

# Saint Luke the Evangelist

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asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."



## WORD & Sheila, grade to WORD & DEED year of wanted

Sheila, our fifth grade teacher's 8year old daughter, wanted a puppy

and she was begging at every opportunity and promising to take care of it. Knowing full well it would end up being her responsibility, the teacher made arrangements with her brother to dog-sit for a week while he was on vacation. The first few days went pretty well, but by the fourth day 'doggy fatigue' was setting in. It seems that the young dog enthusiast failed to account for multiple daily walks, feedings, bathing, playtime and 'cleaning up'. At the end of the week, Sheila informed her mom that she had changed her mind and would prefer a goldfish instead.

Faith is a commitment to a way of life, not just a set of intellectual beliefs. More than just accepting the idea that Jesus is the Savior, faith means that we continue to forgive so that we live by God's standards, even when it is demanding, inconvenient or difficult. Forgiveness and reconciliation are the basis of the Christian life and if we compromise them, we compromise our life, both temporal and eternal.

We live our faith when we follow the teaching and example of Jesus, when we reach out to those who have hurt us and offer forgiveness over and over and over. We have the Church, the sacraments and the example of the saints—all of which are part of our community of faith that strengthens and supports our baptismal commitment to follow the Lord. There can be no 'faith fatigue'. Our God sets the example; our faith is renewed and strengthened when we put it into practice.

James Gaffney,

## SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH



5:00pm **Saturday, September 12** by her family

Sunday, September 13

7:00am 9:00am **Laurie Bilodeau** by Jeannette Ahronian 11:00am **Claire Strouse** by her family

BAPTISMS` 12:30pm: Kellan Ryan Tierney & Tierney James Allsion

Monday September 14 9:00am Marie Volpe by her family **Tuesday. September 15** 9:00am Pat & Paul Dempsey by their family Wednesday, September 16 9:00am Souls in Purgatory Thursday, September 17 9:00am Robert Malone (15<sup>th</sup> Anv) Friday, September 18 9:00am Saturday, September 19 5:00pm Joan Antonio by Diane Collins Sunday, September 20 7:00am Maria Barretti 9:00am Alexander by his family 11:00am Rita Smith by her family

BAPTISMS` 12:30pm: Kayla Rose Nyren





Elise Ollman-Kahle, Susanne Ollman, Patricia Amorelli, Carol Aloisi, Michael, Kim Evans, Ann Martin, Mickie Aylward, Tuyen Tran, Mary Mahan, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau, Beth Lambert, Cheri McGee, Agnes Limberger Joe Gonzales, Zachary Collins, John Miller, Elise Renee, Ann Tisbert, Patrick, Christine, Robert Coutinho, Sharon Beaulieu, Donna Manduke, Toby Claufon, Becky Rawson, Carmelia Potenti, Elisa Korb, George Beecher, Russell Gazzana, Erin Magrane, Leanne McCann, Ellie Carlson, Epifania Soto, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott, Kellan Keough, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney, Andrea Furtado, Luis Ferreria, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen, Vicki Foley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett, Neil Kenny, Paul Fallon, Debbie Giroux, Carole & Pam Laino, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao, Maryann Bisco, Susan Garry, Melvin Boucher, T.J. Bautz, Joan Fallon, Marie Wilson, David Perry, Lucia Engdahl, John Durnan, Linda Darby, Kirolos Gergis, Beverly Taylor, Judy Melfa, Claire Kennedy, Maria Matejko, Peter Rose, Kevin & Donna Brennan, Richard Carey, Luz Chavez, James Thomas, Teresa Putnam, Christina Narensky, Lynn St. Jean, Michael Berthuime, Trisha Suzi, Norman Beland, Margaret Markert, Hailie McLatchey, Barbara Auger, Barbara Barnes, Doris Biedermann, Joan Bunnell, Joan Finnerty, Jeanne Amendola, Jack Walker, Daniel Baker Rebecca Coax, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo, Lucy Hamburger, David Carrera, Joel Rivera, Gary Shults, Pat & John Lusek, Michael Zancewicz, John Lynch, Kristy Cautello, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Carol Guarino, Michael Turpin, Connor Blaney, Debbie Krikler, Sally Gagliardi, Sam Mozley

