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FEBRUARY 16, 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

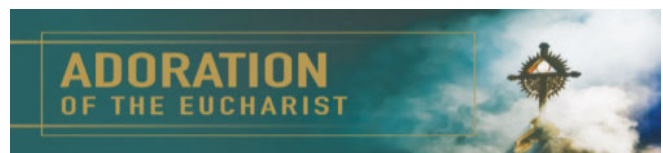
Please contact Deacon Hann @ 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics.

## 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



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 15

**4:00PM** JOE KING  
HEALING MASS  
R/B JANE

SUNDAY, FEB 16

**7:30AM** +ALAN PIENKOWSKI  
R/B GARY BOLLES  
**10:30AM** +DAVID CONNELL  
R/B THE CONNELL AND POIRIER FAMILIES  
**6:00PM** FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, FEB 17, 8:00AM

TO ST. JUDE FOR A FAVOR RECEIVED  
R/B A PARISHIONER

TUESDAY, FEB 18, 8:00 AM

+ALFINA MILLUZZO  
BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE  
R/B THE BONANNO FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, FEB 19 , 8:00 AM

JOE KING  
HEALING MASS  
R/B JANE

THURSDAY, FEB 20, 8:00AM

+PACITA LLAMIDO  
R/B THE WOMEN'S GUILD

FRIDAY, FEB 21, 8:00 AM

JOE KING  
HEALING MASS  
R/B JANE

SATURDAY, FEB 22

**4:00PM** +JOSEPH CIANCI  
R/B HIS WIFE

SUNDAY, FEB 23

**7:30AM** +ALAN PIENKOWSKI  
R/B MARSHA BOLUS  
**10:30AM** +FRANK PENTA  
1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY  
R/B GERALDINE  
**6:00PM** FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

### IN LOVING MEMORY



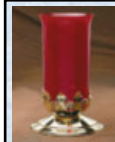
Susan Roberts, Alan Pienkowski, Patricia Mahon

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### 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, Tonia 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 16, 2025

In Loving Memory of Alfin Milluzzo  
R/B The Bonanno 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.

# 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 come 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](mailto:stlukere@gmail.com).**

### Faith Formation Classes and Events:

*Sunday February 23<sup>rd</sup> – class from 9-10:15am*  
– Grades 1-6  
*Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup> – class from 6:45-8 pm*  
– Grades 5-10  
*Wednesday February 26<sup>th</sup> – class from 6:45-8 pm*  
– Grades 7-9  
*Sunday February 23<sup>rd</sup> – Grade 3 Parent and Student Eucharist Workshop*  
*Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> – class from 9-10:15am – Grades 1-6*  
*Tuesday March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> – class from 6:45-8 pm*  
– Grades 5-10  
*Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> – class from 6:45-8 pm*  
– Grades 7-9  
*Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Pancake Breakfast*  
*Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Grade 2 and 3 Family Pin Mass*  
*Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup> – Confirmation Mass at 10:30 am*



### Calling all Parishioners

Join us Sunday, March 2nd from 8-10am for our 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast! A breakfast of pancakes, sausage and fruit will be served in the Church Hall.

### Go Green

**How Will Going Green Help?** Most people are aware that going green is good for the Earth, but may not fully understand the extent of its impact. Going green leads to a healthier lifestyle, a cleaner environment, it saves money and is good for our planet's future. The green initiative is about conserving resources so that your needs and the needs of future generations can be met. To learn more about the benefits of going green visit <http://www.all-recycling-facts.com>. The goal of green living is to use resources responsibly and to contribute towards cleaner air, alternative fuels and green energy.

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

### Service to Others & Youth Group – Grades 8 & 9

All 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. We encourage all 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> – Grade 3 Eucharist Workshop*  
*Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Grade 2 and 3 Pin Family Mass*  
*Grade 2 First Reconciliation - TBD*  
*Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup> – Grade 3 First Eucharist Rehearsal*  
*Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm – First Eucharist Rehearsal*  
*Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup> - 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



FEBRUARY 2, 2025

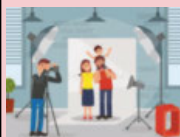
REGULAR COLLECTION - \$5,044

MAINTENANCE - \$2,608

FEBRUARY 9, 2025

REGULAR COLLECTION - \$3,129

Thank you for your generosity



SAVE THE DATE!

