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**OCTOBER 22, 2023**

**WELCOME**

Please pray with us, celebrate with us, and walk together with us in faith. We 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**

Daily Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00 AM  
First Friday Mass - 12:00 PM  
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Winter  
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM Spring, Summer, Fall  
Sunday Masses: 7:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:00 PM  
Holy Day Masses: 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15-4:45 PM

**INTERIM SECRETARY - Karen Luciano**

Office Hours - M-T-TH 9-1

**FAITH FORMATION**

Kim Bocchino, Catechetical Leader  
860-875-4951  
[stlukere@gmail.com](mailto:stlukere@gmail.com)

**RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

Deacon Frank Hann  
860-462-8032

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Call the Parish Office, pick up a yellow registration form located at both entrances to the Church or register on our website.



**BAPTISM**

Please contact Deacon Hann at 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics.

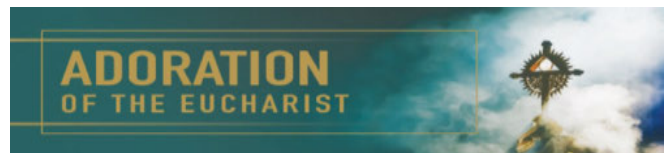
**MARRIAGES**

Couples are encouraged to make arrangements by Registering their marriage intentions at the rectory office 6 months in advance.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND**

Please contact the Rectory Office if you or someone you know is ill or homebound and would like to receive Reconciliation, Eucharist, and/or Anointing of the Sick.

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

# Church of Saint Luke

## Lord, Hear our Prayer



### *Mass Intentions for the Week*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21  
5:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22  
7:30AM +JANICE O'BRIEN  
R/B JOHN PLONSKI & JAMES BUSHNELL  
10:30AM +DAVE MCNEIL  
R/B THE BOCCHINO FAMILY  
6:00PM +LUCILLE BEERS  
R/B SUSAN BEERS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 8:00AM  
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 8:00AM  
+P.V. VIJAY KUMAR  
R/B VINCENT & ANITA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 8:00AM  
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 8:00AM  
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 8:00AM  
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28  
5:00PM +SANDRA VERMOUTH  
R/B RAY & KAREN LUCIANO

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29  
7:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS  
10:30AM FOR GRADES 6 & 7 STUDENTS  
AND THEIR PARENTS  
6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS



### IN LOVING MEMORY

Wilson Flynn, Eugene Veillette, Joan Plonski, Gloria Dauphinais, Mary O'Neill, Richard Dyjak, Michael Maloney, Clifford Daley, Jean Sharon, Joseph Dachowski, Geraldine Spino, Morris Benson, Carmen LaChance, Patricia Williams, Fran Dobitsky, Theresa Roberts, Luciana DeCarli, Phyllis Mantie, Dorothy Enes, Noella Chouinard, Gilbeth Spencer, Lou Martochio, David J. Logan, Lucille Genovesi, John Thompson

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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, Marge Griffin, Deacon Harry Grospitch, Sister Guytina, Penny Harrington, Tracy Kearcher, Joseph King, Kathy Larew, Ellen Lohnes, Richard Marcinek, Mark McPartland, Meg Morneau, Jeanne Parker, Beth Ann Phillips, Stanley Pienkowski, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Joan Smith, Melanie Smith, Jane Thomas, Judy Veillette, Bill Vieweg, Sheila Waterhouse, Morris Webber, Edward Wysocki

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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 adults.

-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

***"LIFT - Living In Faith Together! As we lift each other up in prayer and grow together in our Catholic Faith!"***

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### Faith Formation 2023-2024

Welcome Back! We wish all of our students a great school year! Faith Formation classes have started, contact Kim with any questions or to register. We are looking forward to a year of *Living In Faith Together (Lift!)* as we lift each other up in prayer and grow together in our Faith! Our Faith Formation program runs through Confirmation in Grade 10. For more information, contact Kim in the Faith Formation office at 860-875-4951 or [stlukere@gmail.com](mailto:stlukere@gmail.com).

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### Faith Formation Classes and Events:

*Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>* - class from 9-10:15 am - Grades K-5

*Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>* - class from 6:45-8 pm - Grades 5-10

*Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>* - class from 6:45-8 pm - Grades 6-10

*Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>* - Grade 6 and 7 Family Mass at 10:30 am

No classes Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>

*Sunday November 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>* - class from 9-10:15 am - Grades K-5

*Tuesday November 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>* - class from 6:45-8 pm - Grades 5-10

*Wednesday November 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>* - class from 6:45-8 pm - Grades 6-10

No classes November 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>

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

Welcome Back! We are excited for another year of Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during the 10:30 Mass. CLOW will be held in the Parish Center on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup>. All children ages 4 years old through the 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome! **We are still in need of CLOW ministers. Contact Kim for more information or to volunteer**

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### Grade 2 First Reconciliation and Grade 3 First

#### Eucharist Important Dates

*Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>* - Grade 3 Parent & Student Mass Workshop

*Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>* - Grade 2 Parent & Student Reconciliation Workshop

### Confirmation 2024 - Grade 10

*Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup>* - Confirmation Candle Mass at 10:30 Mass

*Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup>* - Confirmation Student Retreat until 3:45pm

*Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024* Confirmation Mass at 1 pm++

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### Confirmation Retreat - Grade 9

*Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup>* - Grade 9 Confirmation

Commitment Mass at 10:30 Mass

*Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup>* - Grade 9 Parent & Student

Confirmation Retreat until 2:30pm

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### Service to Others & Youth Group - Grades 8, 9 and 10

All 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> grade students are to complete 10 hours of community service, answer a few reflection questions and turn in their completed Service to Others Logs **no later than April 30, 2024.** We encourage all 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade 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 and May.

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### Cradle Fund Collection

This weekend we will be having a second collection for the Cradle Fund which is used to assist needy, expectant mothers in caring for their unborn or newly born children. It also provides financial support for birthright programs

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### Thank You



Thank you for the support of the Diapers of Hope! We collected over 1,100 diapers, as well as baby wipes and over 80 books!

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### Blessing of the Animals



Thank you to Dotti Curtiss and Marilyn Gilbert for hosting the Blessing of the Animals last Sunday. We had around 20 dogs and 6 cats. Thank you Father George and Father Bijoy for blessing our furry friends.



# Church of Saint Luke

## Community News



OCTOBER 15, 2023

REGULAR COLLECTION - \$5,118

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### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

#### 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s. - Matthew 22:21*

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second, especially our money

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**Please share your e-mail address with The Office of Faith Events of the Diocese of Norwich!** Be the first to know about all the faith enriching programs, virtual and live, that we offer throughout the year. This will also enable you to receive our bi- weekly Hope and Faith Video series. Email Marianne at [manicholas@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:manicholas@norwichdiocese.net) to be added to the list today

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#### **How To Be an Evangelizer...**

Tiny neighborhood “Book Houses” are popping up in all different neighborhoods. Free books for people to donate and enjoy. Place some small prayer books/religious materials, for kids and adults, in your neighborhood “Book House” to help spread the good news!

#### **Go Green Parish**

What can you do with old magazines other than throw them in the recycle bin? Donate them to your local schools, convalescent facilities or daycares to use for crafts. The magazines will help defray the cost of supplies while at the same time be a source of fun.

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Join us for the **Diocesan Virtual Book Club!** Streaming Thursday nights October 26<sup>th</sup>, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 - 7:30pm. We will be discussing **Stolen Blessing**, by Jim Sano. Space is limited, for details and to register please contact Marianne at [manicholas@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:manicholas@norwichdiocese.net) or 860-848-2237 ext 304



### ST. LUKE MARIAN DIVINE MERCY

Come visit our church to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 PM, Monday through Friday. If you find yourself alone, you never are. JESUS is with you! Pray for our parish family, our church and our world. Please use the side entrance close to the rectory

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**St. Luke’s Youth Group** is requesting donations for our Children’s Room at the Church Bazaar. We are seeking small gifts, trinkets and other fun items that children can purchase at a low cost as gifts for their family members! These items can be new or gently used. Any donations can be brought to the back of the Parish Hall, specifically labeled “**Children’s Room**”.

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### ST LUKE CRAFTERS

The St. Luke Crafters are looking for several parishioners who would be willing to make a once a year commitment by assisting our crafting members sell items at our booths during the Annual Christmas Bazaar. We are looking for parishioners who could volunteer two or three hours on either Friday evening between 5-8, or Saturday between 10 am - 2pm. The Bazaar is the scheduled for the first weekend on November each year. For more information, contact Cathy Peck at [cathy.peck@gmail.com](mailto:cathy.peck@gmail.com) or 860-882-7696

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### Baked Goods Needed



We are looking for all kinds of goodies for the very popular Baked Goods table at the Christmas Bazaar!

