

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ NOVEMBER 20 - 26, 2017

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon.	7:30 AM	Patrick Mc Grath	Margaret Daly
Tues.	7:30 AM	Ana Sardo & Nelson Silva	Maria Sardo-Lopes
Wed.	7:30 AM	Teresa Laurence	Daughter, Theresa Dougherty
	11:00 AM	Deceased Family Members of Joe & Ann Fattizzi	Joe & Ann Fattizzi
Thurs., Thanksgiving Day:			
	9:00 AM	For St. Luke Parishioners	
Fri.	7:30 AM	Dominick Frain	Anne Ray
	11:00 AM	Connie & Bob Craig	Daughter, Connie Stovall
Sat.	8:30 AM	Eugene "Gene" Muller	The Muller Family
	4:00 PM	Ronald Cohen	Parents, Roy & Fran
	5:30 PM	John Hawryluk Jr.	Parents, John & Marilyn Hawryluk
Sun.	7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
	8:30 AM	Mary Burdi	Nick & Pam Burdi
	10:00 AM	Carol U. Yacavino	Her Family
	12:00 PM	Beloved Brother, Daniel Cajohn	Debbie & Steve Weingroff



Thanksgiving Day Mass Time

Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017 ~ 9:00AM

(There will not be a 7:30 AM Mass)

Note: The Parish & CCD Offices will be closed for Thanksgiving, Thurs., Nov. 23 & Friday, Nov. 24.



Pray for the Recently Deceased

Ariel Marang Angeline Magana
John J. Mc Guire

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, (child), Bill Coles, Fran Consorti, Grace Fusco, Arlene De Jura, John Sevos, Patricia Sevos, John Pediston, Vivian Kircher, Carolyn Schelest, Regina Monahan, John Mastronardi, Rose Cutillo, Rev. Joseph Hlubik, Jane Cirignano, Anthony Maskello, Rozanne Gerald, Chellesa Chorelus (child), Peter Kalibat, (infant), Gregorio Alcid, Jean Stulich, Arlene Scala, Emily Mascola, Carol D'Oriano, Marion Valeri, Steven Haas, Michael Kurtz, Peter Martino, Anna Martino, Felicia May, Michael Howard, Elizabeth Marino, Teodora Warner (child), Rosemarie Steurman, Marianne Mazzei, Tom Nardini, Meghan Stahl, Laura Higgins, Roger Foco, Larry Reagan, Carla De Jura Resetar, Clara Antoncich.

Call for New Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion



"The Eucharist constitutes the very life of the Church, for the Lord said, I am the bread of life. No one who comes to me shall ever be hungry, no one who believes in me shall ever thirst."

If you are interested in serving as a Communion Minister, please join us for one of the orientation and training sessions:

**Tuesday, December 5, 2017
3:00 – 4:30 pm or 7:00 – 8:30 pm
Meet in Narthex**

Pre-registration is required.

Leave message on Ministry Hotline: 848 226 6218



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.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS November 26, 2017

1st Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

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

Thanksgiving

On Thursday, November 23rd we will celebrate Mass in the Church at 9:00 am. In the Gospel we will encounter Jesus healing 10 lepers. Only one, a Samaritan, fell to his knees and gave thanks to Jesus. All are encouraged to come together to praise and thank God for all He has done for us on this Thanksgiving Day.

The Staff of St. Luke, wishes you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving. If you are travelling, please stay safe. We also wish to share this prayer with you:

Loving Father on this Thanksgiving Day we pause to remember how grateful we are to you for our home, our clothes, our friendship and this food. We know that throughout the world there are other families like ours who do not have good and nourishing food.

We promise to help those who are in need of compassion in our own community. We promise to work for justice in our own country and throughout the world.

Loving Father, on this Thanksgiving day we thank you for all that you have given us. Sanctify our efforts to bring peace and justice to our world as we ask you to bless this food which we receive gratefully in the Name of Jesus Our Lord. Amen.

Happy New Liturgical Year

The last Sunday of our Liturgical Year—the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe— will be celebrated on November 26th. We will begin the celebration of our new Liturgical Year, with the First Sunday of Advent on December 3rd. During this year, we will hear from the Gospel of Mark, which is considered the first gospel written and is sometimes referred to as the Gospel of Suffering. This Synoptic Gospel is the shortest and begins with the Preaching of John the Baptist and ends with the Ascension of the Lord, after he commissions his disciples to “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel (Good News) to every creature.” Mk 16:15.

