



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2016 – 5:00 PM
+JOSEPH COSGROVE
R/B HIS FAMILY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016

7:30 AM
+JAMES WALTON
R/B LYNDA PELKEY

10:30 AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

6:00 PM
FOR OUR CONFIRMATION 2017 CANDIDATES

MONDAY, – OCTOBER 17, 2016 8:00 AM
FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2016 – 8:00 AM
+APRIL FRANCE
R/B VIRGINIA CONNELL & DORIS POIRIER

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016 – 8:00 AM
LIVING
LORICE KELLY – 75TH BIRTHDAY
R/B HER BROTHER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2016 8:00 AM
+JOSEPH DUDACK
R/B THE RUDEK FAMILY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2016 8:00 AM
+ADRIENNE BOUSQUET
R/B EVELYN AND ANDRE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2016 5:00 PM
+ELISABETH ROCHA
R/B TOM AND DOTTIE CURTISS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2016

7:30 AM
+EDWARD BARON
R/B PENNY HARRINGTON

10:30 AM
FOR ALL MISSING CHILDREN

6:00 PM
FOR OUR CONFIRMATION 2017 CANDIDATES

PARISH SUPPORT

OCTOBER 9 – REGULAR - \$6,700

ADORATION



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM



“.....be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient...” 2
TIMOTHY 4:2

It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He called us to be faithful.

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?**First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13**

Amalek and his people attacked the Israelites, so Moses instructed Joshua to lead some of the Israelites into battle the next day. While Moses kept his hands raised in prayer, the Israelites were winning. But when he put his hands down, they would begin to lose. So two others helped him keep his hands raised, and Joshua and the Israelites won the battle.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2

Paul tells Timothy that the Scriptures are inspired by God and are an excellent tool in teaching others about God's expectations of his people. Knowledge of the Scriptures, coupled with faith in Jesus, will lead many people to salvation. Paul urges Timothy to continue preaching the gospel, although this will sometimes be a difficult task.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Jesus speaks about a corrupt judge who lacked respect for either God or man. A widow repeatedly asked him to settle a case in her favor. He finally settled the case, only because he grew weary of listening to her requests. Jesus points out that if even this corrupt judge eventually listened, then God, who is just, will certainly answer the pleas of his people.

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 16, 23 and 30.

Monday Grades 6-9 – Classes 6:45 – 8 PM – October 17, and 24 (No Class Oct. 31)

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

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

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

CONFIRMATION – GRADE 9 – IMPORTANT DATES!!!

Sunday – October 23 – Family Candle Ritual Mass at 6 PM.

Attend a Youth Group Meeting on October 23 or November 20

Confirmation Packet #2 due at class November 28th or 29th.

Save the Date: Confirmation 2017 Sunday, March 26, 2017, 1 pm

**GRADE 2 – FIRST RECONCILIATION
& EUCHARIST – IMPORTANT DATES:
Sunday November 6 – Parent &
Student Class
Sunday November 13 – Grade 2
Family Mass at 10:30.
Saturday December 10 at 9 AM –
First Reconciliation in the Church**

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, Connor Dabate, Deacon Rod Gayner, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Mary Kellner, Judy LeBel, Kathy Larew, Michael Marquis, Anna Martocchio, Shirley McElroy, 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.

WE ARE HAPPY TO HEAR THAT THOSE WHO ARE SICK ARE WELL AGAIN. PLEASE LET US KNOW TO REMOVE THEIR NAMES FROM THE ABOVE LIST.

++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

Recently, Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, chairman of the USCCB’s Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty, decried comments made by Martin Castro, chairman of the U.S. commission on Civil Rights, who said that the phrases “religious liberty” and “religious freedom” were “code words” used to discriminate. Today, Catholic priests, religious and laity can be found walking the neighborhood streets of our most struggling communities in places abandoned by a ‘throwaway culture’ that has too often determined that quick profits matter more than communities. We are there offering education, health care, social services, and hope, working to serve as the ‘field hospital’ Pope Francis has called us to be. We wish we were there in even greater numbers, but we are there to humbly offer the full promise of America to all. Rest assured, if people of faith continue to be marginalized, it is the poor and vulnerable, not the Chairman and his friends, who will suffer,” said Lori. 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.

CHILDREN ONLY BOOTH – BAZAAR

Included as part of our Youth Group Christmas Bazaar activities will be a "Children Only" booth. This will be for youngsters 10 and under to shop for gifts for their family and friends at a minimal cost to them. Free gift wrapping will be included.

Donations of appropriate new or gently used items are needed. They may be left at the rear entrance of the church marked "CHILDREN'S BOOTH" beginning next weekend. Thank you.

For questions please call Dottie Curtiss at 860-875-8574.

Silver and Gold Jubilee Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich – Sunday, October 23 at 2 PM. Come and renew your wedding vows in a Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote. For more information call the Catholic Family Services Office at 860-848-2237, Ext. 306

NOTICE OF PRAYER POST CARDS

Join in praying for our seminarians at your convenience. Take a post card from the holder for any or all of our seminarians. Pray for that seminarian, write a brief note if you choose and drop it in the mail. Let your future

priests know you are supporting them and ask them to pray for you. May God continue to send us shepherds after his own heart!

Our Seminarians are:

Rev. Mr. Ronald Blank; Mr. Frank Gilbert; Mr. Michael Bovino; Mr. Normand Laflamme; Mr. Dharen Brochero; Mr. Michael Castiblanco; Mr. Lawrence Barile; Mr. Jacob Ramos.

Last weekend the Mission Combined Collection for the World Mission Appeal, U.S. Bishop's Appeal for Latin America, Black and Indian Missions, and the Catholic Home Mission Appeal was taken up in our Parish.

If you were unable to bring your gift envelope, extras are available at both entrances to the church. Your support of the missionary needs of the Universal Church is greatly appreciated. This collection is an opportunity to share your faith and strengthen the church at home and abroad.

Your contribution can be placed in the collection basket next weekend or mailed directly to the parish. Thank you for your generosity in the past and thank you for what you will do now to help our missionaries continue their vital work.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekends – If you are silently grieving or suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. The weekend healing process includes discussions, Living Scriptures with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass. Participation is confidential and offers an opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Upcoming weekends: October 21-23 in Litchfield, CT – call 203-631-9030; October 28-30 in Stockbridge, MA – call 413-452-0661; October 28-30 in Rhode Island – call 401-351-7730. www.rachelsvineyard.org