

## FEBRUARY 22, 2015

### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ FEB. 23 - MAR. 1

<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon. 7:30 AM	The Farese, Milkunas & Nevedomsky Families	Mary Ann Farese
Tues. 7:30 AM	Jack Glasso	The Stansbury Family
Wed. 7:30 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
11:00 AM	Thomas J. Flannagan	Wife, Patricia
Thurs. 7:30 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
Fri. 7:30 AM	In Memory of Claire & Victor Przedpelski	Daughter, Gloria Lesiak
11:00 AM	BJ Waterhouse Shelton	Lenore Gannon
Sat. 8:30 AM	John Fuchs ~ 10th Anniversary	Wife, Marge Fuchs
4:00 PM	Donna Marie Cochran	Lois & Mary Spitaletto
5:30 PM	Daniel Hladney	Brother, Robert
Sun. 7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
8:30 AM	Marie Della Bella	St. Luke Rosary Altar Society
10:00 AM	Margaret Mc Laughlin	Daughter, Alice Cariello
12:00 PM	Joe Pescatore, Thinking of You	With Love, Wife, Carmela Pescatore

### Communal Lenten Penance Services

St. Joseph , T.R. ~ Tues., Feb. 24, 8:00PM  
 St. Barnabas, Bayville ~ Mon., March 23, 7:00PM  
 St. Maximilian Kolbe, T.R. ~ Wed., March 25, 12:00PM  
 St. Justin , T.R. ~ Fri., March 27, 7:00PM  
**St. Luke, T.R. ~ Tues., March 31, 7:00PM**



### Stations of the Cross at St. Luke Church Each Friday in Lent at 7:00 pm

This Lenten Season, we will have Traditional Stations of the Cross, Stations of the Cross for Busy People, Stations through the Eyes of Mary and Stations of the Cross Vincentian-style. Below is the schedule for Stations of the Cross. We encourage all of you to join together in this wonderful devotion during Lent.

February 20<sup>th</sup>: Stations of the Cross for Busy People  
 February 27<sup>th</sup>: Traditional Stations of the Cross  
 March 6<sup>th</sup>: Traditional Stations of the Cross  
 March 13<sup>th</sup>: Stations of the Cross through the Eyes of Mary  
 March 20<sup>th</sup>: Traditional Stations of the Cross  
 March 27<sup>th</sup>: Stations of the Cross Vincentian-style  
 April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Stations of the Cross for Good Friday



### Pray for the Recently Deceased

*Richard Hoffman                      Leroy Rossi*

### Please Pray for the Sick

Benjamin Aprea, Myn Greuter, Joan Greuter, Elisa Greuter, Linda Greuter, Cayden Napolitano, John Kempton, Simon Amato (child), Doris Taylor, Rev. George Macho, Deacon Bob Puglisi, Jo Hardardt, Michael Agro, Chuck Kraut, Libertine Javelosa, Pat Petzold, Pat LaRocca, Nina Parisi, Jenny Ralph, Joseph Alphonse Weikel (child), Margaret Boland, Kathleen Mc Fadden, Anthony Mazzeo, Martin Sullivan, Eugene Deehan, Martha Olmstead, Barbara Walsh, Greg Chadwick, Yolanda Salvatore, Rita Sheehan, Susan Mauro, Steven Haas, Larry Reagan, Maryanne Molner, Kathy Kelly, Douglas Owen, Bob De Nardo, Janice Ulker, Arthur Muldoon, Edna Dima, Zander Kaminoff, Connie Banares, Bernard Nisenholtz, Jack Geiran, Bishop David O'Connell, Mary Grodnicki, Charles Sciascia, Catherine Byrnes, Patricia Canessa, Doreen Molinari, Jodi Heitmann, Connie Palino, Arlene De Jura,, JoAnn Maione, Jerry Mc Vicar, Richard Bator, Jerry Abate, John Petito, Mary Ottrando, Ryan Snyder (child), Frank Sasso, Kym Pierro, Anita Menafra, Louise Svarczkopf, Claire Hanson, Phil DiBello.

