

Second Sunday of Lent



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018 4:00 PM
+ALICE OGDEN – BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
R/B THE DECARLI FAMILY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018
7:30 AM - +DONALD WAUDBY
R/B THE GARDEN COMMITTEE

10:30 AM
FOR ALL TEACHERS/AIDES IN THE FAITH
FORMATION PROGRAM

6:00 PM
FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD OR
LOVE ONE IN THE FLORIDA KILLINGS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2018 8:00 AM
+EDWARD WYSOCKI, JR.
R/B MOM, DAD AND FAMILY

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2018 8:00 AM
+SR. MARY FRANCES CERVONE
R/B FRIENDS OF ST. LUKE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018 8:00 AM
+LUCIA FRAGALE - R/B MARIA

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2018 8:00 AM
FOR ALL MISSIONARIES IN DANGEROUS
LANDS

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2018 8:00 AM
HEALING MASS FOR JACK CHARBONNEAU
R/B JANE

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018 4:00 PM
+JUDY KOEHLER - R/B TOM AND DOTTIE
CURTISS

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018
7:30 AM - +DONALD WAUDBY
R/B THE STINSON FAMILY

10:30 AM
+WENDY J. CIPARELLI – 1ST ANNIVERSARY
R/B HER FAMILY

6:00 PM
+JOSEPH DESANTIS
R/B THE CASTONGUAY FAMILY

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PARISH SUPPORT

REGULAR COLLECTION	\$4,179
ON LINE GIVING	\$ 420
ASH WEDNESDAY	\$1,538

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“Here I am!” he answered.” GENESIS 22:11

It is easy to say, “Here I am, Lord,” when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say “Here I am, Lord,” when a neighbor needs our help, **when we are invited to join a parish ministry**, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it’s not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

God ordered Abraham to take his beloved only son to Moriah and offer him as a sacrifice. Abraham built an altar and took out a knife to sacrifice his son Isaac. But God called out to him and told him of blessings that would be bestowed on him and his descendants because he had been willing to do what God had asked.

Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34

Paul reminds the people that God did not spare his only son, but gave him up for the sake of all people. This proves God views us all as his children, and that no person can harm or condemn us because God will protect us.

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Jesus led Peter, James and John up a high mountain, where he conversed with Elijah and Moses. A voice proclaimed ‘This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to him.’ Then Jesus was alone and warned them not to tell anyone what they had seen until he had risen from the dead.



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM



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 Patricia Morse, Alice Ogden, Elizabeth Bolles Hall, Marie Williamson, John Arsenault, Judy Koehler , Mary Kellner, Msgr. Robert L. Brown and Donald Waudby.

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, Charlie Allen, Kayla Avery, Laura Behrendt, Jody Behrendt, Judy Cardoni, Jack Charbonneau, Julie Chartier, Connie Colosimo, Jeanne Ferruolo, Priscilla Flynn, Charles Frenette, Deacon Rod Gayner, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Cynthia Johnson, Rita Kane, Tracy Kearcher, Kathy Larew, Ellen Lohnes, Michael Marquis, Ann Marriott Sitek, Howard Matchett, Mark McPartland, Meg Morneau, Beth Ann Phillips, Ann Pienkowski, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Loren Schuiten, Jim Smith, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Joseph Teixeira, Eugene Veillette, Morris Webber and Jean Wood.

Our Lady’s Latest Message

Dear Children!
May this time be for you a time of prayer, so that the Holy Spirit, through prayer, may descend upon you and give you conversion.

Open your hearts and read the Sacred Scripture, that through the testimonies you also may be closer to God. Above everything, little children, seek God and the things of God and leave earthly ones to the earth, because Satan is attracting you to the dust and sin. You are called to holiness and created for Heaven; therefore, seek Heaven and the things of Heaven. Thank you for having responded to my call.

DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

“Religious freedom is not only that of private thought or worship. It is the liberty to live, both privately and publicly according to the ethical principles resulting from found truth,” say Pope Francis. This is why it is important that our lawmakers protect the rights of the Church and its ministries and organizations when overhauling the current healthcare mandate.

FAITH FORMATION

We can be reached at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com. The office is open Sunday 8-11, Monday 10-4, Tuesday 1-8, Wednesday 1-8 and Thursday 10-4 and by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

Religious Education 2017-2018

Parents each week please ask your child what was covered in class, if they have homework (they probably do!) and always remember to pray with them each day, the best way for them to practice their prayers is to pray them daily.

2017 – 2018 CLASS SCHEDULE

- Sunday Class on February 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25 --- 9 – 10:15 AM – Kindergarten, Grade 1-2-3-4-5
- Tuesday Class on February 27, March 6, 13, 20 and 27– 4:15-5:30 – Grades 4-5
- Tuesday Class - February 27, March 6, 13, 20 and 27- 7-8:15 pm – Grades 6-7-8-9.
- Wednesday –Class on February 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28– 6:45-8 pm – Grades 6-7-8-9

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Join us during the 10:30 Mass for Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday, Feb 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25 . CLW will be held during Mass for children ages 4 years old through the 5th grade in St. Luke room in the Parish Center.

Confirmation 2018 Upcoming Events

- 1) All Confirmation students must attend two Youth Group Meetings - last one is February 25th.
- 2) Final Parent Class Wednesday, February 28, 7:25- 8pm.
- 3) Confirmation Reconciliation – March 6 and 7 in class.
- 4) Confirmation Rehearsal – Thursday, March 8 at 6:15 pm for student & sponsor (or sponsor stand in)
- 5) Confirmation Mass – Sunday, March 11 at 1 pm. Candidates and Sponsor arrive by 12:30 pm.
- 6) Last class is Tuesday March 13 and 14 and this class is for BOTH the parent and the student.

Confirmation 2019 – Grade 8

- 1) Service hours due no later than March 31, 2018.
- 2) Must attend at least one Youth Group night – if you did not attend on January 28 you **MUST attend either February 25 or March 25.** We encourage all students to join Youth Ministry and attend monthly meetings.
- 3) Attend Parent and Student Confirmation meeting on either Tuesday, May 1st or Wednesday May 2nd at 6:30 pm.

GRADE 2 FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST COMMUNION UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, March 3 – Grade 2 Parent-Student Eucharistic Workshop – 9 AM

Sunday, March 4 – after class at the 10:30 Mass – Grade 2 Pin Family Mass for students and families.

Sunday, March 25 – Grade 2 Student and Parent Class – The Last Supper 9 AM.

PARISH MISSION IS HERE!!!

“COME ENCOUNTER JESUS”

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 7 PM

TOPIC: IF GRACE IS GIFT, WHY DO WE HAVE SO MUCH TROUBLE ACCEPTING IT?

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 7 PM

TOPIC: REPENTANCE – OPENING ALL THE DOORS OF MY PERSON TO JESUS CHRIST.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 7 PM

TOPIC: EUCHARIST – LIVING ON JESUS CHRIST.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 7 PM.

TOPIC: OUR MEMBERSHIP IN GOD'S FAMILY. WE TAKE A TOUR OF THIS FAMILY, MARY, THE SAINTS, THE ANGELS AND SOULS IN PURGATORY

**PRESENTER IS FATHER BLAISE
CZAJA. C.P.**

**FATHER WILL ALSO BE GIVING A 20
MINUTE TALK DURING THE 8 AM
MASSES.**

**Chrism Mass – March 27 –
Cathedral of St. Patrick –
Norwich** – Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass and bless the three oils – The oil of catechumens – The oil of the sick – and the Chrism Oil. Fr. George is asking for three volunteers to join him at this Mass. They will bring the new oils

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back to St. Luke's and will then present them at the Mass of the Last Supper (Holy Thursday). If any parishioner would like to take part in this, please let Fr. George know.

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BLOOD DRIVE - ST LUKE'S CHURCH HALL
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7 - 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM - For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
IRISH NIGHT!
SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2018
AFTER THE 5:00 MASS

Come and join us for our feast day celebration for St. Patrick! We will be serving a delicious typical Corned Beef and Cabbage meal. Beer and Wine will be available. **NO BYOB!**

We will be entertained by our enthusiastic and fun group "IRISH TO THE LAST DROP" and also "DEE DEE GOLDEN STEP DANCERS! Tickets are on sale NOW! **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR!** TICKETS ARE \$20 PER PERSON! Any questions please email Karen Luciano, Chairperson, at krluciano429@yahoo.com.

RAFFLE FOR IRISH NIGHT:

Once again we will be having a Raffle and are looking for donations of any new gifts, gift cards or baskets for our Raffle table. Please bring all Raffle Donations to Jane at the Rectory - M-F 9-1.

A DAY OF RECONCILIATION

FRIDAY, MARCH 9 - 6 AM - 10 PM
ST. BERNARD CHURCH -
ROCKVILLE
WITH PRIESTS OF THE VERNON
DEANERY

During this season of Lent we focus on God's mercy and love for each of us. What better way to truly experience His love and mercy than to receive the sacrament of reconciliation?

LENTEN TALKS WITH FR. ELLIS -
PARISH HALL AT ST. BERNARD
CHURCH - 6 PM FRIDAYS IN LENT -

HEALING LITURGY - MARCH 4 - 3
PM - ST. BERNARD CHURCH
ROCKVILLE

A healing liturgy celebrates a beautiful sacrament that is rich with the tender mercy from our Lord. Join us for this simple rite with quiet reflection, music, and an opportunity to pray together for all those who suffer from any type of illness. Anointing of the Sick will be available to those who choose to receive this sacrament.