#### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ JUNE 27 - JULY 3, 2016

Day	Intention	Requested By
Mon. 7:30 AM	Dorothy Wilton	The Reynoso Family
Tues. 7:30 AM	Harrison Peyton Hall	Wife, Joanne
Wed. 7:30 AM	Ronald Cohen	Parents, Roy & Fran
11:00 AM	Suzanne Gallo	Donna & Michael Dalelio
Thurs. 7:30 AM	Lisa Muller-Bayer	Mother, Ronnie
Fri. 7:30 AM	Jane Hill	Jerome Hill
11:00 AM	Charles & Catherine Dudas (living)	George & Joan Vuyovich
Sat. 8:30 AM	James Rennick	Friends at St. Vincent de PaulSociety
4:00 PM	Charita Mc Alarney	Sister, Margaret Murtha
5:30 PM	Barry Molner, 2nd Anniversary	Mother, Maryanne Molner
Sun. 7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	·
8:30 AM	Rosary Altar Society Members	St. Luke Rosary Altar Society
10:00 AM	Rosemary Hardman & Dave Ascione Anna Ascione-Hardman &	
		Michael Hardman
12:00 PM	Ronald D. Heitmann	Ronald W. & Jodi Heitmann



# Independence Day Mass

**Monday, July 4, 2016** 

9:00AM Mass Only (There will not be a 7:30AM Mass)

**Note:** The Parish and CCD offices will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day.



# St. Luke Altar Flowers

June 25 - July 1, 2016

Candle Rings:

In Memory of Anthony Palmisano Req. by Loving Wife and Family

To order flowers for the week for <u>any</u> occasion, contact Kathleen Muzzio at 732-286-2222. Requests should be made two weeks in advance.



#### **Pray for the Recently Deceased**

James Solasky

John Ragan Jr.

#### Please Pray for the Sick

Myn Greuter, Joan Greuter, Elisa Greuter, Linda Greuter, Cayden Napolitano, John Kempton, Simon Amato (child), Bob Puglisi, Jo Hardardt, Chuck Kraut, Libertine Javelosa, Pat Petzold, Nina Parisi, Margaret Boland, Martha Olmstead, Yolanda Salvatore, Joseph Alphonse Weikel (child), Gurprit Chhatwal, Jenny Ralph, Joseph Italiano, Virginia Heywood (child), James Joseph White, Maureen Driscoll, Francis Lewis Jr., Ryan Kurtz (child), Audrey Farr, Marie Alfano, Richard Coburger, Marie Sidoti, Larry Sidoti, Steven Haas, Pat La Rocca, Gabriel Caldron (infant), Jeff Madlung, John Higgins, Catherine Higgins, Brandon Church (infant), Claire Hansen, Gloria Rafanelli, John Langan, Mary Hayes, James Raugh, Bill Coles, Janice Eggers, Bill Clark, Anna Elizabeth Kathenes, Joanne Kronowski, Agusta Thorn, A.J. Crowder (child), Kathy Archepoli, Chuck Nazzaro, Maryann Coles, Sherry Ohotnicky, Gloria Weintraub, Anthony Cuccaro, Mary Ann Napatano, Jean Stulich, Joseph Rotondo, Jacqueline Holzbaur, Erin Mc Mullan, Mary Hayes, Lillian Schneller, Bob Schneller.



# Holy Year of Mercy

Pope Francis has proclaimed "A Holy Year of Mercy" which commenced on December 8, 2015 through November 20, 2016. The Motto for this Holy Year is "Merciful like the Father" and it is intended to 'serve as an invitation to follow the merciful example of the Father who asks us not to judge or condemn but to

forgive and to give love and forgiveness without measure."

# NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS July 3, 2016

1st Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14c 2nd Reading: Galatians 6:14-18 Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Readings may be found at: http://www.usccb.org/nab/

## FROM THE PASTOR. . .



To all of the good people of St. Luke,

As many of you may have heard, a major endowment campaign is currently underway at St. Luke and throughout the Diocese of Trenton. This week, we will be sharing answers to questions that we have been hearing from our parishioners:

#### How do I know that my pledge to this campaign will go to the needs outlined in the case for support?

Charitable trusts will be established and managed by a Board of Trustees to segregate the funds and ensure that the earnings from the trusts are only used for the purposes outlined in the Diocesan case for support. The Boards, composed of clergy and lay leaders, will also oversee the professional fund management firm charged with investing these funds. Each trust will be subject to an annual audit, and the investment strategy will be in conformance with guidelines recommended by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

#### When do I need to start paying my pledge?

Whenever you would like! I know that this is a busy time of year and that it can also be a time of spending for many of you. That is why we are asking for pledges that can be made over 3-5 years and you can choose any start date that you would like to begin fulfilling your pledge during that time. All gifts to the campaign are tax-deductible and can be made through a credit card, debit card, automatic withdrawal from a checking or savings account, or through stock and other non-cash gifts. Please also remember that a pledge card is not a legally binding document!

#### Who will be asked to support the campaign?

Everyone! I am meeting with as many families as I can through face-to-face visits to personally explain the campaign and ask for a sacrificial offering. Volunteers have been assisting me by meeting with fellow parishioners and inviting them to support this great undertaking as well. I cannot thank enough our volunteers and those who have given for their effort and support of this campaign.

Everyone will be invited to participate in the *Faith to Move Mountains* Campaign. It is my hope that during this time, our entire community will join together and support this blessed effort for our Diocese and our parish. I encourage those who have been contacted or met with to prayerfully reflect over your commitment and allow the Spirit to guide you. As we continue our efforts, I ask all of you to pray for our success and participate to what your means allow for the future of our Church. Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

Grace, peace, and blessings to you,

Father Bob

# GOOD COUNSEL HOMES Third Annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser



This weekend at Mass, JoAnn
DiNoia of Good Counsel Homes will be sharing the story of
how Good Counsel gives the homeless, pregnant mothers a
safe and secure home. You will be asked to take a baby bottle
home with you, and fill it with change, dollars, checks whatever your means allow and return it no later than the
weekend of July 9 & 10. For more information contact
JoAnn DiNoia at joann\_dinoia@goodcounselhomes.org.
Thank you for your support and prayers for our mothers who
have chosen to give their baby life.

## Our Promise to Protect, Our Pledge to Heal

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan **Abuse Hotline 1-888-296-2965** or via e-mail at **abuse-line@dioceseoftrenton.org.** The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

# St. Luke Pre-Baptism Classes...

for expectant and new parents are held in the church on the first Monday of each month at **7:30PM.** Please call the Parish Office to register, 732-286-2222.

The next class: Monday, August 1st

(July 11th class is cancelled)

#### St. Luke Rosary Altar Society

Meets on the second Tuesday of the month in the Parish Center. **The Rosary will be recited at 1:00** followed by a meeting and social. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us.

Next meeting: Tuesday, Sept. 13th (No meeting is July & August)

# **Religious Education News**

# PLEASE HELP! WE ARE IN NEED OF 5 CCD TEACHERS!

As of right now we have NO TEACHER for the Fifth Grade on Mondays at 4:30 pm; and several catechists are also needed for other grade levels:

Monday 4:30-5:45p Level 1 and Level 5 (Need 2) Tuesday or Thursday 4:30-5:45p Level 6 Wednesday 6:15-7:30p Level 7

Please think about it, pray about it and come join the St. Luke PREP team! For more information, please call 732-505-0108.

#### Parish Religious Education (CCD) Registration

is going on now for the 2016 -2017 school year. For new or transfer students, papers are available in the PREP Office. Children entering first grade in September 2016 should also begin religious education class. You may register your child(ren) for PREP classes either by mail or in person through <u>August 1, 2016.</u> Registration will close on August 2, 2016.

#### **Rosary Makers**

Meet on the 3rd Tuesday monthly, at **1:30pm** to make Rosaries for the missions and local nursing homes. Instructions and materials provided.

Next meeting: Tues., September 20th (No meetings in July & August)

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Meets on the 3rd Wednesday monthly, 10:00am-12:00pm to create shawls and lap throws to give to the bereaved, the infirmed and the lonely.

Next meeting: Wed., July 20th

#### **SERVICE MEETINGS:**

Women's Alcoholics Anonymous, Sundays, 10:00AM in Madonna Room

Alcoholics Anonymous, Sundays, 7:00PM in the Parish Center. (Closed Meeting)

Alcoholics Anonymous for Men, Sundays, 8:30AM-9:30AM; for more information call Mort Levy 732-600-6783.

Alcoholics Anonymous, Mondays, 7:00PM, "Sacrifice Group", in Parish Center.

**Alcoholics Anonymous, Tuesdays, 8:00PM**, in the Parish Center. **(Open Meeting)** For additional info call Jim at 732-552-8865.

Alcoholics Anonymous, Wednesdays, 6:00PM, in Parish Center.

Al-Anon Meeting, Mondays, 11:00AM, in Madonna Room

**Al-Anon Meeting, Thursdays, 7:30PM**, in Madonna Room. For info, call Peggy Ell at 732-240-3316.

**Parent Al-Anon Meeting, Fridays, 7:00PM**, in Madonna Room. For more information, call Jeanie at 732-966-1382.

Nar-Anon, Mondays, 7:30PM-9:00PM, in Madonna Room

Nar-Anon Meeting, Tuesdays, 7:30PM, in Madonna Room

**Gamblers Anonymous**, **Saturdays**, **9:30AM**-11:30AM in Madonna Room

**Gamblers Anonymous, Sundays, 5:45PM,** in Madonna Room. (Open Meeting)

Parents of Disabled Children Support, 7:00PM, 3rd Thursday of each month.

#### **Pax Youth Group**

7th & 8th Graders are invited to join; games, activities, hang out & pizza while getting closer to God! Check out our web site: **www.paxteens.com** for July and August events.

# St. Luke Bereavement Support Group

Although we will not begin new sessions until September, you are not alone. If you need information concerning bereavement or any questions, please contact:

Anna Ascione-Hardman at 732-244-8557

# Collections for June 18 & 19, 2016 Total: \$17,938..00 \*

Please **do not** tape or staple your weekly collection envelopes.

If you would like to contribute by credit card or auto-debit, *FaithDirect*, forms are available in the Narthex or by signing up at www.faithdirect.net.

#### Thank you for your generous support.

\* Weekly total does not reflect contributions through FaithDirect.

## Social Sunday

The next Social Sunday will be held on July 17, 2016. After Mass all are invited to gather in the Parish Center for refreshments and fellowship. Please join us to meet new friends or renew old acquaintances.

#### **Outreach for Maturing Parishioners Book Study**

A discussion group on the book "12 Keys to Ageless Spirituality" was completed in the summer of 2014, and was very well received by the 44 parishioners who participated. We are pleased to give you this alert that our Parish Outreach for Maturing Adults ministry will again offer this informative and spiritually enriching sevenweek book study this summer. Registration information for this endeavor will be announced at all the Masses on the weekend of July 9-10.

#### Quote of the Week:

"Let each one ask him—or herself today, 'Do I increase harmony in my family, in my parish, in my community, or am I a gossip? Am I a cause of division or embarrassment?' And you know the harm that gossiping does to the Church, to the parishes, the communities. Gossip does harm! Gossip wounds. Before Christians open their mouths to gossip, they should bite their tongue! To bite one's tongue: this does us good because the tongue swells and can no longer speak, cannot gossip."

-Pope Francis, the Church of Mercy

# WE NEED YOU...

As Extraordinary Ministers to serve at the Nursing Homes, the Homebound and at Mass.

We hold training sessions on a monthly basis.

"You are God's hands and feet.
You have been called."

# MINISTRY HOTLINE 848-226-6218

Parishioners interested in serving as Communion Ministers, please call the Ministry Hotline to sign up for training.



#### St. Vincent de Paul Society

"The greatest disease in the West today is not TB or leprosy; it is being unwanted, unloved, and uncared for. We can cure physical diseases

with medicine, but the only cure for loneliness, despair, and hopelessness is love. There are many in the world who are dying for a piece of bread but there are many more dying for a little love. The poverty in the West is a different kind of poverty -- it is not only a poverty of loneliness but also of spirituality. There's a hunger for love, as there is a hunger for God." - *Mother Teresa* 

"When I give food to the poor, they call me a saint. When I ask why the poor have no food, they call me a communist."
- Dom Helder Camara

#### We Are Here To Help

For those in need of financial assistance, please contact us at (732) 244-3916. Calls will be returned promptly.

The Food Pantry distributes food to those in need, within our parish boundaries regardless of religious affiliation, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10AM to 12:45PM. Please bring current identification and proof of residence.

#### How You Can Help

Use the envelopes available in the Church pews and in the Narthex to make financial contributions. Contributions of food for the pantry may be placed in the large wooden box in the Narthex.

#### OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Bar Soap, Coffee, Laundry Detergent, Canned Soup

Thank You For Helping Us To Help The Needy. God Bless! http://www.stlukeconference.org/



#### **RCIA**

Have you or someone you know not been baptized but would like to explore the desire to become Catholic? Have you or someone you know been baptized but have not completed one

or both of the remaining Sacraments of Initiation (First Eucharist and/or Confirmation) but desires to participate fully in the sacramental life of the Church? **Contact us at 848-226-6220.** 

## **USHERS**

serve a vital role during the celebration of the Mass. If you are willing to serve your parish as an usher, please contact:

St. Luke Parish Office at 732-286-2222

# St. Luke Church has joined Investors Bank's Care2Share Affinity Program.

For every account you link to the Church of St. Luke, Investors Bank will donate monies based upon the average balance of the linked deposits. Additional Information can be obtained at any Investors Bank branch, at <a href="https://www.myinvestorsbank.com/Care2Share">www.myinvestorsbank.com/Care2Share</a> or by speaking with Kathleen Muzzio at 732-286-2222.