

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ FEB. 1 - 7, 2016

<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon. 7:30 AM	In Loving Memory of Paul Haas	Wife, Susan
Tues. 7:30 AM	Doris Bowden	Peggy Eick
Wed. 7:30 AM	Bart Iurato	Ray & Nancy Mc Cusker
11:00 AM	Douglas Russo	Mother, Dolores
Thurs. 7:30 AM	Norma Chillemi	Howard Scott
Fri. 7:30 AM	The Souls in Purgatory	The Eggeling Family
11:00 AM	Anna Reale	The Reale Family
Sat. 8:30 AM	John D. Cairney	Jane & Walter Windeknecht
4:00 PM	Jessie & Raymond Ismaelito	Daughter, Carmela Kaiser
5:30 PM	Adele Catharine & Allison Ann Sobieski	Dorothy & Michael Sobieski
Sun. 7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
8:30 AM	Rosary Altar Society Members	St. Luke Rosary Altar Society
10:00 AM	Cpl. Thomas Saba	Barbara & Tony Saba
12:00 PM	George Schierer	Lisa Flatley



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."

Holy Doors of Mercy have been opened in churches throughout the Diocese of Trenton as places of pilgrimages. Visiting these sites and following certain conditions (prayers and conditions can be found on our website and on the table in the Narthex) offers a chance to receive a plenary indulgence.

The Parishes Bishop O'Connell has designated are:

Mercer County

St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, Trenton

Divine Mercy, Trenton

St. Gregory the Great, Hamilton Square

St. George, Titusville

Burlington County

St. Katharine Drexel, Burlington

Monmouth County

St. Mary, Middletown

St. Mary, Colts Neck

Holy Cross, Rumson

St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

St. Catherine, Middletown

Ocean County

St. Peter, Point Pleasant Beach

St. Barnabas, Bayville

St. Aloysius, Jackson

**We will also be continuing our series
for the Year of Mercy.**

Ash Wednesday Schedule February 10, 2016



Masses: 7:00AM, 8:30AM & 11:00AM

Services: 4:15PM & 6:00PM

There will be a collection at the Masses and Services on Ash Wednesday for the benefit of The St. Vincent de Paul Society. Special envelopes will be available in the Church and Narthex.



Pray for the Recently Deceased

Ann T. Wojcicki Peter Wasko John Bischoff

Please Pray for the Sick

Myn Greuter, Joan Greuter, Elisa Greuter, Linda Greuter, Cayden Napolitano, John Kempton, Simon Amato (child), Dcn. Bob Puglisi, Jo Hardardt, Michael Agro, Chuck Kraut, Libertine Javelosa, Pat Petzold, Pat LaRocca, Nina Parisi, Margaret Boland, Eugene Deehan, Martha Olmstead, Yolanda Salvatore, Joseph Alphonse Weikel (child), Gurprit Chhatwal, Jenny Ralph, Claire Hansen, Marie Gentile, Steven Haas, Lil Schneller, Bob Schneller, Enes Holsten, Joseph Italiano, Vincent Brady, Virginia Heywood (child), Victoria Johnson, James Joseph White, Maureen Driscoll, Lisa Penna, Jacquelyn Lombardo, John Mc Manus, Pamela Mc Cabe, Tina Pilot, Phyllis Scarpello, Shirley Foco, John Higgins, Ralph Nolfi, Denise Schmitt, Kathleen Langon, Helen Dudek, Paula O'Neill, Mary Ann Lucia, Gloria Rafanelli, Anne Repko, Thomas Repko, Charlie Rott, Stan Marszalek, Sister Marion Hicks, Donald Korba, Samantha Mahoney, Kimberly Alexander, Patricia Wolfgang-Spavold, Barbara Meidhof, Dean (Dino) Dourlaris, Maryanne Molner, Linda Schillari, William Chimick, Renee Sa-har, Jane Dwyer, Frank Sasso, Joseph Mc Nally, Rosemarie Testa, Francis Lewis Jr., Antonia Nigro, Tom Gosnell, Barbara Walsh, Joanne Kronowski, Helen Borrmann, Ryan Kurtz (child).

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

February 7, 2016

1st Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

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

Pope Francis ~ Angelus address ~ January 24, 2016

“To evangelize the poor: This is the mission of Jesus, according to what He Himself says; this is also the mission of the Church, and of every person baptized in the Church. To be Christian and to be a missionary is the same thing. To proclaim the Gospel, with words, and, even before that, with one’s life, is the principle end of the Christian community and of each of its members.

It is known that Jesus addresses the Good News to everyone, without excluding anyone; and yet, He privileges those who are furthest away, the suffering, the sick, those discarded by society.

But let us ask ourselves a question. What does it mean to evangelize the poor? It means above all being close to them, having the joy of serving them, freeing them from oppression, and all this in the name of and with the Spirit of Christ, because He is the Gospel of God, He is the Mercy of God, He is the liberation of God. It is He who was made poor in order to enrich us with His poverty. The text of Isaiah (61:1-11) reinforced by some small adaptations introduced by Jesus, indicates that the messianic proclamation of the Kingdom of God that has come amongst us is addressed in a preferential way to the marginalized, to prisoners, to the oppressed.

Probably in the time of Jesus these people were not at the centre of the community of faith. And we can ask ourselves: today, in our parish communities, in the associations, in the movements, are we faithful to the program of Christ? Is the evangelization of the poor, bringing to them the good news, the priority? Be attentive: this isn’t about giving social assistance, much less about political activity. It has to do with the strength of the Gospel of God, Who converts hearts, heals the wounded, transforms human and social relationships according to the logic of love. The poor, in fact, are at the heart of centre of the Gospel.”

Ideas for Living Mercy during the Jubilee Year:

· Put Two Feet of Love in Action. Use the “Two Feet of Love in Action” guide to consider how you can strengthen both charitable works and social justice at home and as part of your faith community. Visit www.usccb.org/twofeet for more information.

Check out:

<http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/new-evangelization/jubilee-of-mercy/index.cfm>

St. Luke Altar Flowers ***January 30 - February 5, 2016***



Candle Rings:

Happy Birthday, Dan

Req. with Love, Your wife, Lucille Busichio

To order flowers for the week for any occasion, contact Kathleen Muzzio at 732-286-2222. Requests should be made two weeks in advance. **There will be no flowers placed in the church from Ash Wednesday, Feb. 10, until Easter, March 27.**

BAKE SALE OF LOVE

On the weekend of **February 13th & 14th**, our 8th graders will be sponsoring a Bake Sale as their Group Service Project. All proceeds will go to each participating class' charity of choice. They will be in the Narthex after all of the Masses.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. This retreat offers a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can begin to experience the process of healing. It will be held at the Upper Room in Neptune, NJ. **Friday, Feb. 26- Sunday, Feb. 28, 2016** - 7pm arrival on Friday - 4pm departure on Sunday - Fee: \$130. **For registration and/or further information, please contact: Judy Warenkiewicz @ 732-536-6871 or email: judywarren543@msn.com**



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 732- 286-2222 x 6220.**

St. Luke Pre-Baptism Classes...

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

**The next class:
Monday, February 1st**

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, March 8th
(No meeting in Jan. & Feb.)**

Religious Education News

This is Level 3 Mass Weekend. Please **write your name on the front of the bulletin**, have it signed by someone in church ministry and turn in this signed bulletin at your next class.

As a Work of Mercy, St Luke PREP is holding a WINTER COAT DRIVE. Donations of slightly used coats and jackets will be collected at all the PREP classes for the next two weeks. Please call 732-505-0108 for more info. Thank you for your support and generosity!

