

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018 5:00 PM +MAURICE & ELLENA GRIFFIN R/B THEIR DAUGHTER TRICIA SCHUITEN

SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018
7:30 AM
+VITA MALDONADO
R/B THE FAMILY
10:30 AM
+JUDY CARDONI
R/B CHARLES ALLEN & PAT WITINOCK
6:00 PM
FOR ALL WHO ARE ENSLAVED BY
SUBSTANCE ABUSE

MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2018 8:00 AM +FAITH AND WILBUR LEGGE R/B THE RAYMOND ROY FAMILY

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2018 8:00 AM +PAUL CHODAK R/B PEGGY & JIM O'NEILL

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018 8:00 AM +KRISTINE KOZUCH ALEXANDER 15TH ANNIVERSARY R/B BOB AND JEAN KOZUCH

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018 8:00 AM +ALLEN PHILIPP R/B PEGGY AND JIM O'NEILL

FRIDAY, APRIL 27 2018 8:00 AM FOR POPE FRANCIS

SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018 5:00 PM +RACHEL GILBERT BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE R/B PAUL & MARILYN

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018
7:30 AM
+LAWRENCE SPELLACY
FIRST ANNIVERSARY
R/B THE FAMILY
10:30 AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
6 PM MASS
+THOMAS GUADAGNO
R/B THE GIONET FAMILY

PARISH SUPPORT

APRIL 22 – REGULAR \$5,115.00 ON LINE – REGULAR \$ 395.00 RICE BOWL \$1,415.50

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice." JOHN 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Him what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Usually, the answer is in "quiet whispers," so take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His response.

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12

Peter explains to the elders that his healing of a cripple was done in the name of Jesus Christ. He reminds the elders that they crucified Jesus, but God rose him up so that all people could be saved in his name.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

John expresses amazement at the fact that God allowed us to be called his children. Although we are unsure exactly what we will be after this life, we do know that we will see God as he is and be like him.

Gospel: John 10:11-18

Jesus speaks of a shepherd working only for pay, with no real concern for the sheep being well cared for. But Jesus is our shepherd and would lay down his own life for all those in his flock. God loves him for his willingness to sacrifice himself for the sake of all God's children.



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, Donald Waudby and Jack Kettle.

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, Wanda Allen, Kayla Avery, Calista Bailey, Laura Behrendt, Jody Behrendt, Jack Charbonneau, Georgina Chartier, Connie Colosimo, Jeanne Ferruolo, 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, Doug Shorts, Jim Smith, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Joseph Teixeira, Eugene Veillette, Morris Webber and Jean Wood.

Our Lady's Latest Message

Dear Children! I am calling you to be with me in prayer in this time of grace when darkness is fighting against the light. Pray, little children, confess and begin a new life in grace. Decide for God and He will lead you towards holiness; and the cross will be a sign of victory and hope for you. Be proud that you are baptized and grateful in your heart that you are a part of God's plan. Thank you for having responded to my call."

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 – April 22 and 29 and May 6 – 9 -10:15 AM – Kindergarten, Grade 1-2-3-4-5.

Last Tuesday Class – April 24 – 4:15-5:30 – Grades 4-5.

Last Tuesday Class - April 24- 7-8:15 pm – Grades 6-7.

Tuesday Class – Grade 8 – April 24 and May 1 – 7-8:15 pm.

Wednesday Class – April 25 and May 2 - 6:45-8 pm – Grades 6-7-8

Join us during the 10:30 Mass for Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday, April 22 and 29 and May 6. 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 2019 – Grade 8

Attend Parent and Student Confirmation meeting on either Tuesday, May 1st at 7 PM or Wednesday May 2nd at 6:45 pm.

Grade 7 - Service Hours

All Grade 7 students are required to do 10 hours of community service. Hours and reflection questions answered are due no later than April 30, 2018. Turn hours into your teacher of drop off in the office.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER GRADE 2 FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST COMMUNION UPCOMING EVENTS

Flower Donations due by April 22. First Communion photo order forms with payment due by May 3rd.

April 28 – 9-10:15 – First Eucharist Rehearsal (<u>MUST</u> attend both rehearsals)

May 3 – 6-7:15 pm – First Eucharist Rehearsal (**MUST** attend both rehearsals)

May 5 – First Eucharist Mass at 11 am – students arrive at 10:30 am.

May 6 – Last Class for all Grade 2 students

May 6 – 10:30 Mass – May Crowning and Grade 2 Family Mass.

New Family & Kindergarten Registration

Our Religious Education Welcome! program starts in Kindergarten and goes through 9th grade. We welcome all current and new families with students in these grades to contact the office for registration information and so we can answer any questions you may The Sacraments have. Reconciliation and First Eucharist are received in Grade 2 and the Sacrament of Confirmation is received in Grade 9. You can reach Nancy or Kim in the Faith Formation office at 860-875-4951 or email stlukere@gmail.com. look forward to welcoming you and your children!

Altar Server Trainer Needed

We are looking for an adult to train and help our present and future altar servers in their Ministry of service to the Holy Mass. Interested adults will be offered training and support. Please contact Fr. George or Deacon Frank for more information

FATHER TOM SCHOLARSHIP

We are pleased to announce that this year we will be offering six (6) "Father Tom Plathottam" scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each. Scholarship forms will be available on Sunday, April 8, 2018 on line as well as at the rectory. Deadline for submission is Monday, May 7, 2018 by 6:00 PM.

ST. LUKE'S GOLF TOURNAMENT

We will be having the 17th Annual St. Luke's Golf Tournament on Friday, June 1, 2018 at Rolling Meadows Country Club, Ellington. Orange brochures are at both entrances of the church. To sign up to play or to be a sponsor, please contact one of the committee members or mail your registration to the address in the brochure. If you don't have a foursome, we welcome you to sign up individually and we will pair you up with other golfers. Lunch and dinner are included.

Prizes are awarded in men's, women's and mixed division. If you're not a golfer and would like to get involved, you can join us for dinner after the golf, become a sponsor, or volunteer at the course on the day of the tournament. Please call Kitty at 860-872-0229 if you have questions about this fun event.

Children's Choir Rehearsal Schedule

Tuesday, April 24 – 6 PM Sunday, April 29 – 10:30 Mass

PERENNIAL PLANT SALE WILL BE HELD ON THE WEEKEND OF MAY 19 AND 20

Gardeners who are dividing perennials – Consider donating your extra plants to the plant sale. Proceeds will be used to purchase plants for the church property. If you need plant containers, they are available next to the lawn/garden garage at the back of the parking lot. For questions call Penny Harrington 860-872-3537 or Elaine Waudby 860-872-4057.

USED EYE GLASSES There is a box at both entrances to the church for the LION'S CLUB EYE CLASS COLLECTION.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Like in the gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened to know what God has done for us, and what he wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are July 6-8 in Manchester, CT and November 2-4 also in Manchester. For more information call Pat & Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or https://wwmectw.org.

Beginning Experience Weekend — If you are widowed, separated or divorced and want help in resolving the pain and grief of losing the marriage relationship and create a more peace-filled future, consider attending "A Beginning Experience weekend May 4-6 at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, CT. The fee for the Catholic-based weekend is \$265, which covers food, lodging, materials and a follow-up event. For more information call Maureen at 860-285-8685 or visit www.beginning experience.org.

Dear Parishioners,

OUR STEEPLE **NEEDS** RESTORATION! The Church and 56 Steeple old. are vears Approximately 30 years ago the Steeple with aluminum clad siding. was probably to cover deteriorating wood siding and trim. Today, the Steeple Inspections leaks during a rainfall. deterioration have detected more including detached siding in some locations.

The Property Management committee has retained an architect to develop designs and specifications to restore the steeple to its original design and to address the leaks. Once completed, the project, with Diocesan approval, shall be bid with restoration work to follow. The project cost estimate has yet to be determined; however, it could be in the range of \$75,000. Once the bidding process is complete, a more exact cost will be known.

In order to restore the Steeple, parish funding support will be needed.

Further information will be forthcoming.

Sincerely,

Father George Property Management Committee