

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ MARCH 7 - 13, 2016

<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon. 7:30 AM	Daniel Smith	Angela Giglio
Tues. 7:30 AM	Felicia Grace Chiodi	The Chiodi Family
Wed. 7:30 AM	Rita Sheehan	Jill Viggiano
11:00 AM	Fr. George Macho	The Macho Family
Thurs. 7:30 AM	Richard Magerkurth	Pat & Richi Ogawa
Fri. 7:30 AM	Helen Reilly	Family
11:00 AM	PFC Vincent Frassetto	Sister Peggy Russell
Sat. 8:30 AM	Michael Aiello ~ 3rd Anniversary	Wife, Yolanda
4:00 PM	Tim & Mary Mangan Sr.	Son, Tim & Mary Mangan Jr.
5:30 PM	John J. Donald	Wife, Helen Donald
Sun. 7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
8:30 AM	Dorothy Kahmann	Larry & Maureen Modzelewski
10:00 AM	Alan Moore	Terry Di Blasi
12:00 PM	Jerry Abate ~ 1st Anniversary	Carmel & Bob Beach

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.”

Orientation for NEW Ministers of Care (Nursing Home) and Homebound:

Thursday, March 10, 2016 from 1:00 - 2:30

Orientation for NEW Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Mass

Evening Session - Thursday, April 21
at 7:00-8:30 PM.

Afternoon Session - Thursday, April 28
at 1:00-2:30 PM.

Pre-registration is required - please call Ministry Hot-
line 848-226-6218 to register. All attendees should
meet in the Narthex.

**MINISTRY HOTLINE
848-226-6218**

Social Sunday

The Social Sunday will be held next Sun-
day, **March 13th.** After Mass, all are in-
vited to gather in the Parish Center for refreshments
and fellowship. Please join us to meet new friends or
renew old acquaintances.



Pray for the Recently Deceased

Frank Sasso

Andrew Risko

Joan T. Reilly

Michael Agro

Kathleen Whelan

Carl Napor

Vincent India

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, 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, Stan Marszalek, Sister Marion Hicks, Donald Korba, Samantha Mahoney, Kimberly Alexander, Patricia Wolfgang-Spavold, Barbara Meidhof, Dean (Dino) Dourlaris, Maryanne Molner, Linda Schillari, Renee Sa-har, Jane Dwyer, 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, Rose Bonito, Ralph Moccoaro, Aldo Di Domenico Sr., Chuck Nazzaro, Audrey Farr, John Higgins, Robert P., Marie Alfano.

Palm Crosses

The St. Luke Rosary Altar Society will be selling Palm Crosses after all Masses next **weekend, March 12 & 13.** Thank you for your support.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS March 13, 2016

1st Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

2nd Reading: Philippians 3:8-14

Gospel: John 8:1-11

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

“In these weekly catecheses inspired by the present Holy Year of Divine Mercy, we have often reflected on God’s fatherly love and forgiveness. The Prophets present this love also as involving correction, a summons to conversion and the renewal of the Covenant. Every parent knows the challenge of helping children grow in freedom and responsibility. In the Scriptures, God expresses his dismay at the rejection of his love, as seen in the disobedience and sin of his children. If he chastises his people, it is to move them to repentance and conversion. In his mercy, he asks them to turn back to him with all their hearts and to receive a righteousness that is itself his gift. God is pleased, Isaiah tells us, not by ritual sacrifice but by rejecting evil and practicing justice. Though our sins be like scarlet, he will make them white as snow. May all of us be open, during this year of grace, to our heavenly Father’s merciful invitation to come back to him and to experience this miracle of love and forgiveness.” - Pope Francis

We are including the balance of events for this Season of Lent and for Holy Week. Come...Share it with a friend and neighbor ...greet everyone you meet with gladness—All are Welcome!

Tuesday, March 8th @ 7:00 pm: Holy Hour for the Holy Year of Mercy—St. Peter, Point Pleasant Beach

Friday, March 11th @ 11:30 am: Stations of the Cross (Traditional)
@ 7:00 pm: Stations of the Cross (Vincentian Spirituality)

Saturday, March 12th @ 11:00 am: Confessions

Monday, March 14th @ 7:00 pm: Lenten Penance Service—St. Barnabas, Bayville

Wednesday, March 16th @ 12:00 pm: Lenten Penance Service—St. Maximilian Kolbe, Toms River

Friday, March 18th @ 11:30 am: Stations of the Cross (Traditional)
@ 7:00 pm: Stations of the Cross—Journey of Decision
@ 7:00 pm: Lenten Penance Service—St. Justin, Toms River

Monday, March 21st @ 7:30 pm: Chrism Mass—St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold

Tuesday, March 22nd @ 7:00 pm: Lenten Penance Service—St. Luke, Toms River
@ 7:00 pm: Lenten Penance Service—St. Joseph, Toms River

Thursday, March 24th @ 9:00 am: Morning Prayer
@ 7:00 pm: Mass of the Lord’s Supper with Adoration until Midnight

Friday, March 25th @ 9:00 am: Morning Prayer
@ 3:00 pm: Sacred Liturgy
@ 7:00 pm: Stations of the Cross/Passion Reflection

Saturday, March 26th @ 9:00 am: Morning Prayer
@ 11:00 am: Blessing of the Easter Food
@ 8:15 pm: The Easter Vigil

Sunday, March 27th @ 7:00 am, 8:30 am 10:00 am & 12:00 am: Easter Sunday Mass

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.

**Next meeting:
Tuesday, March 8th**

Religious Education News

This is the Level 8 Mass Weekend. Please **write your name on the front of the bulletin**, have it signed by someone in church ministry and then turn in this signed bulletin at your next class.

As per the 2015-2016 PREP class schedule, there will be **NO CLASS on Monday, March 7 or Tuesday, March 8, 2016** due to practice (Mon 4-6pm) and the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation (Tue 4pm).

Please keep our Level 8 Confirmation Candidates in your prayers as they continue to walk their faith journey. There will be a **"wrap-up" class on Wednesday, March 16, 2016**. Please return your robe to be donated to Yamba Uganda.

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, March 18th at 7:00-9:00PM** in the Parish Center.

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, March 15th**

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:
Wed., March 16th**

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 Disabled Children Support, 7:00PM, 3rd Thursday of each month.

St. Luke Bereavement Support Group

The bereavement support group for any loss began new sessions in February. The group meets at 7:30pm every other Thursday for 8 sessions ending June 9. For more information call Anna Ascione-Hardman, 732-244-8557. **Next meeting: March 17th**



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.**

Collections for Feb. 27 & 28, 2016

Total: \$17,291.00 *

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.**



Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 19

St. Justin Church, 975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River

St. Justin the Martyr Parish would like to invite Parishioners of St. Luke to their Annual Easter Egg Hunt which is closed to the general public. Only friends from St. Luke, St. Joseph and St. Justin Churches will be there for the egg hunt. All children 12 and under are invited to participate accompanied by their parents or guardians. You may download a registration form from www.stjustin.org and drop it off at the St. Justin Parish Office by Thursday, March 17th. For more information, call Sue Keogh at 908-591-4271 or St. Justin Parish Office at 732-270-3980.

Quote of the Week:

“You did not seek salvation or your hope in power, in political parties, in negotiations. No! You have simply done these things[“little things”]. And so many people look down on this! As a preparation for Easter, I invite you—I’ll do it too—to read the Beatitudes and to read Matthew 25, and to think and to see if there is something I look down on, if something disturbs my peace. Because contempt is a luxury that only the vain and the proud allow themselves. [...] And seek grace from the Lord to understand the only path of salvation is ‘the folly of the Cross,’ that is, the Son of God ‘emptying Himself,’ making Himself small, represented here [in the Readings] in the cleansing in the Jordan, or in the small village of Nazareth.”

- Pope Francis

Spiritual Programs

There are many wonderful spiritual programs offered in the Retreat Centers in our area, please check out:

St. Joseph by the Sea, Mantoloking: sjbsea.org

The Upper Room, Neptune: theupperroom.org

St. Mary’s by the Sea, Cape May Point: stmarybythesea.org

Maris Stella, Harvey Cedars: marisstella.org

San Alfonso, Long Branch: sanalfonsoretreats.org

“No Greater Love

A vibrant musical drama celebrating the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, will be performed in the sanctuary of St. Justin the Martyr Parish, 975 Fischer Blvd, Toms River on Sunday, April 3 at 4:00PM. Presented by the Xavier Company, a unique group of Christian actors, singers and dancers who perform original works focused on themes of faith and social justice.

No admission fee, but there will be a freewill offering after the performance followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Faithful to the spirit of its founders, the Society constantly strives for renewal, adapting to changing world conditions. It seeks to be ever aware of the changes that occur in human society and the new types of poverty that may be identified or anticipated. It gives priority to the poorest of the poor and to those who are most rejected by society. **In February, the Food Pantry supplied food to 110 families consisting of 174 adults and 38 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. **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:
CANNED TUNA & COFFEE**

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

<https://www.stlukeconference.org>



The 17th Annual Blue Mass ~ A Celebration of Law Enforcement

March 29th at 10:30 am in St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, Trenton. Luncheon to follow in Parish Hall. RSVP required by March 22nd. For further details: www.bluemass.org or call 609-403-7199.

Lenten Dinners

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

Every Friday night through March 18, 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 Knights of Columbus at 732-929-9811.

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.