

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE ~ MAY 28 - JUNE 3, 2018

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
Mon., Memorial Day:			
	9:00 AM	For our Men & Women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms	
Tues.	7:30 AM	Joseph K. Stanzione	Mom & Dad
		Janet Mascera	Barbara Mohn
Wed.	7:30 AM	Matthew Berens	The Family
		Joan Terranova	Chuck & Marlene Kern
	11:00 AM	Lorraine Reimer	The Natusch Family
		Eleanor Gallagher	Claire Gallagher
Thurs.	7:30 AM	Fr. George Macho	The Macho Family
		Francisco Sardo & Nelson Silva	Daughter & Cousin, Maria Sardo Lopes
Fri.	7:30 AM	Opah & Omah Bach	Good Friend, Eddie Lagno
		Lee Harth (Living)	Mercy Nickerson
	11:00 AM	Ann Marie Phillips	Sister, Peggy Hugh Sharkey
		Diane Fleming	The Graham Family
Sat.	8:30 AM	Rose Surck	Susan Freeman
	4:00 PM	Elizabeth Castello	Mary Lou Sherry
		William Hayes	Wife, Mary & Family
	5:30 PM	Deceased Members of the Lidaka Fam.	Vincent & Margaret Lidaka
		Deceased Members of the Doyle Fam.	Vincent & Margaret Lidaka
Sun.	7:00 AM	St. Luke Parishioners	
		Margaret "Maggie" Ann O'Sullivan	Larry & Maureen Modzelewski
	8:30 AM	Rosary Altar Society Members	St. Luke Rosary Altar Society
		Michelle Medvetz	Eleanor Ditchkus
	10:00 AM	Carol Yacavino	Family
		Bob Porvaznik	Maria Cangiano
	12:00 PM	Timothy Blewett	Grandmother, Marcella & Family
		Otto Marracello Sr.	Children & Grandchildren

Memorial Day Mass Schedule

Monday, May 28, 2018 ~ 9:00AM

Note: All parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 28.

On this Memorial Day,
Remember the Fallen,
Honor their Service and Sacrifice,
and Rejoice in your Freedom

LETS CELEBRATE

**Fr. Bob's 30th Anniversary of Priesthood
And Our Great Parish**



Save The Date:

August 19th ~ 1:30pm to 5:00pm

To volunteer please e-mail:
stlukepicnic@gmail.com



Pray for the Recently Deceased

*Karin Krenek Lawrence Nalducci
Jovencio Jaravata*

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, Bishop John M. Smith, Janet Hlavac, Carol Auletto, Arlene De Jura, Vivian Kircher, Rev. Joseph Hlubik, Carol D'Oriano, Steven Haas, Teodora Warner (child), Tom Nardini, Carla De Jura Resetar, Maryann Molner, Patrick Maloney, Maria Markus, Phillip Di Bello, Paul Azotea, 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, 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, James Ken Kircher, Theresa Astarita, Lucia Graf (child), Angela Carey.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

June 3, 2018

1st Reading: Exodus 24:3-8

2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15

Gospel: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

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

So much has been happening in our parish and the Church that it is sometimes difficult to get all the information out to you as quickly as we would ideally like. Here is just a brief synopsis of happenings.

All Things Temporal:

The Parish Center is getting a bit of a facelift. Last year we put a new roof on the Parish Center. Having done this, we can now give the original church a bit of TLC. After some pain, a new floor and some new lighting, our Parish Center will be a beautiful place for parish events and most especially, SOCIAL SUNDAY!

We are also proceeding with our solar energy project. All of us, as Catholics, are called to be good stewards of the resources God has bestowed on us. For us to be good stewards of the resources God has given us and to best utilize the resources provided by you, the parishioners, we are pursuing solar energy in an effort to lower our energy bill, utilize land we own but cannot develop and to reduce our draw on the power grid, all at no/nominal cost to the parish. As a non-profit, we needed a partner to accomplish this. This project has been months in development and we are finally getting closer to realizing its implementation. Agreements are in review and design of the system is underway.

Pentecost and the Sacraments of Initiation:

Last weekend we celebrated the Solemnity of Pentecost, which we refer to as the birthday of the Church. While it is always a proud and significant moment in the Church, when we witness the Sacraments of Initiation, it was particularly poignant at St. Luke this year, because we rarely, if ever witness all three Sacraments on the same day outside of the Easter Vigil. You have heard the importance of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation) which when all are received offer full membership within the Body of Christ. With that membership comes rights and responsibilities, such as being eligible to sponsor someone as they are initiated into the Catholic Church, either through Baptism or Confirmation, but more on that later.

