



Saturday **September 27, 2014**
5:00 PM +Rose & Herman Trahan
 r/b The Family

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.”
 Matthew 21:28

Christian discipleship is not easy. God never promised it would be. But, what He did promise is that if we put Him first in all things, He will provide all that we need. Through our daily decisions we have the opportunity to generously share our gifts and help those who may not be in a position to help themselves.

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

First Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25-28

Ezekiel reminds the people that if a sinner turns away from his iniquity, he will live, not die.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Paul urges the converts at Philippi to be united in spirit and ideals, avoiding rivalry and dissension. He ends with the beautiful hymn extolling the humility and sacrifice of Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

Jesus speaks words of rebuke to the chief priests and the elders because they are not believing the teachings of John the Baptist. He warns them that tax collectors and prostitutes, who do believe John, will enter the Kingdom of God before them.

Sunday **September 28, 2014**
7:30 AM For all parishioners
10:30 AM +Mark Grodzki
 r/b Elizabeth O'Donnell
6:00 PM For all Religious Ed students

Monday **September 29, 2014**
8:00 AM +Mary Okolo
 r/b Patsy Brescia

Tuesday **September 30, 2014**
8:00 AM +Frank Gerard Macri
 r/b Margaret Macri - Mother

Wednesday **October 1, 2014**
8:00 AM +Roland Bouchard –
 Birthday Remembrance
 r/b Myrna & Children

Thursday **October 2, 2014**
8:00 AM +Mary Okolo
 r/b M/M /David McFarlin

Friday **October 3, 2014**
8:00 In Honor of St. Jude
 r/b A Friend

Saturday **October 4, 2014**
5:00 PM +William Quill Family
 r/b Madeline, Gloria & John Jr.
 Wraight

Sunday **October 5, 2014**
7:30 AM +Mary Okolo
 r/b David, Cathy & Ethan Peck
10:30 AM +Leonard Palmeri
 r/b Anita Overgaard
6:00 +James Chenette
 r/b The Kentucky Friends

PARISH SUPPORT

Regular Collection – September 21 - \$5406

Registration for 2014-2015 Religious Education Program

To register, please contact Kim at the Faith Formation Office 860-875-4951.

FAITH FORMATION

The class schedule is as follows:

Sunday – September 28, October 5, 19 & 26^h
- 9:00 – 10:15 AM - No Classes October 12

Monday – September 29, October 6, 20th and 27th - 6:45 - 8:00 PM – No Class October 13

Tuesday - September 30, October 7, 21, 28
- 4:15 – 5:30 PM – No Class October 14

Tuesday- September 30, October 7, 21, & 28
7:00 - 8:15 PM – No class October 14

Grade 2 – Students and Families

September 28 – Grade 2 Parent Meeting at 9:15 in the Church Hall.

November 2 – Grade 2 Family Mass after class – 10:30 AM Mass for students and families.

November 9 – Parent & Student Class 9-10:15 am in the Church.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Children’s Liturgy of the Word is held during the 10:30 Mass on Sundays for all children age 4 up to Grade 5. Please join us on Sunday, September 21 for the first Children’s Liturgy of the year. Join us on Sunday September 28, October 5, 12, 19 and 26th.

YOUTH MINISTRY!

Attention 8-12 Graders!

The Fall season of Youth Ministry begins next weekend!

Join us, Sunday, September 28 from 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Gathering will be in the Church Hall. Come and see how we share our lives with Jesus.

Religious Ed – 875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com

Office Hours:

Monday/Tuesday 1-8 pm

Wednesday/Thursday 9-1pm

Also by Appointment

Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

Confirmation 2014- B – (Grade 10)- Mandatory Dates

Please note change in date for Confirmation Candle Mass, the Mass is **Sunday, October 5 at 6 pm**. This is for all Confirmation Candidates and their families. Please mark the date on your calendar now.

All candidates **MUST** attend at least **one Youth Group Meeting** September 28, October 26 or November 23. It is the student’s responsibility to sign in at the meeting they attend.

November 17-18 – Gown Measurement prior to the start of class.

Monday, December 1–From 5-9 pm.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Saturday, December 6 – Confirmation Reconciliation
9:30 AM

Sunday, December 7 – Confirmation Rehearsal for Candidate and Sponsor – 3-4:30 pm.

Saturday, December 13 – Confirmation Mass at 1 p.m. Candidates and Sponsors arrive to Church Hall by 12:30 pm.

Confirmation 2015 – (Grade 9)

Confirmation candidates - If you have not picked up your final Confirmation Packet #3, please contact the office immediately. Any questions call the office at 860-875-4951.

All Candidates **MUST** attend at least 1 youth group meeting September 28, October 26 or November 23. It is the student’s responsibility to sign in at the meeting they attend.

Monday – December 1 from 5-9 pm Confirmation Retreat and Confirmation packet #3 due.

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 Grospitch, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Kathy Larew, Michael Marquis, Anna Martocchio, Rocco Montano, Beth Ann Phillips, Jean Rabe, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Don Sierakowski, Wendy Tarbox, Morris Webber, Richard Wood and Kathy White.



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:

Lydia Augliera, Alfio Bonanno, Donna Bouchez, Rhoda Burr, James Chenette, Carolyn Coyne, George Croft, John Curley, Jr., Helen DeCarli, Angelina DeFeo, Frank DelloIacono, Irene Dowd, Valerie Dumais, Margery Dungan, Carl Ekroth, Bertha Rosa Ficocelli, Joanne Gagnon, Robert Gagnon, Judith Gan, Frank C. Graziani, Sharon Johnson, John Mahon, Sr., Mary Miffitt, Mary Okolo, Midge Ryan, Jeannine Salone, Jeanette Scibek, Raymond Smachetti, Jr., Anna Taylor, Pearl Tetreault, Paul Vachon, Rachel Wheeler-Rossow and Rachel Zahner.

Volunteer Service Work

**Contact Anthony Littizzio – 860-875-6791
MRLSLYG@aol.com.**

R.C.I.A.: All Saturdays 8-9:30 AM 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.

World Message Of The Blessed Virgin Mary
Message of August 25, 2014

“Dear Children,
Pray for my intentions, because Satan wants to destroy my plan which I have here and to steal your peace. Therefore, little children, pray, pray, pray that God can act through each of you. May your hearts be open to God’s will.

I love you and bless you with my motherly blessing. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

Defending Our Religious Liberty

If religious liberty is not properly understood, all people suffer and are deprived of the essential contribution to the common good, be it in education, health care, feeding the hungry, civil rights, and social services that individuals access. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) encourages you to stay informed and to insist upon what belongs to you by right as Catholics and Americans. 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 at 202-205-5445. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.



DEEPENING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

What Was The Inquisition?

We will discuss when, why, where and what the Inquisition was. Everyone is welcome!

Please note the change in day & date

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 7 PM
PARISH CENTER**

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, October 4th ~ 8:30 a.m.

Please join us at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion.

Following the Mass, the Rosary will be prayed both at the Cathedral and Planned Parenthood. There will not be a brunch following the Rosary this month.

Carmelite Day of Recollection – Saturday, October 4 from 8:30 to 2 pm. “Crossing The Wilderness: A Journey with St. Therese of Lisieux.” Presentation by Father Rob Traudt, OCarm from Brandsma Priory, Middletown, NY. Location: St. Joseph’s Residence, 1354 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT 06082. The fee is \$20.00. To register, please contact Laurie Theroux at laurietheroux@gmail.com or 860-796-0941 no later than September 25.

ST. LUKE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

We will be celebrating the **Feast of St. Francis of Assisi** here at **St. Luke’s** on **Saturday, October 4 at 1 P.M.** 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 6 and 7 through the weekend of September 27 and 28**. Sign- up sheets will 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! If you have any questions, please call either **Marilyn Gilbert at 860-871-2923** or **Dottie Curtiss at 860-875-8574**.

BAZAAR NEWS!

BASKET TABLE: We are again going to have a Basket Table at the Bazaar. We are asking for your help to donate a basket filled with items of your choice – keeping in mind having a particular theme for each basket. We are particularly looking for items for a men’s basket and items for children. These two categories were especially asked for last year. Baskets can be dropped off at the rectory between the hours of 9-1 Monday through Friday starting now. This has been very popular in previous years so we hope you as parishioners will help make it a success. If you would like to just donate items for a basket (new only), you can bring them to the rectory. Any questions, please call Jeanne Grospitch at 860-875-0801.

Bazaar Country Store: If you make jamaes, jellies, pickels, vinegars etc. during the fall, please consider making a couple of items for the Country Store.

ATTIC TREASURES!

The Bazaar is fast approaching! Items for the Attic Treasures Booth can now be dropped off at the rear entrance to the Church. **Please mark Attic Treasures** on them. Please make sure everything is **CLEAN AND IN GOOD CONDITION!**

Diocesan News!

Virtual Pilgrimage of Lourdes, France

**St. Bernard Parish
25 St. Bernard Place
Vernon/Rockville, CT**

North American Lourdes volunteers will present a prayerful VIRTUAL PILGRIMAGE to Lourdes, France, at St. Bernard Parish on **Tuesday, October 7 at 7 PM.** During this guided Lourdes experience, you will immerse yourself in the Message of Lourdes as given by Our Lady to St. Bernadette. You will have the opportunity to touch the Grotto Rock and to experience the liquid grace of Lourdes Water. As part of this spiritual opportunity to draw nearer to God with Our Lady and St. Bernadette, you will receive a Eucharistic blessing and pray the Rosary. Come and experience the healing grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ through His Immaculate Mother. There is no cost to attend; however, a freewill offering will be collected to support the mission to Lourdes.