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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 19, 2025

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 3:15 to 3:45

SECRETARY - Karen Luciano

Office Hours - M-T-TH 9-1

FAITH FORMATION

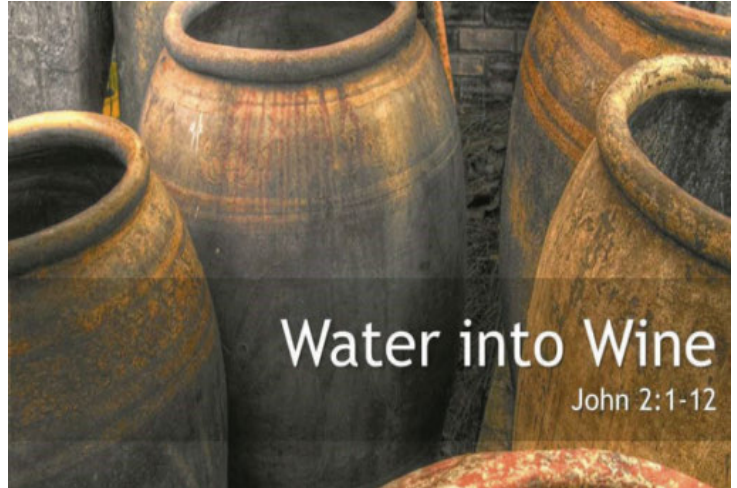
Kim Bocchino, Catechetical Leader
Phone: 860-875-4951
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RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

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

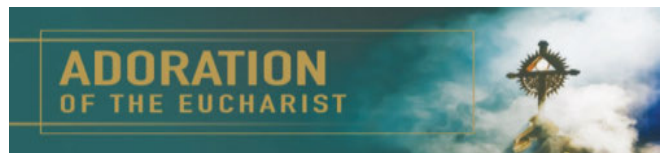
Please contact Deacon Hann @ 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics.

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, JAN 18

4:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SUNDAY, JAN 19

7:30AM +GREG DICIOCCIO

3RD ANNIVERSARY

R/B THE FAMILY

10:30AM +DAVID CONNELL

R/B THE CONNELL & POIRER FAMILIES

6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, JAN 20, 8:00AM

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

TUESDAY, JAN 21, 8:00 AM

+JOHN DECARLI

R/B THE FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, JAN 22, 8:00 AM

+FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
ROY FAMILY

THURSDAY, JAN 23, 8:00AM

+JANICE VALADE

2ND ANNIVERSARY

R/B THE FAMILY

FRIDAY, JAN 24, 8:00 AM

+PUDOTA VIJAY

R/B VINCENT & ANITA

SATURDAY, JAN 25

4:00PM +ANN MARIE DESJARDNIS

R/B SISTER JEANNINE BRICKEY

SUNDAY, JAN 26

7:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

10:30AM FOR OUR CONFIRMATION

GRADE 9 STUDENTS AND THEIR
FAMILIES

6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

IN LOVING MEMORY

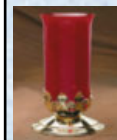


Susan Roberts, Alan Pienkowski

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, Virginia Connell, William Coyne, Bob Cresenzi, Carol DiCioccio, Richard Dubay, Jeanne Ferruolo, Carol & Bob Gay, Marge Griffin, Sister Guytina, Penny Harrington, Tracy Kearcher, Bob & Laraine Kennedy, Joseph King, Kathy Larew, Roberto Llamido, 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



SANCTUARY CANDLE - January 19, 2025

In Loving Memory of Janice Valade
Requested by the Family

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

*“Let’s begin the New Year with Faith, Love, and Peace.
Wishing you all the best! Happy New Year!”*

Faith Formation 2024-2025

Let us all work together as we ***Grow 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:

Tuesday January 21st, 28th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 5-10

Wednesday January 22nd, 29th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 7-9

Sunday January 26th – class from 9-10:15 am – Grades 1-6

Sunday January 26th – Grade 9 and 10 Family Mass

Sunday February 2nd, 9th and 23rd – class from 9-10:15am – Grades 1-6

Tuesday February 4th, 11th, 25th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 5-10

Wednesday February 5th, 12th, 26th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 7-9

Sunday February 2nd – Grade 3 Candle Family 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 January 29th, February 2nd, 9th and 23rd. All children ages 4 years old through the 5th grade are welcome!

Giving Tree Collection from Parishioners - \$3,911

Giving Tree Given by Church - \$3,000

Donations made:

Church in need - \$100

Ellington Social Services - \$4,000

Corner Stone - \$1,353

Hockanum Valley Food Bank - \$1,333

St. Jude - \$125

Total Donations - \$6,911

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 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

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Confirmation 2025

- 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

The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit received through Confirmation are:

1. Wisdom
2. Understanding
3. Knowledge
4. Fortitude or Courage
5. Counsel
6. Piety or Love
7. Fear of the Lord

Church of Saint Luke Community News



JANUARY 12, 2025
REGULAR COLLECTION - \$6,300

Thank you for your generosity



SAVE THE DATE!

Photo Shoot for
Parish Directory!

