

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ JUNE 6 - 12, 2016

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon.	7:30 AM	Phyllis Petto	Husband, Rob & Son, Louis Petto
Tues.	7:30 AM	Dorothy Wilton	Jay & Polly Cariaso
Wed.	7:30 AM	Peter Kancierus	Family
	11:00 AM	Michael Cajohn	Daughter, Deborah Weingroff
Thurs.	7:30 AM	Thomas Mc Shane	Woody & Drue French
Fri.	7:30 AM	The Farese, Nevedomsky & Malkunas Families	Mary Ann Farese
	11:00 AM	Jack & Claire Burns (Living) ~ 66th Wedding Anniversary	Jack Burns
Sat.	8:30 AM	John Rafanelli	Sister, Terry & Mike Griffin
	4:00 PM	Nikola Pavlovic	Lois & Mary Spitaletto
	5:30 PM	Alice Sweeney	Karen & Joe Santanello
Sun.	7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
	8:30 AM	Anthony & Giaconda Cavallo	Elizabeth & Al Buccellato
	10:00 AM	Nicola Caputo	Wife, Rosa
	12:00 PM	Andrew Oltarzewski	Fred & Maria Oltarzewski

Quote of the Week:

“Crossing the threshold of faith means that we work out of a sense of dignity and see service as a vocation. It means we serve selflessly and are prepared to begin over time and time again without giving in to weariness – as if all that has been done so far were only a step on the journey toward the Kingdom, the fullness of life. It is the quiet time of waiting after the daily sowing and contemplation of the harvest that has been gathered. It is giving thanks to the Lord because he is good and asking him not to forsake the work of his hands (see Ps 138:8).”

- Pope Francis, *Only Love Can Save Us: Letters, Homilies, and Talks of Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio*



Pray for the Recently Deceased

*Joseph Cetola Joseph Stanzone
Frank Savarese*

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, Augusta Thorn, A.J. Crowder (child).

For the past several weeks we have been asking for ministers—not volunteers—but ministers to serve the parish family of St. Luke. Have you prayed about how you can serve your family here at St. Luke? Have you called to find out how you can serve your family here at St. Luke? Many of us heard Fr. Bob’s homily on the ongoing priest shortage and the need for more vocations but also the need for more involvement of the laity. That need is present today and only YOU can help. Think. Pray. Act.

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS

June 12, 2016

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 12:7-10, 13
2nd Reading: Galatians 2:16, 19-21
Gospel: Luke 7:36—8:3

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



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.”

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: Mon., June 6th

St. Luke Rosary Altar Society June Luncheon

for all Rosarians will be held on **Tuesday, June 14**, in the Parish Center. The Rosary will be recited at **11:30am** followed by a short meeting. Luncheon at 12:30pm. **Tickets are \$20**. Checks may be made out to "St. Luke Rosary Altar Society" and may be brought into the Parish Office **no later than June 8**. Please **DO NOT PUT CHECKS IN THE COLLECTION BASKETS**. Thank you.

Religious Education News

Mass obligation doesn't end because CCD is over. We look forward to seeing our families in Church throughout the spring and summer months.

Registration for School Year 2016-2017

Register on or before **June 9, 2016** to take advantage of the *\$10 off Early Bird Discount!*

Packets were mailed out in early May to the St. Luke PREP families. For new or transfer students, registration 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 August 1, 2016**. Registration will close on August 2, 2016.

Catechists Needed! Is God calling you to teach?

At this time, we are in need of several catechists for the upcoming year. Please think about it, pray about it and consider joining the team! Teachers are needed for the following days and times:

Monday 4:30-5:45p Level 1 and Level 5

Tuesday 4:30-5:45p Level 6

Wednesday 6:15-7:30p Level 7

For more information, please call 732-505-0108.

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:
Tuesday, June 21st
(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:
Wednesday, June 15th

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 Special Needs 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

The next meeting: Friday, June 10th
at 7:00-9:00PM in the Parish Center.

St. Luke Bereavement Support Group

The bereavement support group for any loss meets at **7:30pm every other Thursday** for 8 sessions, ending June 9, 2016. For more information call Anna Ascione-Hardman, 732-244-8557.

The next meeting : June 9, 2016.

Collections for May 28 & 29, 2016

Total: \$17,537.00 *

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



Social Sunday

The next Social Sunday will be held on **June 19, 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.

Volunteers Needed for the Large Video Screen Ministry!

