

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ MARCH 27 - APRIL 2, 2017

<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon. 7:30 AM	Hugh Mc Gettigan	Theresa Dougherty
Tues. 7:30 AM	Pearl Dougherty	Daughters, Kathy & Barbara
Wed. 7:30 AM	Robert Weshnak	Delfin & Mena Santos
11:00 AM	Joseph A. Forthuber	Pat Forthuber
Thurs. 7:30 AM	Thomas Keenan Jr. & Thomas Keenan Sr.	Marie Keenan
Fri. 7:30 AM	Francisco Sardo	Daughter, Maria Sardo-Lopes
11:00 AM	In Thanksgiving ~ Jesus & St. Anthony	Rosemarie Testa
Sat. 8:30 AM	Soon Kang Park	Carol Dobrzynski
4:00 PM	Manny Mannarino	Wife, Laura
5:30 PM	Dorothy Kosciuk	The Kosza Family
Sun. 7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
8:30 AM	Rosary Altar Society Members	St. Luke Rosary Altar Society
10:00 AM	Maria Berardo & Stephanie Kaminoff Hardman	Anna & Michael Hardman
12:00 PM	Francis Savarese	Norma Allegra

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 13 ~ 9:00am Morning Prayer
7:00pm "The Mass of the Lord's Supper" with Adoration until midnight.

Good Friday, April 14 ~ 9:00am Morning Prayer;
3:00pm Sacred Liturgy

Holy Saturday, April 15 ~ 9:00am Morning Prayer
11:00am Blessing of Easter Food

8:15pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, April 16 ~ Masses at 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am, & 12:00pm

Communal Lenten Penance Services

St. Joseph, Toms River ~ Monday, April 3, 7:00PM
St. Barnabas, Bayville ~ Monday, April 3, 7:00PM
Visitation, Brick ~ Tues., April 4, 2:00PM & 7:00PM
St. Maximilian Kolbe, T.R. ~ Wed., April 5, 12:00PM
St. Justin, T.R. ~ Friday, April 7, 7:00PM
St. Luke, T.R. ~ Tuesday, April 11, 7:00PM

Stations of the Cross

Join us at St. Luke Church each Friday during Lent for this beautiful devotion:

March 30 ~ After 11:00AM Mass & at 7:00PM
April 7 ~ After 11:00AM Mass & at 7:00PM
April 14 (Good Friday) ~ at 7:00PM

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS **April 2, 2017 ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent**

1st Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14
2nd Reading: Romans 8:8-11
Gospel: John 11:1-45
Readings may be found at: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>



Pray for the Recently Deceased

Angelina P. Mignelli Francis J. Scott

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, 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, Diane Gallio, Peter Melluse, David Lagno, Maryanne Molner, Vito Ottomano, Alyssa Colosi (child), Anne Silvestri, Debra Nacovsky, Bill Coles, John Waters, Lillian Schneller, Bob Schneller, Mickey Jackiewicz, Bishop John M. Smith, Mark La Rochelle, Donna Marie Iorio, Keith Clayton, Vivian Kircher, Colin Lockerbie, Jean Stulich, Susan Haas, Jackie Callahan Patterson, Robby Ferris, James Rauh, Fran Consorti, Vienna Zucaro (child), Sylvia Brown, Lisa Mayer, Anthony Cavallo, Paschal Cuillo, Louise Svarczkopf, Marianna C. Pontoriero, Vincent Bono, Barry Rodman, Camille Fay and D.P.N.



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.**

FROM THE PASTOR. . .

Before we know it, we will be entering the most important week in the Church calendar. Holy Week is marked with many different liturgies. We begin the week with our Palm Sunday liturgy where we recount the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ. And yes there are blessed palms given to the faithful also. The Masses tend to be rather crowded, so please exercise patience and love when entering and leaving the Church property.

On Monday, April 10th at 7:30 pm, Bishop O'Connell will celebrate the Chrism Mass at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold. At this Mass, all of the sacred oils needed for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Anointing of the Sick are blessed for use in the individual parishes in the Diocese. Also, the priests of the Diocese renew their commitment to the priesthood. This is truly a beautiful liturgy and is open to all the faithful of the Diocese.

