



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2019 5:00 PM

+CYNTHIA PELLEGRINI JOHNSON
R/B NANCY & JOE WALSH AND
EILEEN & DON SIERAKOWSKI

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019 7:30 AM

+CINDY PELLEGRINI JOHNSON
R/B THE PECK FAMILY

10:30 AM

+BARBARA M. SHEA
R/B THE SHEA & FILIPEK FAMILIES

6:00 PM

FOR A SAFE PILGRIMAGE FOR FR. GEORGE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 8:00 AM

+EDA BUDARZ – BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
R/B LINDA TIMURA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 8:00 AM

+BILL SMEDY
R/B THE FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2019 8:00 AM

+REUBEN & JANET LUMBRA
R/B AGNES WELCH

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019 8:00 AM

+FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF
CHRISTIAN HANLON
R/B THE YOUNG ADULT GROUP

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2019 8:00 AM

+FLORENCE BAGNALL
R/B HER DAUGHTERS & GRANDSON

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019 5:00 PM

BLESSINGS – WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
HEIDI AND JEFF
R/B THE FAMILY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019 7:30 AM

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

10:30 AM

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

6:00PM

+CINDY PELLEGRINI JOHNSON
R/B PAT & JIM FALLON

PARISH SUPPORT

REG. COLLECTION – SEPT. 1	\$ 4,750.50
ON LINE GIVING – SEPT. 1	\$ 285
MAINTENANCE COLL. SEPT. 1	\$ 2,135
ON LINE GIVING MAINTENANCE	\$ 165

AIR CONDITIONER COLLECTION

EXPECTED EXPENSES	\$ 40,000
RECEIVED TO DATE	\$ 24,070

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Every one of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” LUKE 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us.

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b

This reading acknowledges that people have had a difficult time attempting to know God’s wishes. At times we have difficulty understanding the things that happen on earth. Therefore, learning of things in heaven would have been impossible, except that God sent us wisdom and the Holy spirit to help us understand him.

Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Paul writes to Philemon regarding Onesimus, a slave who ran away and encountered Paul. Although Paul wished Onesimus could remain with him, he did not want to violate Philemon’s

wishes. Paul asks that Philemon receives his friend Onesimus as a beloved brother, not as a slave. He closes by saying, “Welcome him as you would me.”

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Jesus warns people who wish to follow him that they must abandon everyone else first. A person calculates the amount of money needed to complete a project before they begin it. In the same way, Jesus warns these people to consider exactly what is involved before they make a commitment to follow him.

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.



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, Ernest Chouinard, Loretta Luciano, Michael Ambrosi, Ronald Lomot, John Borini, Barbara Shea, Patricia Marcus and Cynthia Pellegrini Johnson.

Our Lady's Latest Message

Dear Children! Pray, work and witness with love for the Kingdom of Heaven that it may be good for you here on earth. Little children, God will bless your effort a hundred fold; you will be witnesses among peoples, souls of unbelievers will feel the grace of conversion and Heaven will be grateful for your efforts and sacrifices. Little children, witness with the Rosary in hand that you are mine and decide for holiness. Thank you for having responded to my call.

FAITH FORMATION

The Faith Formation Office is open Monday-Thursday 9-2; during all class sessions, and by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead. Contact Mrs. Kim Bocchino at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com.



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 and Louise Barbero, Laura Behrendt, Matthew Cairns, Tina Chamberlin, Jack Charbonneau, Georgina Chartier, James Crocco, Josh De Los Santos, Jeanne Ferruolo, Charles Frenette, Deacon Rod Gayner, Margaret Griffin, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Emilie Jiga, Tracy Kearcher, Kathy

Classes Begin the week of September 22nd

Sunday 9:10 – 10:15 am – September 22, 29, October 6, 20 and 27 – Kindergarten through Grade 5
Tuesday 6:45 – 8 PM – September 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 – Grades 5-9
Wednesday 6:45 – 8 pm – September 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 – Grades 6-9

Religious Education 2019 – 2020 Registration

Welcome new and returning families! Our Religious Education program starts in Kindergarten and goes through 9th grade. We welcome all current and new families with students in these grades! You may register online on our website <http://www.churchofstlukect.com/>. Please call, email or stop into the office if you have any questions or concerns. The Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist are received in Grade 2 and the Sacrament of Confirmation is received in Grade 9. Contact Mrs. Kim Bocchino in the Faith Formation office at (860) 875-4951 or email stlukere@gmail.com We look forward to welcoming you and your children!

