

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ MAY 22 - 28, 2017

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon.	7:30 AM	Jose Borja Jr.	Annaliza Borja
Tues.	7:30 AM	Carl Riester	Robert & Evelyn Macho
Wed.	7:30 AM	Francis Scott	Mary Durett
	11:00 AM	Richard Link	Trudy & Bob Farmer
Holy Day Vigil Masses - "Ascension of The Lord"			
	4:00 PM	Joseph Svirnelis	Linda Angiuoli
	7:00 PM	Alice & Richard Bruno	Daughter, Lorraine Bruno-Weinberg
Thurs. - Holy Day - "Ascension of The Lord"			
	7:00 AM	Timoteo Garcia Sr.	The Koretzky & Mojares Families
	8:30 AM	Maria & John Thaler	Son, Steve Thaler
	11:00 AM	Eleanor Belluso	Laura Raccuglia
Fri.	7:30 AM	Rev. George Macho	The Macho Family
	11:00 AM	Robby Ferris (Living)	Laura Raccuglia
Sat.	8:30 AM	Thomas Boyle	Wife, Helen Boyle
	4:00 PM J	ohn & Mary Bianchi	The Heitmann & Bengivenga Families
	5:30 PM	Peter Di Franco	Wife, Theresa Di Franco
Sun.	7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
	8:30 AM	John Wetzler	Wife, Rosalie
	10:00 AM	Deceased Members of the Tuccillo & Kowalczyk Families	Ed & Cynthia Kowalczyk
	12:00 PM	Nicola Caputo	Wife, Rosa

**St. Luke Parish Office Summer Hours will begin the week of May 22nd:
Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-4:00 pm and Fridays 9:00 am- 12:00 pm**

Ascension of The Lord ~ May 25, 2017 (Holy Day of Obligation)

Mass Times:

Vigil ~ Wed., May 24 - 4:00PM & 7:00PM
Thursday, May 25 - 7:00AM, 8:30AM & 11:00AM

Note: The Parish & CCD Offices will be closed on the Holy Day, Thursday, May 25.

ONLY 2 DAYS LEFT!

Just 2 days are left to sign up for our beneficial six-week discussion series on the book: "Even Better After 50!" The first get-together of the group will be this coming Thursday, May 25th. The book lays out simple and helpful ideas for anyone over the age of 50 to consider as ways to enrich their mental, physical and spiritual well-being during this special time in their lives. The group will meet from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm on six successive Thursday afternoons, from May 25th-June 29th, in the Augustine Room. Participants are asked to make as many of the six sessions as their schedules will allow.

Sign up by calling the Parish Office at 732-286-2222 on this coming Monday or Tuesday. The cost of the book is \$15, and it can be picked up and paid for in the Parish Office or at the first meeting of the group on May 25th.

For additional information, call Barry Burke at 732-664-2116.



Mass Schedule

Monday, May 29, 2017 ~ 9:00AM

Note: All parish offices will be closed



Please Pray for the Recently Deceased
 Sylvia Brown



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, James Joseph White, Francis Lewis Jr., Richard Coburger, Pat La Rocca, Claire Hansen, Anthony Cuccaro, Vito Ottomano, Alyssa Colosi (child), Lillian Schneller, Bob Schneller, Bishop John M. Smith, Robby Ferris, James Rauh, Fran Consorti, Vienna Zucaro (child), Anthony Cavallo, D.P.N., Paschal Cuillo, Marianna C. Pontoriero, Vincent Bono, Barry Rodman, Mary Ann Napatano, Marie Gentile, Anthony Somma, Janet Hlavac, Larry Reagan, Marco Leone, Janet Hamadyk, Vivian Kircher, Diane Galioto, Annette Torro, Thomas Repko, Frank Gorda, Mary Carlin, Jakub Kowal (child), Catherine Otto, Walter Windeknecht, John Farawell, Carol Auletto, Dave Nelms, Rev. Gerry McCarron, Rev. Michael Waites, Vera Stein-graber, Jean Stulich, Anthony Granato.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS **May 28, 2017 ~ Seventh Sunday of Easter**

1st Reading: Acts 1:12-14
 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 4:13-16
 Gospel: John 17:1-11a

LOVE GROW SERVE GO

SUPPORT GROUP FORMING FOR NEWLY BEREAVED

"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 **Wednesday evenings, 7:00-8:30 pm** in the Conference Room (next to the Augustine Room) for 8 consecutive weeks,

Wednesday June 28 - Wednesday August 16, 2017.

Pre-registration is required.

Please call the Bereavement office @ **848-226-6220** and leave a message to register. We will call you back.

ALTAR SERVING

A JOB SOOOO BIG.....

ONLY A KID CAN DO IT!



If you have received your First Communion and are interested in becoming an Altar Server, contact
848-226-6216
To register your interest.

This Week's Senior Moment

"Being older does not necessarily mean we can just stop looking for, or participating in, opportunities put before us that have the potential to help us learn about new and maybe even better ways to enhance the quality of our mental, physical and spiritual well-being."

"Even Better After 50"

~ Dr. Richard Johnson, PhD

GOOD COUNSEL BABY BOTTLES COMING BACK!

St. Luke Parish will be welcoming back Good Counsel Homes the weekend of June 10th & 11th.

You will hear how your past support has continued to provide a safe and loving home for God's less fortunate. The Riverside home, open for 6 years now, has given birth to 68 babies-and 3 mothers due by the end of summer. You will be asked to take a baby bottle home with you, and fill it with change, dollars, and checks-whatever your means allow and return it within 2 weeks!

Thank you for your support and prayers for our mothers who have chosen to give their baby life. I look forward to seeing you all again!

JoAnn DiNoia joann_dinoia@goodcounsel homes.org

**St. Luke Bereavement-Continuing Support-
June 1 at 7:00 pm**

**St. Luke Pre-Baptism Class-June 5th at 7:30 pm
in the Church.** Call the Parish Office to register.

**St. Luke Rosary Altar Society-June 13th at
11:30 am** followed by a meeting and social in Parish
Center.

St. Luke Rosary Makers-June 20th at 1:30 pm
Instructions and materials provided. **Madonna Room**

**Prayer Shawl Makers-June 21 at 10:00 am-
12:00 pm** in the Parish Center

Pax Youth Group

7th & 8th Graders are invited to join; games, activi-
ties, hang out & pizza while getting closer to God!
Check out our web site: www.paxteens.com

**The next meeting: Friday, June 9
at 7:00-9:00PM** in the Parish Center.

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 Cen-
ter. **(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 Cen-
ter. **(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 Thurs-
day of each month.**

Religious Education News

As the 2016-17 PREP year comes to a close, we've already
begun planning for next year! **At this time, we are in need of
6 CATECHISTS for our Monday sessions:**

Session A at 4:30-5:45 pm - Levels 1, 4, 5 & 6

Session B at 6:15-7:30 pm - Levels 1 & 4

We are very excited that we will be upgrading our text this
year. An introductory teacher meeting is scheduled for **Tues-
day, June 13 at 6:00 pm in the Faith Formation Center.**

If interested in being a catechist, please call the office (732-
505-0108) to join the St Luke PREP team! This program can-
not meet the spiritual needs of our children without **YOU**, our
dedicated volunteers!

Registration papers will be mailed to all families currently
enrolled in St. Luke PREP at the end of May. All new fami-
lies must be registered in this parish. The registration process
will begin on Monday, June 5.

St. Luke Altar Flowers

May 20 - May 26, 2017

To order flowers for the week for any occasion, contact Kath-
leen Muzzio at 732-286-2222. Requests should be made two
weeks in advance.



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 de-
sires to participate fully in the sacramental life of the
Church? **Contact us at 848-226-6217.**

Collections for May 13 & 14, 2017

Total: \$17,045.00 *

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.

"I leave you peace, my peace I give you,"

"The world teaches us the way to anesthetized peace: it anesthetizes us from seeing another reality of life: the Cross. This is why Paul says that one must enter into the Kingdom of Heaven on the road with many tribulations. But is it possible to obtain peace amidst tribulation? From our side, no; we are unable to make peace that is tranquility, a psychological peace, our peace, because tribulations are there, whether pain, illness or death. But the peace that Jesus gives is a gift: it is a gift of the Holy Spirit; and this peace lasts through tribulations and beyond. It's not a sort of stoicism of the 'fakir'. No. it's something else."

God's peace cannot be bought, without Cross is not real peace

"God's peace is real peace, that enters the reality of life, that does not deny life; that is life. There is suffering, there are the sick people, there are many bad things, there are wars ... but that peace within, which is a gift, is not lost, but goes ahead bearing the Cross and suffering. Peace without the Cross is not the peace of Jesus: it is a peace that can be bought, that can make. But it does not last; it comes to an end. "

Let's ask for the grace of inner peace, a gift of the Holy Spirit

When I get angry, the Pope said, "I lose peace." When my heart is "troubled," "it is because I am not open to the peace of Jesus," because I am unable to "bear life as it comes, with its crosses and sorrows that accompany it." Rather, we must be able to ask for the grace to ask the Lord for his peace:

"We must enter the Kingdom of God through many tribulations'. The grace of peace – of not losing that inner peace. Regarding this a saint said, 'The life of the Christian is a journey between the persecutions of the world and the consolations of God' (St. Augustine). May the Lord make us understand well what this peace is which He gives us with the Holy Spirit."

POPE FRANCIS, Homily 5/16/2017

**The 35th Anniversary
of
St. Luke Parish**

Details and Events marking the Parish's
Anniversary will be announced in the
coming weeks.

STAY TUNED!



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (Vincentians) are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to individuals in need. We are young and old. Our members come in every shade of skin color. Some of us are wealthy, some are financially poor, but all of us are blessed with an awareness that our blessings (time, talent or treasure) are to be shared with our brothers and sisters in need. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to those in need on a case-by-case basis. It is this personalized involvement that makes the work of the Society unique. The St. Luke Conference provides assistance primarily to those within our parish geographical boundaries. We also provide some help to the homeless and cooperate with other SVdP conferences and other charitable organizations to provide help outside of our parish.

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.

**OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:
COFFEE, PAPER TOWELS, LAUNDRY DETERGENT**

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

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

PROJECT CHILD FIND

Wednesday, May 31, 2017

At Toms River Regional Schools

1144 Hooper Ave., Toms River ~ in the Atrium

8:30AM-2:30PM (closed for lunch 11:30-12:30)

Project Child Find is an informational open house for families of children, ages 3 to 5, who are concerned about their child's development or suspect that their child might have problems learning. Special education and related services are available to children from age 3—21 who have been identified as having an educational disability. For more info, please visit their Website at:

www.state.nj.us/njded/specialed/childfind.

The Ministry Hotline - 848-226-6218.