

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ FEB. 8 - 14, 2016

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon.	7:30 AM		Daniel Busichio	Wife, Lucille
Tues.	7:30 AM		Nicholas Andretta	The Andretta Family
Wed.,	7:00 AM		Maria La Milia	The Andretta Family
	8:30 AM		Rev. George Macho	William Maloney
Thurs.	11:00 AM		Harry Dwyer, 10th Anniversary	Wife, Jane
	7:30 AM		William Corrigan	Wife, Marie
Fri.	7:30 AM		Anne Green	Husband, Joe & Children
	11:00 AM		Nicoletta Franchini	Friends, Joe, Carmela, Augie, June, Marty, Terry & Ray
Sat.	8:30 AM		Arturo Miguel	Glenda Miguel
	4:00 PM		Josephine & Louis Carannande	Carol & Anthony Mennella
	5:30 PM		Thomas Ruggiero	Wife, Terry
Sun.	7:00 AM		St. Luke Parishioners	
	8:30 AM		John J. Orrico	Wife, Mary Orrico
	10:00 AM		Ruth Lombardi	Angela Cappetta
	12:00 PM		Deceased Members of the De Jura & Salzanno Families	Carl & Arlene De Jura



### **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.*

*In addition, various parishes will be hosting a Holy Hour for the Year of Mercy. This Holy Hour will consist of Scripture reading, silent prayer, music, intercessions and personal testimonies.*

*In Ocean County (all times are 7:00 pm):*

<b>February 18</b>	<b>St. Aloysius, Jackson</b>
<b>February 25</b>	<b>St. Barnabas, Bayville</b>
<b>March 8</b>	<b>St. Peter, Point Pleasant Beach</b>
<b>June 14</b>	<b>St. Joseph, Toms River</b>

### **8th Grade Bake Sale of Love February 13th & 14th**

All Proceeds will benefit the Charities chosen by our Confirmation class.  
Please buy a goodie for a good cause.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

**February 14, 2016**

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10  
2nd Reading: Romans 10:8-13  
Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

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

### **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 for the benefit of The St. Vincent de Paul Society. Special envelopes will be available in the Church and Narthex.



**Mass Time for President's Day  
Monday, February 15, 2016: 9:00AM  
(No 7:30AM Mass)**

The Parish and Religious Ed offices will be closed Monday, February 15, in observance of Presidents' Day.



#### **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.**

#### **QUOTATION:**

***I think the difference between me and some people is that I'm content to do my little bit. Sometimes people think they have to do big things in order to make change. But if each one would light a candle we'd have a tremendous light"***

**Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA**



“I have often thought about how the Church might make clear its mission of being a witness to mercy. It is a journey that begins with a spiritual conversion.”

Pope Francis

Dear Families,

This Lent our community will participate in CRS Rice Bowl, a faith-in-action program that will help you experience Lenten spirituality by living in solidarity with people in need around the world.

As we, the global Church, continue our prayerful walk through this Holy Year of Mercy, it is especially appropriate to come together in prayer as a family this Lent, reflecting on how we can live this call to mercy more abundantly.

Use your cardboard CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar to guide your Lenten prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

As a family, read the Stories of Hope and daily reflections to inspire your Lenten journey—and motivate your Lenten giving.

Prepare simple, meatless meals on Fridays throughout Lent to eat in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world.

Be sure to visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to watch videos of the people and communities whose lives your Lenten gifts are changing through CRS Rice Bowl.

***We will be collecting your CRS Rice Bowls on the weekend of March 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. In order for us to include your sacrifice on your tax statement, you must put your name on the box or an envelope containing your donation.***

Thank you for using CRS Rice Bowl with your family this Lent.

