCKS, INC.**  
Since 1922  
www.Dagblock.com  
1111 Altamont Ave. Schenectady, NY  
**518-374-3116**  
**VERSA-LOK**  
Retaining Wall Systems  
Solid Solutions

**ADT-Monitored Home Security**  
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust  
• Burglary • Flood Detection  
• Fire Safety • Carbon Monoxide  
  
Authorized Provider **SafeStreets** 1-855-225-4251

**ADK REALTY**  
**FOR SALE**  
518.835.2357  
www.ADKRealty.com  
MaryEllen Charles  
NYS Licensed RE Broker/Owner  
2144 State Highway 10 Caroga Lake, NY 12032

**MARINO'S**  
Pizza and Restaurant  
Featuring: Veal, Chicken, Seafood And Of Course Pizza  
1301 State Street, Schenectady  
**346-6992**

**WE'RE HIRING**  
AD SALES EXECUTIVES  
**BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION.**  
**WORK WITH PURPOSE.**  
• Paid Training  
• Some Travel  
• Work-Life Balance  
• Full-Time with Benefits  
• Serve Your Community  
  
LPI Contact us at careers@4lpi.com  
www.4lpi.com/careers



**Katie O'Byrnes**  
IRISH PUB  
**Katie O'Byrnes**  
IRISH RESTAURANT  
Check us out for great food and entertainment!  
Serving Lunch and Dinner Monday - Sunday  
121 Wall Street (on the corner of State & Erie Boulevard)  
Schenectady NY 12305  
**518.395.5999**

**Lorenzo's CAFE**  
Family owned and operated since 2013  
Serving fresh home cooked meals and delicious coffee.  
Wed. - Sun. from 6am - 4pm (Monday and Tuesday Closed)  
518-372-2219 | WWW.LORENZOSITALIANCAFE.COM

# DALY FUNERAL HOME, INC.

Family Owned & Operated Since 1930

LAWRENCE H. DALY, SR. MGR. • SUSAN E. DALY  
LAWRENCE H. DALY, JR. • MICHAEL T. MEAGHER

242 McClellan Street

In Loving Memory of Douglas M. Daly

(518) 374-1600

LET US PLACE YOUR AD HERE.

**AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME!**  
**ADVERTISE HERE NOW!**  
Contact **Victoria Russo** to place an ad today!  
vrusso@4LPi.com or (800) 477-4574 x6283

**We've Missed You!**  
Welcome Back to Mass  
  
Stay connected to our faith community no matter where you are by signing up to get our bulletin delivered straight to your email!  
www.ParishesOnline.com

**support our ADVERTISERS**  


**STAND OUT**  
with a PREMIUM DIGITAL AD on PARISHESONLINE.COM  
  
CONTACT US AT 800-477-4574