At St. Luke, we were blessed with 8 individuals who completed their Sacraments of Initiation with the Conferral of Confirmation. The names they chose for Confirmation is written on the rocks on the table in the Narthex, along with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Please continue to pray for Robert (John), Kaitlin (Philomena), Robert (Cyril), Vanessa (Rose), Luci (Brigid), Nicole (Colette), Ava (Anne) and Christopher (Cecil). We were also blessed at the same Mass to witness Lila receiving First Eucharist. To complete our triumphant celebration, at 1:30 pm we were blessed with welcoming into our parish family, 6 new members: Matthew, Elle, Jonathan, Mila, Gianna and Brielle in the Sacrament of Baptism. For the ministers involved in preparing all of these individuals and their families for this day, it is always special, but to have it happen on the Church's birthday-when the Holy Spirit came upon the Apostles and they went out and proclaimed the Good News, brings indescribable joy.

SO, if you or someone you know has not completed their Sacraments of Initiation, or if you know someone who is curious about the possibility of becoming Catholic, please give them our **RCIA OFFICE contact @ 848-226-6217.**

Our Parish Religious Education Program is preparing registration for next year. SO, if you know of anyone who is age-eligible to enter Level/Grade 1 or is new to the area, please have them contact the **Religious Education Office @ 732-505-0108.**

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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**



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 June 3rd.

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**

Parish Religious Education Program

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

- * Paperwork will be 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., June 20**

Attention Ladies!

All Rosarians and their lady friends are invited to our **Rosary Altar Society luncheon on Tuesday, June 12**, at La Bove Grande Landmark Restaurant in Lakehurst, from 12pm - 4pm. Cost is \$22. Call Annette at 732-905-0028 for more info or to **register by June 4**.

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**.

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.

Newly Baptized Members of St. Luke Church

Matthew Kyle Boturla ~ Son of

Andrea and Kyle Boturla

Elle Abigail Kirzow ~ Daughter of

Renee and Robert Kirzow

Jonathan Andrew Lazarchick ~ Son of

Shannon and Andrew Lazarchick

Mila Madeline Papa ~ Daughter of

Stephanie and Salvatore Papa

Gianna Michele & Brielle Marie Praznic ~ Daughters of Christina Meseroll and John Praznic



This Week's Senior Moment

"Some people give time, some people give money, some people give their skills and connections, and some people literally give their life's blood. But, everyone has something to give for the good of others".

*Reflections: Life After the White House
Barbara Bush*

Collections for May 19 & 20, 2018

Total: \$17,816.00 *

If you would like to contribute by credit card or auto-debit, **FaithDirect**, forms are available in the Nar-thex or by signing up at www.faithdirect.net.

Thank you for your generous support.

* Weekly total does not reflect contributions through FaithDirect.

“Love Thy Neighbor”

“In Monmouth and Ocean Counties this Memorial Day Weekend, we are all encouraged to love one another as we celebrate the sacrifices made for our freedoms. At a time when division and polarization and prejudice seem to taint our society anew, we need to look deeply into our hearts again to renew our commitment to the freedoms that are ours to own and to share together as neighbors. Hatred and discrimination based on race or religion, national origin or culture or whatever distinguishes us from one another throughout this great land are the antithesis of our national heritage and our national motto “*E pluribus, unum*...out of many, one.” They are also the antithesis of the cause of freedom for which those brave women and men whose memory we honor this weekend sacrificed and laid down their lives. Let us pray for peace in our nation and for those brave women and men who gave their lives in service to our country.”

Statement by The Most Reverend David M. O’Connell, Bishop of Trenton

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Also, it is promised of baptism and the right of the baptized to be educated in the Faith, either through a Religious Education program, Catholic School or R.C.I.A. please be the voice of a disciple and get the word out!

And additionally, our pre-Baptism program is typically held on the first Monday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Church. To register please call the **Parish Office at 732-286-2222.**

All of the information concerning happenings, important dates, contact numbers and various information concerning St. Luke parish, the Diocese of Trenton and the Catholic Church, can be accessed through our website:

www.stlukestomsriver.org

Father’s Day Mass Cards

Mass Cards for Father’s Day are available in the St. Luke Narthex and Parish Office for your Mass intention requests for Fathers (living and deceased.) Please return your Mass request forms in the collection basket or to the Parish Office. Mass Intentions will be remembered during the month of June in honor of Father’s Day.



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

Memorial Day isn't just about honoring veterans, its honoring those who lost their lives. Veterans had the fortune of coming home. For us, that's a reminder of when we come home we still have a responsibility to serve. It's a continuation of service that honors our country and those who fell defending it. - Pete Hegseth

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, TEA, PAPER TOWELS,
STORAGE BAGS

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

**God of power and mercy, you destroy war and put down earthly pride.
Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,
that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters.
Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died
in the cause of freedom
and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace.
We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord.
R/. Amen**

—from Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers