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Saint Luke's

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November 7, 2021

Thirty-second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Confessions
Saturdays from 1:00-2:00 pm

MISSION STATEMENT

To reach out in love
to all God's people
by living the healing
ministry of Jesus Christ
and St. Luke as a caring faith
community fed
by the Eucharist and
led by the Holy Spirit.



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Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am
	10:00 am
	12:00 pm
Daily M-F	9:00 am

St. Luke's Is Served By...

Rev. James M. Manos ----- Pastor
John McKeon ----- Deacon
Rev. Eugene Gniewyk ----- In Residence
Msgr. Thomas J. McDade ----- In Residence
Sr. Lois Jablonski, S.S.J. ----- Pastoral Associate
Sr. Eileen Ivory, O.P. ----- Pastoral Associate
Elizabeth Maxwell ----- Director of Music Ministry
Christine Ferreri -- Director of Religious Education
Paul Petersen ----- Pastoral Associate

Katherine Greenwood ----- Pastoral Assoc, Liturgy
Barbara Weiss ----- Business Manager
Ed Flemming ----- Property Manager
Donna Cerone ----- Cemetery Administrator
Patrick Logue ----- Safety Manager
Peter Mastandrea ----- Parish Trustee
Maureen Menakis ----- Parish Trustee
Ed Hayes ----- Pastoral Council President

*Mass Intentions
for the Week of November 7*



Saturday, November 6

5:00 pm James Newman
Rafael Diaz
Elizabeth Logue
Alexander R D'Agnillo
John Keating

Sunday, November 7

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Charles & Marianne Rief
10:00 am Theresa & Eugene DellaSala
12:00 pm Theresa & Thomas Redling

Monday, November 8

9:00 am Sirena Cosentino

Tuesday, November 9

9:00 am Carmelanne Dilkes

Wednesday, November 10

9:00 am Thomas Reid

Thursday, November 11

Veterans Day

9:00 am Donald Droste

Friday, November 12

9:00 am Anna & Michael Librie

Saturday, November 13

5:00 pm Connie Carriero
Jose Ventura
George Osgoodby
Margaret Elwood
Elizabeth Logue

Sunday, November 14

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Theresa Sinacori
10:00 am James Newman
12:00 pm Patricia & William Crane



We remember those who are ill, and those who are in need of prayer especially Msgr Robert Slipe, Cindy Joy, Pat Manente, Marian Campanelli, Adam DeAngelis, Cole McKeon, Tim O'Hare, Stacey Veros, Curtis Daniels, Charles Lavin, healthcare workers, funeral home personnel, first responders, and all those who have recently died especially Richard Saporito and Charles Wry.

This week's Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of Carolyn Green



October Special Gift Winner

SPECIAL GIFT	
ST. LUKE CHURCH 110-110-110, NJ 07033-1109	
MONTH	_____
NAME	_____
ADDRESS	_____
\$20	

Congratulations to our Special Gift winner for October. This month, Sarah Warlikowski has won \$360. Keep sending in your orange envelope marked "Special Gift" for a chance to be next month's winner.

**With gratitude for their service,
let us keep those who serve
in our military
in our prayers including**

Nicholas Oravetz, US Navy
Capt William Mulkeen, US Army
Major Sean Fox, USAF
Capt David Gatti, US Army
Lance Cpl Patrick Gordon, USMC
Major Frank Toomey, US Army
Arnauld Tarbangdo, US Marines
Nicole Cunneely, US Navy
James Ryan, US Navy IT3
1st Lt Christopher Forst, USAF
Colin Lynch, US Navy
Staff Sgt Brandon Ritter, USAF
1st Lt Conrad Polys, US Marines
Brendan Jimenez, US Coast Guard
MSG James Leonard, NJ Natl Guard
Capt Brendan Cahill, US Army
SPC Logan Costello, US Army

Stewardship of Treasure



The collection amount for the weekend of October 30/31 amounted to \$7,644. We are so very grateful for your kindness, stewardship & generosity.

Senior Lucan News



The next St Luke Senior Lucan meeting will be this Thursday, November 11th. We will celebrate Veterans Day with a luncheon beginning at 12 noon. The meeting will take place in the gym. Hope to see you there!



