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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 20, 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
Email: stlukere@gmail.com

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

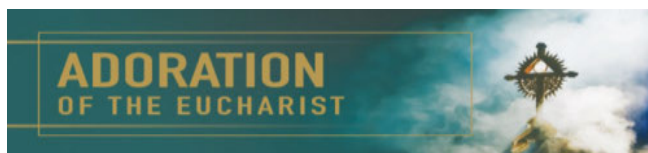
Please contact Deacon Hann @ 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics.

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, OCT 19

5:00PM TOM & DOTTIE CURTISS
60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
R/B THE LITURGICAL COMMITTEE

SUNDAY, OCT 20

7:30AM +MARY HOLMES
R/B THE WOMEN'S GUILD
10:30AM ANGELO & ROSE TARASCIO
R/B THEIR DAUGHTER
6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, OCT 21, 8:00AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

TUESDAY, OCT 22, 8:00AM
+LUCILLE BEERS
R/B SUSAN BEERS

WEDNESDAY, OCT 23, 8:00AM
+JOSEPH PIORKOWSKI
R/B AMY PIORKOWSKI

THURSDAY, OCT 24, 8:00AM
+THERESA ROBERTS

FRIDAY, OCT 25, 8:00AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SATURDAY, OCT 26
5:00PM +RON BARBERO
R/B THE FAMILY

SUNDAY, OCT 27
7:30AM +DAVID CONNELL
R/B THE CONNELL & POIRIER FAMILIES
10:30AM FOR OUR GRADE 4 STUDENTS &
THEIR FAMILIES
6:00PM +JEAN SHARON
BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
R/B MICHAEL SHARON & ALICIA
SHARON



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, Ronald Gates, William Fortin, Anne Marie Desjardins, Pacita Llamido, Dolores Barile

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, Richard Dubay, Jeanne Ferruolo, Marge Griffin, Sister Guytina, Penny Harrington, Tracy Kearcher, Joseph King, Kathy Larew, Roberto Llamido, Ellen Lohnes, Richard Marcinek, Meg Morneau, Jeanne Parker, Beth Ann Phillips, Alan Pienkowski, 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



SANCTUARY CANDLE - OCTOBER 20, 2024
In Loving Memory of Lucille Beers
Requested by: Susan Beers

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

*“Blessed Mother Mary, please watch over, bless and guide our family.
Amen.”*

Faith Formation 2024-2025

We are looking forward to a year of ***Growing Together in Faith and Love of Jesus!*** Parents, students and catechists will spend time nurturing and growing our prayer lives and faith throughout the year. Our Faith Formation program runs through Confirmation in grade 10. Anyone who has not yet registered for classes contact the Faith Formation office. **For more information contact Kim in the Faith Formation office at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com.**

Faith Formation Classes and Events:

Sunday October 27th – class from 9-10:15 am – Grades 1-6
Tuesday October 22nd, 29th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 5-10
Wednesday October 23rd, 30th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 5-10
Sunday October 20th - Parents join us for the Parish Rosary at 9:45 am
Tuesday and Wednesday October 22/23rd - Parents join us for the Rosary at 7:30 pm
Sunday October 27th – Grade 4 Family Mass at 10:30 am
Sunday November 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th – class from 9-10:15 am – Grades 1-6
Tuesday November 5th, 12th, 19th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 5-10
Wednesday November 6th, 13th, 20th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 5-10
Sunday November 3rd - Grade 7/8 Family Mass at 10:30 am

MISSION COMBINED COLLECTION

Last weekend the Mission Combined Collection for the World Mission Appeal, U.S. Bishop’s Appeal for Latin America, Black and Indian Missions, and the Catholic Home Mission Appeal was taken up in our Parish.

If you were unable to bring your gift envelope, extras are available at all entrances of the Church. Your support of the missionary needs of the Universal Church is greatly appreciated. This collection is an opportunity to share your faith and strengthen the church at home and abroad.

Your contribution can be placed in the collection basket or mailed directly to the parish. Thank you for your generosity and helping our missionaries continue the work of Christ.

Service to Others & Youth Group – Grades 8 & 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 **no later than April 30th, 2025**. 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.*

Grade 2 and 3 Important Dates

Sunday November 17th – Grade 3 Parent and Student Mass Workshop
Sunday January 12th – Grade 2 Parent and Student Reconciliation Workshop
Sunday January 12th – Grade 2 Family Mass
Sunday February 2nd – Grade 3 Candle Family Mass
Sunday February 23rd – Grade 3 Eucharist Workshop
Sunday March 2nd – Grade 2 and 3 Pin Family Mass
Sunday April 27th – Grade 3 First Eucharist Rehearsal
Thursday May 1st at 5:30pm – First Eucharist Rehearsal
Sunday May 4th - Grade 3 Crowning of Mary and First Eucharist Mass

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

Please join us for Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during the 10:30 Mass. CLOW will be held in the Parish Center on October 20th, 27th, November 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, December 8th, and 15th. All children ages 4 years old through the 5th grade are welcome! **We are still in need of CLOW ministers contact Kim for more information or to volunteer.**

Confirmation 2025

- Confirmation Candle Mass Sunday December 8th at 10:30 m Mass
- Confirmation Retreat Sunday December 8th after Mass to 3:45pm
- Confirmation Family Mass Sunday January 26, 2025 at 10:30 Mass
- Confirmation Reconciliation at class March 11th and 12th
- Confirmation Rehearsal Thursday March 13th at 6:30pm
- Confirmation Saturday March 15th at 10:30am

Any questions, contact Kim in the Faith Formation Office

Church of Saint Luke Community News

Parish Giving

OCTOBER 13, 2024

REGULAR COLLECTION - \$4,141

Thank you for your generosity



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.



