

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ JANUARY 9 - 15, 2017

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon.	7:30 AM	Eloisa Silva & Elena Renard	Ed & Sylvia Okolita
Tues.	7:30 AM	Ronald Cohen	Parents, Roy & Fran
Wed.	7:30 AM	Vicente Epino	Ellen Epino
	11:00 AM	Royal Giffen	Mae Alberto
Thurs.	7:30 AM	Barbara A. Tunney	Gerald & Carolyn Vitarello
Fri.	7:30 AM	John Ekarius	Dr. Carol A. Dobrzynski
	11:00 AM	Marvin Schneider & Charles Hamada	The Lapid & Hamada Family
Sat.	8:30 AM	Nicholas Santucci	Dr. Carol A. Dobrzynski
	4:00 PM	Barbara Lentini	Dolores & Al Thibault
	5:30 PM	The Lidaka Family	Pat Forthuber
Sun.	7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
	8:30 AM	Multiple Intentions Mass	Intentions Listed Below
	10:00 AM	Josephine & Alfred Verga	Juanita & Tom Moriarty
	12:00 PM	James F. Carney	Brothers, Thomas & John Carney

Multiple Intentions Mass **Sunday, January 15, 2017 ~ 8:30AM**

Jane, Anthony & Michael Sellner R-The Sellner Family
Carmela & Natale Campisi and

Joan Traina R-Kathy & Rob Traina
Harry Foti R-Wife, Norma
Judith Chenard R-James & Lorraine Nelson
Paul Malecki R-James & Lorraine Nelson



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.



St. Luke Altar Flowers

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.



Pray for the Recently Deceased

Kathleen T. Byrnes *Marilyn R. Schadt*
Robert Freeman *Hugh Noble*
Richard Santangelo Sr. (father of Rev. Michael Santangelo)

Please Pray for the Sick

Myn Greuter, Joan Greuter, Elisa Greuter, Linda Greuter, Cayden Napolitano, John Kempton, Simon Amato (child), 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, Jean Stulich, Vera Steingraber, Marco Leone, Phil Gatti, Robert P., 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.

This Week's Senior Moment

"Our elder years in particular are a time of grace, a time of life in which the Lord will renew His call. He calls us to preserve and transmit the faith; calls us to pray, especially to intercede; calls us to be close to those who may be in need."

"Walking with Jesus"
- Pope Francis

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

January 15, 2017

1st Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3
Gospel: John 1:29-34

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

EPIPHANY



We are celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany. One of the oldest celebrations in Church history, the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ, is more than just a nice group of people with gifts coming to visit a baby. The word Epiphany comes from the Greek verb meaning “to reveal.” Isn’t it ironic that for many of us, the Feast of the Epiphany marks the packing away of the crèche and all things Christmas?

The angels have revealed something or someone to the shepherds. The stars have revealed something or someone important to the “Wise Men”. They in turn come bearing gifts—gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh—which reveal something and someone. It is just the beginning.

We too have come to the manger (from the Latin ‘to eat’). What does it reveal to you?

What do you notice about the baby Jesus—the Christ child—the Christ we are keeping in Christmas—the Christ we are about to pack away until next Christmas? Do you see his arms stretched open, beckoning you closer...welcoming you into an encounter...beseeching you to take him with you into your everyday life.

The Feast of the Epiphany will continue to mark the packing away of things associated with Christmas. What we can take with us each day is the mercy, love, peace and service that was revealed to us in a lowly manger by a poor infant with no place to call home.....except if we make room in our hearts and lives.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Our need for volunteers for ministry is ongoing.

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

And more!

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

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.**

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, January 9th**

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 8 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 13th
at 7:00-9:00PM** in the Parish Center.

Bereavement - Continuing Support Group

Thursday Evenings

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.**

Collections for :

Christmas Total:	\$46,382.00 *
Dec. 31 & Jan. 1 - 1st Collection:	16,428.00 *
2nd Collection:	6,254.00 *

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.

The Diocese of Trenton
Annual March for life in Washington DC
Friday, January 27—leaving immediately after the
7AM Mass at St. Joseph Church, Toms River
 - Attend rally & participate in the March
 - Meet with Congressman Chris Smith
 - Dinner stop on return trip
 Anticipated return: 10-10:30PM
Bus transportation free —
 (Bring small amount of cash for dinner & driver tip)

Seats by reservation only, Call:
 Tom Murphy 732-914-0041
 E-Mail: tjmurphy84@hotmail.com
 Or Fr. Jerome 732-349-0018 ext. 2219
 Email: frjerome@stjosephtomsriver.org

Please reserve by January 10

(Contact Jerry Wutkowski at gwutko@dioceseoftrenton.org or 609-403-7182 for other available parish busses in Ocean County.)

Saint Joseph Grade School

711 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, NJ
Celebrating National Catholic Schools Week
January 29-February 3, 2017

Join us on Sunday, January 29th at the 12 Noon Liturgy followed by OPEN HOUSE from 1:30-3:00PM
 Come see all SJGS has to offer:

- Faith Formation and Challenging Academic Program
- Full Day 4 Year Old PreK Program
- Full Day Kindergarten Program
- Three of each Grade Level (K-8)
- AdvancEd Accreditation
- Certified Faculty and Staff
- State of the Art Technology Lab
- iPad Program
- STEM Resource Center
- Accelerated and Advanced Courses
- Active Athletic Association and Extra Curricular Activities
- Active PTA
- Transportation from surrounding school districts
- Fully Air Conditioned Classrooms
- Hot Lunch Menu with many options

Visit our website at www.stjoeschooltr.org
 For a tour or enrollment information contact Juliann James at jjames@sjgs.nj.k12us.com or call 732-349-2355 x 2012

REGISTRATION for the 2017-2018 School Year:
 Wednesday, February 8, 2017
 at 10:00AM-12:00 Noon or 5:00-7:00PM.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

HELP WANTED – HOME VISITORS

We are in great need of Volunteers to visit Guests in their homes to gather information and evaluate the guest's situation and make recommendations on how we can help. Home Visitors work in pairs and prepare reports of their findings so the SVdP Board can determine if and how much financial or other aid will be given. This is a wonderful ministry and a great way to bring your Catholic faith to those in great need. This is truly what the Lord calls us to do. Please pray on this topic and call us with any questions regarding your participation in this ministry.

HELP WANTED - INTAKE PERSONS

Volunteers are needed to work in the SVdP Guest Intake ministry. Prospective guests call in on our Hot Line phone and leave messages outlining their needs. You monitor messages left on the Hot Line Voice Mail several times during your shift from the comfort of your home and do call backs to the prospective guests to gather more specific information and to then fill out an intake form. There are detailed procedures for this work and training will be provided. Requires clerical level computer skills. Please remember, all of this can be done from your home on a schedule of your convenience.

SVdP General Meeting on Tuesday January 17 at 6:30PM in the Narthex. New members welcome

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**

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

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



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.**