Christmas Outreach St Philip Benizi in Belle Glade, Florida



Many have asked about our Christmas outreach for St Philip Benizi in Belle Glade, Florida. We are again asking for donations of gift cards to be sent to the people of St Philip Benizi parish. Most helpful would be cards, in any denomination and quantity, for any of the following merchants: Walmart, Walgreen's, CVS, Target, Kohl's, Hobby Lobby, Michaels, Home Depot, Staples, McDonald's, Burger King, Dunkin Donuts, or Visa gift cards. Please drop your cards in the collection basket so we can deliver them before Christmas. Your generosity is truly a blessing.



BLANKETS NEEDED



Please consider donating clean, used blankets for the coming cold winter. There are local people who are in need. Blankets can be dropped off near the office door. Please use a shopping bag. They will be distributed by volunteers. Thank you.

Benefitting the Bastante - Howard Family!

Joanne Bastante-Howard is a single mother of a special needs 13 year old boy. Her son, diagnosed with Down Syndrome, is a student at ECLC School in Ho-Ho-Kus. Joanne is currently suffering from Breast Cancer, and is receiving treatment.



Scan QR Code to DONATE!
Donations of \$40 or more will receive a shirt!



Going Through A Difficult Time, Don't Suffer Alone . . .

We're brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it is a sign of weakness. So we try to keep our struggles hidden and are reluctant to ask for help. However, that's not God's plan. Galatians 6:2 says, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." God wants us to care for others - and allow others to care for us in our time of need. If you're grieving or sad or struggling with a difficult situation in life, don't suffer alone. Ask for help. Here at St Luke's we have a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help you through a tough time while maintaining confidentiality. Find out more about Stephen Ministry by emailing admin@churchofstluke.org.



Growing in FAITH™

Discovering **hope and joy** in the Catholic faith.

November 2021

One Minute Meditations

Happiness

As a loving Father, God wants us to be happy. True happiness is: "Joy and beatitude over receiving the fulfillment of our vocation as creatures: a sharing in the divine nature and the vision of God. God put us into the world to know, love, and serve Him, and so come to the happiness of paradise" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, # 1720). The happiness the world offers doesn't last, but the happiness God offers is forever.

Nurture faith

Spiritual growth doesn't stop with formal religious education. To know God better, start with the Bible and consider adding spiritual reading. (Hint: ask a priest for recommendations.) Read so that you may learn more about God's ways.

Patience makes sense

Don't be tempted to compare yourself to others. God's plan for you is unique. *"Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over him who prospers in his way"* (Psalm 37:7).

Prepare for an amazing truth

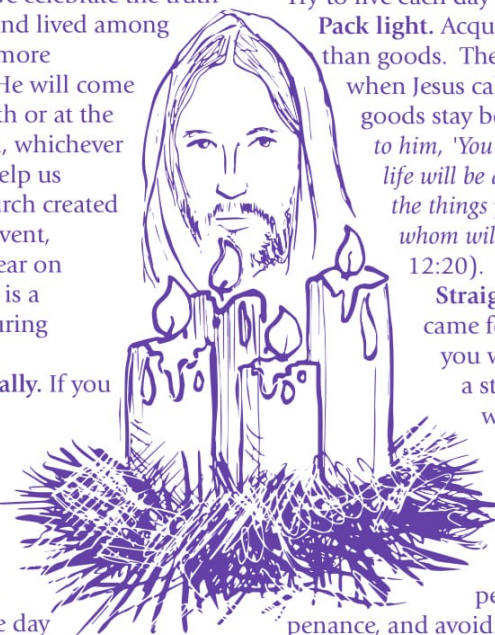
At Christmas we celebrate the truth that God came and lived among us. What's even more amazing is that He will come again at our death or at the end of the world, whichever comes first. To help us prepare, the Church created the season of Advent, beginning this year on November 28. It is a watchful time during which we can ...

Live intentionally. If you knew that Jesus would come for you tomorrow, how would you spend today? Chances are you would devote the day to asking and granting forgiveness, spending time with loved ones, and preparing your heart for your Savior.

Try to live each day that way.

Pack light. Acquire graces rather than goods. The graces come along when Jesus calls for you, but the goods stay behind. *"But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?'"* (Luke 12:20).

Straighten up. If Jesus came for you tomorrow, you would need to be in a state of grace to go with Him. Prepare now by never missing Mass, going to Confession regularly, performing heartfelt penance, and avoiding sin so that you'll be ready to greet Jesus with joy anytime. The truth is, Jesus really could come tomorrow – or even today!

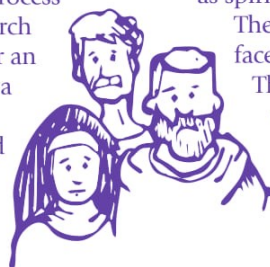


Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics honor saints?

