



**PARISH SUPPORT**  
**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS FOR  
 AUGUST 25/26 AND SEPTEMBER 1 & 2  
 WILL BE IN UPCOMING BULLETINS.**

**22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” JAMES 1:22

It’s easy to understand the definition of stewardship. The hard part is living it! What do you **do** to live God’s word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

**First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8**

Moses tells the people to always observe the statutes God has given them, without adding or subtracting from these laws. He reminds them that the law is just, and that any nation who heard their statutes would consider them a wise nation.

**Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27**

James discusses the gifts that God has given to all people and implores them to respond by welcoming the words of truth that can save them. He emphasizes that through good deeds and pure conduct, our faith in God is proven to him.

**Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

The Pharisees observed some of Jesus’ disciples eating without first purifying their hands and ask the disciples why they are going against their ancestor’s traditions. Jesus responds that nothing from the outside can make a person impure. The only true evil, acts such as fornication, murder, and greed among others, come from within and make a person impure.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2018 5:00 PM**

+CAROLYN BARRETT  
 R/B PAT AND JIM FALLON

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 7:30 AM**

+DONALD WAUDBY

**10:30 AM**

+NOAH IGNATIUS MALICKAL  
 BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

**6:00 PM**

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018 8:00 AM**

+EDWARD NUGENT  
 R/B MILDRED BLOVISH

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 8:00 AM**

+VICTOR COHUN  
 R/B JOHN FARROW

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2018 8:00 AM**

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2018 8:00 AM**

+VICTOR COHUN  
 R/B THE FECO FAMILY

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2018 8:00 AM**

+VICTOR COHUN  
 R/B ANNE & NEIL HATTAN

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2018 5:00 PM**

+JOSEPH COSGROVE  
 R/B THE FAMILY

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018 7:30 AM**

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

**10:30 AM**

+VICTOR COHUN  
 R/B KATHLEEN & MICHAEL STUPINSKI

**6:00 PM**

+JESSICA ANN MULLEN  
 R/B ANNE & NEIL HATTAN

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM AND THE  
SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH  
7:00 – 8:00 pm**



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, Thomas Fortier, Gordon Lohnes, Amparo Gomba and Victor Cohun.

### **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, William Cairns, Tina Chamberlin, Jack Charbonneau, Georgina Chartier, Jeanne Ferruolo, Priscilla Flynn, Charles Frenette, Daphne Gagnon, Deacon Rod Gayner, Margaret Griffin, Ronald Guay, Luisa Guidi, 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

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Russell, Brian Scavone, Loren Schuiten, Jim Smith, Peter Stuermer, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Joseph Teixeira, Eugene Veillette, Morris Webber and Jean Wood.

### **Our Lady's Latest Message**

Dear Children! God called me to lead you to Him because He is your strength. That is why I am calling you to pray to Him and to trust in Him, because He is your refuge from every evil that lurks and carries souls far from the grace and joy to which you are all called. Little children, live Heaven here on earth so that it will be good for you; and may the commandments of God be a light on your way. I am with you and I love you all with my motherly love. Thank you for having responded to my call."

### **FAITH FORMATION**

We can be reached at 860-875-4951 or [stlukere@gmail.com](mailto:stlukere@gmail.com). The office is open Monday 9-4, Tuesday 10-7 pm, Wednesday 9-4 pm, and Thursday 9-4 and by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

### **Religious Education 2018-2019**

Please register now for Fall classes. Visit our website <http://www.churchofstlukect.com> to register. The Annual Calendar was mailed in July, please review the calendar and mark both class and special event dates on your calendar now! If you need a copy, it can be found on the website or call the office. Classes start on Sunday September 16. Parents remember to have your students review their summer packet (prayers & vocabulary); attend weekly Mass and pray every day. Any questions or concerns contact Nancy or Kim in the office. Have a Blessed Summer and we look forward to seeing all our students back in September.

THANK YOU to all who have volunteered to teach our children and share their faith this coming year!

### **New Family & Kindergarten Registration**

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Welcome! Our Religious Education program starts in Kindergarten and goes through 9<sup>th</sup> 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 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](mailto:stlukere@gmail.com). We look forward to welcoming you and your children!

