



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“After the fire, there was a small whispering sound.” – 1 Kings 19:12

For many of us, our prayers are petitions to God, asking Him for something we want. How many times do we take time, in silence, to ask God what He wants from us? How do we know what God wants us to do unless we listen for Him on a regular basis?

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

After fleeing from the revenge on the King of Israel, Elijah hid in a cave, but at the command of God, he went outside and stood on a mountain. There the Lord came to him, not in the wind nor in the earthquake, but in a “tiny whispering sound.”

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Paul is deeply pained because the Jews – in spite of everything that has been given to them – have rejected Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Matthew vividly recounts the event of Jesus walking on the water. When the disciples see this, they are terrified, and Jesus chastises them for their fear. Peter begs Christ to let him walk on the water; he is at first brave but begins to sink and loses faith, crying out, “Lord save me!” Christ rescues him for his faltering faith.

PARISH SUPPORT	
Regular Collection – August 3 -	\$4,965
Maintenance – August 3 -	\$1,740

Saturday	August 9, 2014
5:00 PM	+Carolyn Coyne r/b Sr. Guytina
Sunday	August 10, 2014
7:30 AM	+Guadalupe & Genaro Maldonado r/b Rose & Rick Meyer
10:30 AM	Deacon Harry Grospitch r/b Cliff Daley
6:00 PM	In Honor of St. Jude r/b A Friend
Monday	August 11, 2014
8:00 AM	+Mary Okolo r/b Barbara Carlson
Tuesday	August 12, 2014
8:00 AM	+Mary Okolo r/b Natalie Swanson
Wednesday	August 13, 2014
8:00 AM	+Anna Cosgrove – 1 st Anniversary r/b Her Daughter Ann
Thursday	August 14, 2014 – Vigil Mass
8:00 AM	+For the souls in purgatory
7:00 PM	+Mary Okolo r/b Robert Parker
Friday	August 15, 2014 – Holy Day
8:00 AM	+Mary Okolo r/b Helen Bukowski
7:00 PM	For all Parish Volunteers
Saturday	August 16, 2014
5:00 PM	+Frank Dellolacono r/ His Wife, Children & Grandchildren
Sunday	August 17, 2014
7:30 AM	+Annette & Claude Castonguay r/b The Castonguay Family
10:30 AM	Deacon Frank Hann r/b Cliff Daley
6:00	+Jeannine Salone r/b The Gilcreast Family

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Religious Ed – 875-4951

Office Hours:

Monday/Tuesday 9-4 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 - your Confirmation Packet #2 was due into the Faith Formation Office by July 29. Please contact the office immediately if you have not dropped off packet #2 and picked up packet #3. Any questions call the office at 860-875-4951.

Teachers Needed for 2014-2015 School Year

Please prayerfully consider teaching and sharing your Faith with our Youth!

No teaching experience required. Training available. We are in need of the following teachers for the Fall. Contact Nancy Rudek 860-875-4951 for more information,.

Monday – 6:45- 8:00 - Grades 6 and 7

**Tuesday - 4:15-5:30 - Grade 4
7:00-8:15 - Grade 6**

Registration for 2014-2015 Religious Education Program

Registration letters were mailed out the week of July 21. Please follow instructions in the letter. **Registration begins August 10.**

Registration is ONLINE this year. We hope this helps you in registering your children.

Visit our website at www.stlukeellington.com.

Click on the Register button and fill out all required fields. When registering online you will be prompted to pay online using Paypal (you can pay by check, debit/credit card or Paypal balance.) For anyone without online access, you may pick up registration forms at the Faith Formation office or the Rectory to register your children. We encourage all to please use the online registration. Register early as classes fill up quickly. Any questions contact Kim at 860-875-4951. All classes for all grades will run for an hour and 15 minutes this year. The class schedule is as follows:
Sunday – 9:00 – 10:15 a.m. –Grades 1-5
Monday – 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. - Grades 5-10
Tuesday – 4:15 -5:30 P.M. – Grades 3-6
Tuesday – 7:00 – 8:15 p.m. – Grades 6-10

Registration of Grade 1 students and New Families

If you have a child entering Grade 1 in the Fall or you are a new family to St. Luke with school age children, please contact the Faith Formation Office to start the process of registering your child for Religious Education in the Fall. If you email or leave a message, please tell us your name, your child's name, grade in school in the Fall, where child was baptized (date of baptism if you know it), your address and a phone number to reach you. Contact Nancy or Kim at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com. Remember you **MUST be a registered member of St. Luke's Church in order for you to register your child for classes.** Yellow Registration cards are at both entrances to the church.

Teacher Meetings – We will begin Teacher Training meetings soon. If you are interested in helping us out to teach or to be an aide, please call the Faith Formation Office and ask for Nancy. **There are presently classes that do not have a teacher. Please refer to the Bulletin for the specific classes.** Parents, remember if we

don't have a teacher for your child's grade, regretfully we will not be able to hold that class.

Vacation Bible School: Thank you to all the teen and adult volunteers that helped make our Weird Animal VBS such a special day. God Bless You All!

Youth Ministry: 4TH Sunday of the Month Grades 8-12, after the 6 p.m. Mass, Church Hall. For information contact Joan Robinson at joan.ym.slp@gmail.com.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT WORKSHOP
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 6:30 PM

This workshop is for those who work with children – Teachers, Aides, Children's Choir, Altar Servers, as well as any parent who wants to know how to keep their children safe. We will meet in the parish center and Registration IS NECESSARY. Please call Nancy at the Faith Formation Office – 860-875-4951 to register.

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 July 25, 2014

“Dear Children
You are not aware of the graces that you are living at this time in which the Most High is giving you signs for you to open and convert. Return to God and to prayer, and may prayer begin to reign in your hearts, families and communities, so that the Holy Spirit may lead and inspire you to every day be more open to God's will and to His plan for each of you. I am with you and with the saints and angels intercede for you. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

Defending Our Religious Liberty

The fight for religious freedom is not a Catholic issue, not a Jewish issue, not an Orthodox, Mormon, or Muslim issue. It is an American issue.

The passage of the Affordable Care Act has dangerous implications on all religions. If we permit the government to have the final say on what type of health care coverage a religious organization must provide, we are basically enabling them to interfere in all religious liberty concerns in areas such as immigration and humanitarian services. 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.



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, 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, Rhoda Burr, 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, John Mahon, Sr., Mary Miffitt, Mary Okolo, Jeannine Salone, Jeanette Scibek, Raymond Smachetti, Jr., Pearl Tetreault, Paul Vachon, Rachel Wheeler-Rossow and Rachel Zahner.

Parishioners who make jams, jellies, pickles, etc.; please consider donating some jars to the Country Store. Homemade items always are in demand.

AUGUST 15 - FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

**MASSES: Thursday, August 14 - 7:00 PM
Friday, August 15 - 8:00 AM & 7:00 PM**

**SAVE THE DATE!
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2014**

St. Luke Social Committee will hold a Pasta and Meatball Dinner and Comedy Show on Saturday, September 27 at 6:00 PM in the church hall. Radio personality Dan Kane brings to life the persona of Fr. Patrick Aloysius Misgivings in this hilarious one man show! Tickets are \$15.00 and will go on sale the weekend of August 23/24 after all Masses.

If you can help sell tickets after the 7:30 am or 6:00 pm Masses, or have any questions, please call Janet at 860-871-7910.

AUGUST PARISH MEETINGS/CLASSES

**ALL SATURDAYS: R.C.I.A. - 8- 9:30 am
PARISH CENTER
AUGUST 12: NO ADORATION After Mass
AUGUST 14: VIGIL MASS - HOLYDAY - 7:00 PM
AUGUST 15: HOLYDAY ASSUMPTION
MASSES: 8 AM & 7 PM
AUGUST 18: SOCIAL COMMITTEE SPEC.
MEETING - 6:30 PM
AUGUST 24: Youth Ministry Meeting after
10:30 Mass - Brookside Park**

Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations

On Thursday, August 21, 2014, from 7 pm - 8 pm come and join in praying with Bishop Cote a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations at All Saints Church in Somersville. Come pray for those who are called to priestly or consecrated religious life. Pray for seminarians and those in the process of applying to the Diocese.

BAZAAR RAFFLE

The Raffle Committee has begun to plan for the 2014 St. Luke Christmas Bazaar Raffle!

This year the committee discussed having one of the prizes be a "Gift Card Grab Bag." We are looking for parishioners who are interested in donating a gift card from a favorite store, restaurant, gas station, garden shop, hardware store etc. Gift cards can be dropped off at the Rectory or placed in the collection basket (mark envelope "Raffle Committee.") All gift cards will be combined to create one of the prizes for our Annual Bazaar Raffle.

The Committee is also soliciting NEW items, in addition to the gift cards listed above, for the Main raffle prizes. (Please bring to the Rectory). The last day we can accept Gift Card donations and the New Items is AUGUST 10 because a list of raffle prizes must be sent to and approved by the State of Ct. prior to printing tickets. Thank you for considering these requests.

Position: The Diocese of Norwich seeks a Development Coordinator of the Catholic Charities Ministry to organize all aspects of fundraising and development efforts in concert with the ministry's mission and strategic plan. This position reports to the Executive Director of Development for the Diocese of Norwich. Works directly with the Diocese' Development Office in planning, organizing and implementing fundraising initiatives, events and annual giving/major gifts programs. Submit a cover letter including salary requirements, resume, and names of three reference's to: Diocese of Norwich Development Office, Development Coordinator, 197 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360.
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