

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ SEPTEMBER 4 - 10, 2017

<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon. 9:00 AM - Labor Day - For All Workers		
Tues. 7:30 AM	Buenaventura Manabat	Rolando & Thelma Villanueva
Wed. 7:30 AM	Thomas & Dorothy Keeler	Children
11:00 AM	PFC Vincent M. Frassetto	Sr. Peggy Russell
Thurs. 7:30 AM	Henry J. Mulholland	Barbara & Bob Brennan
Fri. 7:30 AM	Marian Adams	Skip & Jean Simon
11:00 AM	Mildred Denniston	Family
Sat. 8:30 AM	Vera Steingraber	Al Karaitis
4:00 PM	Frank Di Gennaro	Wife, Sally
5:30 PM	Robert Grassman	Wife, Suzanne
Sun. 7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
8:30 AM	Cira Marie Patti ~ World Trade Ctr Victim	Parents, Fran & Mike Patti
10:00 AM	Frank Sasso	Wife, Marge
12:00 PM	Dr. Frank Corbally	Mother, Ruthe



Labor Day Mass
Monday, September 4, 2017
Mass Time: 9:00AM



Pray for the Recently Deceased
Maryann Petrick *Joseph Lynch*

Please Pray for the Sick

Myn Greuter, Joan Greuter, Elisa Greuter, Linda Greuter, John Kempton, Simon Amato, 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, 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 Doncsesz, Clara Rynkiewicz, Chris Valentine, Arlene De Jura, Maryann Gallassio, 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, Arlene Kopin, Vivian Kircher, Carolyn Schelest, Regina Monahan, John Mastronardi, Patsy O'Leary, Rose Cutillo, Rev. Joseph Hlubik, George Royael, Jane Cirignano, Anthony Maskello.

Note: The Parish and Religious Ed offices will be closed.

Hurricane Harvey Relief

If you would like to help the people devastated by Hurricane Harvey, we will be taking a second collection next weekend, September 9th & 10th, at all Masses. 100% of the proceeds will be disbursed to the dioceses/parishes of Texas affected by the hurricane through Catholic Charities. Please make checks payable to St. Luke Church.

“Even with us today, Christ desires to build His church, this house solid foundations, which never the less does not want for cracks, and which always needs to be reformed, repaired, as in the time of St. Francis of Assisi. No stone is useless. Rather, in the hands of Jesus [the littlest stone] becomes precious, because He picks it up, looks at it with tenderness, works it with His Spirit and puts it in the right place, where He had ever a mind to put it, and where it can be most useful to the whole building.”

~ Pope Francis, *Angelus*, 8/27/17

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS **September 10, 2017**

1st Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9
 2nd Reading: Romans 13:8-10
 Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

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

Virtual Workshops and New Lector Orientation Fall 2017 Lector Series

Do you feel called to be a proclaimer of the Word at our liturgies? Would you like to learn more about this ministry and find out if it is right for you? If you have already answered the call to this ministry and would like to deepen your relationship with the word of God and share in the spiritual, biblical and technical preparation with other readers, you are strongly encouraged to attend the LTP Virtual Workshop Series being offered at St. Luke Parish this Fall.

There will be an orientation meeting for new lectors on **Thursday, September 21 at 7:00 p.m.** Virtual Workshops will be held on **Tuesday, September 26, Tuesday, October 10 and Wednesday, October 25 at 7:30 pm in the Faith Formation Center.** 2017/18 Lector Workbooks will be distributed at the first session. Pre-registration is required so please call the **Ministry Hotline @ 848-226-6218 with any questions and to sign up.**

Save the Date

Health and Wellness Fair Wednesday, September 27

St. Luke Parish Center
12:00pm to 3:00pm

Free Light Lunch Available

Participating Agencies & Resources

Monmouth Medical Center – Southern Campus
“Center for Healthy Aging”

plus

16 other wellness resources focused on interests
and needs of maturing adults.



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.

Open to Parishioners:

We will be having a series of Webinars on RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. These webinars are designed to teach about what RCIA is and its rituals. All webinars will be held in the Faith Formation Center at 7:30 pm. If you are curious, please join us on any of the following:

Wed., September 6th: The Period of the Catechumenate

Thurs., September 14th: RCIA as Adapted for Children of Catechetical Age

Tues., September 19th: The Rite of Election and the Call to Continuing Conversion

Wed., October 11th: The Period of Purification and Enlightenment

Tues., October 24th: The Rites of Initiation and the Rite of Reception

Tues., December 5th: Preaching for the Rites

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 weekend Masses
through Sept. 17. Cost is \$20.

Support Group Forming for Newly Bereaved

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 **Thursday mornings from 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 noon** in the Parish Conference Room for nine consecutive weeks, **beginning on Thursday, September 21 and ending on November 16, 2017.** Pre-registration is required.

Please call the Bereavement Office at 848-226-6220 and leave a message 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, Sept. 11**



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 Sept. 3.

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**

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., Sept. 20**

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.

Parish Religious Education Program

REMINDER - In the Faith Formation Center:

Level 1 Parent Meeting 6:15pm 9/7/17

Level 2 Parent Meeting 6:15pm 9/6/17

PREP Classes will begin the week of September 11- 14, 2017.

Something to think and pray about...

If you cannot commit to teaching every week, we are also in need of Substitute Teachers -- Someone to call when there is a need.

This program cannot meet the spiritual needs of our children without YOU, our dedicated volunteers!

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

Bereavement - Continuing Support Group

**Thursday Evenings, beginning Sept. 7, for 12 weeks
7:00PM to 9:00PM**

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. **Please call St. Luke Bereavement Office to register, 848-226-6220;** leave your name & phone number and someone will call you back.

Newly Baptized Member of St. Luke Church

Noelle Colie Guardascione ~ Daughter of
Matthew and Amanda Guardascione



Collections for August 26 & 27, 2017

Total: \$16,004.00 *

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.

PARISHIONERS' PICNIC
*Celebrate the 35th Anniversary
of St. Luke Parish*



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

Wristband/Ticket Sales are on sale this weekend, in the Narthex. From August 21st–September 8th they will also be available in the Parish Office. \$5/person-ages 10-?; \$3/person-ages 5-9; Free under 5.

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.

This Week's Senior Moment

"I am your God and I will take care of you, even when you are old and your hair is gray. I made you and I will care for you; I will give you help and save you."

Isaiah: 46:4

"New Catholic Study Bible"



***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

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

There was a time when Labor Day recognized the struggle to win basic workplace rights such as worker safety, a minimum wage, and an end to discrimination in the workplace. Today, it is better identified as a time for back-to-school sales and that last summer barbecue, a final respite before we all start to get serious again. Yet for tens of millions of low-wage American workers, Labor Day is another long day on the job—doing hard work, often at irregular hours, for low pay and few benefits. They rarely enjoy the luxury of a day off. They cook and serve food, staff retail stores, care for the elderly and the young, pick fruits and vegetables, clean offices and hotel rooms. America's working poor are still pursuing the American dream and struggling. So, as we squeeze in one more summer blockbuster, let's remember who sweeps up the popcorn when we leave. And as Congress reconvenes, let's hope they also recognize our fellow Americans who work hard but stay poor. After all, despite being a holiday, Labor Day does represent the time of year when we all start to get serious again.

– Raymond C. Offenheiser

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:
SOUP, MEALS IN A CAN, COFFEE, TEA,
PAPER TOWELS, LAUNDRY DETERGENT,**

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



White Mass

A White Mass honoring all who serve in healthcare, will be celebrated on

Sunday, October 15th ~ 3:00 pm

Light refreshments will follow.

All in the healthcare field are welcome and if you know someone in the healthcare field, please invite them.

**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.