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# FIFTH 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.

#### **CLERGY**

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

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

#### BAPTISM

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

## FEBRUARY 5, 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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4 4:00PM +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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 8:00AM +FOR ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 8:00AM +GORDON & ISA JOHNSON R/B THE FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 8:00AM TO ST JUDE FOR A FAVOR GRANTED

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9 8:00AM
TO ST JUDE FOR A FAVOR GRANTED

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 8:00AM +ALBERT OTT R/B ALYCE MAYER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11
4:00PM +FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST
LUKE PARISH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12
7:30AM +ANNA WALSH
R/B THE COHUN & GIRARDINI FAMILIES
10:30AM +ROSEMARY CONLAN
R/B JOHN & LENORA RICE
6:00 PM +CLIFFORD DALEY
R/B THE FAMILY



## **IN LOVING MEMORY**

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

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#### 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.

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#### 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

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#### 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> (GIFT) Contact Kim at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com with questions or to enroll your children.

#### Faith Formation Classes and Events

February 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and March 1<sup>st</sup> - Wednesday 6:45-8pm- Grades 6-10

Sunday February  $5^{th}$  - Grade 3 Family Mass 10:30 am

February 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 9-10:15 am – Grades 1-5

February  $7^{th}$ ,  $14^{th}$ ,  $28^{th}$  - Tuesday 6:45-8pm - Grades 5-10

No Classes February 19<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup> - 11 am - Confirmation 2023 Mass

Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> - 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 *February*  $5^{th}$ ,  $12^{th}$ ,  $26^{th}$  for CLOW. CLOW is held in the Parish Center.



## <u>Confirmation 2023 - Grade 10</u>

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

# <u>Service to Others and Youth Group</u> <u>Grades 8 and 9</u>

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



REGUALAR COLLECTION - JANUARY 29, 2023 \$ 4,064

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### First Friday Devotion!

Join us for First Friday Mass from 12:00 to 12:30 at St. Luke Church. This will be held at noon to allow those that work to attend. Please save these dates to your 2023 calendar: 05/05/23, 06/02/23, 07/07,23, 08/04/23, 09/01/23, 10/06/23, 11/03/23, 12/01/23

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#### Church of St. Luke Lending Library

"Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing"

-St. Theresa of Lisieux

Quote taken from the *Theology of the Home - Volume 1* Stop by our **Lending Library** and check it out



"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer"
-Romans 12:12

# 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, print a copy of the Study Registration Form from the St. Luke's website at www.churchofstlukect.com



#### 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

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Please join us for a time of prayer, sharing and learning! Save the date for our next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 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

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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 17<sup>th</sup>. 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.



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#### 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 will be sold at the door! March 11 & 12 will

tickets will be sold at the door! March 11 & 12 will be the last weekend to buy tickets.

MEN'S VIRTUAL FAITH GROUP-BROTHERS IN CHRIST Brothers in Christ is a Virtual Gathering of men who share faith, personal experiences, and discussion. The next virtual meeting of the Brothers of Christ will feature Pat McLaughlin speaking about being a Faith filled Husband on Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup> from 7pm - 7:45pm. If you are interested in developing fellowship and discipleship with other men devoted to Christ, please register by email Liza Roach at Iroach@norwichdiocese.net or call 860-848-2237 ex.305

#### ST LUKE YOUTH GROUP

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"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!"

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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 3 - 12pm Mass - First Friday Devotion

Mar 4 - Confirmation - 11 am

Mar 5 - Coffee and Donuts (after 10:30 Mass)

Mar 6 - Mar 8 - Parish Mission

Mar 18 - Irish Night

#### WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"You are the Salt of the earth. You are the light of the world." A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." "Your light must shine before others." Why not let your light shine by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. It can be the salt and light you need for your relationship. Experiences available are:

Mar 10-12, 2023 in Upton, MA

Jun 23-25, 2023 in Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of inperson and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <a href="https://wwmectw.org/">https://wwmectw.org/</a>.

#### Save the Date:

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

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

#### AMERICAN LEGION POST 101 SOMERS, CT

Is hosting their TAKEOUT ONLY Polish Dinner on Feb 18th from 4-7 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 256 Main St., Somers. Tickets are \$20 dollars each and the meal consists of a traditional Polish Kielbasa link, 1 golabki, 3 pierogi, serving of sauerkraut, a slice of rye bread and a paczki (punchkie) for dessert. All proceeds go to fund their veteran and community programs. Call Jimmy at 860-763-0358 or Randy at 860-763-2658 for tickets



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