

JUNE 7, 2015

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ JUNE 8 - 14

<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon. 7:30 AM	In Loving Memory of Michael Cajohn	Debbie & Steve Weingroff
Tues. 7:30 AM	Dennis Hahn	Geraldine & Joseph Zanna
Wed. 7:30 AM	The Farese, Milkunas & Nevedomsky Families	Mary Ann Farese
11:00 AM	Claire & Jack Burns (Living) ~ 65th Wedding Anniversary	Claire & Jack Burns
Thurs. 7:30 AM	Phyllis Petto	Bob & Louis Petto
Fri. 7:30 AM	James Andrewlavage	Robert Sisk
11:00 AM	Deceased Members of the Love Family	Mary Pat & Jay Love
Sat. 8:30 AM	Anne Green	Husband, Joe & Children
4:00 PM	Theresa Maragelis ~ 10th Anniv.	Parents, Gery & Vito Cutrone
5:30 PM	Charles D'Amato	Deanna & John Hohmann
Sun. 7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
8:30 AM	Nicola Caputo	Wife, Rosa
10:00 AM	Andrew Oltarzewski	Parents, Fred & Maria Oltarzewski
12:00 PM	John Arbeeny	Wife, Catherine



St. Luke Altar Flowers
June 6 - June 12, 2015

In Front of Altar:

For all who are suffering in mind, body or spirit

In Front of St. Joseph:

Beloved Father, Michael Cajohn
Req. by Deborah & Steve Weingroff

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.



"Lighting the Path"

Pledges are still being accepted for the St. Luke "Lighting the Path" Capital Campaign. Our construction is on target for completion in late summer/early fall. Your generosity, support, prayers and patience is very much appreciated. Pledge cards are available in the bulletin carts and in the Narthex.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS
June 14, 2015

1st Reading: Ez 17:22-24
2nd Reading: 2 Cor 5:6-10
Gospel: Mk 4:26-34

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



Pray for the Recently Deceased

Father Peter Funesti George J. Bornheimer
Patricia Russoniello Thomas J. Di Biaso
Elaine M. Groht

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, Margaret Boland, Kathleen Mc Fadden, Anthony Mazzeo, Eugene Deehan, Martha Olmstead, Yolanda Salvatore, Arthur Muldoon, Bishop David O'Connell, Arlene De Jura, Ryan Snyder (child), Anita Menafra, Louise Svarczkopf, Phil DiBello, Pat Alfano, Joann Salek, Frank Corbally, Marguerite Dorney, Lillian Schneller, Bob Schneller, Matty Turner (infant), Joan Terranova, Steven Kasper, Theresa Kasper, Kenneth Foerstein, Mary Ann Napatano, Steven Haas, Joseph Alphonse Weikel (child), Connie Plaino, Gurprit Chhatwal, Jenny Ralph, Patricia Sevos, Gloria Rafanelli, Gina Pelillo, Kathy Kelly, Katherine Brady, Guy Buck, Gail Cook, Natalie Biller, Evelyn Dowling, Jean Burke, Joseph in Uganda, Margaret Kohenkamp, Laren L. (child), Claire Hansen, Bernard Nisenholtz, Maryanne Molnar, JoAnn Kronowski, Kim Garron.

Upcoming Parish Meetings

Sunday, June 7 - 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.

Tuesday, June 9 - Rosary Altar Society Luncheon, 12:00PM, for members, in Parish center. Cost \$15.00; **advanced registration required. Deadline was June 2nd.**

Tuesday, June 16 - 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. **(No Meetings in July & August.)**

Wednesday, June 17 - 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.

Saturday, June 20 - Pax Youth Group, Annual Lock-in, in the Parish Center, 8:00PM-8:00AM overnight, 7th & 8th graders. Visit our web site: www.paxteens.com.

Monday, July 6 - 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.

Service Meetings

Women's Alcoholics Anonymous, Sundays, 10:00AM in Parish Center.

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

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

Al-Anon Meeting, Mondays, 11:00AM, in the Parish Center.

Al-Anon Meeting, Thursdays, 7:30PM, in the Parish Center. For info, call Peggy Ell at 732-240-3316.

Parent Al-Anon Meeting, Fridays, 7:00PM, in the Parish Center. For more information, call Jeanie at 732-966-1382.

Nar-Anon Meeting, Tuesdays, 7:30PM, in the Narthex.

Gamblers Anonymous, Sundays, 5:45PM, in the Narthex. **(Open Meeting)**

Religious Education News

Is God calling YOU to teach?

The St. Luke Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) is in need of 10 catechists for the 2015-2016 school year. Our new learning facility will be ready for September and we can't wait! Come join our young people on a faith journey and work together to build up God's kingdom! Please think about it, pray about it and consider becoming a CCD teacher for the following:

Mon 6:15 - 7:30 PM Grade Levels 1, 4, and 5

Tues 4:30 - 5:45 PM Grade Level 1

Tues 6:15 - 7:30 PM Grade Level 7 (2 needed)

Wed 4:30 - 5:45 PM Grade Level 2 (4 needed)

The PREP Office is located in the Parish Center and open Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. For more information, call the office. 732-505-0108

Registration for School Year 2015-2016:

Please tell your family, friends, and neighbors: Packets were mailed out to the families currently enrolled in St. Luke PREP. Children entering first grade should also begin Religious Education class. You may register your child(ren) for PREP classes either by mail or in person **now through August 3, 2015.**

Church Ministries

God gives gifts or charisms to each one of us to give to others, to build up the kingdom of God. In Christ, you have received God's unconditional love, and, in Christ, you are called to extend that unconditional love to others. We will be highlighting various ministries within the parish over the coming weeks. We encourage you to not only read about these ministries, but to take the time to pray and discern where and how YOU can share your gifts or charisms.

Collections for Dec. 30 & 31, 2015

Total: \$18,172.00 *

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.**

**IN 2014
YOU DID TAKE A BABY BOTTLE...**



AND...

will you do it again to continue to give the homeless, pregnant mothers of Good Counsel a safe and secure home? Next weekend, **June 13th and 14th**, Good Counsel Homes will not only be sharing the story of Good Counsel at our parish but is happy to tell you what your past support has enabled us to do! The Riverside home, open for 4 years now, has given birth to 44 babies!! 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 within 2 weeks! Thank you for your support and prayers for our mothers who have chosen to give their baby life. For more information contact JoAnn DiNoia at joann_dinoia@goodcounselhomes.org.

St. Luke Church will be hosting a new seminar based upon the book:

**"Redefining Retirement as
A Spiritual Journey"**

**6 Wednesdays during July and August
7:00-8:15PM**

If you are going to be retiring or newly retired, this will be of interest to you. Presenter: Barry Burke

ST. LUKE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

We have just completed our Spring session, and although we will not begin a new session until September, you are not alone. If you need information concerning bereavement or any questions, please contact Anna Ascione-Hardman at 732-244-8557.

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



St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St. Luke Conference would like to thank all of you who supported our recent fund raising events. Those attending "Breakfast at Applebees" at the OC Mall enjoyed breakfast for a good cause and fellowship with the SVdP "wait staff". The Atlantic City trip to the Taj Mahal was a great success on a beautiful day. Another bus trip to a different casino is planned for the fall.

During May, the SVdP Food Pantry delivered 702 bags of food to 106 families consisting of 178 adults and 55 children.

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: COFFEE
PLEASE - NO OUT OF DATE FOOD!**

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

<https://tinyurl.com/lh54ntf>



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.

**The 2015 Diocese of Trenton
Annual Catholic Appeal
"Act of Faith, Works of Love"**

Each year at this time, we reach out to you and ask you to partner with us through the Annual Catholic Appeal. A gift to the Appeal helps fund the vital ministries, programs and services of 107 parishes in Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties. We ask that everyone prayerfully consider a gift to the Appeal to help support youth and family ministries, Catholic education, vocations to the Priesthood and religious life, and the charitable works of our Diocese and Parishes. **Pledge cards are available in the Bulletin Carts in the Narthex of St. Luke Church.** To date we have \$68,067 pledged towards our goal of \$89,000. We thank you for your continuing generosity in reaching our goal and in all that you do for our parish. God Bless You!

Host Families Needed for International Students Attending Donovan Catholic High School Toms River, NJ

Students from China, grades 9-11, are in need of warm and welcoming host families for the 2015-2016 academic year. Our students are eager to live with an American family to learn about family life in the USA, while they will share Chinese culture and language with your family. Students have medical insurance, a cell phone, computer and their own spending money for all personal expense. The host family program offers ongoing support and communication with the host family and student for an exceptional experience. Hosting is the opportunity for a multi-cultural experience and lasting international friendship. **Compensation to the host family is \$1,000.00 per month.** For more information, please contact: Elaine Margolis, Founder, GoStudents, LLC, at 484-802-7204 or e-mail at internationalstudentconsultant@gmail.com.

Quote of the Week:

At an audience with seriously ill children, the Holy Father spoke about the mystery of suffering of children: "It is a question I often ask myself, and which many of you people, ask themselves: why do children suffer? And there are no explanations. ...I simply look to God and ask, 'But why?'. And looking at the Cross: 'Why is Your Son there, why?' It is the mystery of the Cross. ...I also often think of the Virgin when as they brought her the lifeless body of her Son....She did not understand either. She would have recalled what the Angel had told her: 'He will be King, He will be great, He will be a prophet'. With that wounded body in her arms, that had suffered so greatly before death, she would surely have wanted to say to the Angel: 'Liar! I have been deceived'. She had no answers either".

'Do not be afraid of asking, indeed even challenging the Lord. 'Why?' Perhaps no explanation will come, but the gaze of the Father will give you the strength to go on....The only explanation He will be able to give you is: 'My son suffered too'. This is the explanation. The most important is his gaze. This is your strength, the loving gaze of the Father".

"In a world in which it is so normal to experience a throwaway culture—if we are not happy with something we discard it—you live this situation ...with heroism. ...You are the little heroes of life. I thank you for your example", affirmed the Pope, visibly moved. "I pray for you for these mixed feelings of joy and sadness. ...The Lord knows how to comfort you in your suffering in a special way."

St. Joseph Grade School, Toms River, Kindergarten for September is Filling Up!

DID YOU KNOW...

In September every kindergarten student will have access to an iPad dedicated to his/her use in the digital age classroom? In preparation for this extensive integration of technology our primary teaching staff has been receiving some very exciting iPad professional development.

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.

Come see for your self all St. Joseph Grade School has to offer! To schedule a personal tour contact Ms. Juliann James, 732-349-2355 x 2012, or e-mail jjames@sjgs.nj.k12us.com.

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.

11 DAYS GREECE & THE GREEK ISLES

In the Footsteps of St. Paul

October 20-30, 2015 ~ Only \$3399 per person

Hosted by Rev. Fr. Charles M. Yastishock &
Rev. Fr. Edward Cimbala

Travel in the footsteps of St. Paul...See the Acropolis in Athens...Visit Corinth where Paul worked with Aquila & Priscilla...Take a Greek Isles cruise to Ephesus, see Patmos...Visit Thessaloniki & Philippi

Tour Includes: Roundtrip air from Newark, \$702 govt. taxes/airline fuel surcharges, \$98 port charges, first class hotels, 3-day Greek Isles cruise, most meals, sightseeing & much more!

Brochure is available—
call Fr. Yastishock at 732-255-6272