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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 25, 2025

WELCOME

Please pray with us, celebrate with us, and walk together with us in faith. We hope that you will share your special gifts within the community, your prayers, your presence, welcome to all!
May God bless us all!

CLERGY

Rev. George Villamthanam, Administrator
Rev. Bijoy Joseph, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Frank Hann

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00 AM
Rosary - Monday through Friday 7:30 AM
First Friday Mass - 12:00 PM
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Winter
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM Spring, Summer, Fall
Sunday Masses: 7:30 AM, 10:30 AM. 6:00 PM
Holy Day Masses: 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45

SECRETARY - Karen Luciano

Office Hours - M-T-TH 9-1

FAITH FORMATION

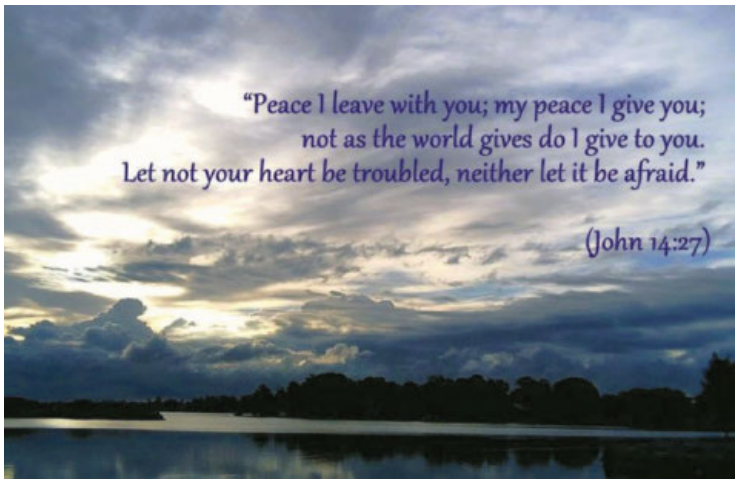
Kim Bocchino, Catechetical Leader
Phone: 860-875-4951
Email: stlukere@gmail.com

RCIA - *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*

Deacon Frank Hann
Phone: 860-462-8032

NEW PARISHIONERS

Call the Parish Office, pick up a yellow registration form located at both entrances to the Church or register on our website.



BAPTISM

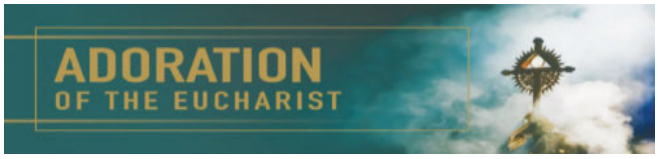
Please contact Deacon Hann @ 860-462-8032 to register. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics.

MARRIAGES

Couples are encouraged to make arrangements by registering their marriage intentions at the Rectory Office 6 months in advance.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND

Please contact the Rectory Office if you or someone you know is ill or homebound and would like to receive Reconciliation, Eucharist, and/or Anointing of



Join us every Tuesday at 8:30 am to 9:30 am and the first Thursday of every month at 7 pm with the Holy Hour and Divine Mercy Prayer for the sick and dying

Church of Saint Luke
Lord, Hear our Prayer

Mass Intentions for the Week

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

MONDAY, MAY 26, 8:00AM
+WILSON FLYNN

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 8:00 AM
+MARY REGAN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 8:00 AM
+BILL TENERO
R/B ALYCE MAYER

THURSDAY, MAY 29, 8:00 AM
+THERESA ROBERTS

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 8:00 AM
+LILLIAN MERRITT GILLERAN
ANNIVERSARY
R/B DENNIS

SATURDAY, MAY 31
5:PM +EDWARD & ROBERTA KOWALSKI
R/B THEIR SON

SUNDAY, JUNE 1
7:30AM CATHERINE KANE
HEALING MASS
R/B JANE
10:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
6:00PM +CHESTER & ALICE SWOLS
R/B JOSEPH & DEBORAH DUFFY

IN LOVING MEMORY

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

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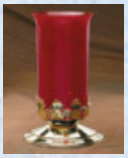
PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

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 25, 2025

In Loving Memory of Pope Francis

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!

Church of Saint Luke
Community News

Parish Giving

MAY 18, 2025

REGULAR COLLECTION - $3,990

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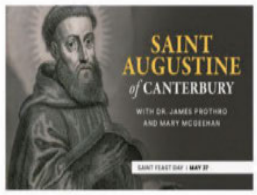
This Week on Formed

Week of May 25, 2025

Saint Philip Neri: I Prefer Heaven

This captivating film highlights St. Philip Neri's great love for youth, his warm sense of humor, contagious joy, deep mystical spirituality, and his amazing gift for miracles. Watch this film to learn more about the famous Apostle of Rome.



St. Augustine of Canterbury | Catholic Saints

St. Augustine of Canterbury is often called the 'Apostle to the English'. A great missionary, St. Augustine was pivotal in converting the Anglo-Saxons to the Catholic faith. Join Dr. James Prothro and Mary McGeehan as they discuss this great saint and his witness to Jesus Christ.

St. Bede the Venerable | Catholic Saints

Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Taylor Kemp sit down to discuss the holy life and witness of St. Bede the Venerable.

Our parish has a Formed subscription.
Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

The Knights of Columbus Council #4122 would like to thank all those who purchased hanging flower baskets on Mothers Day weekend. The proceeds will go to the Cornerstone Food Bank.

ST LUKES WOMEN'S GUILD

New members, Welcome! Please join us on the first and third Friday of every month at 10:30AM in the Parish Center, as we come together to pray and reflect on the Sunday Gospel. Join us at our upcoming meeting on June 6th. For additional information or to join, please contact Carolina at stlukewomenguild@gmail.com

CENACLE GROUP

The St Luke Cenacle Group is a prayer group that meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at 6:30 - 7:30 PM in the parish center. We pray for the Catholics who have left the faith or lost the belief of The Real Presence in the Eucharist. We reflect on the Gospel for the coming Sunday. We end the meeting with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the sick and dying in our families and our parish especially for those who died unexpectedly. All are welcomed. For more information, please see Sue Beers or Laraine Kennedy

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, June 17th 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

The Ascension of Our Lord
Thursday, May 29th.
This is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses will be at 8 am and 7 pm.

Church of Saint Luke

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

6th Sunday of Easter

"…Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." (John 14:27)

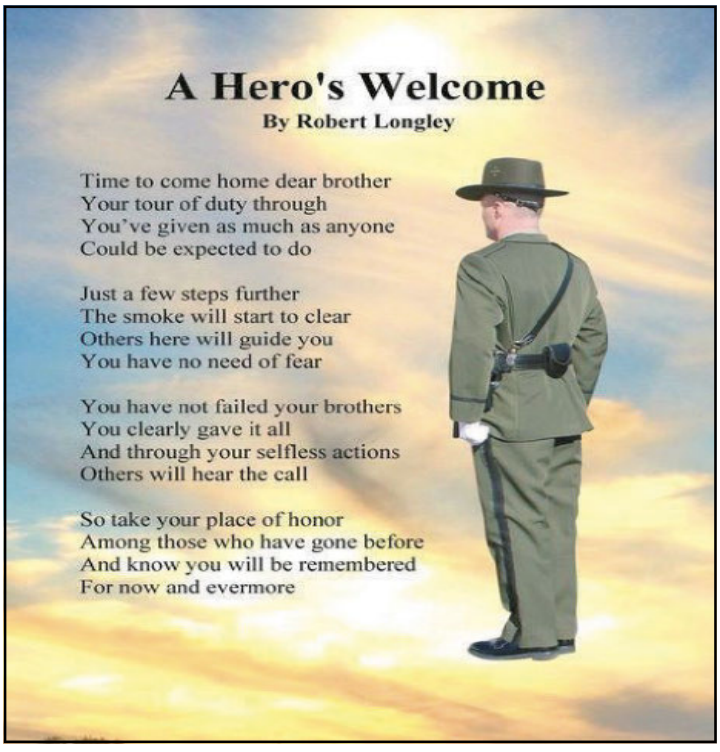
Our limited human understanding cannot begin to understand the immense power of God. Instead of trusting in God, we often think we can control every outcome. Do you want to make God laugh? Tell Him your plans. The next time worry, anxiety or fear creeps in, thank God for all He has given you and trust that He has a better plan for you. Make God your first choice and not your last resort.

