

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ JAN. 16 - 22, 2017

<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon., Martin Luther King Day:		
	9:00 AM Margaret Beggan Nulty	Daughter, Sister Margaret Nulty
Tues.	7:30 AM Patricia Limozinere	Dawn Ricci & Tony De Lorenzo
Wed.	7:30 AM Mr. & Mrs. Dominick Cipollina	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Dragonette
	11:00 AM Lina Coluccelli	Gloria Marchio
Thurs.	7:30 AM Robert Donoghue	Wife, Anne
Fri.	7:30 AM Anthony Dragonette	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Dragonette
	11:00 AM Mary, Louis Sr., Vincent & Angelo La Rocca	Lou & Pat La Rocca
Sat.	8:30 AM Humbert Gambacorta	Wife, Esther
	4:00 PM Grace & Joseph Slevin and Arthur Muldoon & Family	The Muldoon Family
	5:30 PM Stanislaw Sekula	Dorothy & Michael Sobieski
Sun.	7:00 AM St. Luke Parishioners	
	8:30 AM Marie De Cicco	Florian & Elaine Gundy
	10:00 AM Bernardino Lopez	Daughter, Carmen Morris
	12:00 PM Peter T. Wasko	The Wasko Family

Martin Luther King Day

January 16, 2017

Mass Time: 9:00AM

(No 7:30AM Mass)

Please Note: The Parish Office & Religious Ed Office will be closed on Monday, Jan. 16th, in observance of Martin Luther King Day.



Attention ~

Parishioners affected by Celiac Disease:

Low-gluten altar breads are available for Communion at Masses at St. Luke Church for those with Celiac disease. These low-gluten breads meet the stipulations set forth by the Roman Catholic Church and are endorsed by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat for the Liturgy. **Please let an usher know if you need a low-gluten host.**

This Week's Senior Moment

“Youthfulness is that visible quality of a person’s vitality, freshness, and honesty that brings color, life, and love to a person regardless of his or her chronological age.”

12 Keys to Spiritual Vitality ... and Living Agelessly
Richard P. Johnson, PhD



Please Pray for the Sick

Myn Greuter, Joan Greuter, Elisa Greuter, Linda Greuter, Cayden Napolitano, John Kempton, Simon Amato, Deacon Bob Puglisi, Jo Hardardt, Chuck Kraut, Libertine Javelosa, Pat Petzold, Nina Parisi, Margaret Boland, Martha Olmstead, Yolanda Salvatore, Joseph Alphonse Weikel (child), Gurprit Chhatwal, Jenny Ralph, Joseph Italiano, James Joseph White, Francis Lewis Jr., Richard Coburger, Pat La Rocca, Claire Hansen, Anthony Cuccaro, Walter Windeknecht, Jane Windeknecht, Richard Link, Diane Gallio, Peter Melluse, David Lagno, Mary Hayes, Maryanne Molner, Can Nguyen, James Rauh, Vito Ottomano, Alyssa Colosi (child), Pete Turner, Anne Silvestri, Donna Clemente, Diana Frassetto, Sheila Cahill, Debra Nacovsky, Bill Coles, John Waters, Lillian Schneller, Bob Schneller, Christopher Cirone, John De Millio, Mickey Jackiewicz, Bishop John M. Smith, Tom Kelly, Mark La Rochelle, Norma Foti, Donna Marie Iorio.



St. Luke Altar Flowers

week for any occasion, contact Kathleen Muzzio of the Rosary Altar Society at 732-286-2222. Requests should be made two weeks in advance.



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

January 22, 2017

1st Reading: Isaiah 8:23—9:3

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10—13, 17

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

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



**The Volunteer Auxiliary
for
Animal Shelters, Inc.**

January 8 2017

St Lukes Catholic Church
1674 Old Freehold Road
Toms River, New Jersey 08755

Dear Pastor and Members

We are sending our heart felt appreciation to St Lukes for always being there for the animals of Ocean County. Time and time again your group has shown so much compassion and caring. When we look back this year we never could have helped so many animals needing outside without your support and donations. We were able to keep pets in their home by offering four Dog and Cat Food Pantries monthly at East Dover Baptist Church in Toms River and Don Connor Building in Jackson. Because of the donations of treats, toys, Kitty litter, food and bowls people who need help for their pet were able to offer more to them at this time of year. Our pups and kitties at the shelter are so enjoying these toys and treats.

We so appreciate the goodness of you all. The generosity of people like yourselves continue to amaze us and keeps us going. Those who care about our animal companions at a time when they need help the most, are truly compassionate human beings.

With your help, we can and do make a difference. Both the animals and the volunteers thank you so very much. Please be assured that 100% of your donations goes to the animals. Many simple purrs, wags of tails or wet kisses were given because of your donations. Please keep us in your hearts and know you all helped make a difference. Bless you.

Gratefully,

Eileen Grahn, President
Volunteer Auxiliary
PO Box 1432
Jackson, N.J. 08527

No goods or services were provided to the above named donors as a result of this gift.

Working with Ocean County Animal Shelter

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Our need for volunteers for ministry
is ongoing.

- Extraordinary Ministers
- Lector
- AV Ministry
- Usher
- Children' Choir
- Children's Liturgy
- Choir
- Altar Server

And every other Ministry

Please call the St. Luke Parish Office at 732-286-2222 or
The Ministry Hotline at 848-226-6218.

