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SEVENTH 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

SECRETARY - Jane Thomas

Office Hours - M-T-TH 9-1

FAITH FORMATION

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

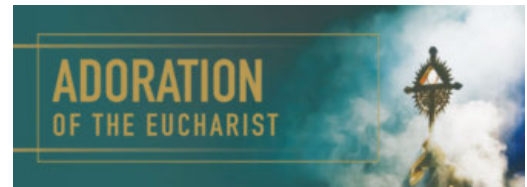
RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

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 19, 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 , pick up a yellow Registration form located at either entrance to the Church or register on our website.

MARRIAGES

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

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LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER



Mass Intentions for the Week



IN LOVING MEMORY

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

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.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

4:00PM +NANCY KENNEDY & JOHN DOBITSKY
R/B FRAN DOBITSKY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7:30AM +BILL CHAMBERLAIN & KAYLA AVERY
R/B THE FAMILY

10:30AM +JOSEPH & THERESA D'ADDARIO
R/B JOHN & LENORA RICE

6:00 PM +FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST LUKE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 8:00AM

+FOR THE PEOPLE OF SYRIA AND TURKEY

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 8:00AM

FOR FATHER BIJOY ON A SAFE AND RESTFUL VACATION

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22,

8:00AM FOR ALL MEMBERS OF ST LUKE

7:00PM +TIMOTHY ALLEN
R/B WANDA & THE FAMILY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 8:00AM

+SUSAN SPELLACY
R/B HER SISTERS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 8:00AM

FOR OUR 2023 CONFIRMATION CLASS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

4:00PM +JOSEPH CIANCI
R/B HIS WIFE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

7:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

10:30AM +WENDY CIPARELLI - 6TH ANNIVERSARY
R/B THE FAMILY

6:00 PM +FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF ST LUKE

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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 Growing In Faith Together! (GIFT) Contact Kim at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com with questions or to enroll your children.

Faith Formation Classes and Events

No Classes February 19th, 21st and 22nd

February 26th - Sunday 9-10:15 am -

Grades 1-5

February 28th - Tuesday 6:45-8pm -

Grades 5-10

March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th - Wednesday

6:45 - 8pm - Grades 6-9

March 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th - Sunday 9-10:15am -

Grades 1-5

March 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th - Tuesday 6:45 - 8pm -

Grades 5-9

Saturday March 4th at 11 am - Confirmation

2023 Mass

Sunday March 5th - Grade 8 Family Mass 10:30 am

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

We invite all children age 4 through 5th grade to join us during the 10:30 Mass on *February 26th* and *March 5th, 12th, 19th and 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*.

Operation Christmas Child Update

We wanted to thank everyone who donated items for the Operation Christmas Child project. We were able to pack over 61 boxes with toys, personal care items, crafts, clothing and personal notes. We are so excited to share with you that our 61 boxes were delivered to children in Columbia, South Africa, and Honduras. Thanks to you, we were able to spread the love of God to children of these countries. Thanks again to all who participated.



CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE COMMUNITY NEWS



REGULAR COLLECTION - FEBRUARY 12, 2023
\$ 4,454



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: 3/3/23, 4/14/23, 05/05/23, 06/02/23, 07/07/23, 08/04/23, 09/01/23, 10/06/23, 11/03/23, 12/01/23

Church of St. Luke Lending Library

Lent is almost upon us! So please stop by the Lending Library early to get the best selection of our NEW titles for Lent. Keep your Spiritual Resolution by choosing to read a couple spiritual books during this season of Lent!

Look for our March newsletter inserted in this weekend's bulletin...with copies at the Lending Library and on the Church of St. Luke website.



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.churchofstluke.com

REGISTRATION IS ENDING...Please get your Registration Form submitted this weekend!

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 scheduled for Tuesday, March 14th, 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 larainekndy@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 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.



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BLOOD DRIVE

St Luke Parish is sponsoring a blood drive on Wednesday, March 1st, 9:30am to 5:30pm in the Church Hall. You may schedule your appointment now at:

www.redcross.com

Save the Date



Irish Night will be Sat, March 18 after the 5:00pm Mass! TICKETS ARE \$25 AND CAN BE PURCHASED AFTER THE MASSES OR AT THE RECTORY M-TH 9-1. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR! We are having a raffle and are looking for new items for the raffle. You can leave them off at the rectory M-TH 9-1.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: Our Lenten Program: For Lent for Life

On Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023, our parish with parishes across the Diocese of Norwich is beginning a program, of prayer and sacrifice called Operation Rice Bowl (ORB). For 50 years, Operation Rice Bowl had helped to feed the hungry poor. Through our participation in this program, we bring hope and healing to another person or family living halfway across the globe. Money saved during Lent is then brought to the parish family Rice Bowl on Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023, 75% of Operation Rice Bowl funds will feed the hungry poor overseas, the remaining 25% will be used in the diocese to feed the needy. This Lent, gather in prayer and sacrifice as a family to pray and to care for the hungry poor.



Soup sale

The Little Sisters of the Poor
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860-265-1872

February 22nd - 12pm to 4pm

Place orders Online: <https://LSPsoup23.givesmart.com>

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is a holy day of prayer and fasting and falls on the first day of Lent, which is the six weeks of penitence before Easter. The ashes symbolize both death and repentance, during this time Christians show repentance and mourning for their sins, because they believe Christ died for them. *Ashes will be distributed on Wednesday, February 22nd at the 8am and 7pm Mass*

DONATIONS FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE RECTORY KITCHEN ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED. PLEASE MAKE DONATIONS OUT TO ST LUKE PARISH AND NOTE KITCHEN RENOVATIONS. THANK YOU!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 (9:30am to 5:30pm)
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
Mar 26 - Youth Group (7:00pm to 8:15pm)

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 4th & 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.

ADULT CHOIR



The Saint Luke Adult Choir invites you to join them as they prepare for Ash Wednesday, the Parish Mission and Easter Triduum. Rehearsals are held every Wednesday, Beginning February 15th through April 5th at 7pm in the choir loft. Our rehearsals and participation at masses, the parish mission are fun and do not require prior formal music training and are a wonderful way to serve our parish community. Please contact Elana for additional details and a full schedule at elanaowens@gmail.com.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

The Office of Faith Events invite you to join us virtually Friday nights in Lent as we pray together the Stations of the Cross through a different focus each week.

*Feb 24: Through the eyes of the suffering, ill and disabled

*Mar 3: Through the eyes of the bereaved

*Mar 17: Through the eyes of seniors

*Mar 24: Through the eyes of the family

*Mar 31: Through the eyes of social justice

The stations will begin at 7 pm. The stations will take place online and requires participants to have an internet connection. Registration is required. You can register for just one evening or all six. To register call Mary-Jo McLaughlin,, at 860-848-2237, Ext 312 or email her at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

NOTE: we will not be holding the stations on Friday

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