



**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**  
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**6:00 PM**  
**CINDY PELLEGRINI JOHNSON**  
**R/B PAT & JIM FALLON**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 8:00 AM**  
**+JANET BAILER R/B PEG & JIM O'NEILL**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 8:00 AM**  
**+ALBERT OTT**  
**R/B THE OTT & TENERO FAMILIES**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 8:00 AM**  
**+ANNA CAMPISI R/B SR. GUYTINA M.P.F.**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2019 8:00 AM**  
**+LOLA YELLEN R/B PEG & JIM O'NEILL**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2019 8:00 AM**  
**+DAVID SPINO R/B THE DEMERS FAMILY**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019 5:00 PM**  
**+JOSEPH & JOSEPHINE CIANCI**  
**R/B NANCY & JOE CIANCI**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019 7:30 AM**  
**+JULIE RACZKOWSKI – 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**  
**R/B MARILYN & PAUL GILBERT**

**10:30 AM**  
**+JOSEPH COSGROVE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**  
**R.B THE FAMILY**

**6:00PM**  
**FOR ALL PARISHIONERS**

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**PARISH SUPPORT**

<b>REG. COLLECTION – SEPT. 8</b>	<b>\$4,277</b>
<b>ON LINE GIVING – SEPT. 8</b>	<b>\$ 285</b>
<b>NAT'L COMBINED COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$4,078</b>

**AIR CONDITIONER COLLECTION**

<b>EXPECTED EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 40,000</b>
<b>RECEIVED TO DATE</b>	<b>\$ 24,070</b>

**24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Everything I have is yours.” LUKE 15:31

Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do we really want to turn our backs on all that God offers in exchange for a material wealth that has no lasting value?

**First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14**

God became very angry with the Israelites for worshipping a molten calf and making sacrifices to it. The people had so quickly violated his commandments that he planned to destroy them. But Moses pleaded with God for mercy and God relented.

**Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

Paul considered himself a former blasphemer and persecutor, and expressed his gratitude for the mercy Jesus showed him. Paul felt that he was a perfect example of Jesus' patience toward sinners and his desire to reconcile them with God.

**Gospel: Luke 15:1-32**

The Pharisees grew angry because of Jesus' compassion toward sinners. In response, Jesus tells of a son who squandered his inheritance, then returned to his father and asked to be treated as a hired hand. The father rejoiced, angering his older and more obedient son. The father explained that everything he owned belonged to his older son; but he had to rejoice for the son who was lost and had been found.



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, Cynthia Pellegrini Johnson and David Spino.



**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, Will Kelly, 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.

**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. You may register for classes online on our website <http://www.churchofstlukect.com/>. Please call, email or stop into the office if you have any questions or concerns – contact Mrs. Kim Bocchino at 860-875-4951 or [stlukere@gmail.com](mailto:stlukere@gmail.com). We look forward to welcoming you and your children!

**Classes Begin the week of September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Sunday 9:10 – 10:15 am – September 22, 29, October 6, 20 and 27 – Kindergarten through Grade 5 (No class October 13)  
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

**Children's Liturgy of the Word at 10:30 Mass**

Join us during the 10:30 Mass for Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday, September 22, 29, October 6, 20 and 27<sup>th</sup>. CLW will be held during Mass for children ages 4 years old through the 5<sup>th</sup> grade in St. Luke room in the Parish Center.

