



SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2017 **5:00 PM**
+HELEN PARKER
R/B ROBERT AND JEANNE

SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2017 **7:30 AM**
FOR ST. LUKE'S ALTAR SERVERS

10:30 AM
+ELISABETH ROCHA
R/B ELIZABETH CORREIA

6:00PM
FOR A SAFE SUMMER FOR ALL OUR
CHILDREN

MONDAY, JULY 3, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+LINDA GOULD
R/B DAPHNE GAGNON

TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2017 **8:00 AM**
FOR FREEDOM IN THE WORLD

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5, 2017 **8:00 AM**
FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE ABANDONED
THE PRACTICE OF THEIR FAITH

THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2017 **8:00 AM**
FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2017 **8:00 AM**
+FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF
JOSEPH HATHAWAY JR. AND SR.
R/B THEIR FAMILY

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2017 **5:00 PM**
+MILDRED TAGLIERI – MEMORIAL MASS
R/B THE FAMILY

SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2017 **7:30AM**
+EDWARD B. WYSOCKI, JR.
R/B MOM, DAD AND FAMILY

10:30 AM
+EMIL RUSICH
R/B THE LANE FAMILY

6:00 PM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

PARISH SUPPORT

JUNE 26 – REGULAR \$ 4,026.50
ON LINE GIVING –Regular \$ 420.00

13th Sunday of Ordinary Times

“...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me.”
 MATTHEW 10:38

Pope Benedict XVI said “The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness.” “Comfort” puts me first. “Picking up your cross and following Jesus” puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a

A woman in Shunem believed strongly in the holiness of the prophet Elisha. To reward her, Elisha promised that she and her aging husband would, within the year, be the parents of a son.

Second Reading: Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Paul explains to the Romans that by immersion in water at baptism, they “die” to their sins; by rising from the water, they rise from “death and sin” to new life in Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42

With simplicity, Jesus tells his apostles that everyone should love him above all others – father, mother, son or daughter. He adds, “He who welcomes you. Welcomes me.”



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 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 Deborah Alaimo, Eleanor Badecker, Carmel Bolles, Wendy Ciparelli, Leo Dungan, Basil Gallant, Judy Lebel, John Leskey, George Medeiros, Sr., Margaret Pionzio, Lawrence P. Spellacy, Jr., Donald Szydowski, John and Mildred Taglieri, and Madeline Wraight.

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, Jody Behrendt, Judy Cardoni, Julie Chartier, Maureen Cosgrove, Deacon Rod Gayner, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Mary Kellner, Tracy Kearcher, Kathy Larew, Michael Marquis, Anna Martocchio, Mark McPartland, Meg Morneau, Ted Okolo, Dolores Pellegrini, Beth Ann Phillips, Ann Pienkowski, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Jim Smith, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Joseph Teixeira, Eugene Violette, Morris Webber and Jean Wood.

Attention: We welcome good news that anyone in the above list is back to good health. Please inform Jane if you know if any name may be removed from the list. Thank you.

DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Our freedom of religion can only be assured by active vigilance. As we come to the conclusion of Fortnight for Freedom on July 4, let us take a few moments to pray, reflect, and take action on religious liberty. For daily reflections, visit: usccb.org.

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.

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

Last weekend the Combined Collection for World Charities which consists of the following collections; Catholic Relief Services, The Campaign for Human Development, Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and assistance for The Holy Land was taken up. If you were unable to bring your gift envelope, extra envelopes are available at the entrances to the church. Your support of these needs of the Universal Church is greatly appreciated. Your envelope can be dropped in the collection basket next weekend or mailed directly to the parish. Thank you.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be know.” Experience increased trust and intimacy in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are July 7-9, 2017 in Manchester, CT and November 3-5, 2017 in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Dennis and Jane Lamondy at 860-481-3720 or visit us at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

RESTORE – REKINDLE – RENEW MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT!

The Catholic Family Services Office and Worldwide Marriage Encounter of Connecticut are sponsoring an 8-week marriage enrichment called **Restore – Rekindle – Renew** that aims to enhance a married couple’s communication, renew their commitment to one another and rekindle romance. The program will meet for eight Wednesday nights August 9 through September 27 at 7 PM at St. Mary’s Parish Center in Putnam. Couples will explore individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God’s plan for their marriage, and how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited. A \$50 application fee is required. For more information or to register, call or email Frank and Margie Pearson at 860-742-6934 or MarriageEncounterCT@gmail.com or call the Catholic Family Services Office at 860-848-2237, Ext. 306.

Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich, CT
Healing Mass, Monday, June 26, July 10 and July 24 at 2 PM.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:
PRE-K AIDE**

St. Mary – St. Joseph School, 35 Valley Street, Willimantic, CT 06226 – This position is available for the 2017-2018 school year. The number of hours will be determined by the number of students enrolled. It may be a full-time or it may be mornings only. Please send your resume, cover letter, and appropriate certification paperwork to:

Miss Abby L. Demars, Principal
St. Mary – St. Joseph School
35 Valley Street
Willimantic, CT 06226
demarsa@smsjschool.org

860-423-8479

Cornerstone Food Cupboard needs the following items for the summer:

Cereal – Boxes of Macaroni, Penne, Rigatoni etc – Spaghetti Sauce – Cans of Soup – Crackers – Cans of Spaghetti, Ravioli, etc – Raman Noodles – Cans of tuna, chicken, ham etc. – Cans of Black Beans and Baked Beans – Pasta or Rice Side Dishes.