

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ MAY 14 - 20, 2018

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon.	7:30 AM	Soledad Tolentino (Living)	The Tolentino Sisters
		Josephine Perez	Marichu Garcia
Tues.	7:30 AM	Inja Yeo (Living) ~ Happy Birthday	Marichu Garcia
Wed.	7:30 AM	Antoinette Russo	Sue Grassman & John Toolen
	11:00 AM	Josephine & Filippo Russo	Daughter, Frances & Ed Leppert
		Robert Kuntz	Wife, Olga & Family
Thurs.	7:30 AM	John Hromy	The Hromy Family
Fri.	7:30 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
	11:00 AM	Helen Dudek	Fr. Bob, Fr. Jack & Staff
		Janet Mascera	John & Robin Madden
Sat.	8:30 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
	4:00 PM	Louise Vanderway	Husband, George
		Patricia Cooney	Janice & George Richardson
	5:30 PM	Anne Repko	Daughter, Roxanne & Jack Reuther
		Marco Leone	Wife, Maureen
Sun.	7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
		Marianna & Franciszek Kurpiewski	Son, Boguslaw & Teresa Kurpiewski
	8:30 AM	Multiple Intentions Mass	Intentions Listed Below
	10:00 AM	Michelle Medvetz	Claire Farrell
		Ferdinando Iozzia	Ann & John Guedes
	12:00 PM	Tom Ruggiero	Wife, Terry
		William Shouldis	Dave Lorenzini & Family

Multiple Intentions Mass ***Sunday, May 20, 2018 ~ 8:30AM***

Viola Morris R-Carmen Morris
Lina Coluccelli R-Gloria Marchio
Mary Mangan R-Husband, Timothy Mangan
Peter Carey R-Timothy Mangan
Peter Timpone R-Mary Timpone
Carmela & Natale Campisi and
Joan Traina R-Kathy & Rob Traina
John J. Finn R-Josephine & Joseph De Pierro



Newly Baptized Members of St. Luke Church

Harper Rose Suveg ~ Daughter of
 Gina and Justin Suveg
Walter Ray Malone ~ Son of
 Maria and Randy Malone
Orlando Filipe Mansur III ~ Son of
 Heather Keith and Orlando Mansur Jr.
Thomas Willard Nivison III ~ Son of
 Noelle and Thomas Nivison Jr.
Salvatore Steven Soriano ~ Son of
 Jillian Forestieri and Steven Soriano Jr.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS ***May 20, 2018 ~ Pentecost Sunday***

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
 Gospel: John 15:26-27, 16:12-15
 Readings may be found at: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>

To all the Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts,
Sisters and other women in our lives
that care for us and love us unconditionally,
Happy Mother's Day!



Pray for the Recently Deceased
Lorraine Reimer *Genowefa Budny*



Please Pray for the Sick

Myn Greuter, Joan Greuter, Elisa Greuter, Linda Greuter, John Kempton, Simon Amato, Jo Hardardt, Pat Petzold, Nina Parisi, Margaret Boland, Martha Olmstead, Joseph Alphonse Weikel (child), Jenny Ralph, Francis Lewis Jr., Richard Coburger, Pat La Rocca, Claire Hansen, Vito Ottomano, Lillian Schneller, Bob Schneller, Bishop John M. Smith, Janet Hlavac, Carol Auletto, Arlene De Jura, Vivian Kircher, Rev. Joseph Hlubik, Chellesa Chorelus (child), Carol D'Oriano, Steven Haas, Teodora Warner (child), Tom Nardini, Carla De Jura Resetar, Loretta Calcagni, Maryann Molner, Patrick Maloney, Maria Markus, Phillip Di Bello, Joanne Demont, Daniel Washington, Bernard Grillo, Dominick Bongiorno, Brother Robert Martineau, Christopher Cirone, Paul Azotea, Joanne Kronowski, Helen Donald, Ron Jobin, Jonathan Gonzalez, Marie Wisnieski, John Hohmann, Mary Camarota, Isabella Borzumato, Charles Gagliano, Jolanta Tylanda, John McCarthy, Catherine McCarthy, Ben Cala, Christine Luccarelli, Larry Reagan, Mr. Virgilio, James Rauh, Maria Plinio, Paul Weinland, Nancy Szczepan, Jose "Tony" Torres, Rev. Dan Collins, Landyn Ernst (child), James Sage, Mike Smith, John Boyle, Jim Mc Mahon, Evelyn Dowling, Jeanne Stulich, Edward Mc Carthy.

Please note—Social Sunday is cancelled
for the month of May.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist (Liturgy of the Table) - Part II

Jesus' first gesture: "he took the bread and the cup of wine", thus corresponds to the preparation of the gifts. This is the first part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. It is praiseworthy that the faithful should present the bread and wine to the priest because they symbolize the spiritual offering of the Church assembled for the Eucharist. It is good that the faithful themselves bring the bread and wine to the altar. "Even though the faithful no longer bring from their own possessions the bread and wine intended for the liturgy as in the past, nevertheless the rite of carrying up the offerings still retains its force and its spiritual significance" (*ibid.*, 73). And in this regard, it is significant that in ordaining a priest, when the Bishop gives him the bread and wine he says: "Accept from the holy people of God the gifts to be offered for the Eucharistic sacrifice" (cf. *Pontificale Romanum — Ordination of Bishops, Priests and Deacons*). The People of God who bring the offering, the bread and wine, the great offering for the Mass!

