



Fourth Sunday of Easter

<u>Saturday</u>		<u>April 25, 2015</u>	
5:00 PM	+Kristine Kozuch Alexander	12 th Anniversary and	Michael Antony
		19 th Anniversary	r/b Mother & Family
<u>Sunday</u>		<u>April 26, 2015</u>	
7:30 AM	+Alissa Lawlor	r/b Don & Donna Dryburgh	
10:30 AM	For Civil Leaders		
6:00 PM	+Lorraine & Kenneth Gayton,	Gene Pitney & Emma Detolla	
<u>Monday</u>		<u>April 27, 2015</u>	
8:00 AM	For our Confirmation Students		
<u>Tuesday</u>		<u>April 28, 2015</u>	
8:00	+In memory of Bishop Hines		
<u>Wednesday</u>		<u>April 29, 2015</u>	
8:00 AM	In Honor of St. Jude for answered prayers		
<u>Thursday</u>		<u>April 30, 2015</u>	
8:00 AM	For all scouts		
<u>Friday</u>		<u>May 1, 2015</u>	
8:00 AM	For the unemployed		
<u>Saturday</u>		<u>May 2, 2015</u>	
5:00 PM	+Alfio Bonanno	r/b Wife and Family	
<u>Sunday</u>		<u>May 3, 2015</u>	
7:30	For all Parishioners		
10:30 AM	+Rosemary Conlan	r/b John & Lenora Rice	
6:00 PM	+Angela Faillace	r/b The Gionet Family	

“I am the good shepherd....and I lay down my life for the sheep....and they will heed my voice.” JOHN 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for things you want? Do you ever ask Jesus what He wants you to do? How do you listen for the response? The answer is usually in “quiet whispers.” Take time in silent, daily prayer to hear His answer.

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

First Reading Acts 4:8-12

Peter explains to the elders that his healing of a cripple was done in the name of Jesus Christ. He reminds the elders that they crucified Jesus, but God rose him up so that all people could be saved in his name.

Second Reading: I John 3:1-2

John expresses amazement at the fact that God allowed us to be called his children. Although we are unsure exactly what we will be after this life, we do know that we will see God as he is and be like him.

Gospel: John 10:11-18

Jesus speaks of a shepherd working only for pay, with no real concern for the sheep being well cared for. But Jesus is our shepherd and would lay down his own life for all those in his flock. God loves him for his willingness to sacrifice himself for the sake of all God’s children.

PARISH SUPPORT	
Regular Collection	- \$4,718

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.**

Religious Education Program – 2014 – 2015

The class schedule is as follows:
Sunday – April 26, May 3 9-10:15 am

**Monday - April 27 – 6:45 – 8:00
LAST CLASS**

**Tuesday – April 28 4:15 5:30 pm
LAST CLASS**

**Tuesday- April 28 7:00 – 8:15 pm
LAST CLASS**

GRADE 2 – STUDENTS & FAMILIES

Sunday, May 3 – May Crowning for all Grade 2 students & families at the 10:30 Mass.

ATTENDANCE AT BOTH PRACTICES IS MANDATORY

Saturday May 2 – First Communion Practice for both students and parents 9-10:30 am.

Thursday, May 7 – First Communion Practice for both students and parents – 6:15 – 7:30 PM
Saturday, May 9 – First Communion Mass 11:00 AM

Religious Education 2015 – 2016

New in Fall 2015 will be a Kindergarten Religious Education Program on Sunday mornings.

We want to thank all of our Teacher Volunteers for their time and commitment to the youth of our parish.

If you or anyone you know would like to teach, team-teach or be a teacher’s aide, please contact Nancy or Kim in the Faith Formation Office (860) 875-4951. Please prayerfully consider this worthy ministry.

Summer Vacation Bible School

We are looking for ADULT volunteers to help us plan and volunteer at this summer’s Vacation Bible School - (August 10-14). If you can help out, please contact Nancy at (860) 875-4951. Have you considered working with a friend or splitting the week with a friend so you each volunteer only half the time? We need more adults to help us make this year’s VBS a week-long program. Please prayerfully consider helping us out. We look forward to hearing from you.

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 April 26 & May 3, 10, 17, during the 10:30 Mass.

FACEBOOK: ‘Visit us on Facebook: St. Luke Catholic Church

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, 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, Cecile Clavette, Adele Willette and Raymond Caron.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

We must remember that when the Supreme Court rendered its decision about the federal health care mandate and upheld it as a tax, it did not rule on the first Amendment aspect of the

mandate. This is why we must encourage our lawmakers to continue to fight to change the mandate so that it honors our God-given right to freedom of religion.

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 March 25, 2015

“Dear Children! Also today the Most High permits me to be with you and to lead you on the way of conversion. Many hearts have shut themselves to grace and have become deaf to my call. You, little children, pray and fight against temptation and all the evil plans which the devil offers you through modernism. Be strong in prayer and with the cross in your hands pray that evil may not use you and may not conquer in you. I am with you and pray for you. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

FATHER TOM SCHOLARSHIP!!!!

The St. Luke Parish of Ellington will be giving five (5) \$1,000 scholarships, one per family per year, to qualifying candidates who will be attending a college or a Catholic high school in the

