



PARISH SUPPORT
SEPTEMBER 18 – REGULAR - \$6,124

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2016 – 5:00 PM
+SUSAN ROOD
R/B WAYNE & GAIL REYNOLDS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016
7:30 AM
FOR ALL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

10:30 AM
+LEONARD PALMERI AND
MITCHELL OVERGAARD
R/B THE OVERGAARD FAMILY

6:00 PM
FOR ALL MISSING CHILDREN

MONDAY, – SEPTEMBER 26, 2016 8:00 AM
+HELEN FILLORAMO
R/B MARY REGAN

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2016 – 8:00 AM
+BETTY HERB AND ROBERT SETZER
R/B JOHN FARROW

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016 – 8:00 AM
+FOR THE CHURCH

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2016 8:00 AM
FOR THE LEADERS OF THIS NATION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 8:00 AM
FOR THE HUNGRY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2016 5:00 PM
+CAROL STEVENSON
R/B THE GROSPITCH FAMILY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2016
7:30 AM
+ANDREW & BARBARA BELLIDA
R/B THE COWAN FAMILY
10:30 AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
6:00 PM
FOR THE ELDERLY

ADORATION



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM



“My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you great chasm is established...” LUKE 16:25-26

When God created the world He declared that it was good and He gave it to **all** mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today’s Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and

those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Amos denounces the selfish attitude of those who surround themselves with luxuries with no concern for others. He goes on to warn that because these people lacked interest in the state of their society, they would be the first to be exiled.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Paul tells Timothy to seek integrity, faith and love. Paul urges him to attain everlasting life by maintaining strong faith in Jesus and in God until Jesus returns.

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells of a rich man who feasted daily, while a beggar named Lazarus went hungry outside his gates. When both men died, Lazarus was taken to Abraham, but the rich man was in torment. When he begged for mercy, Abraham reminded him that Lazarus had lived in torment, while the rich man lived in selfish luxury. The man then asked if Lazarus could be sent to his brothers to warn them. But Abraham said if they had not heeded Moses or the prophets, they would ignore even the warning of one risen from the dead.

FAITH FORMATION

We can be reached at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com. The office is open Sunday (when classes are in session) 8-11am,

Monday 1-8:30 pm, Tuesday 1-8:30 pm, and Thursday or by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

Religious Education 2016-2017

WELCOME BACK!! We are looking forward to a great year. Please keep our students and teachers in prayer as they begin a new year learning and growing their Faith together.

Sunday Grade K-5 – Classes 9-10:15 AM – September 25, October 2, 16, 23 and 30.

Monday Grades 6-9 – Classes 6:45 – 8 PM – September 26, October 3, 17, 24 and 31.

Tuesday Grades 3 -4 -5 – Classes 4:15-5:30 PM – September 27, October 4, 18, 25 and November 1.

Tuesday Grades 6-9 – Classes 7-8:15 PM – September 27, October 4, 18, 25 and November 1.

Join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, September 25, October 2, 16, 23 and 30.

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 5th 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, 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, Shirley McElroy, 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, Eugene Caramante, 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.

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

“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

The Catholic Church invests in the common good. It runs and operates schools, hospitals, universities, charities and social services. Our government and society have long relied on them for help and taken advantage of the vast network that churches and religious institutions provide to aid people in need and to help form good citizens. But, when we are told we’ve got to stop being who we are, to put aside our beliefs, or plainly go against our conscience in order to be allowed to contribute to the common good, **we must speak out.**

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 STORE – BAZAAR INFORMATION

The Country Store 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.

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 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.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS!

The Youth Group is back with great topics, friendly people, activities and food. This month everyone is asked to bring a non perishable food item which will be distributed to our neighbors in need. What to bring? Imagine yourself with little to nothing to eat. What would you like to eat? Pasta and sauce, canned veggies, juice, cereal, peanut butter and jam or fun food like popcorn. All 8-12 graders are invited to join us on Sunday,

September 25 from 7:00 – 8:30 in the church hall.

**YOUTH GROUP 6 HOUR DANCE-A-THON
OCTOBER 14 – 6:00 – 12:00 MIDNIGHT – ST. LUKE'S CHURCH HALL – DJ IS BR. KENDEL FROM LATTER DAY SAINTS.**

ST. LUKE, LATTER DAYS SAINTS AND FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH YOUTH GROUPS ARE HOSTING A FUNDRAISER FOR CORNERSTONE. FOR DETAILS EMAIL MISS JOAN, YOUTH DIRECTOR AT joan.ym.slp@gmail.com OR GO TO OUR FACEBOOK PAGE OR SEE THE FLYERS GIVEN OUT AT RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES. ALL 8-12 GRADERS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A PARISHIONER TO DO THE SNOW PLOWING OF THE CHURCH AND RECTORY PARKING LOTS AND SOME CONVENT AREAS. IF ANY PARISHIONER IS INTERESTED, PLEASE SEE FATHER GEORGE OR CONTACT THE RECTORY AT 860-875-8552.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The Norwich 40 Days-For-Life campaign will begin with a Vigil Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral this Tuesday, September 27 at 7 PM. Bishop Michael R. Cote will be the Principal Celebrant and Reverend Brian C. Maxwell will be the homilist. Following Mass, 40 Days for Life Team members will be available to answer any questions, sign up individuals and distribute campaign materials.

Annual Red Mass – Sunday, October 2 at 10:30 am – St. Patrick Cathedral – for judges, lawyers, paralegal, law students and all involved in administration of justice.

Pro Life Mass – Saturday, October 1 at 8:30 am – St. Patrick Cathedral, Norwich.