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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 18, 2025

Habemus Papam! With Great Joy, We Welcome Pope Leo XIV.

Church of Saint Luke
Lord, Hear our Prayer

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, MAY 17
5:PM +ELLA MATHIEU
5TH ANNIVERSARY
R/B MARILYN

SUNDAY, MAY 18
7:30AM CATHERINE KANE
HEALING MASS
R/B JANE
10:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
6:00PM LAURA Y. DOWGIEWICZ
KUPERSCHMID
R/B THE FAMILY

MONDAY, MAY 19, 8:00AM
JOE KING
HEALING MASS
R/B JANE

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 8:00 AM
+MARY REGAN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 8:00 AM
+THERESA ROBERTS

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 8:00 AM
+BRIAN OTT
R/B ALYCE MAYER

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 8:00 AM
FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SATURDAY, MAY 24
5:PM CAROL DICIOCCIO
HEALING MASS
R/B JANE

SUNDAY, MAY 25
7:30AM +ALAN PIENKOWSKI
R/B DAVID & KAREN PRENDERGAST
10:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

IN LOVING MEMORY

Susan Roberts, Alan Pienkowski, Patricia Mahon, Virginia Llamido, Loretta Nelson. Charlie Allen

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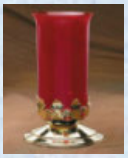
PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Lord, Our God, you sent your Son into the world to bear our infirmities and to endure our sufferings. For your servants who are sick, especially from our Parish Family, we ask that your blessing will give them strength to overcome their weakness through the power of patience and the comfort of hope and that with your aid they will soon be restored to health. We ask this through Our Lord. Amen

Wanda Allen, Tonianne Anderson, Calista Bailey, Louise Barbero, Jody & Laura Behrendt, Emma Benavivich, Tina Chamberlin, Virginia Connell, William Coyne, Bob Cresenzi, Carol DiCioccio, Richard Dubay, Jeanne Ferruolo, Carol & Bob Gay, Marge Griffin, Sister Guytina, Penny Harrington, Tracy Kearcher, Bob & Laraine Kennedy, Joseph King, Kathy Larew, Roberto Llamido, Ellen Lohnes, Richard Marcinek, Meg Morneau, Jeanne Parker, Beth Ann Phillips, Stanley Pienkowski, John Rice, Fran Rukus, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Joan Smith, Melanie Smith, Cooper Somberg, Cosmo J. Tedone, Jane Thomas, Judy Veillette, Bill Vieweg, Sheila Waterhouse, Morris Webber, Alice & Edward Wysocki



SANCTUARY CANDLE - May 18, 2025

In Loving Memory of Charlie Allen

Mission Declaration

In order to witness as a better Christian Community in this third millennium, we, the members of Saint Luke Parish solemnly resolve to provide a worship and prayerful environment that stimulates the spiritual growth to every individual, to sacrifice time, talent and treasure in gratitude for God's generous blessings to His greater glory and for the people in need.

-To promote Christian formation through religious instruction that foster/ nurture the spiritual development of our children, our young people and adults.

-To encourage tolerance, openness, honesty and forgiveness to one another.

-To promote the virtues of Justice, Peace, and Human dignity that:

- address injustice experienced by all peoples, especially women and minorities;

- take action to counteract violence in our society and to foster the sacredness of human life from conception to the grave.

Church of Saint Luke
Faith Formation News

"Lord, take my hand and lead me this summer!"

Faith Formation 2024-2025

Wishing you all a Blessed Easter Season! Registration for the 2025-2026 will begin in July. Parents, students and catechists spend time nurturing and growing our prayer lives and faith throughout the year. Our Faith Formation program runs through Confirmation in grade 10. ***For more information contact Kim in the Faith Formation office at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com.***

Don't Forget to register for VBS Camp 2025

Register today! – True North VBS will be held this summer for ages 4 through the 6th grade the week of July 28-August 1st. Join us for faith, friends and fun as we Trust Jesus in a Wild World!
Why?
Summertime Fun!
Outdoor Games and Science Experiment Activities in Imagination Station
Themed Snack provided daily! We'll also have an ice cream truck on Wednesday and Pizza Party Friday!
Deepen Faith in an exciting way with Wild Bible Adventures and themed days!
An opportunity to make new friends!
Get your own crew t-shirt, bag, and other treats to take home!
You can invite friends to register and join you!
Inexpensive ($15 per child for parishioners & $25 per child for non-parishioners)
Scan the QR code or contact Kim in the Faith Formation Office to register!

