

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018 7:30 AM
+LAWRENCE SPELLACY
FIRST ANNIVERSARY R/B THE FAMILY

10:30 AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

6:00 PM
+THOMAS GUADAGNO
R/B THE GIONET FAMILY

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018 8:00 AM
+REV. BRIAN TOMLINSON OFM, CAP
R/B PEGGY & JIM O'NEILL

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018 8:00 AM
FOR FR GEORGE AND FR BIJOY
R/B THEIR PARISHIONERS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018 8:00 AM
FOR MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE WHO ARE
DISCOURAGED OR DEPRESSED

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2018 8:00 AM
+CARL J. CAMPISI
R/B SR. GUYTINA & BROTHERS

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018 8:00 AM
+DARCY CALVO
R/B THE STINSON FAMILY

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018 5:00 PM
FOR OUR GRADE 2 STUDENTS WHO
RECEIVED FIRST EUCHARIST THIS MORNING

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018 7:30 AM
+DONALD WAUDBY
R/B DAVID & MARIE MCFARLIN

10:30 AM
+ROSEMARY CONLAN
R/B LENORA & JOHN RICE

6 PM MASS
+RICHARD M. FAILLACE, JR
R/B THE GIONET FAMILY

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PARISH SUPPORT

APRIL 29 – REGULAR	\$4,115.00
ON LINE – REGULAR	\$ 395.00

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“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” 1 JOHN 3:18

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you “walk the talk?” Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it’s not too late to start!

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Paul the Apostle came to Jerusalem, where the other disciples were afraid of him. Then they learned that the Lord had spoken to Paul and he had preached openly in Damascus. When they learned that someone wanted to kill him, they protected him because they fully believed he had converted.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

John clearly states that we must love one another. All people who believe in Jesus Christ can show their faith only through their actions. If people believe in Jesus and love one another as he commanded us, they prove that they are true believers in Christ.

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Jesus compares himself to a vine, and compares his father to the vine-grower. He explains how God prunes the barren branches so that the rest might yield more fruit. He reminds them that apart from himself, his followers could not bear fruit.



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, Jack Kettle and Thomas Fortier.

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, Ron Barbero, Laura Behrendt, Jody Behrendt, Jack Charbonneau, Georgina 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, 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, all students have received a summer packet; we hope you can find time this summer to review the material with your child. Go to Mass each weekend; pray with them every night or morning. In addition to prayers the packet also includes vocabulary words by grade level. We hope you can take some time over the summer, a half hour here or there, a review while on that long car ride etc. to engage your child in reviewing their religious education. Have a Blessed Summer and we look forward to seeing all our students back in September.

2017 – 2018 CLASS SCHEDULE

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

Tuesday Class – Grade 8 – May 1st – Parent & Student meeting 7 PM.

Wednesday Class – May 2 - 6:45-8 pm – Grades 6-7.

Wednesday Class – Grade 8 – May 2nd – Parent and Student meeting 6:45 pm.

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

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

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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 or drop off in the office.

GRADE 2 FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST COMMUNION UPCOMING EVENTS

April 28 9-10:15 – First Eucharist Rehearsal (MUST ATTEND BOTH REHEARSALS)

May 3 6-7:15 pm – First Eucharist Rehearsal (MUST ATTEND BOTH REHEARSALS)

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

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

Welcome! Our Religious Education 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 have. The Sacraments of

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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. We 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 are now available 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.

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.

Dear Parishioners,

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

Position – Part-Time (10-20 hrs/week)
Bookkeeper – Academy at Mt. Saint John, 135 Kirtland Street, Deep River, CT 06417 – To apply contact Joan Aresco (arescoj@mtstjohn.org) or Dr. Pamela Potemri – (potemri@mtstjohn.org)

Pro-Life Mass will take place at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church, 70 W. Main St., Baltic – Saturday, May 5 at 8 AM.

National Day of Prayer – Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 12 noon. Gather at the flagpole in Central Park in downtown Rockville in front of Vernon's Town Hall. This gathering invites people of all faiths to pray for the nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the U.S. Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman.