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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 20, 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*

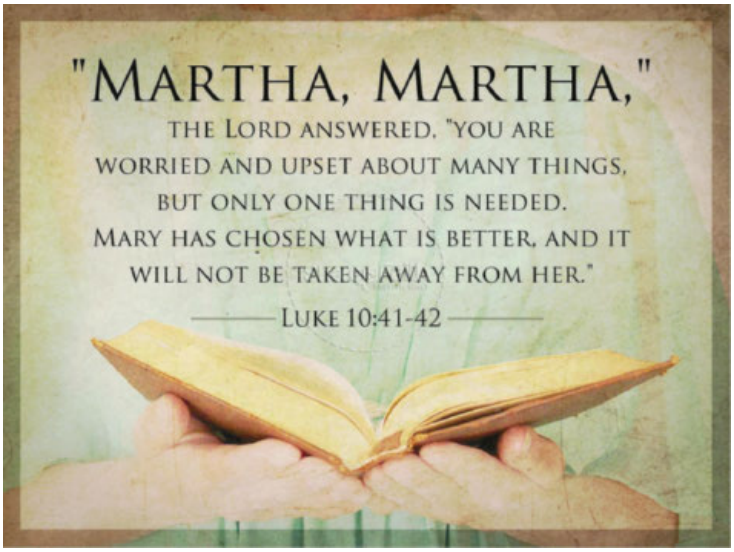
Deacon Frank Hann
Phone: 860-462-8032

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Ray Luciano - 860-573-1187

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 the Sick.

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, JULY 19
5:PM +GARRETT TALBOT
1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
R/B TRICIA SCHUITEN

SUNDAY, JULY 20
7:30AM +FRED & MARION CAIRINS
BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
R/B JANE
10:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

MONDAY, JULY 21, 8:00AM
+LEO MILLER
R/B TOM & DOTTIE CURTISS

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 8:00 AM
+MARY REGAN

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 8:00 AM
+WILSON FLYNN

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 8:00 AM
+THERESA ROBERTS

FRIDAY, JULY 25, 8:00 AM
+RALPH HALBACH
R/B PAUL & MARILYN GILBERT

SATURDAY, JULY 26
5:PM +CYNTHIA PELLEGRINI JOHNSON
R/B THE FAMILY

SUNDAY, JULY 27
7:30AM +WALTER & ALICE WOLLMAN
R/B SUE BEERS
10:30AM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS
6:00PM FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

SANCTUARY CANDLE - July 20, 2025
In Loving Memory of Joe King
R/B Jane

IN LOVING MEMORY

Susan Roberts, Alan Pienkowski, Patricia Mahon, Virginia Llamido, Loretta Nelson, Charlie Allen, Joseph King, Lela Armata

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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, 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

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 faith filled fun summer! Ready to register your children for the 2025-2026 contact Kim in the Faith Formation office. Registration letters are being mailed and emailed to all returning families. Join our Faith Formation program where we take 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.***

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!

Confirmation 2026 - Mark your calendars

Confirmation summer packets are due by Friday August 1st. Email or drop off completed packets at the Faith Formation office. Questions contact Mrs. Bocchino in the Faith Formation office.

Please also mark your calendars for the following important dates all Confirmation candidates and family must attend:

-Sunday October 26th at 10:30 Mass - Confirmation Candle Mass
-Parent & Student Confirmation Mass & Retreat – Sunday December 14th 11am at St. Edwards Church in Stafford Springs
-Sunday January 25th at time TBD - Confirmation Commitment Mass
Confirmation Rehearsal - Thursday March 12th 6:30pm at St. Joseph Church Rockville
-Confirmation 2026 – Sunday March 15th 1pm Mass at St. Joseph Church in Rockville

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

St. Luke's offers weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday from 8:30 am until 9:30 am and the first Thursday of every month at 7pm. The Church in the United States is conducting a three year long period of Eucharistic revival, in an effort to renew the Faithful's knowledge, understanding, belief in and love of the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist.
All are invited and encouraged to take time, on a regular, weekly basis, to spend quiet time in prayer with Jesus. Adoration of the Eucharist is a fantastic opportunity to deepen one's relationship with God, to become more prayerful and attuned to the gifts of God's love, and to more fully appreciate all that God has blessed us with in our savior Jesus.
I hope that this will become a successful and fruitful prayer experience for all in our parish and the wider community. Please plan on taking part in Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament - Jesus Christ - our redeemer. God Bless.

Church of Saint Luke
Community News

Parish Giving

JULY 13, 2025

REGULAR COLLECTION - $4,316

Thank you for your generosity

SAVE THE DATE:

For: St. Luke Parish Picnic

When: Sunday, September 14th

Time: After the 10:30 Mass

Where: In the back of the Rectory

All are invited! Watch the bulletin for details!

Good food, fun and games for all ages!

Marriage Encounter Experience

This summer, give your spouse the gift of your time and discover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage! Consider attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The next one scheduled in Connecticut is August 15-17 at the Holy Family Retreat Center in West Hartford. There's no group discussion. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be. Over the course of the experience, three couples and a priest provide new tools, using examples from their own lives, to help couples work through common themes of which all married couples can relate. For more information, contact Frank and Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or sign up online at apply - Worldwide Marriage Encounter (wwme.org) and click on August 15-17, 2025.

SAVE THE DATES

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Friday, November 7, 5pm to 8pm

Saturday, November 8, 9am to 2pm

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. For additional information or to join, please contact Carolina at stlukewomen-Guild@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. We will not be meeting during the summer. We look forward to seeing you in the Fall. For more information, please contact: Louise at hearttau@aol.com or Laraine at laraineknndy@yahoo.com

RAFFLE PRIZES

Raffle prizes are being accepted for the **Golf Tournament.** Please bring your raffle prizes to the Rectory Office, Monday through Thursday between 9 and 1pm. Thank you for generosity.

Church of Saint Luke

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"…I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God." COLOSSIANS 1:25

We are all called to evangelize – to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel. Our faith is more attractive to others by our actions than by our words alone. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith through our actions and words, especially with those closest to us, like our family, friends, and neighbors. Pray for the courage to joyfully express your faith the next time the opportunity arises.

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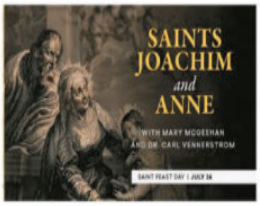
This Week on Formed

Week of July 20, 2025

Footprints: The Path of Your Life

Eleven young men from the United States walk the Way of St. James pilgrimage. They are looking for answers, not beautiful scenery. How do you deal with pain and suffering? Do the weak quit, or do they find meaning on the Camino? How much baggage is enough or too much?



Sts. Joachim and Anne | Catholic Saints

Though they never appear in canonical Scripture, Sts. Joachim and Anne—the grandparents of Jesus—hold a place of great importance in the Church's tradition. Discover more about the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this episode of Catholic Saints with Mary McGeehan and Augustine Institute professor Dr. Carl Vennerstrom.

Saint Mary Magdalene | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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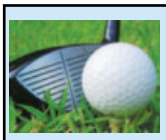
UPCOMING EVENTS

July 28 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
Aug 1 - First Friday Mass - 12 pm
Aug 1 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
Aug 7 - Holy Hour - 7 pm
Aug 11 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
Aug 15 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
Aug 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation - Masses at 8 am and 7 pm
Aug 20 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
Aug 25 - Cenacle Group - 6:30 pm
Sept 1 - Labor Day
Sept 2 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8pm
Sept 4 - Holy Hour - 7 pm
Sept 5 - First Friday Mass - 12 pm
Sept 5 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
Sept 5 - Blood Drive - 12 pm to 7 pm
Sept 8 - Cenacle - 6:30 pm
Sept 14 - Parish Picnic
Sept 16 - St. Luke Crafters - 6 to 8pm
Sept 17 - Confraternity of St. Joseph meeting - 6:30 pm
Sept 19 - Women's Guild - 10:30 am
Sept 22 - Cenacle - 6:30 pm



St Luke Annual Golf Tournament

We will be having the 22nd annual St. Luke's golf tournament on Monday, September 22, 2025 at Ellington Ridge Country Club. Lunch and dinner are included. Prizes are awarded in men's, women's and mixed divisions, and we have a large raffle after dinner. Tan brochures are available at both entrances of the church.

Registrations or sponsorships can be mailed to the address in the brochure or placed in the collection basket at Mass. If you are able to donate an item for the raffle, please contact the rectory or call one of the committee members listed in the brochure. Please call Kitty at (860-462-1185) if you'd like to help or have questions about this fun event.

"Joy is a net of love by which we catch souls." - Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

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