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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024

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 to 4:45

SECRETARY - Karen Luciano

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

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

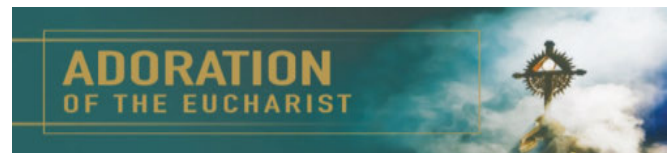
Please contact Deacon Hann @ 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics.

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.



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, APRIL 13

5:00PM +ARMAND & LORETTA
LUCIANO
R/B RAY & KAREN LUCIANO

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

7:30AM +FRANK PENTA
R/B THE WAUDBY & PECK FAMILIES
10:30AM +BILL CHAMBERLIN & KAYLA
AVERY
R/B THE FAMILY
6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, APRIL 15, 8:00AM
+THERESA ROBERTS

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 8:00AM
+MARGE GIRARDINI
R/B PAUL & MARYLIN GILBERT

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 8:00AM
+FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 8:00AM
+FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 8:00AM
+FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SATURDAY, APRIL 20
5:00PM DEACON HARRY GROSPITCH
R/B THE ST. LUKE CRAFTERS

SUNDAY, APRIL 21
7:30AM +MARGE GIRARDINI
R/B JOHN PLONSKI
10:30AM FOR OUR GRADE 1 STUDENTS
AND FAMILIES
6:00PM +CHRISTIAN HANLON
R/B ERIKA



IN LOVING MEMORY

Michael Nashwinter, Carmella Fecso, Irene Tolisano, Mark McPartland, Arthur Aube, Barry Newton, Paul Riley, Deacon Harry Grospitch, Florence Brennan, Mary Regan, Frank Penta, Barbara Davis, Marge Girardini, Wayne Reynolds, Barbara Donohue

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, Tonianne Anderson, Calista Bailey, Louise Barbero, Jody & Laura Behrendt, Emma Benavivich, Tina Chamberlin, William Coyne, Bob Cresenzi, Carol DiCioccio, Jeanne Ferruolo, Ann Marie Desjardins, Marge Griffin, Sister Guytina, Penny Harrington, Tracy Kearcher, Joseph King, Kathy Larew, Pacita Lmido, Ellen Lohnes, Richard Marcinek, Meg Morneau, Jeanne Parker, Beth Ann Phillips, Stanley Pienkowski, John Rice, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Joan Smith, Melanie Smith, Cooper Somberg, Jane Thomas, Judy Veillette, Bill Vieweg, Sheila Waterhouse, Morris Webber, Edward Wysocki

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.”

Faith Formation 2023-2024

We are *Living In Faith Together (Lift!)* as we lift each other up in prayer and grow together in our Catholic Faith! Our Faith Formation program runs Kindergarten through Confirmation in Grade 10. For more information, contact Kim Bocchino in the Faith Formation office at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com.

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Faith Formation Classes and Events:

Sunday April 14th, 21st and 28th and May 5th – class from 9-10:15 am – Grades K-5
Tuesday April 16th, 23rd, 30th – class from 6:45-8 pm Grades 5-10
Wednesday April 17th, 24th and May 1st – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 6-10
Sunday April 21st – Grade 1 Parent Sacramental Meeting at 9:45am
Sunday April 21st – Kindergarten and Grade 1 Family Mass at 10:30
Sunday April 28th – First Communion Rehearsal during class time
Sunday April 28th – Teacher Appreciation Mass at 10:30
Thursday May 2nd – First Communion Rehearsal in the Church at 6pm
Sunday May 5th – Last Sunday Class Grades K-2, 4 and 5
Sunday May 5th – May Crowning and First Holy Communion – 10:30 am Mass

Church of St. Luke Lending Library

"My life is not drab or monotonous, but it is varied like a garden of fragrant flowers, so that I don't know which flower to pick first, the lily of suffering or the rose of love of neighbor or the violet of humility (296)."

-- The Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska --
Stop by the **Lending Library** and browse our latest book selections for some great titles.

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

Join us each Sunday for (CLOW) Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 Mass. CLOW will be held in the Parish Center on April 14th, 21st, and 28th. All children ages 4 years old through the 5th grade are welcome!

Grade 3 First Holy Communion Important Dates

Sunday April 28th – Grade 3 First Holy Communion Rehearsal 9am
Thursday May 2nd – Grade 3 First Holy Communion 6pm
Sunday May 5th – First Eucharist and May Crowning at 10:30

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

All 8th and 9th 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 8th, 9th and 10th 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.

Register Now Vacation Bible School Camp 2024

We are excited to be having Vacation Bible School Camp again this summer for children age 4 through the 6th grade (Fall 2024). VBS will run from 9-12 noon Tuesday - Thursday August 6-8th. All parishioners can register now through May 5th. Cost is \$10 per child. Non-parishioners can register from April 22nd until May 15h, cost per child is \$15. Contact the Kim in the Faith Formation office at stlukere@gmail.com for the registration link or with any questions. We are in need of both adult and



Church of Saint Luke Community News



APRIL 7, 2024

REGULAR COLLECTION _- \$5,072

MAINTENANCE - \$2,336

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

3rd Sunday of Easter

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened...” - LUKE 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a “God-centered” life and not a “self-centered” life.

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

On Thursday, April 18, 2023, come join in praying a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations. This month the holy hour will be at St. Bernard, Rockville, from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Come pray for those who are called to priestly or consecrated religious life. Pray for our seminarians and those in the process of applying to the Diocese.

VIRTUAL BINGO FOR ALL AGES

The Office of Faith Events invites people of all ages to participate in Virtual Bingo! **Bingo will take place on Sunday, April 21st from 3:30 – 5pm.** You will receive your cards online, mark them and even remark them for the next game or you can print them and play. Through video conferencing, we will call the numbers and play different BINGO games from regular bingo, double bingo, picture frame, and finally black out! It will be great fun with lots of gift certificates for prizes! The cost is \$6 per card for the whole Bingo event! To purchase your Bingo cards, go to: <https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y> or call Marianne at 860-848-2237 ex. 304.

SCOUTING AWARDING CEREMONY

The Office of Faith Events invites you to join Bishop Michael Cote on Sunday, April 28th at St. Patrick’s Cathedral beginning at 2pm to celebrate the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts from around the Diocese of Norwich who have been awarded a religious emblem. Come and celebrate with their pack, troop, church, family, and friends.



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.

*BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH
2024 PARISH MISSION*

Three Nights with Jesus

*Sunday, April 21st
Monday, April 22nd
Tuesday, April 23rd*

*7:00pm-8:00pm
St. Bernard Church*

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE AND COME CLOSER TO JESUS THROUGH THE MASS, HIS LOVE, AND HIS HEALING.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST - SHARING A MEAL WITH JESUS

Presented by: Fr. Larry, Fr. Steve, Dcn. Mike, & Dcn. Ron
This evening is designed to teach us about the Mass and touch our hearts with the great love and the transformative power found through Jesus in the Eucharistic meal.

MONDAY, APRIL 22ND - CELEBRATING THE LOVE OF JESUS

Presented by Allison Gingras
The spirit of this evening is to learn the many ways Jesus works through us, touches us, and desires to be with us. Be prepared for an engaging evening!

TUESDAY, APRIL 23RD - HEALED BY JESUS

Presented by: Fr. Rick
Our final evening, we will experience Jesus, the great healer. This intimate evening is sure to touch the places in our lives that most need healing. In addition to the presentation, we will hold our Parish Healing Service.

IF YOUR SCHEDULE ALLOWS, WE INVITE YOU TO ALSO JOIN US EACH NIGHT FOR:

Adoration & Benediction starting at 6:00pm
Fellowship & Follow up starting at 8:00pm

For more information, go to blessedsacramentct.org

Church of Saint Luke

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner on April 19th!

Tickets are on sale this weekend for our 1st Annual Guess Who's Coming to Dinner event. Tickets are \$15 per person. Enjoy an adult night out that begins here at St. Luke's at 5:30 for appetizers and drinks. Then, names of guests (singles or couples) will be drawn at random, and they will join their host back at the host's home for a dinner of lasagna, salad, bread, and wine. Following dinner everyone will come back together for dessert at St. Luke's.

Questions? Contact Earlene at 860-466-0401. This is a great way to unwind, have fun, and get to know other parishioners!

Awakening:
How is the Holy Spirit at work in your life?

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Join us for a one day retreat designed to help deepen your faith!

Saturday, April 20, 2024
9-4 (lunch included)
St. Mary Church Hall, Putnam

- *Rediscover God's Unconditional Love
- *Come to know the Holy Spirit intimately
- *Learn more about the Holy Spirit's Gifts
- *Develop a deep and meaningful prayer life

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Registration in advance is necessary for this event
Register online to manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call Marianne at 860-848-2237, ext. 304.
(Sponsored by the Office Faith Events)


An Evening with John Roberto

Called to Catechesis

Catechesis is the ministry of teaching and forming, which helps young people develop a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and the Christian community, and increase their knowledge of the core content of the Catholic faith.

Join the Office of Faith Events and John Roberto, founder of Lifelong Faith Associates and head of the National Community of Catechetical Leaders **virtually on Thursday, April 18th from 7:00 - 8:00pm** as we strength our call to the vocation of a catechists through the six tasks of catechesis.

To register for the event, please contact Marianne Nicholas at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237 ex. 304



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- Apr 16 - St. Luke Crafters - 6:00 pm
- Apr 16 - Grandmother's Guild - 10:30 am
- Apr 17 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
- Apr 19 - Women's Guild - Rosary at 10:30 am
- Apr 21 - Kindergarten & Grade 1 Family Mass - 10:30
- Apr 21 - Coffee and Donuts - after 10:30 am Mass
- Apr 22 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
- Apr 28 - Teacher Appreciation Mass and Lunch
- May 2 - Adoration of the Eucharist - 7pm
- May 3 - First Friday Mass - 12 pm
- May 3 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
- May 5 - First Holy Communion - 10:30 am Mass
- May 7 - St. Luke Crafters - 6:00 pm
- May 9 - Ascension of Our Lord - Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at 8:00am and 7:00pm
- May 12 - Mother's Day
- May 12 & 13 - Knights of Columbus Flower Sale
- May 13 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
- May 15 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
- May 16 - Grandmother's Guild - 10:30 am
- May 16 - St. Luke Crafters - 6:00 pm
- May 17 - Women's Guild - Rosary at 10:30 am
- May 19 - Pentecost
- May 26 - Most Holy Trinity
- May 27 - Memorial Day
- May 27 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm



**CEMETERY SECRETARY/
OFFICE RECEPTIONIST**

Multi- task position requiring excellent interpersonal skills to welcome visitors, answer phones, and professionally maintain cemetery office.

Must have proficiency in computer keyboard and typewriter data entry as well as Microsoft Office Word, Excel and Outlook. Creates, files and organizes all cemetery sale, use, and ownership records including cemetery plot certificates, monthly cemetery reports with Town of Vernon. Also approves memorial marker inscriptions, symbols and foundations with monument companies as well as Veteran memorial applications.

Meets with families to sell burial plots, pre-need and at-need and works closely with St. Bernard Cemetery Sexton to coordinate graveside services, grave and niche openings. Performs related duties as required.

Works in Blessed Sacrament Parish Administrative Office under direction of Business Manager Monday-Thursday 8:30am-12:00pm, Friday 8:30am-3:00pm up to 20 hours/ week. This position is part time with no benefits.

If interested, please email resume to Brian Kenny (bkenny@cath-comm.org) by Friday, April 19th.

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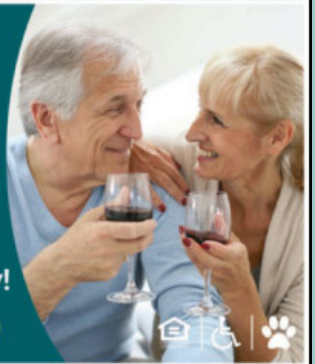
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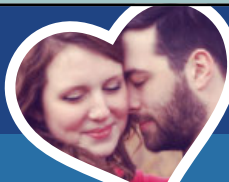


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