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 certificate 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 Airbnb or VRBO
- Gift certificates for restaurants

Raffle items will be accepted now until Sunday November 1st. Donations received after November 1st 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!



Blessing of the Animals

Thank you to Dotti Curtiss and Marilyn Gilbert for hosting the Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 6th and for all the tasty treats. We had around 16 dogs and 1 cat. Thank you Father George for blessing our furry friends.

ATTENTION WOMEN & MEN WHO HAVE SERVED ON AN ACTS RETREAT TEAM IN THE PAST – We need you!

“A generous person will prosper and whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.” Prov 11:25

If you join our Willimantic ACTS Core, you will certainly prosper as you generously help refresh the faith of those who attend an ACTS retreat.

ACTS-CT has 4 local Cores that organize retreats in their area. Our Willimantic Core holds 2 retreats/year. It's easy to be a Core member! We meet just once a month & are only busy during the week of the 2 retreats we support. Core members serve just 3 years. It's fun & rewarding. PLEASE consider joining us! Email me, Mary Manton, at mantonm@aol.com OR call 860-604-7114. You can also contact the head of our Core, Ken Anderson, at andersonk0923@gmail.com OR call 860-614-4828.



Santa is coming to the St. Luke Bazaar!

Friday, November 8th from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday, November 9th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Bring your camera to the Community Room in the Parish Center and take a picture of your visit with jolly ol' St. Nick!! Kids receive a little gift from Santa!



ATTIC TREASURES

We will begin to accept Attic Treasures starting **Saturday, October 12th through Friday November 1st**. No Attic Treasures will be accepted after that date. We will not accept books, CD's, DVD's or electronics. Please be sure the items are clean.

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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”
(Mark 10:45)*

If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God’s love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from “I want more” to “thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share”. This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others. Pray daily to become less self-centered and to become more God-centered.

How to Evangelize

If you’re not sure what to talk about or how to explain your faith,

Start by asking any or all of these questions...

- Do you have any spiritual beliefs?
- Who is Jesus?
- Do you think there is a heaven or a hell? If you died tonight, where would you go?
- By the way, if what you were believing is not true, would you want to know?

These five questions, asked in the order listed above, can help change the conversation from the secular to the spiritual.

Go Green Parish

When you go somewhere where you might be drinking coffee, bring a mug.

When you go somewhere you might be drinking water or cold liquids, bring a covered cup or bottle. The more this becomes a habit the better it is for everyone.

The less waste you generate the better it is for the planet.

Annulment Workshop

If you are a divorced Catholic who would like to know more about annulments or is considering beginning the annulment process but aren’t quite sure what it is or how to go about doing so, consider attending this informational workshop Wednesday, October 23 from 7-8:30 P.M. at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall, 1650 Rte 12, Gales Ferry, CT. Rev. Jeffrey Ellis from the Diocesan Marriage Tribunal will be there to answer questions and explain the numerous aspects of the annulment process. For more information, contact the Catholic Family Services Office at 860-848-2237, Ext 312.

UPCOMING EVENTS

All events are held in the Parish Center unless otherwise noted

Oct 27 - Youth Group Meeting

Oct 28 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Oct 31 - Halloween

Nov 1 - **No First Friday Mass at noon**

Nov 1 - All Saints Day - **Holy Day of Obligation - Masses at 8 am and 7 pm**

Nov 1 - Women’s Guild - 10:30 am

Nov 2 - All Soul’s Day (The Commemoration of all the Departed)

Nov 2 - Memorial Mass - 5 pm

Nov 2 - **Daylight Savings Time Ends. Turn your clocks back 1 hour**

Nov 3 - Youth Group Core Meeting - 6:45 pm

Nov 5 - Election Day

Nov 7 - Holy Hour - 7:00 pm

Nov 8 - Christmas Bazaar 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Nov 9 - Christmas Bazaar 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Nov 9 - **Mass time changed to 4 pm (Saturday Vigil)**

Nov 10 - Donuts and Coffee after 7:30 and 10:30 Masses

Nov 11 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Nov 11 - Veteran’s Day

Nov 15 - Women’s Guild - Rosary at 10:30 am

Nov 19 - St. Anne Grandmothers Guild - 10:30 am

Nov 20 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm

Nov 24 - Youth Group Meeting - Church Hall

Nov 25 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Nov 28 - Thanksgiving

Nov 30 - Advent begins

Dec 3 - **No Morning Mass**

Dec 4 - **No Morning Mass**

Dec 5 - Holy Hour - 7:00 pm

Dec 6 - Women’s Guild - 10:30 am

Dec 6 - First Friday Mass at 12:00 pm

Dec 9 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Dec 9 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Dec 15 - Donuts and Coffee after 10:30 Mass

Dec 17 - St. Anne Grandmothers Guild - 10:30 am

Dec 18 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm

Dec 20 - Women’s Guild - Rosary at 10:30 am

Dec 24 - Reconciliation - 3:15pm to 3:45pm

Dec 24 - **Christmas Eve - Masses at 4:00 pm and 10:00pm**

Dec 25 - **Christmas Day - Masses at 7:30 am and 10:30 am
No 6pm Mass**

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in Florida

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