Do you feel God calling you to volunteer serving our parish community? Here is a ministry that may be a perfect fit. We need people to operate the large video screens at all the Masses (even funerals and weddings.) Yes, it counts for you going to Mass that day. No, it isn't complicated and you don't need to be a "computer wiz" to serve in this Ministry. Deacon Bob will train anyone who wants to be part of this important Video Ministry. It requires pushing a few "computer keys" at just the right time to allow the screens to follow the readings and music. If you would like more information, please send Deacon Bob Pladek your email and your contact information to: deaconbobpladek@optimum.net.
God bless our volunteers, Deacon Bob

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

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."*

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTRY HOTLINE
848-226-6218**

**TRAINING MEETING:
Thursday, June 23rd @ 7:00 pm**

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



St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St Luke Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is registered with **Amazon Smile** as a non profit organization. For anything that you buy through Amazon Smile, **Amazon** donates 0.5% of the purchase price to the charity of your choice — in this case, **St Luke Conference**. You can shop Amazon as you always do except sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile phone browser. From your desktop, go to Your Account and then select Change Your Charity. In the Search block type in "St Luke Conference". From the St Luke choices, select "Toms River". Start shopping – note "Supporting: St Luke Conference" is now in the upper left corner of your page.

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:
TEA, TOILET TISSUE, PAPER TOWELS.**

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.**

Fathers' Day Mass Cards

Fathers' Day Mass Cards are available in the Narthex and Parish Office for your Mass Intention requests for fathers (living & deceased). Please return your Intention Request forms in the collection basket or to the parish office. Mass Intentions will be remembered at all Masses during the month of June.

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 www.myinvestorsbank.com/Care2Share or by speaking with Kathleen Muzzio at 732-286-2222.

4 Good Reasons ... To Become A Leader of Song

1. You enjoy singing and want to help your parish
2. You are willing to learn and grow your musical talents
3. You will have a greater spiritual connection helping the congregation become more engaged during Mass
4. You want to become part of a vibrant ministry at St. Luke Church

If you would like to learn more, please call or text Tom Hinz, Director of Music Ministry at: 732-822-6870 or email to: tom@musicplanning.com for more information

Support Group for Parents of Special Needs Children

Are you a family member caring for a special needs child or adult? If so, this group is for you. We share information and ideas, give support, and grow friendships. We meet the **3rd Thursday of each month at the St. Luke Church**, Toms River, 2nd Floor, Room #1, from **7:00-9:00PM**. For more information, call: Mary 732-779-0925 or Eileen 732-803-3092

St. Padre Pio Prayer Group

The **8:00AM daily Mass** at St. Mary's Church, 747 West Bay Avenue, Barnegat on **Saturday, June 11th** will be a special one: The St. Padre Pio Prayer Group is hosting Cindy Russo, custodian of a chalice owned by Padre Pio, and Joe Trapani, author of a book about the saint. After Mass, Mr. Trapani will give a talk and then all will have a chance to pray with the chalice. There is no charge for the event, only a free-will offering. Come for a special chance to ask this powerful saint for his intercession!

Catholic Retreat Centers

Below is a listing of some of the Catholic Retreat Centers in NJ along with their websites. We encourage you to check out their programs and continue to support the important work that they do in ministering to us, the Faithful.

1. Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer:
<http://www.msmhope.org>
2. Loyola House of Retreat:
<http://www.loyola.org/retreats>
3. San Alfonso Retreat Center:
<http://www.sanalfonsoretreats.org>
4. Maris Stella Retreat Center:
<http://www.marisstella.org>
5. St. Joseph by the Sea:
<http://www.sjbsea.org>
6. The Upper Room Spiritual Center:
<http://www.theupper-room.org/>
7. St. Mary by the Sea:
<http://www.stmarybythesea.org>

Ocean County Library Home Borrowers Delivery Service

Do You Love to Read? Unable to Get to The Library?

The Ocean County Library provides delivery of library materials free of charge to Ocean County residents who are physically unable to visit the library. In order to participate in the Home Borrowers Service, you must be an Ocean County resident who is homebound due to disability and/or illness and who does not have family members or friends to assist you with your library needs. After submitting a completed application and medical verification form, the library will assign a trained volunteer to deliver items to your home approximately every three weeks. If interested, please contact the Ocean County Library's Home Borrowers Coordinator at 732-349-6200 x 5530.

St. Joseph Grade School, Toms River Kindergarten for September is filling up!

DID YOU KNOW?

At SJGS every kindergarten student has access to an iPad dedicated to his/her use in the digital age classroom? At SJGS we employ a specialized and highly innovative Language Arts program called Superkids in Grades K, 1 & 2. This specialized program includes digital components and a non fiction library! The Sadlier Math program is a traditional and rigorous mathematics program, focusing on building deep conceptual understanding of key math skills and concepts.

New Pre-K Program for September, 2016

Children must be 4 years old by September 30th. Full Day Academic Program. Space is still available in the two day program. Call for more information!

Come see for yourself all we have to offer!

To schedule a personal tour contact
Ms. Juliann James 732-349-2355 x 2012
or email jjames@sjs.nj.k12us.com