Therefore, in the symbols of the bread and the wine, the faithful place their offering in the hands of the priest who places them on the altar, or the Lord's Table, "which is the centre of the whole Liturgy of the Eucharist" (*girm*, 73). Thus, the centre of the Mass is the altar and the altar is Christ. We must always look to the altar which is the centre of the Mass. In the "fruit of the earth and the work of man" the commitment of the faithful to obey the Divine Word is offered as a "sacrifice acceptable to the Almighty Father", "for the good of all his holy Church". Thus, "the lives of the faithful, their praise, sufferings, prayer and work, are united with those of Christ and with his total offering, and so acquire a new value" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1368).

Certainly our offering is small but Christ needs this small amount. The Lord asks little of us and he gives us so much. He asks for little. He asks us for good will in our ordinary lives; he asks us for an open heart; he asks us to seek to be better in order to welcome the One who offers himself to us in the Eucharist; he asks us for these symbolic offerings which will become his Body and Blood. An image of this offering of prayer is represented by incense which, consumed by fire, releases a perfumed smoke that rises upwards: incensing the offerings, as is done on feast days, incensing the Cross and the altar, the priest and the priestly people visibly manifest their bond of offering which unites these realities to Christ's Sacrifice (cf. *girm*, 75). And do not forget: there is the altar which is Christ, but always in reference to the first altar which is the Cross and, upon the altar which is Christ, we bring our small gifts, the bread and the wine which will become so much: Jesus himself who gives himself to us.

And all of this is also expressed in the *prayer over the offerings*. In it, the priest asks God to accept the gifts offered by the Church, invoking the fruit of the extraordinary exchange between our poverty and his richness. In the bread and wine, we present to him the offering of our life so that it may be transformed by the Holy Spirit in the Sacrifice of Christ and become with him a single spiritual offering pleasing to the Father. While the offerings conclude the preparation of the gifts, they prepare us for the Eucharistic Prayer (cf. *ibid.*, 77). May the *spirituality of self-giving* that this moment of Mass teaches us illuminate our days, our relationships with others, the things we do, the suffering we encounter, helping us to build up the earthly city in the light of the Gospel.

Pope Francis, General Audience, February 28, 2018

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, June 4**

Sisters of Mercy 50/50 Raffle
benefit the retired and infirmed Sisters of Mercy. The chances are \$25.00; with 10 prizes will be awarded from \$25,000.00 to \$1,000.00. Chances are available in the St. Luke Parish Office. The drawing date is May 20, 2018.

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, May 15**

Parish Religious Education Program

Happy Mothers' Day!

Congratulations to the First Communion Class of 2018! On Saturday, May 12, our parish welcomed 76 new communicants to the Table of the Lord. We pray that by receiving Jesus often in the Eucharist their love and friendship with Him will grow stronger every day.

PAJAMA MOVIE NIGHT for St Luke PREP students! To celebrate the end of great year, we will show the movie "Dolphin Tale" on Friday, May 18, 2018 upstairs in the Faith Formation Center, 6:30 – 9:00 pm. Popcorn and "Dixie Cup" sundaes will be served. Please RSVP by Monday, May 14, at 732-505-0108 to attend.

2018-2019 PREP REGISTRATION – Grade Levels 1- 8:

- * Paperwork mailed to all enrolled families at the end of this month.
- * New families must register in parish.
- * Registrations accepted June 4 - August 1, 2018.
- * Call 732-505-0108 for more information.

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., May 16**

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, June 12**

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 Tuesday of each month.

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

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, June 2
at 7:00-9:00PM** in the Parish Center.

Bereavement - Continuing Support Group

Thursday Evenings though June 7 ~ 7:00-8:30pm

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. **Registration is required.** Please call to register or for additional meeting details: 848-226-6220.

Collections for May 5 & 6, 2018

1st Collection: \$18,509.00 *
2nd Collection: 5,872.00 *

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.

SAVE THE DATE!

"Safety Tips for Grandparents Caring for Their Grandkids"

Wednesday, May 23

St. Luke Faith Formation Center

Program: 12:00pm to 2:00pm

Light lunch available after 11:00am Mass

MUST Call Parish office to register: 732-286-2222

Program graciously presented by: Monmouth Medical Center Southern Campus, Community Education Department

*Come learn some helpful safety tips for grandparents taking care of their grandkids.
A list of low-cost or free fun safe places to take the kids will be generated. Come join us.*

"Jesus' table is twofold in the Christian Community:
there is the Table of the Word and
there is the Table of the Eucharist.
These are the medicines with which
the Divine Doctor heals and nourishes us."

~ Pope Francis



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; someone will return your call promptly.**

This Week's Senior Moment

"As we move along in the aging process, some of our time could be well used by looking beyond our own needs and finding ways, within the limits of our own needs and resources, to help other people in their needs."

***Keys to Spiritual Vitality ...
Powerful Lessons on Living Agelessly***

Richard P. Johnson, PhD

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 Ministry Hotline at 848-226-6218.



St. Vincent de Paul Society **stlukeconference.org**

For some mothers, there will be no flowers or brunches this Mother's Day, because their families cannot afford gifts. These moms are rarely celebrated. But they should be. Raising kids without enough money to meet their basic needs is like being an Olympic athlete deprived of oxygen. Though many low-income moms deserve medals, they're often judged harshly as they trudge across an uneven playing field. Perhaps we more fortunate parents roll our eyes because she always says no when asked to work a bake sale or chaperone a school trip. We're forgetting that she has an hourly wage job — as women disproportionately do — with no paid time off. Perhaps she splurges on ice cream for her daughter's birthday. Everyone in the checkout line feels entitled to pass judgment on the grocery choices of someone using Food Stamps — especially if she's overweight, as most Americans are. Instead of looking for failings in an individual mother, we should be looking at structures that keep so many mothers in poverty. Women and children make up 70 percent of America's poor. - *Huffington Post*

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

You shop — Amazon donates.

Visit <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, PAPER TOWELS, LAUNDRY DETERGENT

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

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.