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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

______WELCOME Please pray with us, celebrate with us, and

walk together with us in faith. We also hope

that you will share your special gifts within the community. Your prayers, your presence, welcome to all! May God bless us all.

<u>CLERGY</u>

Rev. George Villamthanam, Administrator Rev. Bijoy Joseph, Parochial Vicar Deacon Frank Hann

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays - M-F 8:00 AM Weekends - SATURDAY 4PM Sunday - 7:30AM, 10:30AM, 6PM Confessions - Saturday 3:15-3:45

<u>SECRETARY - Jane Thomas</u> Office Hours M-T-W-T 9-1

FAITH FORMATION

Kim Bocchino, Catechetical Leader 860-875-4951 stlukere@gmail.com,

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Frank Hann 860-462-8032

NOVEMBER 27, 2022





Join us every Tuesday - 8:30am to 9:30am and the First Thursday of every month at 7pm with the Divine Mercy Prayer for the sick and dying.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the parish office or pick up a yellow Registration form located at either entrance to the church.

CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

Morris Webber.

<u>SATURDAY . NOVEMBER 26, 4:00PM</u> ++M/M ELI CORMIER R/B NANCY CIANCI

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

7:30AM_FOR ALL PARISHIONERS 10:30AM_+GEORGE CROFT R.B WILLIAM HILLCREST 6:00PM_+ELIZABETH AND DOMENICK R/B TERRI COCUZZO

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 8:00AM +MANUEL RODRIGUES -ANNIVERSARY R/B HIS WIFE AND SON

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 NO MASS PRIESTS AWAY

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 30, 8:00AM NO MASS PRIESTS AWAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 8:00AM +REV. MSGR. RICHARD P LAROCQUE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 8:00AM +LARRY KEHOE R/B JOE & KIM BOCCHINO

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 4:00PM +FATHER TOM R/B SISTER GUYTINA

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022 7:30AM +VIC COHUN - BIRTHDAY R/B ANN & FAMILY 10:30AM FOR OUR GRADE 10 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES 6:00 PM_FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

Please pray for those who have gone to their Heavenly Father.

Please pray for those who are sick. Lord, Our God, you sent your Son into the world to bear our infirmities and to endure our sufferings. For your servants who are sick, especially from our Parish Family, we ask that your blessing will give them strength to overcome their weakness through the power of patience and the comfort of hope and that with your aid they will soon be restored to health. We ask this through Our Lord. Amen Charlie Allen, Wanda Allen, Calista Bailey, Louise Barbero, Jody & Laura Behrendt, Emma Benavivich, , Tina Chamberlin, William Coyne, Bob Cresenzi, Jeanne Ferruolo, Sister Guytina, Penny Harrington, Tracy Kearcher, Joseph King, Kathy Larew, Ellen Lohnes, Richard Marcinek, Mark McPartland, Meg Morneau, Jeanne Parker, Beth Ann Phillips, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Loren Schuiten, Joan Smith, Melanie Smith, Eugene & Judy Veillette, Sheila Waterhouse &

MISSION DECLARATION

In order to witness as a better Christian Community in this third millennium, we, the members of Saint Luke Parish solemnly resolve to provide a worship and prayerful environment that stimulates the spiritual growth to every individual, to sacrifice time, talent and treasure in gratitude for God's generous blessings to His greater glory and for the people in need.

To promote Christian formation through religious instruction that foster/nurture the spiritual development of our children, our young people and grown-ups.

To encourage tolerance, openness, honesty and forgiveness to one another.

To promote the virtues of Justice, Peace, and Human dignity that:

- address injustice experienced by all peoples, especially women and minorities;

- take action to counteract violence in our society and to foster the sacredness of human life from conception to the grave.

CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE



FAITH FORMATION 2022-2023

Our Faith Formation program runs through Confirmation in Grade 10. We are looking forward to <u>Growing In Faith Together</u>! Contact Kim in the Faith Formation office with questions or to enroll your children.

CONFIRMATION 2023 - Important Dates

<u>Sunday, December 4, 2022</u> Confirmation Candle Mass and Retreat. All students and their families should plan to attend the 10:30 Mass. After mass all students will go to the church basement for lunch followed by the Confirmation retreat. <u>Thursday, March 2</u> at 6:30pm - Confirmation Rehearsal for both students and sponsors. Saturday, March 4 at 11am - Confirmation Mass.

