



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2017 **4:00 PM**
+TIMOTHY ALLEN
R/B THE FAMILY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2017 **7:30 AM**
FOR FATHER TONY
R/B ST. LUKE'S PARISHIONERS

10:30 AM
+JOSEPHINE AND PETER DECARLI
R/B JOHN & LENORA RICE

6:00 PM
FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+FRANK DELLO IACONO – 3RD ANNIVERSARY
R/B HIS WIFE AND FAMILY

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+WILLIAM WHOLEY
R/B JOHN A. FARROW

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2017 **8:00AM**
+JERRY WELCH – 9TH ANNIVERSARY
R/B HIS FAMILY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+FAITH LEGGE
R/B THE RAYMOND ROY FAMILY

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+DECEASED FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE
GAY FAMILY
R/B THE GAY FAMILY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2017 **4:00 PM**
+NANCY KENNEDY & JOHN H. DOBITSKY
R/B THE FAMILY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2017
7:30 AM
+EDWARD B. WYSOCKI, JR.
R/B MOM, DAD & FAMILY
10:30 AM
FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD
6:00 PM
FOR OUR YOUTH

PARISH SUPPORT

FEBRUARY 12 – REGULAR – \$3,232
ON LINE GIVING \$ 435



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM



“But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you...” MATTHEW 5:44

Love your enemies, easier said than done, no doubt. But, remember, the foundation of stewardship is prayer. When we are in close communication with God, it opens our heart and it turns our attention away from “me” and moves it towards God and others. It allows us to have a little more empathy for “our enemy.” When we pray for others, even “our enemies”, maybe it softens their hearts as well.

“READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?”

First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

The Lord urges Moses to tell the Israelite Community to love their neighbors as themselves. They should bear no grudge or hatred against another.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Paul, once again, reminds the Corinthians that they are the temple of God, and, as such, must avoid internal disputes and wrangling. He tries to make them realize that they belong to

Christ and that the spirit of God dwells within them.

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

In this part of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus exhorts his followers to do an extraordinary thing – to love their enemies and to pray for their oppressors. He reminds them that there is nothing laudatory in loving those who love them for even the “pagans” do this. He urges them to “turn the other cheek” and to “walk the extra mile.

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 - February 26. No Class February 19.

Monday Grade 6-9 Classes 6:45-8 pm - February 27. No Class February 20.

Tuesday Grade 3-4-5 Classes 4:15-5:30 pm – February 14, 28th. No Class February 21.

Tuesday Grade 6-9 Classes 7-8:15 pm. Classes February 21, 28.

Join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday February 26 and March 5, 12, 19, 26th. Open to all children age 4 through 5th grade.

CONFIRMATION – GRADE 9 – IMPORTANT DATES!!!

*Attend Youth Group Meeting on February 26.

Confirmation Rehearsal for candidate and sponsor (or sponsor stand in) Thursday, March 23 at 6 PM.

Confirmation 2017 Sunday, March 26 at 1 pm. Candidates and Sponsors arrive by 12:30 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 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 – FIRST RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST – IMPORTANT DATES

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

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

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, John Leskey, Michael Marquis, Anna Martocchio, 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.



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, Margaret Pionzio, Basil Gallant, George Medeiros and Eleanor Badecker.

World Message of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Message of January 25, 2016

“Dear Children! Today I am calling you to pray for peace: peace in human hearts, peace in the families and peace in the world. Satan is strong and wants to turn all of you against God, and to return you to everything that is human, and to destroy in the heart all feelings towards God and the things of God. You, little children, pray and fight against materialism, modernism and egoism, which the world offers to you. Little children, you decide for holiness and I, with my Son Jesus, intercede for you. Thank you for having responded to my call.

YOUTH GROUP NIGHT – FEBRUARY 26

Come to Youth Group and explore the joy of God’s Love in our Church and in you! We are going to be looking at the many ways the Church expresses God’s love and how you can be a part of it. All 8-12th Graders are invited to join us from 7:00 – 8:30 PM.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! IRISH NIGHT IS COMING!

**SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2017
DOORS OPEN AT 4:30**

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW AFTER THE 4:00, 7:30 and 10:30 MASSES OR AT THE RECTORY M-F 9-1. TICKETS ARE \$20 P/P. NO BYOB!!! BEER AND WINE WILL BE AVAILABLE.

DON'T BE LEFT OUT! NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

**Entertainment:
IRISH STEP DANCERS**

"IRISH TO THE LAST DROP"

IRISH NIGHT RAFFLE!

As part of our tradition, we will be having a Raffle and would welcome any gifts or baskets for our Raffle Table. They can be brought to the Rectory during office hours M-F 9-1. If you have any questions, please contact Jane at the rectory at 860-875-8552 or email StLuke_Ellington@comcast.net.

Operation Rice Bowl: Our Lenten Program: Encounter Lent

For 44 years, Operation Rice Bowl has helped to feed the hungry poor. Through Operation Rice Bowl – a program of prayer, fasting, learning, and giving – what you give up for Lent can give hope to the poorest of the poor. Make this Lenten season one of awareness, compassion, and reflection. Operation Rice Bowl is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and the Diocese of Norwich. Details of this program will appear in next Week's bulletin.

PARISH MISSION COMING!

MARCH 6, 7 AND 8, 2017

Father Paul R. Fagan, C.P. is a member of the Passionist Preaching Ministry. For eleven years he was the director of the Passionist spiritual Center until it closed on January 1, 2011. On May 11, 2012, Fr. Paul graduated from the Aquinas Institute of

Theology in St. Louis, MO with a Doctor of Ministry Degree in Preaching. He is currently assigned to the Itinerant Preaching Ministry of the Passionist Community.

Father Paul will be speaking at all the masses the weekend of March 4 and 5. The mission will start on Monday, March 6 during the 8 AM Mass and also in the evening at 7 PM. The Mission will continue on Tuesday with the same times. On Wednesday, March 8, the Mission will close with a Mass celebrated by Fr. Paul both at 8 AM and 7 PM.

The Mission Topics will be:

Day 1: Opening – "What Do We Stake Our Life On? The Soil of a Faithful Person and a Good Parish Community."

Day 2: "Are we Willing To Take A Risk?"

Day 3 – Closing – "God Demands Our Life As Individuals, Families and Parish Community!"

All are invited to attend this beautiful Spiritual time.