Go Green

To minimize the environmental impact of plastic use, focus on reducing, reusing, and recycling plastic whenever possible. Prioritize reusable alternatives for everyday items like water bottles, shopping bags, and food containers. Say no to plastic straws, bags, and other single-use items by opting for reusable alternatives. Carry a reusable water bottle and fill it with tap water or water filtered at home. Choose products with minimal plastic packaging and store food in reusable containers like glass or stainless steel. Be mindful of packaging and consider supporting businesses that offer eco-friendly packaging options.

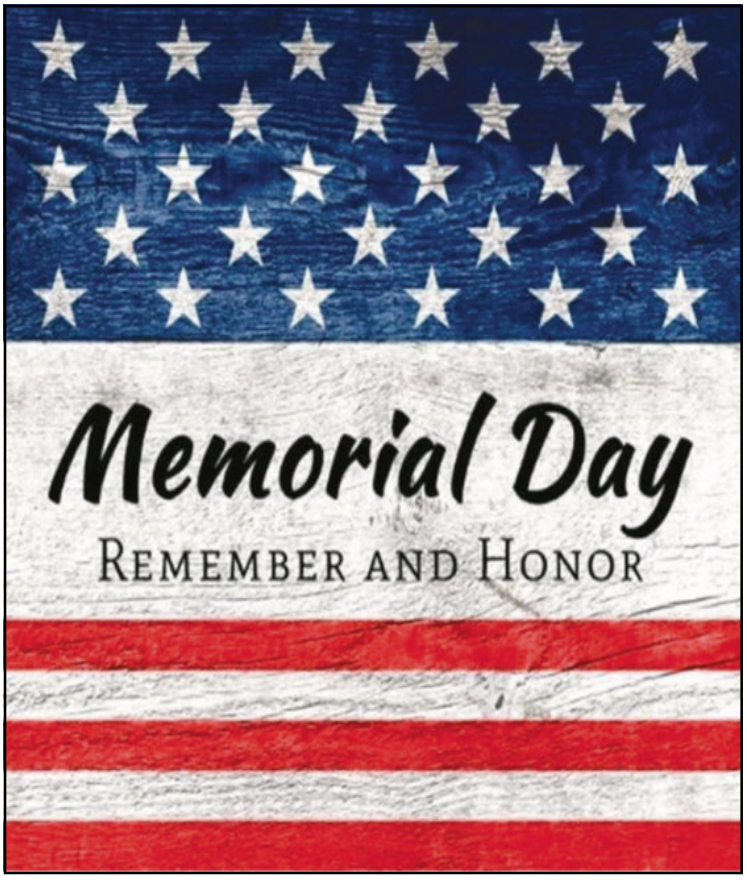
Be An Evangelizer

The ABC's + of evangelizing…A – Accept the call to evangelize. B – Become holy. C – Converse from the heart. D – Dedicate yourself to holy relationships. E - Entreat Our Lady for her help. We have everything we need to proclaim the truth of Christ – we receive Christ's body into our own every Sunday- go out and share the good news!



UPCOMING EVENTS

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
June 27 - Blood Drive - 12 pm to 7 pm
July 3 - Holy Hour - 7 pm
July 4 - First Friday Mass - 12 pm
July 4 - Independence Day
July 14 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
July 16 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
July 18 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
July 28 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm



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