### *NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS*

*March 1, 2015*

1st Reading:     Genesis 22:1-2,9a, 10-13, 15-18  
 2nd Reading:   Romans 8:31b-34  
 Gospel:           Mark 9:2-10

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

## Upcoming Parish Meetings

**Sunday, Feb. 22 - Women's Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting every Sunday, 10:00AM in Parish Center.

**Sunday, Feb. 22 - Gamblers Anonymous** Meeting every Sunday at 5:45PM in the Narthex. (Open Meeting)

**Sunday, Feb. 22 - Alcoholics Anonymous** Meeting, every Sunday at 7:00PM in the Parish Center. (Closed Meeting)

**Monday, Feb. 23 - Al-Anon Meeting, 11:00AM**, every Monday in the Parish Center.

**Tuesday, Feb. 24 - Nar Anon Meeting, 7:00PM** every Tuesday in the Parish Center.

**Tuesday, Feb. 24 - Alcoholics Anonymous Toms River Tuesday Night Friendly Group, 8:00PM** every Tuesday in the Parish Center. (Open Meeting) For additional info call Jim at 732-552-8865.

**Thursday, Feb. 26 - Al-Anon Meeting, 7:30PM**, every Thursday in the Parish Center.

**Thursday, Feb. 26 - St. Luke Bereavement Support Group ~ Any Loss, 7:30PM** in the Parish Center. (Meetings are every other Thursday for 9 sessions ending June 4.) For information call Ann Ascione-Hardman, 732-244-8557.

**Friday, Feb. 27 - Parent Al-Anon Meeting, 7:00PM**, every Friday evening in the Parish Center. For more information, call Jeanie at 732-966-1382.

**Friday, Feb. 27 - Pax Youth Group, 7:00-9:00PM**, in the Parish Center. 7th & 8th Graders are invited to join. Check out our web site: [www.paxteens.com](http://www.paxteens.com).

**Sunday, Mar. 1 - Rosary Altar Society Mass at 8:30AM**. Recitation of the Rosary at 8:10AM before Mass. All members are encouraged to attend. All parishioners are invited to join us in honoring our Blessed Mother.

**Monday, Mar. 2 - St. Luke Pre-Baptism Class** for expectant and new parents, 7:30PM, in the Church. Please call the Parish Office to register, 732-286-2222.

**Tuesday, Mar. 10 - Rosary Altar Society Meeting, 1:00PM** recitation of the Rosary, to honor our Blessed Mother, in the Parish Center followed by a general meeting and social. All Rosarians are encouraged to attend and all ladies in our parish are invited to join. (Note: No meeting in February.)

**Tuesday, Mar. 17 - Rosary Makers, 1:30PM** in the Parish Center, meets 3rd Tuesday monthly to make Rosaries for the missions and local nursing homes. Instructions and materials provided.

**Wednesday, Mar. 18 - Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10:00AM-12:00 noon**, meets once a month in the Parish Center. Create shawls and lap throws to give to the bereaved, the infirmed and the lonely.



## Religious Education News

As we approach the final days before the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation, we ask you to please keep our young people in your prayers.

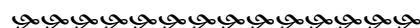
**Practice for Confirmation** – Monday, March 2, 2015, 4-6 pm

**Sacrament of Confirmation** - Tuesday, March 3, 2015, 4 pm

**First Communion Fun Day** - Saturday, March 21, 2015: Group A - 9:30 am, Group B - 1pm.

### **SAFETY MONITORS NEEDED!**

We are still in need of people to monitor the parking lot during arrival and dismissal times. Can you give an hour of your time for the safety of our children? Due to construction, the parking lot must be monitored to ensure that the drivers follow the traffic guidelines and proper safety procedures. Please call the PREP office at 732-505-0108 for more information. Thank you!



### ***Newly Baptized Members of St. Luke***

*Logan Thomas Schlisserman* ~ Son of Susan and Evan Schlisserman

*Veronica Ann Carey* ~ Daughter of Lauren and Daniel Carey

*Kendall Grace Perillo* ~ Daughter of Jennifer and John Perillo

*Isabella Sophia Denise Aquino* ~ Daughter of Stephanie and Jason Aquino



### ***St. Luke Altar Flowers***

To order flowers for the week for any occasion, contact Kathleen Muzzio of the Rosary Altar Society at 732-286-2222. Requests should be made two weeks in advance. **There will be no flowers placed in the church during lent until Easter, April 5.**



### **Collections for Feb. 14 & 15, 2015**

**Total: \$10,907.00 \***

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](http://www.faithdirect.net).

**Thank you for your generous support.**

\* Weekly total does not reflect contributions through FaithDirect.

### Funeral Planning Booklets

...are available in the Narthex. This booklet allows you to record your final wishes for your funeral for when the time comes. Also, **Advance Health Directives** are available in the Narthex



### Lenten Obligations

Here is what the Catholic Church in the United States asks of us as baptized Catholics during Lent which begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18:

1. The days of fast (only one full meal) and abstinence (no meat) are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (no meat).
3. Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast (only one full meal) as above.
4. From the age of 14, people are also obliged to abstain (no meat: this obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat).
5. The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious one for Catholics.
6. The obligation, the privilege really, of receiving the Eucharist at least once a year—often called the “Easter duty”—for those in the state of grace should still be fulfilled during the period from the First Sunday of Lent, February 22<sup>nd</sup> to Trinity Sunday, May 31st. However, the Church’s law does permit this precept to be fulfilled at another time during the year when there is a just cause.



### NOTICE:

Many people have mentioned that they read a Mass time for St. Luke from a website other than our official website: [www.stlukestomsriver.org](http://www.stlukestomsriver.org). Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of these other sites and too often their information is incorrect. Our website contains all the information one needs to know about what is going on at St. Luke — especially our calendar of events. Additionally, important notices on weather closings, or happenings that we feel our parishioners may want to know for the time between Sunday and Saturday, are also on the site, and we will have additional features for the Season of Lent. Check it out! [www.stlukestomsriver.org](http://www.stlukestomsriver.org).

**Church Bulletin Advertisers Needed!**  
Please call Bill Potter  
1-800-883-4343 x 93 or 1-856-607-3999



### St. Vincent de Paul Society

Vincentians serve the poor cheerfully, listening to them and respecting their wishes, helping them to feel and recover their own dignity, for we are all created in God's image. In the poor, they see the suffering of Christ. Vincentians endeavor to help the poor to help themselves whenever possible, and to be aware that they can forge and change their own destinies and that of their local community.

### 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:  
LAUNDRY DETERGENT, COFFEE,  
CANNED MEAT, JELLY  
PLEASE - NO OUT OF DATE FOOD!**

*Thank You for Helping Us To Help The Needy.  
God Bless!*

Website: <https://tinyurl.com/lh54ntf>

### Quote of the Week:

“All of us are capable of doing good, but we are also capable of destruction; destruction great and small and even within our own family. [We are capable of destroying] our children, not allowing them to grow in freedom, not helping them to mature; ...meditate, pray, discuss things with each other, so as not to fall into this evil that destroys everything...And we have the strength, Jesus reminds us. Remember. He says to us today: ‘Remember. Remember Me, I shed my blood for you; remember Me, I have saved you, I have saved you all; Remember Me, I have the strength to accompany you on the journey of life, not on the path of evil, but on the path of goodness, of doing good to others; not the path of destruction, but the path that builds: builds a family, builds a city, builds a culture, builds a home and much, much more.’”

- Pope Francis

**NEEDED! A Family to Host an International Student Attending Donovan Catholic H.S.**

Jerry, a wonderful student from a very good family, bright and well mannered, arrived on January 22. He had a host family but at the last moment they were unable to host. **Compensation to the host family is \$1,000.00 per month.** For more information, please contact Elaine Margolis, GoStudentsLLC, 484-802-7204, [internationalstudentconsultant@gmail.com](mailto:internationalstudentconsultant@gmail.com).



**“Irish Celebration”**  
**Friday, March 6, 2015 ~ 7:00PM**  
St. Dominic Parish Center  
250 Old Squan Road, Brick, NJ

This dynamic concert features the finest Irish song, dance, music & laughter, starring vocalist Tony Kenny, Star of Jury’s Irish Cabaret, with the Trinity Dublin Band and the Dublin City Dancers. Tickets are \$30.00, includes complimentary beverages during intermission. Call 732-840-1410 x 47 for tickets.

**18th Annual Men’s Conference**  
**Hosted by Catholic Men for Jesus Christ**  
**Saturday, February 28, 2015 ~ 9:00am-3:00pm**  
St. Gregory the Great Parish  
4620 Nottingham Way, Hamilton, NJ

The theme this year is “Dare to Be a Disciple.” Doors open at 8:00am for bagels & coffee and will feature Holy Mass and inspiring talks by special speakers, Catholic vendors and the opportunity to interact with other men who are looking to grow in their Catholic faith. Cost is \$25 per person in advance (\$30 at the door); \$10 for students. Breakfast & lunch will be provided. For more information or to register to to [www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org](http://www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org) or call 609-587-4877.

**A Concert to Benefit the Expansion of The St. Joseph Church Food Pantry**

**Ronan Tynan**

**A Famous Irish Tenor Performs on Thursday, March 19, 2015 ~ 7:00PM**  
**St. Joseph Church**  
**685 Hooper Avenue, Toms River**

**\$100 for Premium Seating; \$55 for General Admission; \$25 for Balcony Seating**

**Buy Tickets at**  
**[www.RonanTynaninConcert.eventbrite.com](http://www.RonanTynaninConcert.eventbrite.com)**



**ITALY IN JUNE!**  
**June 22-July 2, 2015**  
**Air & Land, \$4,799 dbl. Occ.**

**Join Father Scott Shaffer, Pastor of St. Joseph Church in Toms River** for a wonderful tour of Italy. Visit Milan, the Shroud of Turin, experience the unforgettable Passion Play of Sordevolo, visit the Piemonte region, Florence and the *Duomo* and Michelangelo’s *David*, visit Assisi and Rome. Optional 3 night extension to Sorrento, Positano, Capri, Pompeii & Amalfi Coast. **Contact Olympia at Elegant Vacations, 732-618-5727 to reserve.** Hurry, nearly sold out!

**“The Meal, The Man, and the Mission”**  
Parish Mission at  
**St. Joseph Church**  
**685 Hooper Ave., Toms River**  
**Sunday, Monday & Tuesday, February 22-24**  
**7:00-8:00PM in the church**

Three nights to create your best Easter. Remember why you are a Catholic and remind a friend who has fallen away from the Church, who they are. Join once Evangelical mega-church pastor, now Catholic author and speaker, Allen Hunt as he prepares your heart for Easter with three inspirational nights of spiritual encouragement.

**Become a Foster Parent**

Can you assist a child in need? Foster Parents are needed for Ocean Mental Health Services’ **Treatment Foster Care Program**. Excellent training and support; liberal stipends. For more information, please call 732-349-3535x 702

**Ocean Mental Health Services**  
**Building Better Tomorrows, One Life at a Time**

**Literacy New Jersey-Ocean County Programs**

This organization is dedicated to improving the lives of adults through literacy. They work with learners over the age of 18 who are categorized as low-level literate or as non-English speaking. The organization is looking to form conversation groups consisting of friends and members of the St. Luke Community. If you or someone you know would like to improve your ability to read, write, and speak English, help is just a phone call away. Additionally, the organization welcomes volunteers to help in their mission. To volunteer as a student or a tutor, please call LNJ-OC at 732-864-9646.

