

**Saturday January 24, 2015**

5:00 PM +Russell Grish
r/b John & Nancy Grish

Sunday January 25, 2015

7:30 AM For all volunteers of St. Luke Church

10:30 AM +Carmen Torres
r/b Her Daughter Mildred Blovish

6:00 PM For the youth of our parish

Monday January 26, 2015

8:00 AM +Cecile Clavette
r/b Brian D'Amour

Tuesday January 27, 2015

8:00 AM For a special intention
r/b Noella Chouinard

Wednesday January 28, 2015

8:00 AM For the hungry

Thursday January 29, 2015

8:00 AM For the small Faith groups
of our parish

Friday January 30, 2015

8:00 AM For the children of the world

Saturday January 31, 2015

5:00 PM +Henry Thomas – Wedding
Anniversary Remembrance
r/b Jane

Sunday February 1, 2015

7:30 AM For those struggling to carry
their crosses

10:30 AM +Nicasio Savona
r/b Paolo-Biagia Colino

6:00 PM +Walcwa Trochnicki
r/b The Family

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” MARK 1:17

Jesus' call to “Follow me” is a call to all Christians! Jesus asks us to help Him build his church on earth by generously sharing all our gifts of prayer, talent and treasure. Remember, Jesus calls us to generously develop and share all our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose.

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?**First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10**

Jonah set out for Ninevah as God asked and told the people that their city would be destroyed in forty days. The people believed him and repented from their evil ways. God did not destroy their city, showing his mercy for those who see the evil of their ways and correct it.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Paul advises the Corinthians that their world is changing, so they should not take their daily trials too seriously. We should remember that the problems of everyday living will not last forever, but the eternal life God promises us will.

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

Jesus observes Simon and Andrew where they are fishing and tells them to come with him and become “fishers of men.” They abandon their nets without hesitation to follow him. Next he calls James and his brother John, who also leave what they are doing and follow him without question.

PARISH SUPPORT

Regular Collection - January 18 - \$4,551

FAITH FORMATION

Religious Ed - 875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com

Office Hours:

Monday/Tuesday 1-8 pm

Thursday 9-1pm

Also by Appointment

Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

CONFIRMATION – 2015 – Grade 9

All candidates MUST attend at least 1 Youth Ministry meeting January 25, February 22 or March 22. It is the student's responsibility to sign in at the meeting they attend.

Confirmation Date: Saturday, April 25, 2015 1:00 PM

Confirmation Rehearsal: Thursday, April 23, 2015 – 6:30 PM

Confirmation Reconciliation: Monday, April 20 and Tuesday, April 21, 2015 during regular class time.

Grade 2 – Students and Families

Sunday, February 1 – Candle Mass for all Grade 2 students and families at the 10:30 Mass.

Religious Education Program – 2015

The class schedule is as follows:

Sunday – January 25, February 1, 8 and 22nd 9-10:15 am
No Class February 15

Monday – January 26, February 2, 9 and 23rd. - 6:45-8:00 pm
No Class February 16

Tuesday – January 27, February 3, 10th and 24th – 4:15-5:30 pm
No Class February 17

Tuesday- January 27, February 3, 10th and 24th - 7:00 – 8:15 pm
No Class February 17

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held during the 10:30 Mass on Sundays for all children age 4 up to Grade 5. Join us on Sunday January 25, and February 1, 8, 15 and 22nd during the 10:30 Mass.

Volunteer Service Work

Contact Tony Littizzio – 860-875-6791 or MRLSLYG @ aol.com

R.C.I.A.: All Wednesdays 7-8:30 PM

Parish Center for adults who wish to be confirmed, or are interested in the Catholic Faith, or wish to become Catholic. Call Deacon Frank 860-875-6543.

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 Laura Behrendt, Judy Cardoni, Fern Chmielecki, Connor Dabate, Alex Dinh, Deacon Rod Gayner, Harry Gropitch, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Kathy Larew, Michael Marquis, Anna Martocchio, Rocco Montano, Beth Ann Phillips, Jean Rabe, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Don Sierakowski, Jim Smith, Wendy Tarbox, Dan Tarbox, Joseph Teixeira, Morris Webber, Richard Wood and Kathy White.

++PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED++

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:
Myrna Bouchard, Scott Traska,
Rita Connelly and Cecile Clavette

Defending Our Religious Liberty

It is important that we stay informed regarding the Health and Human Services (HHS) mandate and how it will violate our religious freedom as Catholics and as Americans. If religious liberty is not upheld, all people will

suffer and many will be deprived of the social, educational, and human services that they need.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the mandate by calling President Obama at the White House at 202-456-1111 or the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

World Message of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Message of December 25, 2014

"Dear Children! Also today, in my arms I am carrying my Son Jesus to you and I am asking from Him peace for you and peace among you. Pray to and adore my Son for His peace and joy to enter into your hearts. I am praying for you to be all the more open to prayer. Thank you for having responded to my call."

FACEBOOK

"Visit us on Facebook: St. Luke Catholic Church

**PARISH MISSION COMING!
ST. LUKE'S CHURCH**

**MONDAY AND TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23
AND 24, 7:00 PM**

**DR. BRYAN THATCHER – EADM
(Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy)
DIRECTOR**

**WILL SPEAK ON DIVINE MERCY, THE
EUCHARIST, OUR BLESSED MOTHER**

**St. Edward's School Open House – Thursday,
January 29 from 6:30-7:30 PM. Offering Pre-K
through Grade 8 – 25 Church Street, Stafford
Springs, CT. Call 860-684-2600 for more details.**

PARISH MEETING SCHEDULED!

NEW CHURCH SIDE ENCLOSURES ARE BEING CONSIDERED. INSIDE TODAY'S BULLETIN IS A SKETCH AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION SUMMARY. PLEASE ATTEND A **PARISH MEETING ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2015 AT 2:00 PM** FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE YOUR INPUT.

SOUP AND SANDWICH SUPPER!

During Lent we will be having a "Soup and Sandwich Supper" before the Stations of the Cross. The supper will be from 5-7 PM in the church hall. Takeout will be available. The price is \$6.00 per person. The dates are the Fridays during Lent: February 20, February 27, March 13, March 20, March 27 and April 3. Come join us for a nice hot meal!

The Social Committee

YOUTH GROUP NIGHT

Youth Group Night is this Sunday, January 25 following the 6:00 PM Mass. Guest Speakers this month will be Mrs. Lenora Rice who is a CCD Teacher and in charge of the Lectors; Mr. Wilson Flynn who is in charge of the Ushers; and Mr. Thomas Theroux who is the Altar Server Extraordinaire.

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

**Saturday, MARCH 7, 2015
after the 5:00 Mass**

TICKETS GO ON SALE
STARTING FEBRUARY 7 AND 8.
TICKETS ARE \$16 per person

**NO BYOB!!! BEER AND WINE
WILL BE AVAILABLE!**

**Don't be left out! No Tickets Will
Be Sold At The Door!**

**Entertainment will be Irish Step
Dancers and of course,
"IRISH TO THE LAST DROP"**

As part of our tradition, we have a raffle and would **welcome any gifts or baskets for our raffle table. They can be dropped off at the rectory. Any questions please contact Jane Thomas at the rectory 860-875-8552.**

**Prayer Service – February 5 – St. Andrew's
Church 128 Norwich Ave, Colchester, CT. –
6:30 PM.**

**Marriage Preparation Class – St. Joseph
Church Hall, RT 97, Occum – January 31,
February 7m 21, 2015 9:30am – 12 noon. To
register call 860-889-8346 ext. 283 – The
Office of Family Life.**