



## 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Saturday October 18, 2014

**5:00 PM** +Mary Okolo  
r/b Ray & Karen Luciano

### Sunday October 19, 2014

**7:30 AM** +Jim Chenette  
r/b Father George

**10:30 AM** For all Parishioners

**6:00 PM** +Frank Dellolacono  
r/b Wife and Children

### Monday October 20, 2014

**8:00 AM** +Jim Chenette  
r/b Roland Bouchard

### Tuesday October 21, 2014

**8:00 AM** +William Boenig  
r/b His Wife

### Wednesday October 22, 2014

**8:00 AM** +Wilbur Legge  
r/b His Wife

### Thursday October 23, 2014

**8:00 AM** +Lucille Beers  
r/b Her Daughter

### Friday October 24, 2014

**8:00 AM** +Ray Fortin  
r/b Terri Cocuzzo

### Saturday October 25, 2014

**5:00 PM** +Mary Okolo  
r/b Harry & Jeanne Grospitch

### Sunday October 26, 2014

**7:30 AM** +Edward Baran – 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary  
r/b Penny Harrington

**10:30 AM** +Virginia Buffa 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Dtr. Terri Cocuzzo

**6:00** +Adam Kurpat  
r/b Amelia Kurpat

“Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.” Matthew 22:21

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second.

### READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

#### First Reading: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Cyrus, King of Persia and friend to the Jewish people, becomes the Lord’s anointed one, and through God’s intervention, returns the Jews to their own country.

#### Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Paul rejoices that the Thessalonians, newly converted to Christianity, are displaying remarkable constancy in their new-found faith.

#### Gospel: Matthew 22: 15-21

Seeking to entrap Jesus in his speech, the hostile and hypocritical Pharisees ask him this dangerous question, “Is it lawful to pay tax to the emperor or not?” Realizing their treacherous motives, Jesus asks for a Roman coin, and pointing to the inscription of Caesar’s, he answers, “Give to Caesar what is Caesar’s, but give to God what is God’s.”

**PARISH SUPPORT**  
**Regular Collection – October 5 - \$5,305**

**FAITH FORMATION**

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

**Office Hours:**

Monday/Tuesday 1-8 pm  
Thursday 9-1pm  
Also by Appointment

**Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.**

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

All candidates **MUST** attend at least **one Youth Group Meeting** 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 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.

**Registration for 2014-2015 Religious Education Program**

The class schedule is as follows:

**Sunday** – October 19 & 26<sup>h</sup> - 9:00 – 10:15  
**Monday** – October 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> 6:45 - 8:00  
**Tuesday** - October 21, 28 4:15 – 5:30 PM  
**Tuesday**- October 21, & 28 7:00 - 8:15 PM

**Grade 2 – Students and Families**

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. Join us on Sunday October 19 and 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Volunteer Service Work**

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

**R.C.I.A.: All Wednesdays 7-8:30 PM (PLEASE NOTE DAY/TIME CHANGE)** 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.

*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.

**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:

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, Margaret Ryan, Jeannine Salone, Jeanette Scibek, Raymond Smachetti, Jr., Anna Taylor, Pearl Tetreault, Paul Vachon, Rachel Wheeler-Rossow and Rachel Zahner.

especially prayer – for all those who are far from my love and the love of my Son Jesus. Little children, witness your faith and prayer in joy, in the joy of faith that is in your hearts; and pray for peace, which is a precious gift from God. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

**WEDDING BANNS!**

**FIRST  
ROBERT ERVOLINO &  
BIANCA ROCHA**

**DEEPENING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH**

What Were The Crusades: When, What, Where, Why? Everyone is welcome!

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 7 PM  
PARISH CENTER**

**YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS!**

**Attention 8-12 Graders!  
Are you ‘fit’ for Sunday Mass?**

**Join us for a  
MASS FITNESS WORKOUT**

**Sunday, October 26 in the  
Church Hall, following the 6 PM Mass**

**Defending Our Religious Liberty**

The Connecticut Catholic Conference welcomes the decision of the United States Supreme Court which upholds the position of the Hobby-Lobby Stores and the Conestoga Wood Specialties in their prolonged battle with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Court’s ruling supports the convictions of the two business owners who refused to abide by the HSS mandate based upon their religious beliefs. This ruling applies only to closely controlled businesses that object to the mandate based upon religious grounds, as the Court found that this mandate violated the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993. Numerous court cases filed by religiously affiliated non-profits are yet to be determined. Therefore our efforts to protect our First Amendment right must continue. 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.

**ALTAR STEPS!**

We are in the planning stages of having the top two (of three) altar steps removed. The main reason for doing this is the **SAFETY** of our priest, deacons and altar servers. Our priest and deacons are not getting any younger and less steps to climb several time throughout the Mass will be much **SAFER** for them. We also have younger and older altar servers who carry things (including crystal) to the altar and back several times throughout the Mass, who would have a much **SAFER** time negotiating one step versus three. The new altar height will be the same as Father George, the Deacons or Lector standing at the ambo. All of the area churches now have one or two steps up

**World Message of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Message of September 25, 2014**

“Dear Children! Also today I call you to also be like the stars, which by their light give light and beauty to others so they may rejoice. Little children, also you be the radiance, beauty, joy and peace ---and

from the congregational level to their altar level.

**This project will be fully funded from existing Parish reserve funds.**

If you have any questions, please contact Fr. George or Bob Ohrt.

### **ST. LUKE'S IS ON FACEBOOK!!**

“St. Luke Church is now on Facebook. Visit our Facebook page St. Luke Catholic Church and like our page.”

### **MEN'S CLUB INITIAL GET TOGETHER BYO BREAKFAST**

Busy schedule? Family responsibilities? Desire to share ideas and experiences ... and discuss the situations in **a relaxed and informal setting on a part time basis?....**please come have a hand in discussing and developing a St. Luke's men's fraternal organization which will promote camaraderie and goodwill while fully considering everyone's busy schedules and responsibilities as Husbands, Dads, Grandfathers, Brothers, Sons, Caretakers and Christians.

**BYO BREAKFAST** in our church hall SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1 – 7:30 am – 8:30 AM.....shaving not required!

### **BAZAAR NEWS!**

#### **MAIN RAFFLE!**

This year we are excited to announce that **First prize in the Main Raffle is \$500.00 of Amazon gift cards.** Raffle tickets have been mailed out to all parishioners who have purchased them in previous years. If you are interested in purchasing for the first time this year, or you need some additional tickets, contact or stop by the Rectory.

**BASKET TABLE:** We are currently looking for parishioners who have empty baskets to donate, or would like to select a basket to fill and donate to this popular booth. Two boxes of baskets are located under the table at the rear entrance to the church. If you have a particular price in mind that you would like your basket to be sold for, please attach a note indicating a price. Filled baskets can be dropped off at the Rectory or after any of the Masses to Fr. George in the Sacristy. Any questions, please call Jeanne Grospitch at 860-875-0801.

**CHILDREN'S ONLY BOOTH:** New and gently used items **are needed** for our “Children's Only Booth” so our “little ones” may be able to purchase gifts for their family or friends at a minimal cost to them. Free gift wrapping will be included. All appropriate gift items may be left at the rear entrance of the church. PLEASE MARK **“CHILDREN'S BOOTH.”** For questions, please call Dottie Curtiss at 860-875-8574.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR!**

Adult, teen and parent/child volunteers are needed for the St. Luke Christmas Bazaar on November 7<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 pm and Saturday November 8 from 9-2. Sign- up sheets are at the front and back entrances to the Church. If interested you may sign up before or after Mass or call Kim at 860-875-4951.

**Bazaar Country Store:** If you make jams, jellies, pickles, 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!**