### **2018 NATIONAL COMBINED COLLECTION**

Next weekend, September 8 and 9, our parish will take up the National Combined Collection which benefits: The Catholic Communication Campaign, The Annual Appeal for the Holy Father (Peter's Pence), The Retirement Fund for Religious, and Catholic University of America. These collections provide the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world; helps provide prescription medications, nursing care, and more for our senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests; and offers students an excellent education in a faith-filled atmosphere grounded in

Catholic intellectual tradition. The communication campaign, of which half the proceeds stay in our Diocese, helps connect people to

Christ, here and around the world, through Internet, television, radio, and print media. Registered parishioners will receive a mailing with more detailed information. Please read the material and if you are so inclined, bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend, September 8 and 9, 2018. (Gift envelopes and an informational brochure are also available at the church.) Your support of these needs of the Universal Church will truly make a difference. Please be as generous as your means allow.

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### **PARISH PICNIC NEWS!**

**Our Parish Picnic will be held on September 16 after the 10:30 Mass on the grounds behind the rectory. Planning is underway and it will be a wonderful event. We are excited for the opportunity for Parishioners to show their talents. Sign-up sheets are available at the front and rear entrances of the church. All are welcome!**

Summer has arrived and strawberries are in season! Vegetables are growing and fruits are ripening in the orchards. If you are a parishioner who enjoys canning and you make jams, jellies, salsa, pickles, etc, please consider making an extra jar or two of your specialty to donate to the St. Luke Crafters for the upcoming 2018 Christmas Bazaar. We will let you know in the fall when you can drop them off.

**NEEDED!** St. Luke's Crafters are looking for some empty feed bags that are made of heavy woven plastic. The bags are 20 lb or 40 lb size and have pictures on them of birds, chickens, dogs. If you have one, please drop it off in the St. Luke Crafter bin located by the elevator.

Twenty-Third Annual Mass for Those Dedicated to Education – September 9, 2018 at 8:45 am. – Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich. Bishop Cote will celebrate this Mass for all teachers and support staff, public, parochial, and private, active and retired, of all faiths. All are welcome. For information please call Father Langevin or Rebecca McDougal at 860-887-9294.

### **ANNULMENT WORKSHOP**

If you are a divorced Catholic who would like to know more about annulments or is considering beginning the annulment process but aren't quite sure what it is or how to go about doing so, consider attending this informational workshop **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018 FROM 7-9 PM AT ST. BERNARD CHURCH HALL, 25 ST. BERNARD'S TERRACE, ROCKVILLE.** A panel of experts from the Diocesan Marriage

Tribunal will be there to answer questions and explain the numerous aspects of the annulment process. For more information, contact the Catholic family Services Office at 860-848-2237, ext. 306.

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**Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti  
Charity Golf Tournament**

Join Bishop Cote at the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti Annual Charity Golf Tournament on Saturday, September 15 at Wintonbury Hills Golf Course. On-line registration [www.outreachtohaiti.org](http://www.outreachtohaiti.org) or call 860-800-3601. Proceeds benefit the Diocese's mission in Haiti: nutrition & feeding programs, medical care, orphanages, education and efforts to rebuild the medical clinic & mission house in Port-au-Prince. The event includes golf, lunch and dinner – all for \$150.

The project cost is estimated to be \$75,000. Contributions are requested to help fund the project. Please contact Father George for further details.

**ST. LUKE BLESSING OF THE  
ANIMALS!**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13**

We will be celebrating the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi here at St. Luke on Saturday, October 13 at 1 PM in front of his statue with a special blessing of your family pet(s). Sign-up sheets will become available at both entrances on the weekend of September 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> through the weekend of October 6/7. Sign-up sheets will include your name, your pet's name, and the type of animal you will be bringing.

We ask that your pet(s) be on a leash, crated, or otherwise under control. We are looking forward to seeing you and your pet(s) at this special event. Let's have a great turnout! This event will be held rain or shine! In case of inclement weather, our event will be held in the church basement.

If you have any questions, please call either Marilyn Gilbert at 860-871-2923 or Dottie Curtiss at 860-875-8574.

The CHILDREN'S CHOIR is back for the 2018-2019 school year and we are recruiting old and new members to join! If you have any children in grades 3-8 who love to sing, play instruments, and perform, this is their time to shine! Rehearsals will occur every Tuesday starting on September 18<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please contact Tiffany Tran at [tiffytran22@gmail.com](mailto:tiffytran22@gmail.com).

**STEEPLE RESTORATION – UPDATE**

We now have the approval from the Diocese to move forward with the Steeple Restoration. The contractor has been advised to begin work and is preparing his schedule with the goal of completing the restoration by the end of the fall season.

In preparation for the upcoming work, the bell will be removed from the belfry. Since the Bell, which rung for many years to call parishioners to church is part of our history, it will be saved. The bell will be placed on a concrete base adjacent to the Church. The base will be constructed in the next few weeks. This will allow the contractor to place the bell directly on the base when he removes it from the belfry.