Names of individuals on the Prayer Line are not published in the bulletin Let us remember to pray for all the men and women and their families who are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan We remember those who have died Evelyn Richardson

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45PM ~ also by personal request Reconciliation Room is handicapped accessible

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a Priest at least six months in advance

#### VISITATION OF THE SICK

Our extraordinary ministers are always pleased to bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship. If you or a family member would like to receive Communion, please call the Rectory. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE Weekend Masses Saturday at 5:00 PM in English and 7:00 PM in Spanish.

Sunday Masses will be at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM. There will be no 6:30 PM Mass on Sunday until further notice.



Registration is Ongoing for Faith Formation

Programs for grades Pre-K through 11th Most classes will be held online via Zoom

Click to visit St. Luke's website for details, schedules, and registration information

For Jr. High and High School Programs, contact Gloria Josephs: youthministry@stlukes-parish.org For Grades K - 6 contact Tony Joseph: anthony1joseph1@gmail.com

#### **SEEKING TEACHERS**

Do you have a love for sharing our beautiful Catholic faith?

Would you be willing to share your faith with children of St. Luke's?

If so, please consider teaching or co-teaching a Faith Formation class. Your faith is a blessing to our youth!

We provide training, materials, and support!

Click here for more information: Faith Formation K - 6 Catechists Or Contact Tony Joseph (Grades K-6) at anthony1joseph1@gmail.com



"O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, who are so precious in your eyes... God of love, show us our place in this world

as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth, God of mercy, may we receive your forgiveness and convey your mercy throughout our common home. Praise be to you!" Amen.

*His Holiness Pope Francis for the Celebration of the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on September 1, 2016* 



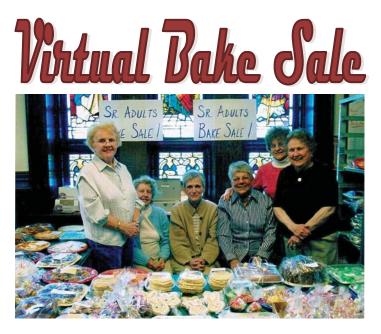
## CATHOLIC CHARITIES SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The School Supply Drive is just one way Catholic Charities helps families in need in Worcester County.

Each year they provide backpacks filled with school supplies to hundreds of children. St. Luke's has proudly supported this drive for 8 years, helping 75 children whose families would not otherwise be able to provide for them.

This year the drive is contact-less. To help, you can purchase supplies on their Amazon Wish List, below. Supplies will be sent straight to their office to be packed and distributed to school children in need. Thank you for your support!

Kindly indicate on your Amazon order that your gift is from St. Luke's.



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Forever Young has been unable to host any delicious Bake Sales, which are their only fund-raising efforts. Instead, we are enlisting your support by way of a **"VIRTUAL BAKE SALE".** 

You can help us by using the Senior Adult envelope provided in your September church envelope packet.

Thank you for your support!



## SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH



The **Prayer Shawl Ministry** continues to pour their love, care and prayers into every beautiful lap robe, baby blanket, and prayer shawl they knit. These wonderful items are available for those who seek a little extra comfort during these trying times.



Carol Mulcahy shares, "Over the past two months we have been meeting behind the Parish Center and will continue to do so as long as the weather cooperates. We bring lawn chairs that are placed six feet apart and we wear masks. It's a good opportunity to socialize while we work on the shawls." Parishioners who are not able to attend meetings at the parish center actively work on shawls in their home. When finished knitting, the ministry prays over each carefully crafted item and attaches a Miraculous Medal and prayer card before providing them to our Parish Outreach programs. These beautiful shawls, lap robes and blankets have been a particular source of comfort to our Saint Luke parishioners as well as the families of Visitation House, the Appalachia Service Project, and the babies baptized at St. Luke's.

These beautiful hand-knit items will be available in the vestibule of the church at all masses this weekend. You are invited to take one of these gifts to those who may be suffering, those who are in mourning, or those who just need to feel they are very much loved. They are also available by reaching out to Pam at the Parish Center Office at 508-366-8509 to make arrangements for pickup

# WE ARE LOOKING TO FILL ONE OPEN SEAT ON ST. LUKE'S PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL.

### SUBMIT A SELF-NOMINATION TO SERVE ON THE COUNCIL

What is the Pastoral Council? It's a group of parishioners who investigates pastoral matters, considers them thoroughly, and proposes practical conclusions about them to Monsignor Mike.

What is the commitment? The council meets monthly. We are currently meeting via Zoom. Terms are for three years.

What if I am interested? Email Vice Chair Matt Zogg at mszogg@hotmail.com -Include a brief one sentence message indicating your interest. -Include your name and contact information. - CC both Monsignor Mike frmike@stlukesparish.org and Father Joe FrJoe@stlukes-parish.org on the email.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities in Worcester**

Urban Missionaries of Our Lady of Hope is a Catholic Social Action ministry in the Diocese of Worcester. In these difficult economic times, we are in need of volunteers who are willing to donate their time and talents to help support our day-to-day operations in "helping the least, the last, and the left out". If you have time and would like to help us make a difference, please contact us by email at mailbox@urbanmissionaries.com or by phone at 508-831 -7455.

ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH IS OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK, WE CAN MAKE A VISIT ANYTIME WE PASS. JESUS WILL BE AS HAPPY TO SEE US AS WE ARE TO SEE HIM.



# St. Luke's Parish Family

# presents... A GRIEF SERIES:

Every human being has a great, yet often unknown, gift to care, to be compassionate, to become present to the other, to listen, to hear and to receive... Those who are not afraid to hold a hand in gratitude, to shed tears in grief, and to let a sigh of distress arise straight from the heart, can break through paralyzing boundaries and witness the birth of a new fellowship, the fellowship of the broken.

Henri J.M. Nouwen

# Offered by the St. Luke's Bereavement Team: Michael Barretti with Melanie Board (in-person) and Nancy Papp with Kate Curley (zoom meeting)

**In-Person dates:** (7:00-8:30 pm, parish center)

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020 **Permission to Mourn** 

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2020 The Mosaic of Grief

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 **Anniversaries and Holidays** 

Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020 **Spiritual Care: Loss and Meaning** with Monsignor Mike Foley

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2020 Restoring Balance, care while moving forward.

Space limited. Register with Julie Basque at 508-366-8509 or pastoralassociate@stlukesparish.org

**Zoom Meeting dates:** (7:00 pm, parish zoom acct.)

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020 **Permission to Mourn** 

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2020 The Mosaic of Grief

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 **Anniversaries and Holidays** 

Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020 Spiritual Care: Loss and Meaning with Monsignor Mike Foley

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24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live Stewardship or die, we are the Lord's." (Romans 14:8) This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely

"stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God daily and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.

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LORD'S DAY MASSES Saturday: 5 PM, in Spanish 7 PM Sunday: 7:00AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM,

<u>Weekday Masses</u> Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM <u>Holy Days</u> 7:00 AM, 12:10PM and 7:30PM

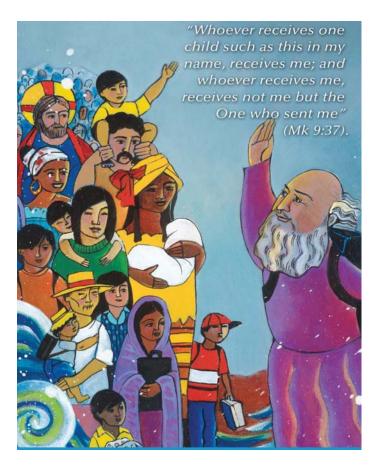
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BULLETIN DEADLINE: Thursday, 5PM

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St. Luke the Evangelist Parish is a Roman Catholic community in the Diocese of Worcester. We strive to learn, teach and joyfully live the fullness of our Faith and serve God and our neighbors in charity and truth. We faithfully celebrate the Sacraments, pray together as a community and give generously of our time, talent and treasure to live and promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our daily lives.



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