New Family Registration

Is your family new to St Luke Parish or do you have school aged children this coming fall? Our Faith Formation program is for all grade levels up to and including Confirmation in grade 10. We welcome all new families with students in these grades to contact ***Kim in the Faith Formation office at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com.*** for registration information. We look forward to welcoming you and your children!

Service to Others & Youth Group – Grades 8 & 9

All 8th and 9th grade students are to complete 10 hours of community service, answer reflection questions and turn in their completed Service to Other Logs **no later than April 30th, 2025**. Service hours are now past due please contact Mrs. Bocchino in the office 860-875-4951.

Faith Fun at Home this Summer

Parents spend time this summer reinforcing and growing your children's Faith!

Visit a Shrine, pray with your children, remind them to pray and find time as a family to pray, take a walk around the church property and explore the outside Stations of the Cross and the many statues on the property, travel to different Churches for mass, pray a rosary together. Send your Children to VBS Camp and read bible stories together. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram. Looking for Faith Activities to do with your children at home this summer? Check out these websites and others for fun faith activities for the whole family: www.catholicicing.com/, www.catholicmom.com/, www.teachingcatholickids.com/ and www.cultivatingcatholics.com, www.catholicallyear.com, www.holyheros.com

2025 ACA update

As of May 6, 2025, Saint Luke Parish, Ellington has donated $31,763.60 or 68.16% of its goal, and 19.68% of your parishioners have donated. We are striving for as close to 100% participation as possible. THERE IS STILL TIME TO DONATE! Our campaign year ends December 31, 2025. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family", or would like to make an additional gift, donation envelopes are still available within the church or you can contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org. Thank you to everyone for your support!

St. Luke Father Tom Scholarship

The Father Tom Scholarship application is open. You can pick up a copy at the rectory, Faith Formation office or print a copy from our parish website. This year we will be awarding 5 - $2,500 scholarships. **All scholarship applications must be received no later than Sunday May 18th at 7 pm. Scholarship applications MUST be brought to the rectory or handed directly to Father George or Father Bijoy after Mass**. Please read full details on the scholarship application.

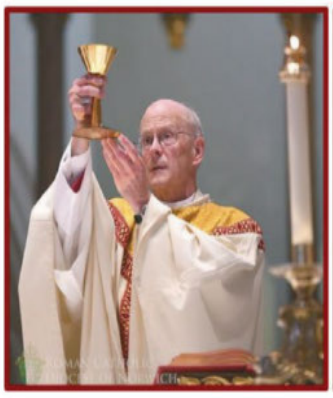
Church of Saint Luke
Community News

Parish Giving

MAY 11, 2025

REGULAR COLLECTION - $4,893

Thank you for your generosity



Welcome, Bishop Reidy!
Chosen by the Lord to lead our diocese,
May you be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit
As you guide us with wisdom, patience, and love.

Parish Council Nominations

We would like to welcome Brenda Perron and Natasha Watson to the St. Luke Parish Council. They will serve from September 2025 to June 2027.

Thank you to Susan Beers and Tom Curtiss for their service on the Parish Council for the past two years.

Yard Goats Baseball on June 29, 2025 at Dunkin Stadium in Hartford

Knights of Columbus Council #4122 has a Block of Field Box Seats allocated in Section 104 on the 1st Base side of the field

Game time is 1:10 PM

Ticket Price is $23

How to order tickets:

1. Please make a Check payable to "**Knights of Columbus Council #4122"** with "**June 9 Yard Goats**" in the note.
2. Please include your e-mail address with your ticket request.