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, February 6th**

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 14th**

Religious Education News

This is a Level 2 & Basics of Faith Mass Weekend. Please remember to put your name on the front of the bulletin before you get it signed by someone in Church ministry. Turn in this signed bulletin at your next class.

Please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers as they begin their final preparations for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, March 9, 2017.

As per the 2016-2017 Class Schedule, there is **NO CLASS** and the PREP office is closed on **Monday, January 16** in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

First Reconciliation for our Level 2 Students will take place on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 4:30 pm in the Church. Please keep these children in your prayers.

Our Religious Education program is in great need of Substitute Teachers! Can we call on you when a catechist is unable to come to class? If you could help us, please call the PREP office at 732 505-0108.

Rosary Makers

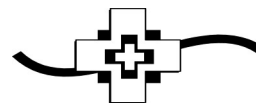
Meet on the 3rd Tuesday monthly, at **1:30pm** to make Rosaries for the missions and local nursing homes. Instructions and materials provided.

**Next meeting:
Tuesday, January 17th**

Prayer Shawl Makers

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., January 18th**



SERVICE MEETINGS:

Adler Aphasia Community Group, 10:00am-12:00pm, 1st & 3rd Fridays, in Madonna Room. For info or to register, call Wendy Greenspan at 973-530-3981.

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 more 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.

Gamblers Anonymous, Saturdays, 9:30AM-11:30AM in Madonna Room

Gamblers Anonymous, Sundays, 5:45PM, in Madonna Room. (Open Meeting)

Nar-Anon, Mondays, 7:30PM-9:00PM, in Madonna Room

Nar-Anon Meeting, Tuesdays, 7:30PM, in Madonna Room

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

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, January 20th
at 7:00-9:00PM** in the Parish Center.

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 848-226-6220.**

Collections for January 7 & 8, 2017

Total: \$12,122.98 *

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.

Recently Bereaved Support Group

*Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted. Mt 5:4*

When someone we love has been taken from us, we often find ourselves dealing with change and transition. Many offer their help, but do not always understand the loss we are feeling. Bereavement support groups are one way to find support from others who are going through the same process. We cannot go around, over or under the grief process. We need to go through it. We need to be good to ourselves, putting balance into our lives through prayer, reading, resting, relaxation and work. Grief takes time. Unrealistic expectations undermine the healing process.

The Parish of St. Luke Church is sponsoring a Bereavement Support Group for the newly bereaved. You need not be a parishioner to attend. **The group will meet on Tuesday afternoons from 1:30–3:00 pm in the Conference Room for nine consecutive weeks, beginning on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 through April 4, 2017.** Pre-registration is required. Please contact **Mary Alice Coghlan at 201-652-4305 to register.**

Bereavement - Continuing Support Group Thursday Evenings at St. Luke Church

This support group offers a safe place to those who have experienced bereavement and feel the need for further support. This support can continue with our group as we help each other on our path to healing and friendship. **Registration is required.** Please call for additional meeting details: **Ann Ascione-Hardman: 732-244-8557.**

2016 Collection Statements

A record of your contributions to St. Luke Church is kept based on your envelope number. Statements with your total 2016 weekly donations for IRS will be issued upon request to the Parish Office, 732-286-2222. You will receive your requested statement at the end of January.

Attention Eucharistic Ministers and all who are interested:

*Understanding Christ's Presence
in the Eucharistic Celebration,*
Presented by Jessica DePrizio Cole

Join us for an on-line Virtual Workshop
Wednesday, Jan 18 at 7:15 PM – 9 PM
Classroom 10 of the Faith Formation Center

This Virtual Workshop will explore Christ's fourfold presence in the Eucharistic celebration. Participants will reflect upon their own offering and participation in the Eucharist as a means of transformation and conversion.

**Please call The Ministry Hotline at 848-226-6218
for further information and to reserve your seat.**



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Over the last six months we have experienced increasing numbers of requests for assistance. The numbers of guests coming to the Food Pantry have been increasing every month. Families requiring financial assistance have been growing steadily. Assistance for the homeless has probably been increasing at a greater rate than any of our other services. We have recently begun participating in a new ministry to provide furniture to the needy. We have been doing quite well providing aid to the poor in our community – **but we need help.** Our Food Pantry is probably our most well known activity, however, we really need volunteers for our less visible work providing other kinds of support to the poor. We also need help for “back office” support. **If you are interested in joining us, please come to our General Meeting in the Narthex on Tuesday January 17 at 6:30PM for fellowship followed by our meeting. God bless!**

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.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:
LAUNDRY DETERGENT, PAPER TOWELS,
TOILET PAPER, COFFEE & TEA**

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

<http://www.stlukeconference.org/>

New Jersey Rally for Life

- Pro-Life leaders, elected officials, and clergy will address
- the Rally on **Monday, January 23**, at the State House,
- 125 West State Street, Trenton, from 11:00am to
- 1:00pm. **A bus will depart from St. Maximilian Kolbe**
- **Church, Toms River, parking lot at 9:30am.** Bus fare
- is \$10 per person. To reserve a seat or for additional
- information, call Ed at 732-341-9029.

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.