

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ AUGUST 7 - 13, 2017

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon.	7:30 AM	Charles Sammons	Ann & Mauro Iacovello
Tues.	7:30 AM	Louise Fortunato	Lucille Di Fiore
Wed.	7:30 AM	Bill Tricarico	Wife, Toni & Family
	11:00 AM	Louis Rucci	Daughter, Angela & Paul Dwyer
Thurs.	7:30 AM	Peter Vittoria	Wife, Frances & Family
Fri.	7:30 AM	Michael Aiello	Wife, Yolanda
	11:00 AM	Tricia Davis	Mother, Nancy Davis
Sat.	8:30 AM	Orlando Franco	Doris Yozzo
	4:00 PM	Living & Deceased Members of the Di Lillo & Alimonti Families	Gloria Di Lillo The Reale Family
Sun.	5:30 PM	Anna Reale	
	7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
	8:30 AM	Terry Di Falco	Barbara Patwell Warner
	10:00 AM	Irene Oltarzewski	Fred & Maria Oltarzewski
	12:00 PM	Ann Marie Russo	Husband, Paul Russo



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Tuesday, August 15, 2017
(Holy Day of Obligation)**

Mass Times: Vigil Masses ~ Monday, Aug. 14, 2017 ~
4:00PM & 7:00PM
Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2017 ~ 7:00AM,
8:30AM & 11:00AM



Altar Flowers Aug. 5 - Aug. 11, 2017



Candle Rings:

***In Memory of Edward Hallinan
on his 1st Anniversary in Heaven
Req. by Wife, Alice***

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS August 13, 2017

1st Reading: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a
2nd Reading: Romans 9:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

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



Pray for the Recently Deceased

*Zetta N. Koepfel John Paranzino
Frances V. Harrigan Thomas Repko*

Please Pray for the Sick

Myn Greuter, Joan Greuter, Elisa Greuter, Linda Greuter, John Kempton, Simon Amato, Deacon Bob Puglisi, Jo Hardardt, Chuck Kraut, Pat Petzold, Nina Parisi, Margaret Boland, Martha Olmstead, Joseph Alphonse Weikel (child), 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, Janet Hlavac, Frank Gorda, Jakub Kowal (child), Catherine Otto, John Farawell, Carol Auletto, Dave Nelms, Rev. Gerry McCarron, Rev. Michael Waites, Jean Stulich, Angeline Magana (child), John Wolcott, Maryanne Molner, Barbara Marriotti, Matthew Saunders, Rosemarie Steuerman, Murial Wittmann, Bill Coles, Fran Consorti, Grace Fusco, Minerva Doncesesz, Clara Rynkiewicz, Chris Valentine, Arlene De Jura, Maryann Gallasio, Gail Cook, John Sevos, Patricia Sevos, Connie Burke, Anthony Somma, Jeffery W. Alexander, Mary Aloia, Anthony Cavallo, Larry Reagan, James Rauh, Bill Smith, Mary Ann Perkins, John Pediston.



Save the Date . . .

**St. Nicholas Ball
Sunday, December 3, 2017**

**St. Luke Parish Office Summer Hours:
Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am-4:00 pm, and Fridays, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

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, Aug. 7**

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., Aug. 16**



The First Sunday of every month, the Rosarians pray the Rosary after the 10:00 Mass in the chapel. All are invited to join us on Aug.6.

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, Sept. 19**

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, Sept. 12**

Religious Education News

PREP Registration is now closed; and we are busy getting ready for classes to start the week of September 11 – 14, 2017!

Something to think and pray about...

If you cannot commit to teaching every week PREP is also in need of Substitute Teachers! (Someone to call when there is a need).

Please call the office to join the St Luke PREP team! This program cannot meet the spiritual needs of our children without **YOU**, our dedicated volunteers!

Social Sunday



The next Social Sunday will be held on **August 20**. 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.

Pax Youth Group

7th & 8th Graders are invited to join; games, activities, hang out & pizza while getting closer to God! August events to be announced. **Check out our web site: www.paxteens.com**

PARISH PICNIC

*Celebrate the 35th Anniversary
of St. Luke Parish*



Sunday, September 17, 2017 ~ 1:30PM—5:30PM

Wristband/Ticket Sales will begin this weekend through August 19th & 20th in the Narthex **ONLY** after Masses. From August 21st–September 8th they will only be available in the Parish Office. \$5/person-ages 10-?; \$3/person-ages 5-9; Free under 5.

Collections for July 29 & 30, 2017

Total: \$16, 114.00 *

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.

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.

Alcoholics Anonymous for Women, 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.

Compassionate Friends, 7:00PM, 1st Tuesday each month in Augustine Room; support for those grieving death of a child.

This Week's Senior Moment

"As advances in medicine and holistic therapies lead to increased longevity, it is important for all of us to recognize the presence of the growing numbers of our older people as a true blessing for our church."

Encyclical: 'Amoris Laetitia' ~ Pope Francis



Bishop's Anniversary Blessing

Sunday, October 8, 2017 ~ 3:00PM Mass
At St. Aloysius, Jackson, NJ

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, 50th or longer Wedding Anniversary during 2017 are invited.

Anniversary couples wishing to attend may complete a registration form at St. Luke Parish Office.

(Anniversary couples must be in a valid Catholic Marriage.)

Deadline to register is September 7, 2017

St. Vincent de Paul Society's Second Annual Golf Outing August 21, 2017

Eagle Ridge Golf Club,
2 Augusta Blvd., Lakewood



Bag service, use of locker rooms, and range balls provided. Prizes will be awarded including "Hole in One" vehicle by Lester Glen. For more information, call Paul Capelli at 732-278-8406.

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 **stlukeconference.org**

The move of poverty to the suburbs is a challenge for the American social-safety net. Many anti-poverty programs in the US were designed to address urban issues—and nongovernmental organizations supporting the suburban poor are comparatively rare and underfunded. Allard finds that federal programs, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (where "food stamps" come from) and the Earned Income Tax Credit, are designed in such a way that benefits have quickly flowed to the suburban poor, but the benefits of locally controlled programs, like Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), have been slow to reach the suburbs. The challenge of addressing suburban poverty is exacerbated by the fact that the scope of the problem is so often portrayed as being limited to the urban poor. In 2010, there were about eight times as many articles in major US newspapers containing the words "urban" and "poverty" than "suburban" and "poverty," and that this media coverage is disproportionately focused on black Americans. A wide range of research suggests that support for social-assistance programs declines when Americans believe that poverty is mostly found in urban, minority settings. Poverty in America is no longer an urban phenomenon, and it's time we stopped talking about it as though it is. - *Quartz Media*

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

Shop at <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/27-1482577>.

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, TUNA, PAPER TOWELS,
LAUNDRY DETERGENT, SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

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



RCIA

The St. Luke RCIA team is already beginning the journey towards the celebration of the Sacraments at Easter. If you or a family member, friend or neighbor are interested in receiving or completing the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation) please don't wait—NOW IS THE TIME! Contact our team at 848-226-6217—all inquiries are answered promptly.

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.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

5 Ways You Can Help GROW St. Luke's Music Ministry

1. Become a leader of song (aka "cantor")
2. Join the adult choir (We are looking for more men!!)
3. Kids could join the kid's choir and sing 2x month
4. You play an instrument or sing and would like to become part of the St. Luke's Joyful Noise Rock Band.
5. You've thought about it in the past and now want to give singing a try at St. Luke's - and join a great ministry!

To learn more, call or text Tom Hinz, our
Director Of Music Ministry at: 732-822-6870,
or email to: tom@musicplanning.com

St. Luke Annual Communion Breakfast

October 1, 2017—After 8:30AM Mass
Clarion Hotel, Rt. 37, Toms River

Sponsored by St. Luke Rosary Altar Society

Speaker from "Through the Eyes of Mary."
Tickets will be on sale after Masses from
Aug. 19 through Sept. 17. Cost is \$20.



Birth Right Carnation Sale




The Rosary Altar Society is sponsoring its annual Birth Right Carnation Sale on **August 12 & 13**. Carnations are \$2 and all proceeds go to Birth Right in Toms River and Barnegat to help women choose life as an alternative to abortion. Staff are all volunteers and women are not charged for any services provided. Expenses are in maintaining the offices and purchase of pregnancy tests. Thank you for your support.

Marian Advocates Needed

The Rosary Altar Society is looking for **Marian Advocate volunteers**, people who will recite the rosary once or twice a month in a local nursing home for the residents. It is greatly appreciated by them and a wonderful way to honor Mary by promoting devotion to her. Call the Parish Office, 732-286-2222, if you are interested in joining this ministry.

White Mass

 A White Mass honoring all who serve in healthcare, will be celebrated on **Sunday, October 15th at 2:00 pm at St. Luke Church**. Light refreshments will follow. If you are in the healthcare field, please come, and if you know someone in the healthcare field, please invite them.

GOOD COUNSEL HOMES UPDATE



1,145 bottles were handed out at St. Luke and to date 601 have been returned with donations of \$11,796.75. If you have forgotten to return your bottle you may still do so!!! There is a red bucket in the Narthex by the statue of St. Luke, please return your baby bottle there.

AV MINISTRY

If you are one of the many future ministers waiting to serve God in the St. Luke parish, but aren't sure of which ministries you can best serve in...

If you are teen or millennial or baby boomer and like technology...

AV MINISTRY is for you!

St. Luke utilizes the screens in the church to assist with worship at all Liturgies including weekend Masses, funerals, weddings, etc. You have the ability to assist the congregation in praising God with the touch of your fingers! To find out more, contact Kathleen Muzzio at 732-286-2222 OR sit in with an AV Minister when you are at Mass!

Let the Preparations Begin!

We are looking for **COPIES of PICTURES** that show our parish from its very beginning.

If you have any pictures from past events, we would love a copy for our History Board, which will be unveiled for the first time at our **September 17th Picnic**.

Please put the date (or approximate date) and the occasion on the back of the picture and drop it off in the box located in the Narthex.