Sincerely,

Fr. Bob Grodnicki  
Pastor

Kathleen Muzzio  
Rice Bowl Coordinator

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*P.S. Did you know that CRS Rice Bowl has a free Lenten app? Download it for iPhone or Android devices and get daily Lenten reflection right on your phone.*

CRS Rice Bowl is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services, the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. CRS is motivated by the example of Jesus Christ to assist poor and suffering people in more than 100 countries on the basis of need, without regard to race, religion or nationality.

### 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, March 7th**

### 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.

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

### Religious Education News

This is Level 4 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 until February 11, 2016. Please call 732-505-0108 for more info. Thank you for your generosity!

As per the 2015-2016 class schedule, there will be NO PREP CLASSES on Ash Wednesday, February 10, 2016. Ashes will be distributed at 4:15 and 6:00 pm. Please take your children to one of these services. Thank you!

As part of their Level 8 Confirmation requirements, the students must participate in a Class Service Project. Next week (Feb 13-14) in honor of St. Valentine, our Level 8 students will be holding a "Bake Sale of Love" at all the Masses as a fundraiser for their chosen charity. Please support our Confirmandi and bring home a treat for your Sweetie!

### 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](http://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.**

### Collections for Feb. 27 & 18, 2016

**Total: \$26,207.00 \***

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.

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

This Lenten Season, we will have a wonderful mix of Traditional and Contemporary Stations of the Cross. We will seek to engage all of your senses using video and musical accompaniment as well as guided reflection. Below is the schedule for Stations of the Cross. We encourage all parishioners to experience this wonderful devotion this Lent.

- February 12 ~ Traditional
- February 19 ~ Traditional
- February 26 ~ Reflections through the Eyes of Mary
- March 4 ~ Traditional
- March 11 ~ Vincentian Spirituality
- March 18 ~ Journey of Decision-A Way of the Cross
- March 25 ~ Traditional- Good Friday Reflection



**Pray for the Recently Deceased**

*Stella Markowitz William P. O'Mara*

**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, Nina Parisi, Margaret Boland, Eugene Deehan, Martha Olmstead, Yolanda Salvatore, Joseph Alphonse Weikel (child), Gurprit Chhatwal, Jenny Ralph, Claire Hansen, Marie Gentile, Steven Haas, Joseph Italiano, Virginia Heywood (child), Victoria Johnson, James Joseph White, Maureen Driscoll, Lisa Penna, 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), Danielle Caravello, Larry Reagan, Genevieve Schillaci, Margaret Longenberger, Joann Salek.



**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

The St. Luke Conference has noted how grateful we are to our parishioners for their continued support. The conference also receives support from a number of non-parish organizations. In grateful recognition of their support a plaque has been placed on the wall adjacent to the St. Vincent de Paul area with their names:

**BJ's Wholesale Club, Fairways Mens Club, Fairways Women's Club, Lakeridge Mens Club, Lakeridge Women's Club, Pet Value Pet Store, WaWa of Toms River, American Hotel Registry, Herr's Lakewood, Claddagh Club of Fairways.**

Thank you and 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:**

**LAUNDRY DETERGENT, PAPER TOWELS,  
BAR SOAP**

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

<https://www.stlukeconference.org>

**WE NEED YOU . . .**

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

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

**MINISTRY HOTLINE**

**732-286-2222 x 6218**

Parishioners interested in serving as Communion Ministers for the Sunday Liturgies, please call the Ministry Hotline to sign up for training. Pre-registration is required.

**Next Training Session:**

**Thursday, February 11th 1:00-2:30 pm in the Narthex**

**ALL EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY  
LITURGIES...**

Fr. Bob invites all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to come together in prayer and thanksgiving for our ministry and to get to know one another better. Spring Schedules and ministry rosters will be distributed at the meeting. The preferred meeting time is **Thursday, February 25th from 1:00-2:30 pm in the Church**. If you are unable to attend the daytime session, please join us on **February 25th at 7:00 pm** in the Augustine Room. Please leave a message on the Ministry Hotline 732-286-2222 x 6218 to let us know which time you will attend.