Mail to: Mark Suprin
166 Castle Hill, Manchester, CT 06040

Tickets are limited, and we have sold out each year, so don't wait to submit your request

Ticket Distribution via MyProVenue

The Yard Goats' use the MyProVenue system for electronic Ticket Distribution. Email notification of digital tickets availability occurs in the first part of June.

Questions? Contact Mark Suprin at 860-841-9901, or at **mark.suprin@gmail.com**

ST. LUKE'S CONFRATERNITY OF ST JOSEPH GROUP

This group consists of a group of men that meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center at 6:30 pm to study and discuss aspects of our Church and faith. Meetings typically last an hour (occasionally a little longer). We are currently using Matthew Kelly's "Rediscover the Saints" as our discussion guide. All men of the Parish are welcome to join. Questions or for more information, please contact Jack Schirra at (860) 830-7853

ST. ANNE GRANDMOTHER'S GUILD

Please join us for a time of prayer, sharing and learning! Save the date for our next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 20th at 10:30am In the Parish Center. We look forward to seeing you there! For more information, please contact: Louise at hearttau@aol.com or Laraine at laraineknndy@yahoo.com

PERENNIALS PLUS' PLANT SALE AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Stop by the parking lot behind the rectory and pick up a plant for your garden. Donation of $3 -$5 is requested per container. Proceeds will be used to purchase plants for the church property. Please stop by and support this important fundraiser to beautify our grounds.

Church of Saint Luke

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

5th Sunday of Easter

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (JOHN 13:34)

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know, or someone that doesn't look like you.

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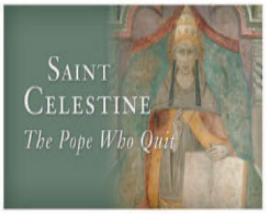
This Week on Formed

Week of May 18, 2025



Saint Celestine: The Pope Who Quit

This docu-drama investigates the secrecy of this dramatic time in history and reveals a story that involves deadly dealings, apocalyptic maneuverings, and papal intrigue. It uncovers the riveting and mysterious story of Pope St. Celestine V, the pope who retired from the papacy after a very short reign. At the close of the tumultuous Middle Ages, this future monk and pope seemed destined from birth to save the world.

Saint Rita

St. Rita of Cascia is immortalized in this wonderful, deeply moving film. This story is about the brave woman who married her knight, helped him overcome his dark past and convert to faith, happily bore him two children, and later endures immense pain as she loses everything in her life. Her story and love for Christ will inspire you to great holiness!

The Pope | What Catholics Believe

Join Dr. Christopher Mooney, assistant professor of theology at the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, as he answers some of the internet's most popular questions about the pope and the papacy.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 20 - St. Anne Grandmothers Guild - 10:30 am
May 20 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm
May 21 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
May 26 - Memorial Day
May 29 - The Ascension of the Lord - Holy Day of Obligation - Masses at 8am and 7pm
June 3 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm
June 5 - Holy Hour - 7pm
June 6 - First Friday Mass - 12 pm
June 6 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
June 8 - Pentecost Sunday
June 9 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
June 15 - The Most Holy Trinity
June 15 - Father's Day
June 17 - St. Anne Grandmothers Guild - 10:30 am
June 17 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8 pm
June 18 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
June 20 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
June 22 - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
June 23 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm

YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS
CENTRAL CT

Young Catholic Professionals
Networking Happy Hour - Thomas Hooker Brewery Bloomfield

Come join Young Catholic Professionals Central CT for our 1st Networking Happy Hour of 2025! We are starting the Summer Season off with a bang! Come network and connect with young adult Catholic professionals from all over Central CT. YCP Belong & Belong + Members will receive a free drink ticket as well as the first 10 people to register online. We look forward to meeting you there!

Where: 16 Tobey Rd, Bloomfield, CT
When: Thurs, May 29th from 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Who: All professionals from 18-39.
RSVP via QR code or https://qrco.de/bfpmnQ
E-mail info@ycpcentralconnecticut.org to learn more.

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