CONFIRMATION 2024 - GRADE 9 - IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday January 8th - Confirmation Commitment Mass at 10:30 for students and families. Sunday January 22nd - Year 1 Confirmation Parent and Student Retreat. All Students and at least one parent will attend from 12:30 - 2:30

Service to Others and Youth Group Grades 8 and 9

All 8th and 9th grade students are to complete 10 hours of community service and turn in their completed Service to Other Logs no later than April 26th, 2023. We encourage all Confirmation students to make Youth Group part of their life by attending the monthly meetings. We do require them to attend at least 3 Youth Group meetings each year between September 2022 and May 2023.

FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING CLASSES AND EVENTS

November 27 - No Sunday Classes November 29 - Tuesday Classes 6:45-8pm - Grades 5-10 November 30 - Wednesday Classes 6:45-8pm - Grades 6-10 November 22, 23 & 27 - NO Tuesday, Wednesday & Sunday Classes December 4, 11, 18 - Sunday Classes 9-10:15 am – Grades 1-5 December 6, 13 - Tuesday Classes 6:45-8pm – Grades 5-10 December 7, 14 - Wednesday Classes 6:45-8pm – Grades 6-10 December 20, 21, 25, 27 and 28 – No Classes

<u>Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)</u> We are excited for all children age 4 through 5th grade to join us during the 10:30 Mass for Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW). CLOW will be held in the Parish Center on December 4th, 11th & 18.th.

"God, thank you for giving our family the gift of one another. Amen."

CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE COMMUNITY NEWS



THE COLLECTION FOR NOVEMBER 20 WILL BE IN A FUTURE BULLETIN DUE TO EARLY SUBMISSION.

IST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." MATTHEW 24:42

People who have had health issues or near -death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

MEDJUGORJE LATEST MESSAGE

Dear Children! The Most High permits me to be with you, and to be joy for you and the way in hope, because mankind has decided for death. That is why He sent me to keep instructing you that without God you do not have a future. Little Children, be instruments of love for all those who have not come to know the God of love. Witness joyfully your faith and do not lose hope in a change of the human heart.

I am with you and I am blessing you with my motherly blessing. Thank you for having responded to my call.



ST. LUKE MARIAN DIVINE MERCY WELCOMES YOU! PLEASE JOIN US MONDAY TO FRIDAY AT 3PM WE MEET AT CHURCH TO PRAY THE NOVENA CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY. WE PRAY FOR ALL OUR PARISHIONERS THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING ANY FORM OF PHYSICAL OR MENTAL ANGUISH. FOR THE END TO ABORTION AND FOR PEACE IN OUR COUNTRY AND OUR WORLD. USE THE SIDE FNTRANCE CLOSE TO THF RECTORY

ST. ANNE'S GRANDMOTHER'S GUILD

Please join us once a month for a time of prayer, sharing and learning! Upcoming meeting are -Tuesday, December 13th at 10:30 AM in the Parish Center. For more information , please contact Louise at Hearttau@aol.com or Laraine at laraineknndy@yahoo.

CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE



MITTEN TREE DECEMBER 3 AND DECEMBER 14

<u>GIVING THE GIFT OF WARMTH</u> Please join us in giving the Gift of Warmth to both children and adults in need this Christmas season. We will once again be running our Annual Mitten Tree to collect mittens, gloves, scarves, hats and socks. There will be one tree located at the entrance of the church and a second tree located at the entrance to the parish center. Items may be dropped off between December 3rd and December 14th. Thank you for your love and generosity.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! THF OF THE **IMMACULATE** FEAST THE **BLESSED** CONCEPTION OF MARY VIRGIN IS THURSDAY. DECEMBER 8 AND IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. MASSES WILL BE ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8 AT 8AM AND 7PM.

ST LUKES WOMEN'S GUILD

NEW MEMBERS, WELCOME! PLEASE JOIN US ON THE FIRST AND THIRD FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 10 AM IN THE PARISH CENTER, AS WE COME TOGETHER TO PRAY REFLECT AND ON THF SUNDAY GOSPEL JOIN US AT OUR UPCOMING MEETINGS DECEMBER 2ND AND ON 16TH. FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR TO JOIN CALL PLEASE TRACY KEARCHER AT 203-578-0489.



CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE LENDING LIBRARY

Look for our Monthly Newsletter inserted into this weekend's Bulletin or stop by the Lending Library to pick up a copy and see the featured titles for December!



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