Parish Directory  
Photo Shoot!

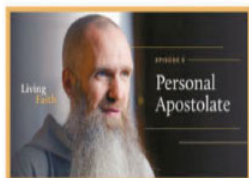
February 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

This is the last week to sign up for your Parish Directory Photo. Please contact the Rectory to reserve your time slot if you have not done so.

~Thank you



Week of February 16, 2025



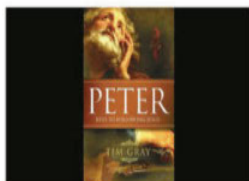
## Personal Apostolate

Every Catholic is called to share their faith — and there are simple, easy ways to do this. No megaphones needed. Just start the journey of discipleship with two friends. This episode's focus is sharing our faith with others.



## Saint Peter

Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.



## Peter: Keys to Following Jesus by Tim Gray

Renowned scholar Dr. Tim Gray masterfully guides you through the tumultuous and inspiring life of Peter—from his call to discipleship to his eventual martyrdom in Rome. Using Sacred Scripture and tradition, Dr. Gray highlights important lessons from Peter's life.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](http://signup.formed.org) and select our parish name.

## ONLINE SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FAMILY APPOINTMENT SETTING

- Go to the Universal Church Directories website ([www.ucdir.com](http://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



St. Luke's is proud to announce that Irish Night 2025 is back! Come out and have dinner with St. Pat on Saturday, March 22, 2025. Doors to the event will open at 5:30 p.m.

We will be serving a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner with dessert! Beer and wine will be included in the price of the ticket! Live entertainment will be provided by *Irish to the Last Drop!*

Tickets are \$25.00 per person and will be available for purchase at all masses and at the rectory.

Please contact Steve Autieri at [smautieri@gmail.com](mailto:smautieri@gmail.com) if you have any questions or wish to assist in the planning



## TAX TIME!

If you need a letter of your contributions made to St. Luke Parish for 2024, please contact the Rectory at 860-875-8552 between 9am and 1pm, Monday through Thursday.

# Church of Saint Luke

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

*"Blessed are you when people hate you...exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man." - LUKE 6:22*

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 18 - St. Anne Grandmothers Guild - 10:30 am  
Feb 18 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm - **CANCELLED**  
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 - 8 to 10 am  
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 - 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 22 - Irish Night  
Mar 25 - The Annunciation of the Lord

## **2024 Annual Catholic Appeal**

The final total for the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal: Thank you very much **Saint Luke Parish, Ellington** for your generous donations in the amount of \$35,163.75 which was 77.14% of your goal. Throughout 2024 29.23% of your parishioners donated and each donation made gave support to the diocesan ministries. We are very happy to report that all the generous donations made to the 2024 campaign brought our total to \$2,613,922.22. While this did fall slightly short of our \$2,700,00.00 goal it is truly a testament to all the hard work and generosity that our parish communities continue to show. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. Our new 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family" campaign is set to begin, and the first letter should be arriving soon. For more information or to donate, please contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go to [www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org](http://www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org). Thank you to everyone for your support!

Attention Parishioners: The Irish Night Planning Committee is seeking your help! We are looking for the donation of items to be featured at our raffle on March 22, 2025. Donations can be placed in the weekly collection in an envelope marked, Irish Night 2025, or dropped off at the rectory from 9am - 1pm. Thank you for your support!



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**MONDAY  
MARCH 10**



**5:30-7:30 PM**



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HALL**

**Please RSVP  
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by 3/1**





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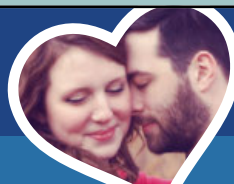
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