



SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2017 5:00 PM

**+MAE TENERO
R/B THE OTT AND TENERO FAMILIES**

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2017 7:30 AM

**+JAMES WALTON
R/B HIS FAMILY**

10:30 AM

**+WILLIAM COSGROVE
R/B PATRICIA IAMONACO**

6:00PM

FOR ALL FATHERS

MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017 8:00 AM

FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD

TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2017 8:00 AM

**+FRANK PARISE
R/B SUE BEERS**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2017 8:00 AM

**+JOSEPH VILLAMTHANAM
R/B FATHER GEORGE**

THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017 8:00 AM

**+GINI KING – BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
R/B HER HUSBAND**

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2017 8:00 AM

**+FAITH LEGGE
R/B THE RAYMOND ROY FAMILY**

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017 5:00 PM

**THANKSGIVING MASS – 50 YEARS OF
MARRIAGE
PAUL AND MARILYN GILBERT**

SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2017 7:30 AM

**+HAZEL HALBACH – 39TH ANNIVERSARY
R/B MARILYN & PAUL GILBERT**

10:30 AM

FOR ALL PRIESTS AND MISSIONARIES

6:00 PM

FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

PARISH SUPPORT

**JUNE 11 – REGULAR \$6,469.50
ON LINE GIVING –Regular \$ 420.00**

“Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.”

1 CORINTHIANS 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God’s kingdom here on earth. Two, it is a road map to Heaven. Let’s help each other get there!

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a

Moses reminds the Israelites that when they were starving in the desert, the Lord fed them with “manna” --- a food not known to them.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Paul points out to the Corinthians that through the sharing of the cup and the breaking of the bread, they are all one in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: John 6:51-58

After Jesus feeds the five thousand people with barley loaves and fishes, he tries to make them understand the significance and the meaning of what he has done. He tells them, in

mysterious and beautiful words, that the bread he gives is his flesh and says, "I myself am the living bread...If anyone eats this bread, he shall live forever."

DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

At the annual Conference of the Academy of Catholic Theologians, Archbishop William E. Lori, asserted that religious institutions such as parishes, schools, and charities can no longer pretend that these are ordinary times. They must be robust in their Catholic identity and missionary zeal. He says when parishes lose their evangelizing edge or schools and charities become too much like their secular counterparts, we run the risk of surrendering, bit by bit, our religious freedom. He advises us all to build bridges, reach out in friendship to those we disagree with, but in the process let us not forget or surrender who we are. That is why our parishes and all our institutions need to undergo what Pope Francis calls "a missionary conversion." Let us pray that the revised health care mandate reinstates religious freedom.

FAITH FORMATION

We can be reached at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com. The office is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9-4 and Friday 9-12 noon or by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

Religious Education 2016-2017

Thank you to our students, parents and teachers for a great year! All students received a packet to work on over the summer. Parents please review packet with your child and always remember to pray with them each day, the best way for them to practice their prayers is to pray them daily.

Kindergarten, First Grade and New Families

If you have a student entering Kindergarten, First grade, or are new to the parish with school age children in the Fall,

please contact the Faith Formation Office at stlukere@gmail.com or 860-875-4951. Give us your name, address, phone number, children's names and grade in the Fall. Online registration for the 2017-2018 year will begin on August 1, 2017.

2017 – 2018 CLASS SCHEDULE

This Fall we will be having class on Wednesday night (no classes will be offered on Monday night.) In September our class schedule will be:

Sunday – 9-10:15 AM –Kindergarten, Grades 1-2-3-4-5.

Tuesday – 4:15 – 5:30 PM –Grades 3-4-5

Tuesday – 7-8:15 PM – Grades 6-7-8-9

Wednesday – 6:45 – 8 PM – Grades 6-7-8-9

Look for registration letter and calendar in the mail mid-July. Class registration will begin on August 1st, 2017.

Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed

Looking for adult volunteers to help with our Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 Mass on Sundays. With the current schedule, you may find yourself volunteering once every 6-8 weeks. We provide material so that you are able to present the gospel as well as a short homily. Training for this will be scheduled soon. If you have any questions regarding this to make your decision or would like to volunteer, please contact Nancy Rudek at the Faith Formation Office at 860-875-4951.

Confirmation 2017 Group Photo Pick Up

All group photos from Confirmation can be picked up before or after Mass in the Sacristy.

Communion 2017 Group Photo Pick Up

All group photos from First Communion can be picked up before or after Mass in the Sacristy.

WEDDING BANNS
THIRD

RON WENDUS
AND
KATHERINE JOSLIN

CONVENT IS FOR SALE!

THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH has given permission to sell the convent located at 8 Berr Avenue, Ellington. We are offering it to parishioners initially. The asking price is \$249,900 or best offer. The ranch style house is in need of updating (mostly cosmetic) and is being sold "AS IS." It was built in 1975 and is located on 1.45 acres. It is 1,764 square feet and has 1.5 bathrooms, three bedrooms, fireplace, central air-conditioning and electric heat. The roof and well have been replaced in the last few years. If you, a parishioner, are interested, please contact Fr. George at 860-875-8552. **THE DEADLINE TO CONTACT FR. GEORGE IS BY SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2017.**

PLANT SALE THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who donated or purchased plants at our Plant Sale. Our profit was \$175 which will be used to buy additional plants and flowers for the church property.

BULLETIN DEADLINE – Friday by noon – eight days prior to the weekend.

New Parish Wide Email

Dear Parishioners, We have a new email address for Parish Wide Communications. We would love to add you to our contact list so we can inform you of upcoming events at St. Luke Church. Email is the way to communicate these days and we are catching up! Please email us at stlukeellington@gmail.com and put your name in the subject line so we can add you to the contacts. If we already have your email address and you wish not to receive these emails, you may email us to opt out. Spread the word and share our new email with other parishioners!

2017 World Combined Collection

The Combined Collection for World Charities will be held next weekend. Your contribution will provide assistance to the Catholic Relief Services Collection, the Campaign for Human Development, Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and The Holy Land. Most of you should have received information in the mail about this collection. Please read this material and bring your contribution envelope to Liturgy next week, June 24 and 25. Envelopes will also be available at church. Your support and generosity are essential to these programs of the universal Church.

Mass Dedicated to Education Planning Committee

On Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 8:45 am, Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass for "Those Dedicated to Education" in the Cathedral of St. Patrick.

Currently the Planning committee for this Mass is seeking additional members to assist in preparing this very meaningful tribute to Educators and to become an active member of the planning committee.

The next meeting of the Mass Committee will be held on June 26, 2017 at 10:30 am in the Bishop Hines Conference Room at the Chancery. Please join us in planning the 22nd Annual Mass for Those Dedicated to Education. Contact Mrs. Rebecca McDougal at 860-887-9294.

Bag and Tag Sale – All Saints Church's Youth Ministry is having a Bag and Tag Sale on Saturday, June 24, 2017, in the Parish Center building (28 School Street, Somersville, CT) from 9:00am – 3:00 PM. Come and fill a bag with clothing (adult and children) for a whopping \$7.00! Some other items for sale will be linens, toys (indoor and outdoor) books, video tapes/DVD's, CD's, women and men's accessories, shoes, jewelry, home items, framed artwork, bric-a-brac.

Principal Vacancy – Sacred Heart School, Groton, CT - A parish co-educational Parish school of all faiths from Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 8, seeks a principal to begin July 1, 2017. Accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Sacred Heart School provides an exceptional educational program that places emphasis on the spiritual, intellectual, physical, and aesthetic development of each student.

The eligible candidate must be a practicing Roman Catholic in good standing in the Church, hold a minimum of a masters' degree in education and have completed at least five years of teaching experience and two years' administrative experience, preferably in a Catholic school.

Download application and candidate forms at www.norwichdso.org under the "employment" tab. Send completed candidate forms to:

Sacred Heart Principal Search; Attn: Mr. Henry Fiore, Jr.; Superintendent of Schools, Diocesan School Office, 43 Perkins Avenue, Norwich, CT 06360.

Spiritual Renewal Center – 11 Bath Street, Norwich, CT 06360

Healing Mass – Monday, June 26 at 2 PM.

Life in the Spirit Seminar – Sacred Heart Church, 550 Hartford Tpke, Vernon. Call 860-887-0702.