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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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-TH 9-1

FAITH FORMATION

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

<u>RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults</u> Deacon Frank Hann 860-462-8032

<u>BAPTISM</u>

Please contact Deacon Hann @ 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and God parents should be practicing Catholics.

JANUARY 29, 2023





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

NEW PARISHIONERS

call the Parish Office or pick up a yellow Registration form located at either entrance to the Church.

MARRIAGES

Couples should make arrangements by registering their marriage intentions at the rectory 6 months in advance.

CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER



Mass Intentions for the Week

<u>SATURDAY, JANUARY 28</u> <u>4:00PM</u>+WILSON FLYNN R/B ROBERT & JEANNE PARKER

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

<u>7:30AM</u> +ANTHONY BUDARZ R/B LINDA TIMURA <u>10:30AM</u> +JODY D'ADDARIO-STILLE R/B JOHN & LENORA RICE <u>6:00 PM</u> FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 8:00AM +FOR ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 8:00AM +ROBERT & DORIS COX R/B THE FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 8:00AM IN HONOR OF ST JUDE FOR A FAVOR RECEIVED

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 8:00AM IN HONOR OF ST JUDE FOR A FAVOR RECEIVED

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3 8:00AM IN HONOR OF ST JUDE FOR A FAVOR RECEIVED 12:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

<u>SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4</u> <u>4:00PM</u> +POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5 7:30AM +JOAN PLONSKI R/B ANN COHUN & BRETT 10:30AM FOR OUR GRADE 3 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES 6:00 PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS



IN LOVING MEMORY

Wilson Flynn, Eugene Veillette, Joan Plonski, Gloria Dauphinais, Mary O'Neill, Richard Dyjak, Michael Maloney, Clifford Daley

PRAYER 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, Carol DiCioccio, 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, Judy Veillette, Sheila Waterhouse & Morris Webber.

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 NEWS

Jesus, sometimes it can feel as though you cannot hear us. Help us to keep asking for help and to be patient, waiting with trust, knowing you will answer our prayers at the right time. --Amen

Faith Formation 2022-2023

Our Faith Formation program runs through Confirmation in Grade 10. We are looking forward to <u>G</u>rowing <u>In Faith Together!</u> (GIFT) Contact Kim at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com with questions or to enroll your children.

Faith Formation Classes and Events

January 29th - Sunday 9-10:15 am – Grades 1-5 January 29th 9-10:15am - Grade 2 Reconciliation Workshop for Parents & Students January 31st - Tuesday 6:45-8pm – Grades 5-10 February 1st, 8th, 15th, and March 1st - Wednesday 6:45-8pm- Grades 6-10 Sunday February 5th - Grade 3 Family Mass 10:30 am February 5th, 12th, 26th - Sunday 9-10:15 am – Grades 1-5 February 7th, 14th, 28th - Tuesday 6:45-8pm -Grades 5-10

No Classes February 19th, 21st and 22nd Saturday March 4th - Confirmation 2023 Mass Sunday March 5th - Grade 8 Family Mass 10:30 am

<u>Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during</u> <u>the 10:30 am Mass</u>

We invite all children age 4 through 5th grade to join us during the 10:30 Mass on *January 29th and February 5th, 12th, 26th* for CLOW. CLOW is held in the Parish Center.

Confirmation 2023 - Grade 10

February 28th & March 1st – Confirmation Reconciliation 6:45 pm *Thursday March 2nd* at 6:30 pm – Confirmation Rehearsal for both students & sponsors *Saturday March 4th* at 11am -Confirmation Mass

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.*



CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE COMMUNITY NEWS



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First Friday Devotion!

Join us here at St. Luke's Church for the First Friday Mass from 12:00 to 12:30.

This will be held at noon to allow those that work to attend. Please save these dates to your 2023 calendar: 02/03/23, 03/03/23, 05/05/23, 06/02/23, 07/07,23, 08/04/23, 09/01/23, 10/06/23, 11/03/23, 12/01/23

In these days of great turmoil, it is urgent that we renew our devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the spirit of reparation. The practice of the nine First Fridays is a powerful way to do this, as He Himself gave us this devotion as a sure way of consoling His Sacred Heart. Please take advantage of this opportunity and join us!

A Powerful Study on the Blessed Mother Begins March 23, 2023

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ.

Join us for *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* at St. Luke's Church in Ellington beginning on Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. For more information or to register for the study, please look for a flyer in this weekend's Bulletin or print a copy of the Study Registration Form from the St. Luke's website at <u>www.churchofstlukect.com</u>

<u>Church of St. Luke Lending Library</u> "You will not see anyone who is truly striving after his spiritual advancement who is not given to spiritual reading."

