



SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2017 **4:00 PM**
+MADELINE WRAIGHT
R/B KATHLEEN CLEMENT

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2017
7:30 AM
+DEBORAH ALAIMO
R/B THE CASTONGUAY FAMILY

10:30 AM
+MARIO BELLARDI
R/B CAROL SCHROEDER

6:00 PM
+ALDA DEBORTOLI R/B THE FAMILY

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+DEPARTED FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF THE
SMEDY FAMILY R/B THE SMEDY FAMILY

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+MADELINE WRAIGHT R/B KATHLEEN
CLEMENT

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017 **8:00AM**
+JOHN AND ELSY R/B SR. THERESE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+DEPARTED FRIENDS/FAMILY OF THE
LESURE FAMILY R/B THE LESURE FAMILY

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+NED SMITH R/B FRIENDS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2017 **4:00 PM**
+MADELINE WRAIGHT
R/B DOUGLAS & DIANA BARNARD

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2017 7:30 AM
+JOHN A. DECARLI
R/B THE FAMILY

10:30 AM
GRADE 9 CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

6:00 PM
FOR ALL MISSIONARIES

PARISH SUPPORT

JANUARY 8 – REGULAR - \$3,516
ON LINE GIVING:

JANUARY 8 - REGULAR \$ 435

ADORATION



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM



“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” ISAIAH 49:5

You have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. Guess what, each of us has been given a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and generously share them with others.

“READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?”

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

This reading is a short passage from the second song of the Servant of the Lord. The Lord will show his glory through His servant whose mission is to restore Israel and bring salvation :to the ends of the earth.”

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Paul sends greetings to the people of Corinth, who have been called to be holy and consecrated in Christ.

Gospel: John 1:29-34

When Jesus visits John, John recognizes Jesus as the "Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world." John further indicates that Jesus is truly the Messiah and "God's chosen One."

FAITH FORMATION

We can be reached at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com The office is open Sunday (when classes are in session) 8-11 am, Monday 1-8:30 pm, Tuesday 1-8:30 pm, Thursday or by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

Religious Education 2016 - 2017

Please keep our students and teachers in prayer as they learn & grow in their Faith together. Parents after class each week please ask your child what they learned \ discussed in class that day. And always remember to pray with them each day, the best way for them to practice their prayers is to pray them daily.

Sunday Grade K-5 Classes 9 - 10:15 am - Classes January 22 and 29th. No class January 15.

Monday Grade 6-9 Classes 6:45-8 pm - January 23 and 30. No class January 16.

Tuesday Grade 3-4-5 Classes 4:15-5:30 pm – January 24, and 31st. No class January 17.

Tuesday Grade 6-9 Classes 7-8:15 pm. Classes January 24 and 31. No class January 17.

Join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday January 22 and 29th. Open to all children age 4 through 5th grade.

CONFIRMATION – GRADE 9 – IMPORTANT DATES!!!

*Confirmation Interviews during the month of January – Pre-registration is required.

*Required Confirmation Mass – Sunday, January 22 – 10:30 Mass

*Attend Youth Group Meeting in January or February

*Confirmation Retreat for Students – February 11 from 9:30 – 12:30 PM

*Save the Date – Confirmation 2017 – Sunday March 26 at 1 PM.

GRADE 8 – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Service hours for all grade 8 students are due no later than March 31, 2017.

All 8th Grade students MUST attend one Youth group meeting on either January 22, February 26 or March 26. Students should sign in to receive credit for attending.

GRADE 7 – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Service hours for all grade 7 students are due no later than April 30, 2017.

**GRADE 2 – EUCHARIST –
IMPORTANT DATES**

Sunday, February 5 – Candle Family Mass – 10:30 AM

Sunday, March 5 – Pin Family Mass – 10:30 AM

Saturday, March 11 – Eucharistic Workshop for students and parents – 9:00 AM



God of loving kindness and mercy we pray for those who have been called from this life, and for the consolation of their loved ones especially: Madeline Wraight, John Taglieri, Deborah Alaimo and Margaret Pionzio.

**World Message of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Message of December 25, 2016**

“Dear Children! With great joy, today I am carrying my son Jesus to you, for Him to give you His peace. Open your hearts, little children, and be joyful that you can receive it. Heaven is with you and is fighting for peace in your hearts, in the families and in the world; and you, little children, help with your prayers for it to be so. I bless you with my son Jesus and call you not to lose hope; and for your gaze and heart to always be directed towards Heaven and eternity. In this way, you will be open to God and to His plans. Thank you for having responded to my call.

Remember in Prayer 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 Christ our Lord. Amen

Please pray for Father Bill Olesik, Laura Behrendt, Judy Cardoni, Julie Chartier, Deacon Rod Gayner, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Mary Kellner, Judy LeBel, Kathy Larew, Michael Marquis, Anna Martocchio, Shirley McElroy, Alice Ogden, Ted Okolo, Gary Pellegrini, Beth Ann Phillips, Ann Pienkowski, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Jim Smith, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Joseph Teixeira, Eugene Veillette, Morris Webber, and Jean Wood.

Defending our Religious Liberty

We are called to advocate for the most fundamental of human goods and rights, in particular, the right to life and the right not only to profess our faith, but to live it out. We are advocating for the freedom to “be Catholic,” to go about our lives serving the needs of our brothers and sisters, regardless of their race, creed, or religion, not because they are Catholic but because we are Catholic.

If you haven’t done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected state representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
IRISH NIGHT IS COMING!**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2017
AFTER THE 4:00 PM MASS**

Come and join us for our Feast Day celebration for St. Patrick! We will be serving a delicious and typical Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner.

Our Entertainment will be by our Enthusiastic and Fun group ‘IRISH TO THE LAST DROP!’ as well as the “DEE DEE GOLDEN STEP DANCERS.”

As part of our tradition, we will be having a Raffle and would welcome any gifts or baskets for our Raffle Table. If you have any questions, please contact Jane at the Rectory at 860-875-8552 or email StLuke_Ellington@comcast.net.

**SPIRITUAL RENEWAL CENTER
11 BATH STREET, NORWICH**

**You are invited to: HEALING MASS,
JANUARY JANUARY 23 AT 2:00 PM**

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Anyone who is in need of a statement of charitable donations for the 2016 calendar year can **call the rectory, or write ‘STATEMENT’ on the front of your Offertory Envelope or email StLuke_Ellington@comcast.net.** A statement will be sent to you as soon as possible.

NINE DAYS FOR LIFE NOVENA –

JANUARY 21 THROUGH 29. Pray for the respect and protection of all human life with new intentions, brief reflections, and more each day. Download the novena online, or participate through Facebook, email, text message or an app **Join at www.9daysforlife.com!**

Natural Family Planning is a scientific, safe, and is 99 percent effective for conceiving or responsibly postponing a baby. A three-session class for married and engaged couples begins on Saturday, January 28 at 7 PM in Gales Ferry. For more information, call Craig and Liz Schantz at 860-464-1184 or to register for a class go to www.ccli.org.

OPEN HOUSES:

ST. MARTHA’S SCHOOL, ENFIELD – Thursday, January 19 – 6 PM – 214 Brainard Road.

ST. BRIDGET SCHOOL, MANCHESTER – Sunday, January 29, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.- www.saintbridgetschool.com

ST. BERNARD SCHOOL, ENFIELD - 22 Pearl Street - Sunday, January 22, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM.