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PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

FEBRUARY 2, 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

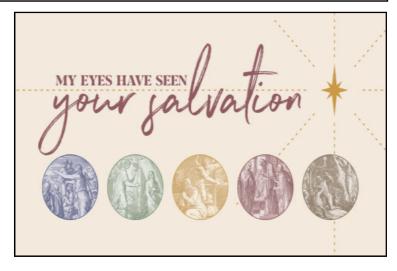
Email: stlukere@gmail.com

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

Church of Saint Luke Lord, Hear our Prayer



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, FEB 1 4:00PM +DEACON HARRY GROSPITCH & MICHAEL GROSPITCH R/B THE FAMILY

SUNDAY, FEB 2
7:30AM +ALAN PIENKOWSKI
R/B THE ST. LUKE WOMENS GUILD
10:30AM GRADE 3 FAMILY CANDLE
MASS
6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, FEB 3, 8:00AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

TUESDAY, FEB 4, 8:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

WEDNESDAY, FEB 5, 8:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

THURSDAY, FEB 6, 8:00AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

FRIDAY, FEB 7, 8:00 AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS 12:00 PM +PACITA LLAMIDO R/B THE BOCCHINO FAMILY

SATURDAY, FEB 8
4:00PM +ANN MARIE DESJARDNIS
R/B SISTER JEANNINE BRICKEY

SUNDAY, FEB 9
7:30AM +ALAN PIENKOWSKI
R/B THE WAUDBY & PECK FAMILY
10:30AM +BILL CHAMBERLIN & KAYLA
AVERY
R/B THE FAMILY
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, Virginia Llamido, Ellen Lohnes, Richard Marcinek, Meg Morneau, Jeanne Parker, Beth Ann Phillips, Stanley Pienkowski, John Rice, Fran Rutkus, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Joan Smith, Melanie Smith, Cooper Somberg, Jane Thomas, Judy Veillette, Bill Vieweg, Sheila Waterhouse, Morris Webber, Edward Wysocki



SANCTUARY CANDLE - February 2, 2025 In Loving Memory of deceased members of St. Luke Church

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
- -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

"Dear Jesus, help our family to never lose sight that living with you in Heaven is the real goal. Amen."

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 stluker@gmail.com.

Faith Formation Classes and Events:

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

Tuesday February 4^h , 11^{th} , 25^{th} – 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 Sunday March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th – class from 9-10:15am – Grades 1-6

Tuesday March 4^h, 11th, 18th, 25th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 5-10

Wednesday March 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th – class from 6:45-8 pm – Grades 7-9

Sunday March 2nd – Pancake Breakfast

Sunday March 2nd – Grade 2 and 3 Family Pin Mass Saturday March 15th – Confirmation Mass at 10:30

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 February 2nd, 9th, 23rd, March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th. All children ages 4 years old through the 5th grade are welcome!

Congratulations to our newly commissioned Lectors.

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 <u>no later than</u> <u>April 30th, 2025</u>. 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

Sunday May 4th – Grade 3 Crowning of Mary and First Eucharist Mass

Confirmation 2025

- 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 19, 2025 REGULAR COLLECTION - \$3,566 JANUARY 26, 2025 REGULAR COLLECTION - \$5,711

Thank you for your generosity



Week of February 02, 2025



St. Josephine Bakhita: A Story of God's

Join Sister Imelda as she shares the amazing story of St. Josephine Bakhita, who, after being taken captive and made a slave, finds freedom by giving her life to



The Presentation | Episode 5 | Mysteries of the Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries

The Presentation is already foreshadowing the Cross. The offering Mary makes at the Presentation in the Temple becomes manifested and reaches its fulfillment at Colors. fulfillment at Calvary.



Bakhita: From Slave to Saint

Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a

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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.



SAVE THE DATE!

Parish Directory Photo Shoot!

February 20th, 21st, & 22nd, 2025 See below to sign up today online Photos will be taken in the Parish Center. Receive a free 8x10 and a free Parish Directory. If you chose to not reserve a time, and would like to upload a picture, the price is \$15.00. You will still receive a free Parish Directory.

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
- Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your
- 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



Women's VIRTUAL WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT!

Petrest On Sat., March 8, 2025, from 9am-noon, join us via Zoom for a FREE virtual retreat with

the theme: "Hope: The

Anchor of the Soul", emphasizing the Pope's Jubilee Year of Hope. Email tiggpercy@gmail.com to register with Elizabeth Percy. All women all welcome! Hope to see many ladies there. It's a great thing to do for yourself in Lent. Organized by a team of women from Our Lady Queen of Peace parish, Coventry/Storrs.

Church of Saint Luke

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

The Presentation of the Lord

"Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested."

– Hebrews 2:18

When we join a support group, there is comfort in sharing our pain with people who have experienced the same thing; they understand what we are going through. The next time you experience suffering, talk to Jesus. He has experienced more suffering than most of us. He understands. Plus, Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves. Only He can fill the hole you feel in your heart.



Please RSVP

to Janet at

Janet.settle@gmail.com

by 3/1

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 - Parish Directory Photo Shoot - 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Feb 21 - Parish Directory Photo Shoot - 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Feb 21 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am

Feb 22 - Parish Directory Photo Shoot - 9 am to 4:00 pm

Feb 24 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Mar 2 - Pancake Breakfast

Mar 4 - Ash Wednesday - Masses at 8 am and 7 pm

Mar 4 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm

Mar 6 - Holy Hour - 7:00 pm

Mar 7 - First Friday Mass - 12:00 pm

Mar 7 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am

Mar 9 - Daylight Saving Time begins

Mar 10 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Mar 15 - Confirmation - 10:30 am

Mar 15 - Vigil Mass at 5 pm

Mar 18 - St. Anne Grandmothers Guild - 10:30 am

Mar 18 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm

Mar 19 - March for Life

Mar 19 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm

Mar 21 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am

Mar 24 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

Mar 25 - The Annunciation of the Lord



Coffee and donuts will be available after the 10:30 Mass this weekend. Everyone is invited.

Please join us this Thursday, February 6th for Holy Hour at 7pm and Friday, February 7th for our First Friday Mass at 12pm.





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