Due to the recent winter storm, PREP classes had to be cancelled. Emergency closings for inclement weather, other natural causes or problems with the building will be announced:

1. on the radio over WOBN (92.7 FM)
2. on the St. Luke Church website stlukestomsriver.org
3. on www.wobm.com/stormwatch
4. Follow us on Twitter: [@stlukenj](https://twitter.com/stlukeparish)

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, Feb. 16th**

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, Feb. 17th**

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

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 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

**The next meeting: Friday, February 12th
at 7:00-9:00PM** in the Parish Center.

St. Luke Bereavement Support Group

The bereavement support group for any loss will begin new sessions in **February**. The group will meet at 7:30pm every other Thursday for 8 sessions. For more information call Anna Ascione-Hardman, 732-244-8557. **Dates of meetings: Feb. 18, March 3, 17, 31, April 14, 28, May 12, 26, and June 9.**

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

Collections:

There is no collection total to be reported for Jan. 23 & 24 as Bishop O'Connell granted a dispensation from Mass attendance (Sunday obligation) last weekend.

Please consider signing up for FaithDirect at www.faithdirect.net St. Luke: NJ421

Quote of the Week:

If I were to meet the slave-traders who kidnapped me and even those who tortured me, I would kneel and kiss their hands, for if that did not happen, I would not be a Christian and Religious today... The Lord has loved me so much: we must love everyone... we must be compassionate!

- *St. Josephine Bakhita, (Patron Saint of Sudan whose feast day is February 8th- the International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking)*

Lenten Dinners

Presented by Ladies Auxilliary of
The Knights of Columbus Council 4969
113 Tennyson Avenue, Toms River, NJ

Every Friday night beginning February 12 through March 18, 2016, all you can eat while supplies last, \$8.00 adults, \$3.00 children 7-12 yrs., under 6 free. Dinners include salad, bread, entrée, coffee, tea and dessert. For more information, call the Knights of Columbus at 732-929-9811.

Family Bingo Night

St. Justin Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ

Friday, February 5, 2016

Closed to the general public, only parishioners from St. Justin, St. Luke and St. Joseph are invited. Doors open at 5:30PM, cost is \$5.00 per family which includes bingo cards for all games. Registration forms may be downloaded at www.stjustin.org and dropped off at St. Justin Parish Office by Monday, February 1st. For more information call Sue Keogh at 908-591-4271 or parish office at 732-270-3980.



St. Luke Social Sunday

The next Social Sunday will be held on **February 21st**. 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.

WE NEED YOU . . .

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

We will begin training on a monthly basis.

“You are God’s hands and feet.
You have been called.”

MINISTRY HOTLINE

732-286-2222 x 6218



St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St. Luke Conference receives 73% of its financial support from the white envelopes in the pews, 14% from the Ash Wednesday collection and 13% from other fund raising. Of about \$50,000 raised, 84% went to financial aid for the needy and homeless assistance, 11% to the food pantry and 5% for operating costs. Last year Vincentians made 90 Home Visits in the process of helping 220 persons. Twenty-five homeless persons were assisted with 75 nights of lodging. Parishioners continue to donate a large percentage of the food for the Food Pantry. Fifty Vincentians work in the pantry. The pantry had 1310 family visits and distributed 7905 bags of food for 2154 adults and 650 children. We were only able to do this with the generous support of our parishioners. God bless all of you.

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. **Please do not leave refrigerated/frozen food donations in the wooden box in the narthex – deliver them to the pantry during their normal hours.**

OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

**COFFEE, TEA, SOAP, PAPER TOWELS &
TOILET TISSUE**

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

Lenten Weekly Holy Hour for World Peace

Maris Stella Retreat Center Chapel
7201 Long Beach Boulevard
Harvey Cedars, NJ

**Wednesday, February 10, 17, 24 &
March 2, 9, 16, 23, 2016
3:00PM—4:00PM**

Holy hour will provide an opportunity for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and silent prayer for world peace. No registration needed. For more information, call Sr. Pat at 609-494-2917.

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 x 6200.