

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ APRIL 10 -16, 2017

<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon. 7:30 AM	Bebeth Urgina Wenzel	Rey & Evie Mendoza
Tues. 7:30 AM	Bruce Joseph Affrote	Carol Ann Dobrzynski
Wed. 7:30 AM	Ana Sardo	Daughter, Maria Sardo-Lopes
11:00 AM	Albert & Margaret Otranto	Robert & Mary Murray
<b>Thurs. 7:00 PM</b>	<b>Holy Thursday—Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>	
<b>Fri. 3:00 PM</b>	<b>Good Friday—Sacred Liturgy</b>	
<b>Sat. 8:15 PM</b>	<b>Easter Vigil - The St. Luke Parishioners</b>	
<b>Sun., Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord:</b>		
<b>7:00 AM</b>	The Donoghues, Simons & VanSaders (Liv.)	The Family
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Multiple Intentions Mass	Intentions Listed Below
<b>10:00 AM</b>	Jessie & Raymond Ismaelito	Daughter, Carmela & Greg Kaiser
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Frank Paul Stabile	Wife, Ann

### *Multiple Intentions Mass*

#### *Sunday, April 16, 2017 ~ 8:30AM*

Jane, Anthony & Michael Sellner	R-The Sellner Family
Lina Coluccelli	R-Gloria Marchio
Florence Caccese	R-Anne Tracy, Daughter
Carmela & Natale Campisi & Joan Traina	R-Kathy & Rob Traina
Harry & Norma Foti	R-Family
Peter Timpone	R-Wife, Mary Timpone
Joseph & Girina Sinicropi & Gilda Larity	R-Kathy & Kevin Langon
Carol Bonsignore	R-Joanie & Ralph Di Lemme
Joseph Patriarca	R-Wife, Rachel
Donald S. Killoran	R-Eileen & Charlie Brennan
Dr. Luzminda Anama (Living)	R-Peter Serednicki
Regina Feehan	R-Sister, Marie Corrigan
Faith Bowen	R-Mary & Art Martin
Steve Butera	R-Charles & Nancy Lowden
Deborah L. Moore	R-Grace Dantoni & Anthony Varone
Jean Santella	R-Grace Dantoni & Anthony Varone
Jose Borja Jr.	R-Annaliza Borja
Pasqual De Geronimo	R-Shirley De Geronimo
Kathleen O'Brien	R-Anthony Maione
Harold Mc Cord	R-Mary & Tom Fraher
Mary Gonzalez	R-Bob & Susan Mauro
Rea Reilly	R-Marilyn Gibney & Sandy Mc Partland
Jeanne C. Woods	R-The Underwood Family
Mamie Guzzardo	R-Elizabeth & Al Buccellato
Helen Tassitano	R-Debra & Joseph Casamento
Steve Butera	R-John Alemi
Polly Tassitano	R-Debra & Joseph Casamento



### *Newly Baptized Members of St. Luke Church*

*Emily Sophia Clemente* ~ Daughter of  
Allison and Michael Clemente

*Savanna Rae Manolio* ~ Daughter of  
Diana and James Manolio

*Daniel Joseph Quackenbush* ~ Son of  
Jessica and Christopher Quackenbush

### **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**

**At St. Luke, T.R. ~ Tuesday, April 11, 7:00PM**  
(Note: No Confessions on Holy Saturday, April 15)

### *Stations of the Cross*

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

**April 14 (Good Friday) ~ at 7:00PM**

### **This Week's Senior Moment**

"A burden of our older years is to allow time to simply lay  
idle in our daily life. A blessing of our older years, how-  
ever, is that we can try to bring together all the lessons of  
our prior years and be the best version of ourselves for this  
time in our life, which is God's hope for us all."

*"The Gift of Years"* ~ Sr. Joan Chittister, OSB

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

**April 16, 2017 ~ Easter Sunday of  
the Resurrection of the Lord**

1st Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

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

## *Holy Saturday*

Even as we begin this day, as we have the previous two days, with Morning Prayer at 9:00 am, it feels different. On Holy Thursday evening, we begin our celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper with joy, we have the washing of the feet and the celebration of the Eucharist, followed by the growing sadness of the journey towards the Crucifixion. This mood, this sadness, this darkness, continues to grow as we gather for Good Friday's Sacred Liturgy. Holy Saturday, there is quiet sadness, yet a feeling of anticipation is creeping in. This is seen in the Blessing of the Easter food, which occurs at 11:00 am. While this is an Eastern European/Polish tradition, EVERYONE is invited to bring a basket of the foods they will prepare for Easter, to be blessed. The church, which has been devoid of decoration, will burst forth with the flowers of Spring and Easter Lilies in anticipation. At 8:15 pm, as the darkness (in which we left on Holy Thursday) still envelops us, on the plaza, we gather (weather permitting) for that first light of Easter, the single light of the new Paschal Candle which will lead us into the church, still in darkness. Then, as we enter the doors, led by the light of the new Paschal Candle, that light will spread, from candle to candle and person to person. We will celebrate with the Exultet and readings and psalms from the Old Testament and then, the Gloria and all lights in the church which have been extinguished since Holy Thursday, are lit and we really celebrate - ALLELUIA! HE IS RISEN!

After the proclaiming of the Gospel, we will witness the Baptism of 7 people into the family of believers! And for our Catechumens/Elect, we will witness their Confirmation and their coming to the Lord's Table for the first time. The joy and beauty of this night should be witnessed by everyone!!! And this very poignant celebration of the Lord's Resurrection continues through our Easter Masses at 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am, and 12:00 pm and indeed the entire Easter Season, which does not end until the celebration of Pentecost (June 4<sup>th</sup>), when we will confirm those who are completing their Sacraments of Initiation.

All of the preparation for those people who either choose to enter the Church (catechumens) or complete their Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist and/or Confirmation) are through our R.C.I.A program. R.C.I.A. stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Those who are seeking, find their way through you—you are Jesus' hands and feet in this world. If friends, family members, neighbors are seeking something more, or have been baptized but haven't completed their Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist and/or Confirmation), extend the invitation to them, to come to Church with you and to contact our RCIA team at 848-226-6220.

***Happy Palm Sunday! Happy Triduum! Happy Easter!***

### 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, May 1**

### 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 11**

## Religious Education News

**This is a Level 5 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.

According to the 2016-2017 schedule, there will be **NO PREP CLASSES** from April 10 - 17, 2017 in observance of Holy Week and Easter. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 18, 2017.

All grade levels have now completed the Family Life series for this school year. In order to keep costs down for next year, please return your Parent Connection booklets to the PREP office so they can be used again. Thank you!

### 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, April 28  
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, April 18**

### 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 19**



### 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.

### Bereavement - Continuing Support Group

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.**

**The next meeting: Thursday, April 20 ~ 7:00PM**



### Social Sunday

The next Social Sunday will be held on **May 21, 2017**. After Mass all are invited to gather in the Parish Center for refreshments and fellowship. Please join us to meet new friends or renew old acquaintances.

### Collections for April 1 & 2, 2017

**1st Collection Total: \$18,555.00 \***  
**2nd Collection Total: 6,021.00 \***

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.




**Pray for the Recently Deceased**

Louise Vanderway      Anthony Cariello Sr.  
Deacon Bin Kane      Caitlin Nelson

**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, 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, Maryanne Molner, Vito Ottomano, Alyssa Colosi (child), Bill Coles, Lillian Schneller, Bob Schneller, Bishop John M. Smith, Donna Marie Iorio, Keith Clayton, Colin Lockerbie, Robby Ferris, James Rauh, Fran Consorti, Vienna Zucaro (child), Sylvia Brown, Lisa Mayer, Anthony Cavallo, D.P.N., Paschal Cuillo, Louise Svarczkopf, Marianna C. Pontoriero, Vincent Bono, Barry Rodman, Camille Fay, Mary Ann Napatano, Marie Gentile, Anthony Somma, Janet Hlavac, Larry Reagan, Marco Leone, Janet Hamadyk, Vivian Kircher.

*Save the Date!*

**Dining to Donate Fundraiser**   
at Perkins Restaurant, Rt. 37, Toms River  
Wednesday, April 19 - 7:00AM to 9:00PM  
Sponsored by St. Luke Rosary Altar Society

15% of eat-in, take-out or bakery purchases is given to us. All proceeds are for the statue of Mary which was ordered for the foyer near the Madonna Room. Flyers/coupons will be in the bulletin on April 15 & 16 or on the table in the Narthex. **You must present a flyer to receive the donation.**

**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**

This week we observe Palm Sunday. We remember when Jesus entered Jerusalem and the crowd cheered. They yearned for a powerful figure who would overthrow the Roman government and create a new kingdom of God for the Israelites who had been subjected to one empire or another for the better part of 600 years. However, this is only one side of Jesus and one dimension of God. If we only focus on this side, we fail to see the Jesus of the gospels who taught at length regarding how we are to live and follow his lessons. Jesus cared for people outcast by the powers and customs of his day. He crossed established lines to welcome and to love in practical, caring ways that transformed lives and challenged the status quo. Jesus invites us to do the same — to remember we are all God's beloved children and to treat all people as our brothers and sisters, particularly those in need. We need to remember and live Jesus's words, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these of these brothers [and sisters] of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:40).- Jesus loved the poor and was the poor. Jesus was born poor, lived poor and died poor.

- Grace Ji-Sun Kim

**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:**

VANILLA ENSURE, JELLY, MEALS IN A CAN

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

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

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 \* **Sisters of Mercy 50/50 Raffle** \*  
 \* The Sisters of Mercy hold a raffle each year to \*  
 \* benefit the retired and infirmed Sisters of \*  
 \* Mercy. The chances are \$25.00; the 10 prizes \*  
 \* range from \$31,250.00 to \$1,250.00. **Chances** \*  
 \* **are available in the St. Luke Parish Office,** \*  
 \* **Monday - Friday, and the Religious Ed** \*  
 \* **Office, Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM to** \*  
 \* **4:00PM.** The drawing date is May 14, 2017 \*  
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