



SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2018 5:00 PM

+PHYLLIS CAMPISI

R/B SR. GUYTINA AND BROTHERS

SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

7:30 AM

+DONALD WAUDBY

R/B THE PARKERS

10:30 AM

LIVING:

JOSEPH AND FAMILY

R/B JOSEPH AND MARIA

6:00 PM

FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2018 8:00 AM

FOR A FAVOR FROM ST. JOSEPH

R/B A PARISHIONER

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018 8:00 AM

+LUCIANO CAMPISI

R/B SR. GUYTINA AND BROTHERS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2018 8:00 AM

+PETER GAGNON

R/B THE FAMILY

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2018 8:00 AM

+EDWARD B. WYSOCKI, JR.

R/B MOM, DAD AND FAMILY

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 2018 8:00 AM

+FAITH AND WILBUR LEGGE

R/B THE RAYMOND ROY FAMILY

SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 2018 5:00 PM

+DONALD WAUDBY

R/B SUE BEERS

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2018

7:30 AM

+RALPH HALBACH – 30TH ANNIVERSARY

R/B PAUL AND MARILYN GILBERT

10:30 AM

**THANK YOU TO KAREN LUCIANO AND ALL
THE VOLUNTEERS OF IRISH NIGHT**

6:00

FOR ALL OUR VISITORS

PARISH SUPPORT

REGULAR COLLECTION	\$6,253
ON LINE GIVING	\$ 420

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

“I will be their God and they shall be my people.” JEREMIAH 31:33

What does it mean to be God’s people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our neighbors and the world, just as God cares for us.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The Lord comforted his people, who were exiled to Babylon, by telling them of the new covenant he planned to make with them. The Lord declared he would write his law upon their hearts, and that he would forgive their evil and forget the sins they had committed in the past.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Though God could have heeded his Son’s prayers and spared him suffering, Jesus accepted his Father’s will. Through his suffering, he learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation for all people.

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Jesus was afraid of the suffering he knew he must face. Yet he explained just as a grain of wheat must die to be harvested, he had to face his hour of suffering to glorify his father’s name. Jesus explained that once he was lifted from earth, he could draw all people to himself, lifting them to eternal life.



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM

DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

In a letter to the U.S. Senate, the United States Conference for Catholic bishops urged the Senate to respect life when changing the health care mandate. The USCCB says no health care reform plan should compel us or others to pay for the destruction of human life, whether through government funding or mandatory coverage of abortion. Long standing "Hyde Amendment" protections must extend to any relevant health care plan in order to prevent federal funding of abortion and not as a temporary fix or future promise.

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 March 18, 25 --- 9 – 10:15 AM – Kindergarten, Grade 1-2-3-4-5

Tuesday Class on March 20 and 27– 4:15-5:30 – Grades 4-5

Tuesday Class - March 20 and 27- 7-8:15 pm – Grades 6-7-8-9.

Wednesday –Class on March 21,28– 6:45-8 pm – Grades 6-7-8-9

Join us during the 10:30 Mass for Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday, March 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.



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, 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, Gordon 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!

In this time of grace I am calling all of you to open yourselves and to live the commandments which God has given you, that they may lead you through the Sacraments on the way of conversion. The world and worldly temptations are testing you, but you, little children, look at God's creatures which He has given to you in beauty and humility and, little children, love God above everything and He will lead you on the way of salvation. Thank you for having responded to my call.

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 on 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**

All lambs due no later than Sunday, March 25.

White tie order forms and payment due no later than March 25.

Flower Donations due by April 22.

First Communion photo order forms with payment due by May 3rd.

ACA – A heartfelt “Thank you” to everyone who has answered the call to participate in the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal, **“Standing Together to Build the Future.”** You have helped to continue the ‘good works’ performed by our Diocesan Ministries because of **Your** generosity. Every gift is valued! It’s not too late to offer your support. Gifts to the ACA allow our ministries to help provide a better future for others by assisting them with social service, spiritual, educational and many other needs throughout our community. Please visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org to make your pledge today!

CHILDREN’S CHOIR is looking for members to sing for Easter Sunday. If you have a child who loves music, and they are in third grade and up, then consider having them join for this awesome mass. Rehearsals in the Choir Loft are as follows:
Tuesday, March 20 – 6 PM
Tuesday, March 27 – 6 PM
Sunday, April 1 – EASTER SUNDAY – MASS AT 10:30 AM.
If you are interested and/or have any questions, please reach out to Tiffany Tran at 860-374-3257 or tiffytran22@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS!

Youth Group – March 25 –

Attention all 8-12 graders.
Pizza dinner and a trip back in time.

We’ll meet at 7:00 pm in the church hall and finish at 8:30 pm.

**PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE!!!
MARCH 24/ 25**

The Annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale is next weekend, March 24 and 25. All kinds of baked goods are needed. You can drop off your baked goods on Saturday, March 24 from 2-5 or Sunday, March 25, prior to Mass.

Diocese of Norwich News:

Are you separated or divorced and in need of support? The Church is here to help. The Catholic Family Services Office is sponsoring a Divorce Healing Program entitled **“The Catholic’s Divorce Survival Guide.”** This is a 12-session DVD ministry program with expertise from Catholic psychologists, theologians and spiritual directors. It is based on the teachings of the Catholic Church. The group will meet from 7-8:30 pm the second and fourth Mondays of each month beginning April 9 through September 24 at St. Matthew’s Church, 111 Tolland Green, Tolland, CT. Registration is required. To register, call Catholic Family Services, 860-848-2237, ext. 306.

Enders Island – 1 Enders Island, P.O. Box 399, Mystic, CT 06355 - Palm Sunday Day of Recollection with Mark Gordon – Sunday, March 25 at 10:00 AM. \$50 per person.

Healing Mass – March 26 – Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich, CT – 2:00 PM.

Pilgrimage to the Canadian National Shrines

Enjoy a beautiful 4- day pilgrimage Tuesday, June 19 – June 22 to Our Lady of the Cape, the Canadian National Shrine to Our Blessed Mother, St. Anne de Beaupre, St. Joseph’s Oratory, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Blessed Marie Leonie in Sherbrooke and others throughout Quebec. \$500 p.p. double occupancy. Price includes Deluxe Motor Coach, Shrine Hotel, and all meals and tips for all four days. This pilgrimage is being organized and conducted by Fr. Brian Maxwell. Pick-up/drop off locations this year are St. Andrews in Colchester and All Saints in Somers. Valid U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card required. For further information, please call Anne Marie at 860-875-5770 agyadagbubi@comcast.net

Worldwide Marriage Encounter – July 6-8 and November 2-4 in Manchester, CT. For more information call Pat and Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or <https://wwmectw.org/>.