February 20th, 21st, & 22nd, 2025

See below to sign up today online or sign up sheets are available at both entrances of the Church. Photos will be taken in the Parish Center



The Cornerstone Food Cupboard
3 Prospect Street -
Rockville, CT 06066

MOST NEEDED ITEMS



- Cans of tuna
- Cans of corn or green beans
- Spaghetti sauce in plastic bottles or cans
- Cans of tomato or chicken noodle soup
- Canned pasta
- Rice side dishes such as Rice-a-Roni or Knorr pouches
- Instant potato pouches
- 4-packs of instant pudding

We greatly appreciate all donations, including grocery store gift cards!

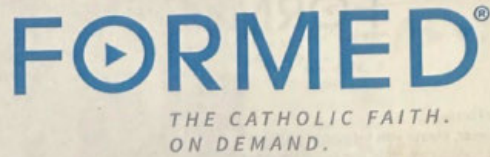
Because we provide clients with pre-packed bags of non-perishable foods, we have to limit the weight and size of food items. Therefore we ask for regular size food items instead of large or family size items or multi-pound items.

ONLINE SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FAMILY APPOINTMENT SETTING

- ◇ Go to the Universal Church Directories website (www.ucdir.com)
- ◇ Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled "photography appointment scheduling login"
- ◇ Enter your church code **ct102**
- ◇ Enter your church password **photos**
- ◇ Click on the Enter button
- ◇ Click on the desired **photography** date
- ◇ Click on the Reserve Time button beside the desired photography appointment time
- ◇ Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk)
- ◇ Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family's name
- ◇ If you have more than six family members being photographed, please reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:00 and 6:10)
- ◇ Print the next screen to use as a reminder of your family's photography appointment
- ◇ Contact your church's online scheduling administrator to change or cancel your photography appointment

**PRAY FOR
VOCATIONS**

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TESTIMONIAL

The gift of “Formed” to our parish is a great resource that I urge all to take advantage of, there are free Bible Studies that you can take at your leisure. A wide selection of reflections and talks from a variety of priests, nuns and lay people. Every style of speaking is represented from Father Mike Smidt’s high octane delivery to others who have a more reflective style. Father Mike is always informative and entertaining but there is just as much to gather from the more sedate and quiet approach of many of the Franciscan priests that share their reflections. There are Bible stories and movies geared to kids that are useful family night watches. It is also great for grandchildren’s sleepovers.

There are programs that deal with serious issues in a Christian approach. Right now, I am watching a series on mental health by a sister who is also a psychologist. There are shows that deal with our faith and what the Catholic Church teaches and why. Content is always being added to and as this service goes along, I think it will be an even broader experience of what is offered. I strongly recommend signing up and taking time to explore this gift from our parish.

God’s Blessings,
Deacon Frank

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 21 - St. Anne Grandmothers Guild - 10:30 am
Jan 21 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm
Jan 27 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
Feb 2 - The Presentation of the Lord
Feb 2 - Coffee and Donuts after the 10:30 Mass
Feb 4 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm
Feb 6 - Holy Hour - 7:00 pm
Feb 7 - First Friday Mass - 12:00 pm
Feb 7 - Women’s Guild - 10:30 am
Feb 10 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
Feb 14 - Valentine’s Day
Feb 18 - St. Anne Grandmothers Guild - 10:30 am
Feb 18 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm
Feb 19 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
Feb 20 - Photo Shoot - 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm
Feb 21 - Photo Shoot - 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm
Feb 21 - Women’s Guild - 10:30 am
Feb 22 - Photo Shoot - 9 am to 4:00 pm
Feb 24 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP

God our Father, in Jesus your Son, You have given to Your Church the perfect model of priest, prophet, and king, and have blessed us through His sacrifice, taught us through His Word and guided us through His rule. We thank You for the previous bishops who have shepherd the people of the Diocese of Norwich. We ask you, Father, to guide and enlighten those who are now tasked with helping to choose the next bishop of our diocese. May the man chosen be a man of deep and true prayer, a man of wisdom, joy and peace who desires above all to do Your will. We entrust our prayers to the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, Saint Joseph her spouse and protector of the Church, our patrons Saint Patrick and Saint Ann, and ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

“To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.” - 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God’s plan? How are you helping to build God’s kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don’t do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of January 19, 2025



Paul the Apostle | The Bible Collection

The church's greatest enemy became Christ's most prolific messenger. Beautifully shot in the Moroccan desert, Paul the Apostle is a sweeping saga of the man who brought the Gospel to the Western world.



Mass

There is infinite grace available in every Mass and confession, but our subjective experience may not reflect this objective reality. We need to switch on. The focus of this episode is unlocking more grace from Mass and confession.



Saint Francis de Sales and the Character of a Christian: Devotion (Part 1 of 4)

In this four-part series, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Christopher O. Blum sit down to discuss St. Francis de Sales, his best known work “The Introduction to the Devout Life”, and the character of a Christian.

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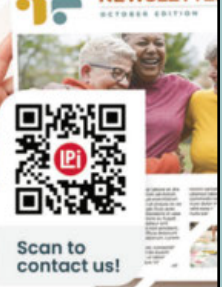
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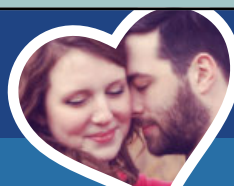
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