- Cookies, cakes cupcakes, brownies, pies, bread, muffins, whatever is your favorite, are all needed. Dust off those recipes and help to fill the table!
- Please individually package your baked goods
- Please mark items containing NUTS!

Items can be dropped off in the church hall on Friday, November 3 after 2:00pm or Saturday, November 4 after 8:30 am.

Thank you!

# Church of Saint Luke

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**The Annual St Luke Christmas Bazaar is just around the corner!** The Tea Cup Raffle Committee is looking for donations. We are looking for items valued at \$25.00 or above. Here are some suggestions - but please feel free to use your own creative ideas!

- Items that men would appreciate such as tools, golfing items, gift certificates
- Tickets to a game such as Patriots or UCONN men's or women's basketball
- Spa day such as certificates for mani/pedi or a massage (reputable place)
- Handcrafted items
- Bundle 2 or 3 items such as kitchen items, toys, baby items
- If you have one, how about offering a weekend stay at an AirB&B or VRBO
- Gift certificate for restaurant

Raffle items will be accepted now until Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Donations received after October 22<sup>nd</sup> may be held for next year's bazaar or used in a basket at the Basket Table. Please drop off donations to the rectory M-F 9 – 1 pm or the Faith Formation office during classes.

Feel free to call or text Loretta at 860-202-5791 if you have any questions. With your support, we can have a successful raffle. Thank you!

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## ATTIC TREASURES

We have begun to accept Attic Treasures and will continue through **Sunday October 29th**. No Attic Treasures will be accepted after that date. We will not accept clothing, books, CD's, DVD's or electronics. Items can be dropped off at the rear entrance of the Church. Please be sure the items are clean.

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## MEMORIAL MASS

Our Memorial Mass for our deceased members of our Parish will be held on Thursday, November 2nd at 7pm. All are invited to attend.

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## HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Wednesday, November 1 is All Saints Day. A day of Holy Obligation. Masses will be at 8am and 7pm. If you attend Mass at 8am, please do not park in the Employee parking spots at the Library.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

all events are held in the Parish Center unless other wise noted

Oct 23 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Oct 31 - Halloween

Nov 1 - All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation - Mass will be at 8am and 7pm

Nov 2 - All Souls Day

Nov 2 - Memorial Mass 7 pm

Nov 3 - First Friday Mass - 12 pm

Nov 3 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am

Nov 3 - Christmas Bazaar - 5pm to 8 pm

Nov 4 - Christmas Bazaar - 9am to 2pm

Nov 5 - Daylight Savings Time Begins

Nov 5 - Coffee & Donuts after the 10:30 Mass Church Hall

Nov 6 - Liturgical Committee - 6:30 pm

Nov 9 - Adoration of the Eucharist - 7 pm

**Nov 11 - Mass starts at 4PM**

Nov 13 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Nov 15 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm

Nov 17 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am

Nov 21 - St. Anne Grandmother 's Guild - 10:30 am

Nov 23 - Thanksgiving

Nov 27—Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

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## Parish Happenings – Property Management Committee

You may have noticed a large hydraulic powered lift in the church parking lot this past month. Valley Restoration utilized the lift in conjunction with the efforts of Gayton Painting (parishioner) to locate a rain water leak in the Steeple. The leak was located and plugged.

Concurrently, Gayton Painting pressure washed all of the white trim on the Church and Parish Center. The trim is now being primed & painted. A prototype storm panel has been designed and installed for the North West corner window (sacristy). It has been installed to help sustain the integrity of the stained-glass windows, and to provide insulation value. Similarly, a storm panel has been installed over the North Circular stained-glass window (over the altar). The storm panels shall be evaluated over the winter to determine if more storm panels should be installed over the windows that are not opened.

A lawn care contractor has been hired to reseed and fertilize portions of the church grounds. Efforts by the Property Management Committee are in place to improve the overall appearance of the parish campus.

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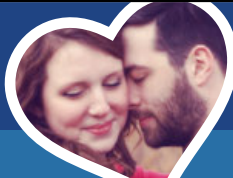
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