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PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 19, 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
Rosary - Monday through Friday 7:30 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

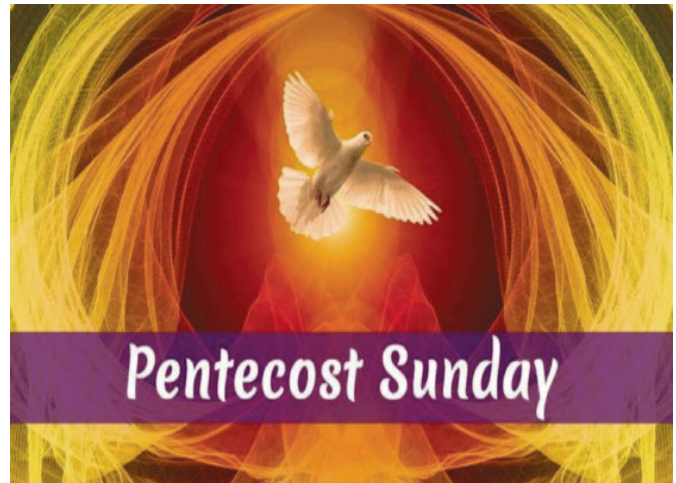
Kim Bocchino, Catechetical Leader
Phone: 860-875-4951
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RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Deacon Frank Hann
Phone: 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

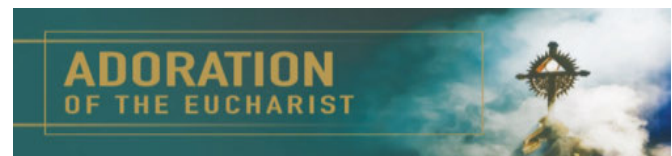
Please contact Deacon Hann @ 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics.

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.

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Lord, Hear our Prayer



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, MAY 18

5:00PM +WAYNE REYNOLDS
R/B RAY & KAREN LUCIANO

SUNDAY, MAY 19,

PENTECOST

7:30AM +JANINE CIMMINO

R/B JOHN PLONSKI

10:30AM +BILL CHAMBERLIN & KAYLA
AVERY

R/B THE FAMILY

6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, MAY 20, 8:00AM

+WAYNE REYNOLDS

R/B THOMAS & JANET THAYER

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 8:00AM

(LIVING) FOR THOMAS & STELLA AND
FAMILY

R/B THE FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 8:00AM

+BRIAN OTT

R/B ALYCE MAYER

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 8:00AM

+WAYNE REYNOLDS

R/B BOB & JEANNE PARKER

FRIDAY, MAY 24, 8:00AM

+THERESA ROBERTS

SATURDAY, MAY 25

5:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SUNDAY, MAY 26,

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:30AM +BARBARA DONOHUE

R/B RAY & KAREN LUCIANO

10:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

6:00PM +ALICE RICARD

R/B SUSAN BEERS



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, Richard Riley, Erika Phillips

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, Roberto & 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.

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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 *Growing in Faith Together!* Our Faith Formation program runs Kindergarten through Confirmation in grade 10. Registration Letters will be mailed in early July. **For more information contact Kim Bocchino in the Faith Formation office at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com.**

New Family Registration

Is your family new to St Luke Parish or do you have school aged children this coming fall? Our Faith Formation program is for all grade levels up to and including Confirmation in grade 10. We welcome all new families with students in these grades to contact the office for registration information and so we can answer any questions you may have. We look forward to welcoming you and your children!

Confirmation 2025

All students have received their Confirmation packets. Due August 8th: Remembering My Confirmation forms, Letter to Father George, 10 Questions and name of Confirmation Sponsor. Make sure to ask your sponsor and give them the sponsor form. All Confirmation Sponsor forms are due by October 1st. Students also will complete a Confirmation Name Saint report due October 1st. Any questions contact Kim in the Faith Formation Office.

Faith Fun at Home this Summer

Parents spend time this summer reinforcing and growing your children's Faith! Visit a Shrine, pray with your children, remind them to pray and find time as a family to pray, take a walk around the church property and explore the outside Stations of the Cross and the many statues on the property, travel to different Churches for Mass, pray a rosary together. Send your Children to VBS Camp. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram. Looking for Faith Activities to do with your children at home this summer? Check out these websites and others for fun faith activities for the whole family:
www.catholicicing.com/, www.catholicmom.com/,
www.teachingcatholickids.com/ and www.cultivatincatholics.com

Service to Others - Grades 8 and 9

All 8th and 9th grade students are to complete 10 hours of community service, answer reflection questions and turn in their completed Service to Other Logs. Completed logs were due April 30th, 2024. If you have not yet turned in your form please contact Mrs. Bocchino in the Faith Formation office.



Register Now Vacation Bible School Camp 2024

Looking for a "Stellar" Summer Camp? Look no further. Back by popular demand, St. Luke's is offering VBS camp again this year with a Stellar theme. Children will enjoy days filled with games, an imagination station, snacks, videos, and stories that will blast them into another world, while still getting practical tips on how we can shine Jesus's light. VBS will run from 9-12 noon Tuesday - Thursday August 6-8th. VBS is for children age 4-6th grade (fall 2024). Bring a friend, non-parishioners are welcome. Registration is open. Registration ends Thursday May 30th. Cost is \$10 per child for parishioners and \$15 per child for non-parishioners. Contact Kim in the Faith Formation office at stlukere@gmail.com with questions or to register or scan this QRCode to register:



Church of Saint Luke Community News



MAY 12, 2024
REGULAR COLLECTION - \$4,589
THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD - \$1,260



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.

