

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 24, 2019



SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2019 5:00 PM
+CHRISTIAN HANLON
R/B THE ST. LUKE'S CRAFTERS

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019 7:30 AM
+DAPHNEGAGNON R/B PENNY
HARRINGTON

10:30AM
+EDWARD WYSOCKI, JR.
R/B MOM, DAD AND FAMILY

6:00 PM
+LYDIA GINOLSI R/B HER DAUGHTER
JANICE AND GRANDCHILDREN

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2019 8:00 AM
HEALING MASS FOR TOM CURTISS
R/B JANE THOMAS

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019 8:00 AM
+JAMES FARROW R/B HIS BROTHER
JOHN

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2019 8:00 AM
+BARCLAY SHACKWAY – IST
ANNIVERSARY R/B PAT WITINOK

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2019 8:00 AM
HEALING MASS FOR MATTHEW CAIRNS
R/B AUNT JANE

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2019 8:00 AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2019 5:00 PM
+CHRISTIAN HANLON
R/B ST. LUKE'S ALTAR SERVERS

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2019 7:30 AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

10:30 AM
+ANTHONY & VIRGINIA BUFFA
R/B THEIR DAUGHTER TERRI COCUZZO
6:00 PM
FOR ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

PARISH SUPPORT

REGULAR COLLECTION 3-17	\$5,026
ON LINE GIVING 3-17	\$ 310

STEEPLE RENOVATION COLLECTION

EXPECTED EXPENSES	\$75,000.00
RECEIVED TO DATE	\$51,853.63

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“He said to the gardener, ‘For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.’”

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

Moses came upon a burning bush, when God called out to him. God told Moses that he had seen the suffering of his people in Egypt, and intended to lead them from their captors to a land of milk and honey. Moses asked what he should say if the Israelites should ask what God wished to be called. God replied, “I am who am.”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Paul describes how the people were led into the desert by Moses, yet many of them were struck down by God. He warns that this should serve as an example not to give in to wicked desires or we may suffer the same downfall.

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Jesus says that an individual's misfortune does not mean that their sins were greater than someone else's. He warns that without

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repenting, all sinners will meet the same end. He tells of a barren fig tree whose owner planned to cut it down. But a servant offered to give it special care for one year, and destroy it should it remain barren. This symbolizes God's patience toward us.



Please pray for those who have gone to their Heavenly Father!

Angela Albee, Eileen Medeiros, Susan Spellacy, Matthew Smith, Priscilla Flynn, Christian Hanlon, Michaline Dymon, Daphne Gagnon and Ernest Chouinard.



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

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, Jody Behrendt, Laura Behrendt, Rebecca Berak, Matthew Cairns, Tina Chamberlin, Jack Charbonneau, Georgina Chartier, Josh De Los Santos, Jeanne Ferruolo, Charles Frenette, 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, Joel Rivera, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Loren Schuiten, Jim Smith, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Joseph Teixeira, Eugene Veillette, Sheila Waterhouse, Morris Webber and Jean Wood.

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Our Lady's Latest Message

Dear Children! Today, I am calling you to a new life. It is not important how old you are, open your heart to Jesus who will transform you in this time of grace and, like nature, you will be born into a new life in God's love, and you will open your heart to Heaven and the things of Heaven. I am still with you, because God permitted me out of love for you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

FAITH FORMATION

Mrs. Rudek (DRE Grades 4-9) and Mrs. Bocchino (CRE Grades K-3) can be reached at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com. The office is open Sunday 8-10:30 am, Monday 12-4 pm, Tuesday and Wednesday 12-8 pm and Thursday 10-4 pm and by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead.

Religious Education 2018-2019

Please call, email or stop into the office if you have any questions or concerns. We thank you for your support! New families, please call the office to enroll your children at 860-875-4951. You may register online on our website <http://www.churchofstlukect.com>

2018 – 2019 Class Schedule

Sunday Class 9-10:15 am -- Class March 24, 31, April 14, 28 and May 5.- No Classes April 7 and 21 - Grades K-5.

Tuesday Class 4:15-5:30 – March 26, April 2, 16, 23 and 30 - No class on April 9 - Grades 4-5.

Tuesday Class 6:45 – 8 pm – March 26, April 2, 16, 23 and 30 - **Last Class for Grade 9 is April 2**
No Class for Grades 6-7-8 on April 9.

Wednesday Class 6:45-8 pm Classes March 27, April 3, 17, 24 and May 1 –Grades 6-9.

Last Class for Grade 9 is April 3.

Grades 6,7,8 No Class on April 10.

Grade 1 – Important Dates

Sunday, March 24 – Parent Meeting at 9 AM in St. Luke Room

Grade 2 – Important Dates

Sunday – April 14 and 28 – in class rehearsal for all Grade 2 students.

Wednesday, May 1 – 6:15 pm in the Church – MANDATORY First Eucharist Rehearsal for all 2nd Grade students.

Sunday, May 5 – First Eucharist and May Crowning of Mary at the 10:30 Mass.

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Grade 9 – Important Dates

March 26 and 27 – Confirmation Reconciliation during class time.

March 28 – 6:00 pm – Confirmation rehearsal for BOTH the Candidate and the sponsor (or sponsor stand in).

March 31 – 1 PM Confirmation Mass – all candidates and sponsors arrive by 12:30 pm.

April 2 and 3 – Last Confirmation Class for both the student and parent.

Grade 8 – Important Dates

March 24 and April 14 – Youth Group Night following the 6 pm Mass until 8:30 pm.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word – During the 10:30 Mass

Join us during the 10:30 Mass for Children’s Liturgy of the Word on Sunday, March 24, and 31, April 14 and 28. CLW will be held during Mass for children ages 4 years old through the 5th grade in St. Luke’s room in the Parish Center.

RETIREMENT OF NANCY RUDEK

Nancy Rudek will be retiring at the end of June. Join me in thanking Nancy for her years of service to St. Luke Parish and especially our children. Nancy will be missed and we wish her all the best in retirement. When you see her congratulate and thank her for her years of service. Upon Nancy’s retirement Kim Bocchino will be our Acting Director of Religious Education.

SOUP AND SANDWICH NIGHT – EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT!

Come join us for Soup and Sandwich this coming Friday from 5-7 in the church hall. The menu this week is BLACK BEAN SOUP & LENTIL SOUP & EGG SALAD BURRITO. Price Soup & Sandwich \$6.00; Soup Only \$2.50; Sandwich only \$3.50; 1 Qrt Soup to go \$5.00.

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday evening at 7 PM. PLEASE JOIN US AND ENHANCE YOUR LENTEN EXPERIENCE.

ACA LAUNCH WEEKEND

NEW!!! This year the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal Video and Pledging process will be held next weekend, March 30/31.

Please prayerfully contemplate how you can help others in need within our Diocesan communities by pledging generously to this year’s ACA campaign, **“Hand in Hand with All God’s Children.”** Please come prepared next weekend to make your pledge by either taking home a pledge envelope today or by completing the pledge card you received in the mail. Your generous donations will allow our Diocesan ministries to make their programs available to everyone. **Our goal this year is to have as close to 100% parishioner participation as possible.** Please remember every gift is important and appreciated, no matter its size. For more information about the ACA, or to make your pledge online, please visit www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

HEALING LITURGY – MARCH 31 AT 4 PM – ST. BERNARD’S CHURCH, ROCKVILLE.