



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

MONDAY, – OCTOBER 3, 2016 8:00 AM
+ROBERT BESSETTE
R/B EVELYN AND ANDRE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2016 – 8:00 AM
+ROBERT & KEITH CHATY
BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
R/B THEIR PARENTS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2016 – 8:00 AM
(LIVING) MAX
BLESSINGS ON HIS FOURTH BIRTHDAY
R/B HIS NANA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2016 8:00 AM
+HENRY THOMAS 11th ANNIVERSARY
R/B JANE AND CHILDREN

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2016 8:00 AM
+WALTER TENERO
R/B THE OTT & TENERO FAMILIES

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2016 5:00 PM
+EDWARD B. WYSOCKI, JR.
R/B THE GROSPITCH FAMILY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2016
7:30 AM
+PAULINE & GEORGE HALEY
R/B THE COWAN FAMILY
10:30 AM
+ELISABETH ROCHA
R/B ELIZABETH CORREIA
6:00 PM
FOR VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE

PARISH SUPPORT

SEPTEMBER 25 – REGULAR - \$5,202

ADORATION



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM



“For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.” 2 TIMOTHY 1:7

Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything, all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party, at work or out shopping, would your actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?**First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2-4**

The prophet Habakkuk cries out despairingly to God because of the state Jerusalem has fallen into. He asks why God does nothing to stop the violence and misery. God assures him that a time will come when only the just and faithful will live.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Paul writes to Timothy from prison and urges him to continue to spread the gospel without fear or shame. He also tells Timothy to draw upon the strength of the Holy Spirit to help him face the hardships he will encounter while preaching.

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

The disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith. Jesus replies that "faith the size of a mustard seed could transplant a sycamore," indicating that a person either has faith, strong and complete, or none at all. Jesus also explains that a servant will not receive gratitude for simply following his master's orders. In the same way, we are all God's servants doing no more than our duty when we obey God's commands.

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

Classes are in full swing and both the students and teachers are off to a great start! 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 – , October 2, 16, 23 and 30.

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

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

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

Join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, October 2, 16, 23 and 30. Open to all children ages 4 through 5th grade.

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.

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, Mary Kellner, 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 September 25, 2016

“Dear Children! Today I am calling you to prayer. May prayer be life to you. Only in this way will your heart be filled with peace and joy. God will be near you and you will feel Him in your heart as a friend. You will speak with Him as with someone whom you know and, little children, you will have a need to witness, because Jesus will be in your heart and you, united in Him. I am with you and love all of you with my motherly love. 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.

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!

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.

THE MISSION COMBINED COLLECTION WILL BE HELD NEXT WEEKEND. YOUR CONTRIBUTION WILL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE WORLD MISSION APPEAL, U.S. BISHOP'S APPEAL FOR LATIN AMERICA, BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS, AND THE CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL. YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED MATERIAL IN THE MAIL. BRING YOUR GIFT ENVELOPE TO MASS NEXT WEEKEND, OCTOBER 8/9.

DIOCESAN NEWS!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, ROSARY, REFLECTION AND REFRESHMENTS – ST. MATTHEW CHURCH, TOLLAND – QUIET REFLECTION IS AT 6:30 – PRAYER SERVICE IS AT 7:00 PM.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 – 6:45 PM – OPEN HOUSE EAST CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL – ENTRANCE EXAM IS SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 AT 8 AM. (www.echs.com).

MASS OF HEALING – OCTOBER 10 AND 24 – 2:00 PM – SPIRITUAL RENEWAL CENTER, 11 BATH STREET, NORWICH

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MASS FOR FIREFIGHTERS/EMS PERSONNEL – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 AT 5:00 PM. ASSEMBLY AT CHELSEA PARADE FOR LINE-UP AND THE PROCESSION TO THE CATHEDRAL OF ALL PERSONNEL AND APPARATUS WILL BEGIN AT 3:00 PM. RECEPTION TO FOLLOW.

2016 MEN'S CONFERENCE AT GOODWIN COLLEGE – OCTOBER 22 – TICKETS ARE \$40 AND INCLUDE A BOX LUNCH AND FREE PARKING. PURCHASE TICKETS ON LINE IN ADVANCE – YOUR TICKETS WILL BE YOUR LUNCH TICKET, GO TO www.ctcatholicmen.org.

POSITION AVAILABLE: A PART-TIME (25 HOURS PER WEEK) POSITION IS AVAILABLE FOR A DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR AT THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH OUTREACH TO HAITI. MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE FUND-RAISING, AND DONOR DEVELOPMENT. EMAIL info@outreachtohaiti.org FOR THE COMPLETE JOB DESCRIPTION AND QUALIFICATIONS. APPLICATION WITH RESUME IS DUE BY OCTOBER 21.

THE WOMEN OF THE DIOCESE ARE INVITED TO “A MORNING FOR WOMEN WITH OUR MERCIFUL SAVIOR” AT THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PATRICK, NOWICH, ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22. THE DAY BEGINS AT 9 AM WITH A PRESENTATION BY FATHER BRIAN MAXWELL, MISSIONARY OF MERCY, HIS TOPIC IS “HEART TO HEART ON THE BEAUTIFUL HEALING SACRAMENT OF GOD'S LOVE AND DIVINE MERCY. THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION. BISHOP COTE WILL CELEBRATE THE MASS AT 10:00 AM. RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE BY CALLING HELEN CONNELL AT 860-848-8998 OR NANCY PROCHORENA AT 860-739-7691.