

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, October 2**

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., October 18**



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 October 1st.

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: Tues., October 17
(No Meetings in Nov. & Dec.)**

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, October 10**

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

This is a Level 7 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.

Something to think and pray about...

If you cannot commit to teaching every week, the Religious Education program is in GREAT NEED of substitute catechists!

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.

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

The next meeting: Friday, Sept. 29, at 7:00-9:00PM in the Parish Center.

Bereavement - Continuing Support Group

**Thursday Evenings, through November 30, 2017
7:00PM to 8:30PM**

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.

Collections for September 16 & 17, 2017

Total: \$16,683.00 *
Collected for Harvey Victims: \$17,461.00

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.



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.

Altar Flowers



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

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

White Mass



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

Sunday, October 15th ~ 2:00 pm
At St. Luke Church

Light refreshments will follow.

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

This Week's Senior Moment

“Aging is the antidote to personal disaster because age brings us to the point where the best place to go for comfort is inside ourselves to listen to God for a better awareness of the things that really matter.”

“The Gift of Years – Growing Old Gracefully”
Sr. Joan Chittister, OSB



St. Vincent de Paul Society stlukeconference.org

The Poor & Irma - The Census Bureau estimates about 3.3 million people live in poverty in Florida — nearly 16 percent of the state's 20.6 million population. For them, the amusement parks of Orlando or President Donald Trump's Mar-a-Lago Club in Palm Beach might as well be on Mars. Many work by the hour in restaurants, gas stations, hotels, stores and other businesses forced to close for days after Irma, depriving them of paychecks. Others are day laborers or migrants who earn money by the pound picking produce that's sold in stores nationwide. Still others are retirees on fixed incomes or disability checks whose budgets already were tight before Irma. Fleeing Irma wasn't an option for those who lacked transportation to get to a shelter, couldn't afford gas to drive north and couldn't rent a hotel room. The likely costs associated with cleaning up or finding a new place to live pushed them closer to the edge than ever. The St. Luke Conference is working with the Diocesan SVdP to send material aid to Irma's victims.

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, MEAL IN A CAN, LAUNDRY DETERGENT

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

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Our need for volunteers for ministry is ongoing.

- Extraordinary Ministers
- Lector
- AV Ministry
- Usher
- SVdP Society
- RCIA
- Children's 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.

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.

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.**

Mass for Deceased Children
Friday, October 6th, 2017 ~ 7:00PM
In Mary Queen of Peace Mausoleum Chapel
St. Mary of the Lake Cemetery, Lakewood

This very special Mass will be celebrated in honor of **ALL** our deceased children. Please know that this invitation is not limited to those families whose children are buried or entombed at St. Mary of the Lake Cemetery. **All are welcome to join us** as we celebrate and honor our deceased angels. Come together with others who also understand your loss. For additional information, call Kathy Kelly, Bereavement Minister at 732-363-8262.

St. Justin's Parish
975 Fischer Blvd., Toms River
Invites all women to an Evening Retreat
Wednesday, October 4th at 6:00PM

In the Parish Hall ending with
time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration

Topic: Our Lady of Fatima
"Woman of Grace"

What does she ask of us? How do we live her message with ever deepening love for her son Jesus?

Presented by Sister Mary Joseph Albright, SCC.,
A dynamic speaker, Retreat & Spiritual Director.

Come be refreshed and renewed.

No charge; sign up by calling the St. Justin Parish Office at 732-270-3980 or email: bulletin@stjustin.org

Filipino-American Community & Dev't
Center of Ocean County Inc.'s
Fall Harvest Gift Auction
October 13, 2017 ~ 6:00PM
Clarion Hotel
815 Route 37 West, Toms River

Donation per person:

\$45—advance purchase; \$50—price at door.

(Buy 9 tickets in advance, you'll get 1 free ticket.) **Includes plated full course dinner & free tickets for the auction.** Come have fun with good friends, great food, and a chance to win some fabulous gifts! RSVP at 732-664-8120 or fdccteam@gmail.com.

Attention Alumnae of
The Basilica of Our Lady
of Perpetual Help
Brooklyn, NY

Celebrating the 125th Jubilee Year

On **Saturday, October 28, 2017**, there will be a "Homecoming Day" with 3:00PM tours of the school and upper church, 5:00PM Mass in the Lower Church, followed by a dinner/dance in Notre Dame Hall. Tickets are \$50 per person; order online at jubilee125.olphbkny.org. For more information, call the rectory at 718-492-9200 x 103.

THANK YOU

On Sunday, September 17th we were blessed with a glorious day for our picnic at which we began the celebration of our parish's 35th Anniversary. There were many parishioners who volunteered and made this event a great success and are deserving of a very heartfelt thank you!!!! However, a special thanks goes out to Carolyn & John Mauro who chaired this event and to our 7th graders who stepped up and were tremendous!!

Please watch for more events celebrating the founding of our parish