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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21, 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

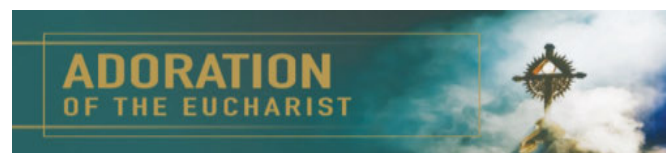
Please contact Deacon Hann @ 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics.

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 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 KINDERGARTEN &
GRADE 1 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

6:00PM +CHRISTIAN HANLON
R/B ERIKA

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 8:00AM

+FRAN DOBITSKY
1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
R/B PAUL & MARILYN GILBERT

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 8:00AM

+THERESA ROBERTS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 8:00AM

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 8:00AM

+KRISTINE KOZUCH ALEXANDER
21 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
R/B BOB & JEAN KOZUCH

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 8:00AM

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

5:00PM +MAURICE & ELLENA GRIFFIN
MASS OF REMEMBRANCE
R/B TRICIA SCHUITEN

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

7:30AM +RACHEL GILBERT
R/B PAUL & MARILYN GILBERT
10:30AM FOR ALL CATECHISTS &
AIDES
6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS



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.

Faith Formation Classes and Events:

Sunday April 21st and 28th and May 5th – class from 9-10:15 am – Grades K-5
Tuesday April 23rd, 30th – class from 6:45-8 pm Grades 5-10
Wednesday April 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

SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST



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 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

Register NOW for Vacation Bible School Camp 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 15th. Cost is \$10 per child. Non-parishioners can register from April 22nd until May 15th, cost per child is \$15. Contact 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 teens in grades 7-12 to volunteer, please contact to volunteer.



Church of Saint Luke Community News



APRIL 14, 2024

REGULAR COLLECTION - \$4,648

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

4th Sunday of Easter

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice."
- John 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Jesus what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

Go Green Corner

Use cold water to wash clothes-most detergents are designed to work best in cold water.
Hot water is only needed to disinfect things like bedding and towels when someone is sick.

How to be an Evangelizer

PRAY FOR PEOPLE BY NAME

Chances are, you already know people who haven't heard the Good News! (That's what "gospel" means, fun fact.) In your prayer time, take their names to God. Ask Him for opportunities to share the faith with them and trust His timing, because scripture reminds us all good things happen on God's time, not ours.



GARDEN CLUB IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Help keep our church grounds looking beautiful! Volunteers are needed to help maintain the many perennial gardens on the church property throughout the growing season. Tasks include weeding, pruning, deadheading and watering. An hour a week or anytime your schedule allows is all that is needed. No previous gardening experience needed, tools provided. Please contact Janet DeForge for more information at 860-508-7254.

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.

ST. LUKE'S CONFRATERNITY OF ST JOSEPH GROUP

This group consists of a group of men that meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center at 6:30 pm to study and discuss aspects of our Church and faith.

Meetings typically last an hour (occasionally a little longer). We are currently using Matthew Kelly's "Rediscover the Saints" as our discussion guide. All men of the Parish are welcome to join. Questions or for more information, please contact Jack Schirra at (860) 830-7853

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 information, please see Sue Beers or Laraine Kennedy

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 May 3rd and May 17th. For additional information or to join, please contact Carolina at stlukewomenguild@gmail.com

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, May 21st at 10:30am In the Parish Center. We look forward to seeing you there! For more information, please contact: Louise at hearttau@aol.com or Laraine at laraineknndy@yahoo.com

Church of Saint Luke

You are cordially invited to the
Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

46th Annual Layette Program

Hosted by
Middletown District Council of Catholic Women
&
St. Theresa Ladies Guild

Sunday June 2nd, 2024
1 PM to 3 PM


Saint Sebastian Church
155 Washington Street
Middletown, CT 06457

Baby items collected will go to
Diocese of Norwich Catholic Charities

All ladies of the Diocese are invited to attend, there will be a
short program followed by refreshments.

Baby items needed: Diapers, formula, baby food,
new clothes up to size 3T, wipes, blankets, hand
knit items etc.

For more information contacts:
Nancy Russo
(860) 690-8713



Thank you!

Thank you to the Liturgy Committee: Father George, Father Bijoy, Deacon Frank, Sue Beers and Erin Jones for the beautiful Easter arrangement on the Altar. Also, thank you to Elena Owens and the St. Luke Adult Choir for the beautiful Easter Music.



Young Catholic Professionals

St. Joseph Saturday Morning Retreat in Waterbury
Come join Young Catholic Professionals Central CT for our St. Joseph Saturday Morning Retreat!
Come enjoy a morning of rest and

reflection with Our Lord. Holy Mass and Confession will be offered. Let's take a moment to reflect on the Eucharist and our work as we close out the Easter season. We look forward to meeting you there!

Where: St. Michael the Archangel Church, 62 St Michael's Dr, Waterbury, CT 06704
When: Sat, May 4th from 9AM - 1PM
Who: All professionals from 18-39.

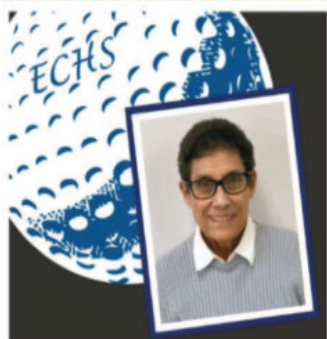
RSVP via QR code or https://ycp.glueup.com/event/st-joseph-saturdays-retreat-waterbury-102259/?pk_campaign=widget-event-list

E-mail info@ycpcentralconnecticut.org to learn more.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- 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 5 - Crowning of Mary - 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 11 & 12 - 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



This year's tournament will honor
Connie Wentzel
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Sub Extraordinaire '12 - Present
#1 Eagles Fan
Friend

The 2024 Tom Malin Eagle Invitational Golf Tournament Website is now available!

Event registration, sponsorships, raffle tickets, putting contest tickets and the bundle can be purchased online.

The silent auction will begin on June 1st and end on June 14th. Visit the event website:

<https://auctria.events/2024ECHSTomMalinEagleGolfInvitational>



Please contact scaloraj@echcs.com with any questions or concerns.

Thanks and have a great day!

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