



**6:00 PM**  
**+ANECITA**  
**R/B THE BABULA FAMILY**

**PARISH SUPPORT**  
**AUGUST 28 – REGULAR - \$5,187**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016 – 5:00 PM**  
**+FRANK DELLOIACONO**  
**R/B HIS WIFE JANICE**

**ADORATION**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2016**  
**7:30 AM**  
**THANKSGIVING MASS FOR**  
**LAURA BEHRENDT**  
**R/B HER MOM**



**10:30 AM**  
**FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE ABANDONED**  
**THE PRACTICE OF THEIR FAITH**  
**6:00 PM**  
**FOR POPE FRANCIS**

**MONDAY, – SEPTEMBER 5, 2016 8:00 AM**  
**HEALING MASS FOR RICK**  
**R/B HIS FAMILY**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016 – 8:00 AM**  
**+ROBERT BESSETTE**  
**R/B EVELYN AND ANDRE**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016 – 8:00 AM**  
**+KATHLEEN BRENNAN**  
**R/B HER TWIN PEGGY O'NEILL**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016 8:00 AM**  
**+ANECITA**  
**R/B THE BABULA FAMILY**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2016 8:00 AM**  
**+M/M GORDON JOHNSON**  
**R/B THE FAMILY**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2016 5:00 PM**  
**+AMY WATSON – 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNIVERSARY**  
**R/B KAREN AND RAY**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2016**  
**7:30 AM**  
**FOR ST. LUKE'S PARISHIONERS**  
**10:30 AM**  
**FOR ALL CONFIRMATION STUDENTS**

**EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM**



“Every one of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” LUKE 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can

help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

### **READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?**

#### **First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b**

This reading acknowledges that people have had a difficult time attempting to know God's wishes. At times we have difficulty understanding the things that happen on earth. Therefore, learning of things in heaven would have been impossible, except that God sent us wisdom and the Holy Spirit to help us understand him.

#### **Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17**

Paul writes to Philemon regarding Onesimus, a slave who ran away and encountered Paul. Although Paul wished Onesimus could remain with him, he did not want to violate Philemon's wishes. Paul asks that Philemon receives his friend Onesimus as a beloved brother, not as a slave. He closes by saying, "Welcome him as you would me."

#### **Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33**

Jesus warns people who wish to follow him that they must abandon everyone else first. A person calculates the amount of money needed to complete a project before they begin it. In the same way, Jesus warns these people to consider exactly what is involved before they make a commitment to follow him.

### **FAITH FORMATION**

We can be reached at 860-875-4951 or [stlukere@gmail.com](mailto:stlukere@gmail.com). The office is open Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday or by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

### **Religious Education 2016-2017**

If you have not yet registered for Religious Education, please register online prior to the start of classes. Please make sure to fill out an online medical form as well. Contact the Faith Formation office if you have any questions. **Classes begin September 11 -12 and 13.** We encourage you to teach your children to pray daily and bring them to weekly Mass. We look forward to seeing all our families in September.

### **New Families and Families with young children:**

Parents if you have children entering Kindergarten or Grade 1 in the Fall of 2016 or are new to the parish and have school age children please call 860-875-4951 or email [stlukere@gmail.com](mailto:stlukere@gmail.com) the Faith Formation office. Our Religious Education Program runs from kindergarten through Grade 9.

### **LOOKING FOR DVDS**

We are looking for age appropriate DVDs for Grades 1-5 on the Saints, Ten Commandments, the Mass, Prayers, or something you think we could use in our program. Please call the office or drop them off. **We are only looking for DVDs – no VHS tapes.** Thank you in advance for your donations.

### **Volunteers Needed for Children's Liturgy of the Word:**

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held during the 10:30 Mass September – May for children age 4 through the 5<sup>th</sup>

Grade. Adult volunteers are needed; please consider joining this Ministry. No experience needed, training available and a great team of volunteers available for support and questions. To learn more please call Nancy in the Faith Formation Office at 860-875-4951.

*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, Barbara and Eugene Caramante, Judy Cardoni, Julie Chartier, Fern Chmielecki, Connor Dabate, Deacon Rod Gayner, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Judy LeBel, Kathy Larew, Michael Marquis, Anna Martocchio, Rocco Montano, Alice Ogden, Ted Okolo, Gary Pellegrini, Beth Ann Phillips, Ann Pienkowski, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Jim Smith, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Wendy Tarbox, Dan Tarbox, Joseph Teixeira, Eugene Veillette, Morris Webber, Jean Wood and Madeline Wraight.

**++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: Monica Banta, Roland Bouchard, Lewis Caron, Connie Debate, Alda DeBortoli, Gervais Descheneaux, Christopher Gentile, Robert Gibbs, Faith Legge, Joel Madore, Wanda Parent, Elisabeth Rocha, Barbara Sullivan, James Walton, and Edward B. Wysocki, Jr.

“Dear Children! Today I desire to share heavenly joy with you. You, little children, open the door of your heart so that hope, peace and love, which only God gives, may grow in your heart. Little children, you are too bound to the earth and earthly things, that is why, satan is rolling you like the wind rolls the waves of the sea. Therefore, may the chain of your life be prayer with the heart and Adoration of my Son Jesus. Give over your future to Him so that, in Him, you may be joy and an example with your lives to others. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

Defending our Religious Liberty

If insurance companies offer vision and dental plans separately, why can't the federal healthcare mandate offer separate plans for services that do not violate the religious freedom of Catholic organizations? If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom. If you have called, call again, our representatives need to listen to us.

**COUNTRY KITCHEN – BAZAAR INFORMATION**

The Country Kitchen is a popular booth located in the St. Luke Crafters room at the Annual Christmas Bazaar. We feature a variety of homemade canned items that have been made and donated by parishioners. If you are planning to make jams, jelly, salsa, pickles, etc. this summer, please consider making a few extra jars to donate.

**Needed:** Empty, large or small round oatmeal or cornmeal containers with plastic lid for Teacup Raffle ticket containers. Please place in St. Luke Crafter's bin at the rear entrance of the church by the elevator. Thank you.

**World Message of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
**Message of August 25, 2016**

**JUST FOR FUN!**

St. Luke Social Committee presents "JUST FOR FUN", Saturday, October 8, 2016.

Back by popular demand, from the creator of MisGivings, comedian Dave Kane leads everyone through a maze of laugh filled interactive comedy quizzes, contests, prizes and surprises. It will bring you back to your childhood parties and remind you of early TV game shows! Join us for comedy, laughter, prizes and surprises; it's all Just For Fun! Pasta and Meatball dinner at 6:00 followed by the show at 7:30. Beer and wine available. Tickets are \$20 per person – advance purchase only. Tickets will be available after all the Masses starting September 3 and 4. Contact Janet DeForge at 860-871-7910 or [jideforge@gmail.com](mailto:jideforge@gmail.com) for tickets or more information.

**ST. LUKE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS!**

**SAVE THIS DATE!  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2016**

We will be celebrating the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi here at St. Luke's on Sunday, October 9 at 1:00 pm in front of his statue with a special blessing of your family pet(s). Sign-up sheets will be available at both entrances on the weekend of September 10/11 through the weekend of October 1 and 2. Sign-up sheets should include your name, your pet(s) name, and the type of animal you will be bringing. We ask only that your pet(s) be on a leash, crated, or otherwise under control. We are looking forward to seeing you and your pet(s) at this special event! Let's have a great turnout!  
If you have any questions, please call either Marilyn Gilbert at 860-871-2923 or Dottie Curtiss at 860-875-8574.

**ELECTRONIC PAYMENT**

St. Luke Parish would like to offer electronic payment for weekly/monthly contributions starting in September. There will be a short presentation to the Parish the weekend of September 10/11.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE!**

Due to a recent Break In in the Candle Offertory Box, all doors to the church will be LOCKED after the morning Mass. Only the Rectory Side Entrance to the Church will be open until 1:00. If you need to go into the church in the afternoon, please call the rectory.

**NATIONAL COMBINED COLLECTION**

Next weekend our parish will take up the National Combined Collection which benefits: The Catholic Communications Campaign, The Annual Appeal for the Holy Father, The Retirement Fund for Religious, and Catholic University of America. These collections provide the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world; helps provide prescription medications, nursing care, and much more for over 33,000 elderly religious; and allows a countless number of students to experience an education grounded in Catholic tradition. The communications campaign, of which half the proceeds stay in our Diocese, helps enrich our faith through Internet, television, radio, and print media. Registered parishioners will be receiving a mailing with more detailed information. Please read the material and if you are so inclined, please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend, September 10 and 11. Gift envelopes and an informational brochure are also available at the church. Your support of these needs of the universal Church will truly make a difference. Please be as generous as your means allow.