Beginning on Thursday, April 13th through Saturday, April 15th, we will not celebrate daily Mass. However, we come together for Morning Prayer at 9:00 am. Morning Prayer is one of the five Hours of the The Liturgy of the Hours which is also known as the Divine Office. It is the official prayer of the Church.

How many of us have admired or remarked upon the devoutness of those who stop and pray several times a day, never realizing that we as Catholics have the same opportunity for public prayer and to praise God?

The coming together of believers for prayer that did not culminate in the Eucharistic celebration (Mass), has been a part of the Church from the earliest of Christians communities and has developed into what we now call the Liturgy of the Hours. This prayer became more exclusive, to clergy and monastics with the Council of Trent. However, this ancient and beautiful sanctification of our day and praise of God was 'recovered' through the Second Vatican Council in the Constitution of the Sacred Liturgy.

Pope Paul VI promulgated the revised rite for Liturgy of the Hours in the Apostolic Constitution *Laudis Canticum*, in 1970. This also made clear that the Liturgy of the Hours is primarily a communal prayer and the prayer of the whole Church for all the baptized, not solely clergy and monastics.

We invite each person reading this to come on April 13th, 14th and 15th at 9:00 am and, as a community, as a family of believers, share in praising our God, sanctifying the day and fulfilling the work of the church through Morning Prayer.

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, April 3rd**

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, April 11th**

Religious Education News

This is a Level 3 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.

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.

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.**

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, April 18th**

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., April 19th**



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.

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

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

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, March 31st
at 7:00-9:00PM** in the Parish Center.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry . . .

is in need of yarn donations (sport or worsted yarn). Shawls and other items are given to those that are ill, our disabled veterans, Yamba Uganda and Birth Right. Yarn may be dropped off at the Parish Office or in the Deacons' vesting room off the Narthex. Thank you for helping us do God's work.

Collections for March 18 & 19, 2017

Total: \$16,594.00 *

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.

Newly Baptized Members of St. Luke Church

- Giada Lucia Mary DeGrandis* ~ Daughter of Heather and Mark DeGrandis
- Natalie Ann Frassetto* ~ Daughter of Lisa and John Frassetto
- Axel James West* ~ Son of Christine and David West
- Conner Michael Zucaro* ~ Son of Kerri and Gregory Zucaro

Extraordinary Minister Training Session for Nursing Homes and Homebound

Training for new Ministers of Care will be held on **Tuesday, April 4 from 1:30–3:00pm**. Please call the Ministry hotline to pre-register, 848-226-6218.



Palm Crosses

The St. Luke Rosary Altar Society will be selling Palm Crosses after all Masses on the weekend of **April 1 & 2, 2017, at \$10.00 each**. Thank you for your support.

Rosary Altar Society Candy Sale

St. Luke Rosary Altar Society is having an Old Fashion Candy Bar sale after all Masses on **April 8 & 9**. **Consider putting some in your Easter baskets! \$1.00 per 1.5oz bar**, plain milk chocolate, milk chocolate with either almond, caramel, crispy or peanut butter. Thank you for your kind support.

“Senior Moments”

“Even to your old age and gray hairs I am He, I am He who will sustain you! I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.”

Isaiah, 46:4

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Our need for volunteers for ministry is ongoing.

- Extraordinary Ministers
- Lector
- AV Ministry
- Usher
- SVdP Society
- RCIA
- Children’ Choir
- Children’s Liturgy
- Choir
- Altar Server
- Catechist
- Social Sunday

And more!

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



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 join us at our General Meeting April 18 at 6:30PM in the Narthex. You will have an opportunity to talk to Home Visitors to answer questions regarding your participation in this vital ministry.

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:
SOUP, TEA, LAUNDRY DETERGENT &
PAPER TOWELS**

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

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

The Holy Shroud of Turin

at

The Church of Saint Martha

3800 Herbertsville Rd., Pt. Pleasant, NJ

Sunday, April 9, 2017 ~ 2:00-4:00PM

In the All Purpose Room

Joint us for a spiritual presentation on the Holy Shroud, believed by many to be the true burial cloth of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. This unique event touches both the mind and the heart, providing a wonderful beginning for the journey of Holy Week.

Note: Please no visual or voice recordings permitted, still photography only.