Children's Liturgy Ministers Needed

We are in need of adults or adult/teen team for Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 Mass on Sundays September through April. Each Minister is trained and serves 4-6 weeks throughout the year. Please prayerfully consider this wonderful ministry. Contact Kim Bocchino in the Faith Formation office if interested.

Thank you to the parishioners who donated CD players to the program. We appreciate your support. Thank you!

BAZAAR: COUNTRY STORE

Summer season for local fresh fruits and veggies has arrived. If you make jams, jellies, pickles, vinegars, etc. during the summer and fall, please consider donating a couple of items to the Country Store. Homemade goodies are in demand.

We are looking for canning jars. If you have purchased jams or pickles at the Bazaar and have the jars, you may leave them in the Bazaar container located at the parking lot entrance.

SAVE THE DATE!

THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR WILL BE FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8 – 5-8 PM AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9 9-2. Family Friendly...face painting, balloons, popcorn and lots of gifts for your Christmas list.



Wedding Banns

SECOND

**VINCENT JAMES BIFOLCK
AND
AILEEN PATRICIA COSGROVE**

2019 NATIONAL COMBINED COLLECTION

Today we will take up the National Combined Collection which benefits: The Retirement Fund for Religious, The Annual Appeal for the Holy Father, The Catholic Communication Campaign, and Catholic University of America. Please indicate on your NCC collection envelope how you wish your gift to be used. If you need a gift envelope, extra envelope are available at both entrances to the church. Please

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support our aging religious, join our Holy Father in providing essential relief to the most disadvantaged, connect people with Christ through communication resources, and help provide a Catholic based education to university students. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

2019 ACA UPDATE

Last month we reported that Saint Luke Parish, Ellington had achieved its ACA goal! While that we wonderful news, only 35.65% of our parishioners have donated. If you have not made your contribution to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal, "Hand in Hand with All God's Children," or would like to make an additional gift, please contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org. Thank you very much.

PARISH PICNIC

OUR ANNUAL PICNIC WILL BE HELD SEPTEMBER 22 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 TO WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS, SEE OLD FRIENDS AND START A NEW RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR. SIGN UP SHEETS ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL ENTRANCES TO THE CHURCH. ALL ARE WELCOME.

YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF PICNIC

There will be a Youth Group Kickoff Picnic in the church courtyard after the 6pm Mass on Sunday, September 8. All 8th-12th graders are encouraged to attend an hour of food, fun, friendship, faith and info about our year ahead! Parents and siblings are welcome!

ST. LUKE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS!

SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

We will be celebrating the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi here at St. Luke on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 AT 1 PM in front of his statue with a special blessing of your family pet(s). Sign-up sheets are available this weekend through the weekend of September 28/29. 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 hall.

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

Perennial Plant Sale

THANK YOU to all who donated or purchased plants at the Perennial Plant sale. Our total profit was \$192 which was used to purchase plants for the church property.

TEA CUP RAFFLE – BAZAAR

Our Annual Christmas Bazaar will be on Friday, November 8 Saturday, November 9.

I am looking for Very Special, NEW, and Meaningful items for our TEA CUP RAFFLE. These items are to be appropriate for men, women and children. Please drop them off at the Rectory Monday through Friday 9-1. Thank you. Erika Hanlon, Chairperson.

St. Luke's Music Ministry

The St. Luke's Music Ministry is recruiting old and new choir members for the adult Choir and the Children's Choir. Consider joining this wonderful ministry of song and music. See the flyer in the bulletin for more details. Questions should be directed to Tiffany Tran.

CALLING ALL VENDORS!

The St. Luke's Bazaar is looking for Vendors. If you are interested or for more information email Laura Gayton at smgayton@earthlink.net. St. Luke's bazaar is November 8 and 9.

29th Annual Red Mass – Cathedral of St. Patrick – Sunday, September 29, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. All judges, lawyers, paralegal, law students, all involved in administration of justice: legislators, public officials and civic leaders are invited. Rev. Brian Romanowski, JCL, Diocese of Norwich will concelebrate the Red Mass and deliver the homily.