Poinsettia Angels

Once again, we will have Poinsettia Angels available for you to remember your loved ones on the Altar at Christmas. Donations toward the Poinsettias are \$15 & \$25. Beginning next weekend, you will be able to make a donation and fill out a Poinsettia Angel with your own intention. These will be placed in the Poinsettias on the evening we decorate the Church for Christmas.

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, December 4



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 December 3.

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, December 15 at
7:00-9:00PM in the Parish Center.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

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., December 20

St. Luke Rosary Altar Society

The Christmas Meeting for **Rosarians** will be on Tuesday, December 12 at 12:00 noon at the La Bove Grand Restaurant. **Advanced ticket purchase required.** For information, call 732-994-1280.

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.

During Thanksgiving week, there are NO PREP CLASSES on NOVEMBER 21 -22 - 23, 2017.

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!



Bereavement - Continuing Support Group

Thursday Evenings on November 9 & 16,
and Tuesday Evening, November 28

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 or for more information, 848-226-6220;** leave your name & phone number and someone will call you back.



Church of St. Luke 8th Annual Gala St. Nicholas Ball

Dinner/Dance

Sunday, December 3, 2017 ~ 6:00 to 10:00PM

Eagle Ridge Country Club, Lakewood, NJ

Tickets are \$50.00 per person. Ticket forms are available in the Church Narthex until November 20 and can be turned in, with payment, at the Parish Office. Don't miss the fun!

Attention Extraordinary Ministers!

Extraordinary Ministers are needed to visit and bring communion to our homebound parishioners. If you are an Extraordinary Minister and could devote some time to this important ministry for the homebound, please call the **Ministry Hotline at 848-226-6218**.



*Pleasant Plains Volunteer Fire Department's
69th Semi-Annual
All You Can Eat
Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, November 19 ~ 7:00am-12:00pm*

At Pleasant Plains Fire House
40 Clayton Avenue, Toms River, NJ

\$6.00 ticket includes all you can eat pancakes, two sausages, and your choice of beverage. For more information, please call 732-644-4075.

**The St. Luke Prayer Shawl Ministry's
Annual Craft Sale
November 18 & 19, 2017**

The Craft Sale will be held in the St. Luke Narthex after all Masses this weekend. All proceeds are donated to Yamba Uganda. Consider these beautiful handcrafted items for Christmas presents!

November is National Caregiver Month!

If you are a caregiver, we honor you and thank you for your caring way of life. As a caregiver living in Ocean County, there are numerous FREE services and support programs available to help you with your caring tasks. We urge you to **call the Ocean County Office of Senior Services (732-929-2091)** and ask them to send you their "Caregiver Resources Packet" which will tell you about those available programs and services. Help yourself ... call and get that packet. You will be glad you did!

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Our need for volunteers for ministry is ongoing.

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| - Extraordinary Ministers | - Children' Choir |
| - Lector | - Children's Liturgy |
| - AV Ministry | - Choir |
| - Usher | - Altar Server |
| - SVdP Society | - Catechist |
| - RCIA | - Social Sunday |

And more!

Please call the The Ministry Hotline at 848-226-6218.



St. Vincent de Paul Society stlukeconference.org

The St. Luke Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society is investigating the possibility of starting a garden on church property next spring to provide the Food Pantry with fresh vegetables for distribution to our guests. Although we receive some vegetables from the Fulfill Food Bank it is of limited quantity and does not include a variety of species for the entire growing season. An objective is for our garden to provide a continuous supply of vegetables over the entire season. We are receiving some technical assistance from two Master Gardeners and are applying for grants to provide funds for initial construction of the garden. At this point we are doing preliminary planning to see if this would be a practical and effective activity for the St Luke Conference.

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:
PAPER TOWELS. JELLY. SOUP.
MAC AND CHEESE. COFFEE

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



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

This Week's Senior Moment

"In our youth we take time to learn, in our aging we ought to take time to understand."

"The Gift of Years"

Sr. Joan Chittister, OSB

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.