--St. Athanasius of Alexandria--



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 entrance close to the Rectory

ST. ANNE GRANDMOTHER'S GUILD

Please join us for a time of prayer, sharing and learning! Save the date for our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7th, at 10:30am in the Parish Center. We really hope to see you there! For more information, please contact: Louise at hearttau@aol.com or Laraine at laraineknndy@yahoo.com

ST LUKES WOMEN'S GUILD

New members, Welcome! Please join us on the first and third Friday of every month at 10:30AM in the Parish Center, as we come together to pray and reflect on the Sunday Gospel. Join us at our upcoming meetings on February 3rd and February 17th. For additional information or to join Please call - Tracy Kearcher at 203-578-0489

CENACLE GROUP

The St Luke Cenacle Group is a prayer group that meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at 6:30 - 7:30 PM in the parish center. We pray for the Catholics who have left the faith or lost the belief of The Real Presence in the Eucharist. We reflect on the Gospel for the coming Sunday. We end the meeting with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the sick and dying in our families, and our parish especially for those who died unexpectedly. All are welcomed. For more info please see Sue Beers or Laraine Kennedy.



CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE

2023 Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference

Will take on a new look this year as a "Ladies Night Out" themed "Dinner with Jesus", at the Inn at Middletown, Middletown, CT, March 22, 6 PM. Bring your sisters, daughters, friends and fellow parishioners to be inspired and fed in a deep and meaningful way with women from around the diocese for this very special event. Our beloved and returning keynote speaker will be Julianne Stanz. Additionally this year's recipient of Our Lady Queen of Hope Award will be announced, and a silent auction and online basket raffle will add to the fun! Tickets are \$75 and must be bought in advance, main course dinner options are broiled salmon or seared pork loin. To register go to https://bit.ly/2Laol7y. Don't delay in reserving your space, seating is limited. Questions? Call Marianne at the Office of Faith Events, 860-848-2237 ext.304 *******

SAVE THE DATE

Irish Night will be Sat, March 18 after the 5:00pm Mass! Tickets will go on sale the weekend of February 6. We will need volunteers to sell tickets at all Masses. No tickets will be sold at the door! March 11 & 12 will be the

last weekend to buy tickets.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays.

Couples will explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or visit them at <u>https://wwmectw.org/</u>.

In the Beatitudes it says "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst." Do you hunger and thirst for a better relationship with your spouse? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience can help you along this journey. You and your spouse can sign up to attend. Experiences available are:

Feb 3-5, 2023 in Huntington, NY Mar 10-12, 2023 in Upton, MA Jun 23-25, 2023 in Huntington, NY

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCILS 4122 & 6626

Would like to thank all those who participated in the parish Creche Display this year. This resulted in a beautiful presentation on the parish website that could be enjoyed by all parishioners of Blessed Sacrament Parish, as well as St. Joseph and St. Luke's parishes. We are certain that it inspired all who viewed the program and reminded us all of the true meaning of Christmas. Thank you - Hal Dufault

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 3 - 12pm Mass First Friday Devotion Feb 5 - Coffee and Donuts (after 10:30 Mass) Feb 22 - Ash Wednesday (8am & 7pm) Feb 26 - Pancake Breakfast (8am to 10am) Feb 26 - Youth Group (7:00pm to 8:15pm) Mar 1 - Blood Drive (8am to 6pm) Mar 4 - Confirmation - 11 am Mar 6 - Mar 8 - Parish Mission Mar 5 - Coffee and Donuts (after 10:30 Mass) Mar 18 - Irish Night

THANK YOU!

To Connie Collsimo, Justin DiGiacomo, Mark McMahon and Carl Neslon for braving the cold in removal of the Creche.



TAX TIME!

If you need a letter of your contributions made to St. Luke Parish, please contact the Rectory at 860-875-8552 between 9am and 1 pm

Save the Date:

Our Saint Luke Parish Mission will be March 6th to 8th. Father Wade Menedes from the Fathers of Mercy will be speaking at all the Masses March 4/5th.

Then Father will be leading us in a meditation Of the Holy Eucharist Monday the 6th, Tuesday the 7th and Wednesday the 8th at 7PM. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered after the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday sessions. All are welcome! Invite a friend.

ST LUKE YOUTH GROUP

"St. Luke's Youth Group will be collecting items to assemble personal hygiene kits to donate to various local organizations this winter. Items such as: toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, shampoo, dry shampoo, soap, facecloths, combs, deodorant, hand sanitizer, feminine products and socks are highly requested items that we are hoping to provide those who may be struggling with housing insecurity. There will be donation buckets at the front and rear entrances to the church, starting Monday, January 30th through Sunday, February 26th. Thank you in advance for your generosity!"