**Religious Education Families Please Join Us for the 10:30 Mass on:**

Sunday, September 29 – Grade 6 Bible Class  
Sunday, November 3 – Grades 4 and 5 Mass  
Sunday, November 24 – Grade 9 Mass  
Sunday, December 8 – Grades 2 and 3 Mass  
Sunday, January 5 – Grade 8 Mass  
Sunday, February 2 – Grade 2 Mass  
Sunday, March 1 – Grades 1 and 2 Mass  
Sunday, April 5 – Grade 7 Mass

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**Confirmation 2020 Grade 9 Important Dates**

Youth Group – 9/29, 10/27, 11/24, 12/15/ 1/26, 2/23 (attend at least 3)

Confirmation Mass & Retreat – Sunday, November 24, 10:30 Mass until 3:30 pm

Confirmation Packet due in class December 3 or 4

Confirmation Interviews – January, 2020 – TBD

Confirmation Candle Mass – Sunday, January 26, 6 pm Mass

Confirmation Rehearsal – Friday, March 20 at 6:15 pm

Confirmation Mass – Sunday, March 22 at 1 pm – Candidates and Sponsors arrive by 12:30 pm.

**Grade 2 First Reconciliation and First Eucharist Important Dates**

Sunday, October 27 – Parent & Student Class  
Sunday, December 8 – 10:30 Mass for Grade 2 Families,

Saturday, December 14 – First Reconciliation 9 am (snow date 12/15)

Sunday, January 12 – Parent & Student Class  
Sunday, February 2 – Candle Mass 10:30 for Grade 2 Families

Sunday, March 1 – Eucharist Pin Mass 10:30 for Grade 2 Families

Saturday, March 7 – Eucharist Workshop for all Grade 2 Families

**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.

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*Wedding Banns*

**THIRD**

**VINCENT JAMES BIFOLCK  
AND  
AILEEN PATRICIA COSGROVE**

**2019 NATIONAL COMBINED COLLECTION**

Last weekend the National Combined Collection which benefits: The Retirement Fund for Religious, The Annual Appeal for the Holy Father, The Catholic Communications Campaign, and Catholic University of America was taken up in our Parish. To all those who made a gift, thank you for your generous response. If you did not bring your gift envelope to Mass last weekend or if you were away, it's not too late to give! Extra envelopes are available in church. Your contribution can be placed in the collection basket or mailed directly to the Parish. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

**PARISH PICNIC**

**Our annual picnic will be next Sunday 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. Signup sheets are available at all entrances to the church. If you are able, please bring a dessert to share. We hope to see you there. All are welcome.**

**Catholic Elementary School Collection**

**Next Weekend the Annual Catholic Elementary School Collection will be conducted throughout the Diocese. This will only be an in-pew collection; however, informational flyers and donation envelopes are available in church. Appropriately titled, "Faith For the Future", the collection recognizes that our futures**

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truly do belong to the children we are educating in our schools today. Our 11 Diocesan elementary schools offer families a safe and nurturing environment in which to entrust their children's academic, social and moral growth, preparing them to become the future leaders of our church and communities. Please be generous in your support. Your contribution will help provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent Catholic education.

### **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.

### **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.

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### **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](mailto:smgayton@earthlink.net). St. Luke's bazaar is November 8 and 9.

**29<sup>th</sup> 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.

40 Days for Life – The Norwich 40 Days For Life campaign will begin with a Vigil Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Tuesday, September 24 at 7 pm. Bishop Michael R. Cote will be the principal celebrant and Fr. Jeffrey Ellis will be the homilist. Following Mass, the 40 days for Life team will be available to answer any questions. This year, the 40 Days for Life Campaign runs from Wednesday, September 25 through November 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is hoped that you will join our Parish by praying, fasting, and signing-up to attend the peaceful prayer vigil held outside the planned parenthood facility at 12 Case St. in Norwich.

Marriage Help -Retrouvaille Weekend – September 27-29 – A series of 6 post sessions follow the weekend. Call 203-710-6207 for more information or to register. [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

Fr. McGivney Day of Renewal For All Catholic Men – Saturday, September 28 – Day starts at 7:30 am, includes lunch, and ends with Mass at 5pm followed by covered dish supper with family. – Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall, 1650 Route 12, Gales Ferry, CT. Request brochure from [lctedeschi@comcast.net](mailto:lctedeschi@comcast.net) or leave a message at 860-464-2453.