Pentecost Altar Colors

This weekend, the Church celebrates Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit comes upon the Apostles, Mary and the followers of Jesus who were gathered in the Upper Room. The altar colors change to **WHITE** to represent the Holy Spirit and **RED** to represent the seven gifts. Here is a quick refresher of each of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit:

- **Wisdom:** “the grace of being able to see everything with the eyes of God. It is simply this: it is to see the world, to see situations, circumstances, problems, everything through God’s eyes.”
- **Understanding:** “a grace...which awakens in a Christian the ability to go beyond the outward appearance of reality and to probe the depths of the thoughts of God and His plan of salvation.”
- **Counsel:** “the gift through which the Holy Spirit enables our conscience to make a concrete choice in communion with God, according to the logic of Jesus in His Gospel.”
- **Fortitude:** “the gift (through which) the Holy Spirit liberates the soil of our heart...frees it from sluggishness, from uncertainty and from all the fears that can hinder it, so that the Lord’s Word may be put into practice authentically and with joy.”
- **Knowledge:** “a special gift, which leads us to grasp, through creation, the greatness and love of God and his profound relationship with every creature.”
- **Piety:** “...is synonymous with the genuine religious spirit, with filial trust in God, with that capacity to pray to him with the love and simplicity that belongs to those who are humble of heart.”
- **Fear of the Lord:** “the gift of the Holy Spirit through whom we are reminded of how small we are before God and of his love and that our good lies in humble, respectful and trusting self-abandonment into his hands.”

--Taken from Pope Francis General Audience at St. Peter’s Square--

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Pentecost Sunday

“There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.” - 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-6

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances. God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God’s plan to work, each must do what we are called to do. Guess what? We are not all called to do the same thing! For God’s plan to work you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do.



**The Perennial Plant Sale
will be held after all
Masses this weekend**

Stop by the parking lot behind the rectory and pick up a perennial for your garden. Donation of \$3 to \$5 is requested per container. Proceeds will be used to purchase plants and maintain the gardens on the church property.



DID YOU KNOW?

- Pentecost Sunday marks the day when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles.
- Pentecost Sunday occurs 50 days after Easter.
- The Bible records the Pentecost in Acts 2:1-13.
- Pentecost comes 10 days after the Ascension of Jesus Christ.
- Pentecost is also known as "the birthday of the Church".

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- May 18 & 19 - Perennial Plant Sale
- May 19 - Pentecost
- May 21 - Grandmother's Guild - 10:30 am
- May 21 - St. Luke Crafters - 6:00 pm
- May 26 - Most Holy Trinity
- May 27 - Memorial Day
- May 27 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
- June 2 - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
- June 4 - St. Luke Crafters - 6:00 pm
- June 6 - Holy Hour - 7:00 pm
- June 7 - First Friday Mass - 12:00 pm
- June 7 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
- June 10 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
- June 16 - Father's Day
- June 18 - Grandmother's Guild - 10:30 am
- June 19 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
- June 20 - Summer Begins ☺
- June 21 - Women's Guild - Rosary at 10:30 am
- June 24 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Pentecost Sunday:



1 Corinthians 12:3b-7: "Brothers and Sisters: No one can say, Jesus is Lord, except by the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces ALL of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." As a couple, use the gifts God has given you and enrich your marriage. Check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience today. It will help your relationship and teach you tools to love one another more. This will transform your marriage. You can find one by looking up WWME.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

- June 7-June 9, 2024 in Upton,, MA
- June 21-June 23, 2024 in Huntington, NY
- August 2-4, 2024 in Portland, CT

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person 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 <https://www.mectw.org/>.

“Without the burden of afflictions, it is impossible to reach the height of grace

~St. Rose of Lima

HOPE
AFTER ABORTION
THE RACHEL ROSARY

The third Tuesday of each month, come and pray the Project Rachel Rosary at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Norwich with the Office of Faith Events. The Project Rachel Rosary focuses on hope, healing, and forgiveness for those affected by abortion and for an end to abortion.

St. Patrick's Cathedral in Norwich
Tuesday - May 21, 2024
3rd Tuesday of
Every Month
After the Noon Mass
Materials to pray with us
will be provided.

**Virtual Summer Mission:
Recognizing the
Divine in Art**

HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED USING ART AS A WAY TO FEEL CLOSER TO GOD? IT'S A BEAUTIFUL WAY TO CONNECT WITH THE DIVINE AND GET IN TOUCH WITH YOUR INNER SELF. TAKE SOME TIME TO EXPLORE ART THAT SPEAKS TO THE HEART AND SEE HOW YOUR SPIRIT IS UPLIFTED. BEFORE YOU KNOW IT, YOU'LL BE FEELING MORE CONNECTED TO GOD AND LOVING EVERY MOMENT OF IT.

WEDNESDAY- JUNE 5, 12, & 19
7:00-8:00 P.M.
TO REGISTER, CONTACT MARIANNE AT
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CALL (860)848-2237 EX. 304

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