Canonization is the process through which the Church acknowledges that, after an extensive investigation, a person demonstrated extraordinary virtue and is now in Heaven, face-to-face with God. Saints are offered to us

as spiritual guides to lead us to God. The saints were real people who faced problems similar to our own. They allowed God's grace to transform them. When we are facing difficulties, trials, and temptations, we can look to the saints and be encouraged by their faithfulness.



Thankfulness is good for the health

Studies show that people who are thankful are less likely to be depressed or unhappy, and find they enjoy simple pleasures like sunsets and good health. Here is how you can join them ...

Calculate your ratio. For three days straight, keep track of how many times you think grateful thoughts versus complaining. This is your Grateful to Grumbling Ratio. The higher your G2G Ratio, the happier you will be.

Gather inspiration. Ask others what inspires their gratitude. You will probably discover something for which

you can also be thankful but haven't thought of.

Fast. Forgo something you like such as food, TV, the internet. It will make you thankful for it when you get it back.

Guard the company you keep. Attitudes are contagious. Do the people around you encourage gratitude or griping? Consider changing your environment or your friends to lean toward gratitude.

Detach. Have you noticed that the people who have the least seem the happiest? Take stock of your possessions. Keep only what you need.



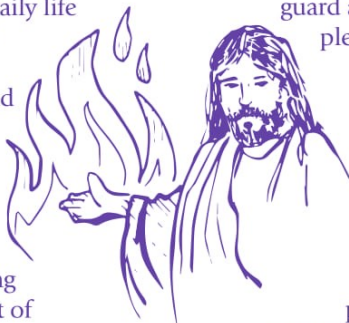
from Scripture

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36, the Advent of hope

The virtues of patience and perseverance aren't strengths for most of us. Often the concerns of daily life overshadow our pursuit of holiness. We can get lured into sin by the comforts and pleasures the world has to offer. We can forget our ultimate goal is Heaven. Knowing this, Jesus warned His followers about the end times, hoping to shake them (and us) out of "drowsy" complaisance.

Imagine the terrifying scene Jesus described – the shaking of the earth, sea, and sky and people dying of fright. In the midst of that terror, though, people living

in God's friendship will have no reason to fear. The key is, He said, to stay on guard against sin and worldly pleasure.



Advent is a time of waiting for the coming of Christ. God has promised us that if we are faithful to Him, we will be rewarded. This is a time when we must pray for patience and perseverance to keep us ready

for the arrival of our Savior. Then we can hold our heads high and stand confident expecting our promised reward.

Q & A Is our belief in Purgatory rooted in the Bible?

In the Old Testament, the Jewish leader Judas Maccabee required his soldiers to offer prayers and sacrifices for dead comrades who died wearing "magic" amulets in service of pagan gods – a serious violation of the covenant. *"Turning to supplication, they prayed that the sinful deed might be fully blotted out"*

(Maccabees 12:42). By offering prayers on their behalf after their death, Judas Maccabee demonstrated his faith that the prayers could still benefit the dead.

In the New Testament, Jesus speaks of the sin of blasphemy against the Holy Spirit that won't be forgiven in this life or in the next (Matthew 12:32). We conclude that other sins are forgiven in the next life.

If we die in God's friendship but still have attachment to venial sin, purification will be necessary. It is difficult to see a beautiful landscape through a dirty window. To enjoy the view, the window must be cleaned. Likewise, Purgatory cleans us up so we can enjoy the view, in this case, the beatific vision of God.

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Feasts & Celebrations

November 17 – St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1231). The daughter of the King of Hungary, she married at the age of 14. Her beloved husband was killed after only six years of marriage. She joined the Secular Franciscan Order and spent her life caring for the poor.

November 21 – Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. God promised his people a king who will be triumphant over their enemies. Jesus is our King. In Baptism and Confirmation, we are brought under His kingship.

November 22 – St. Cecilia (230). A native of Rome, St. Cecilia was forced to marry although she wanted to consecrate herself to God. She eventually converted her husband and both were martyred for the faith.

November 28 - First Sunday in Advent. During Advent, we prepare to celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas 2,000 years ago at Bethlehem. For four weeks, we light candles in an Advent wreath and recall that Jesus is the "Light of the world" (John 8:12).



NEWS FROM CHURCH OF SAINT LUKE CCD - SUNDAY, 10/24/21

CCD STUDENTS IN GRADES 1-8 IN THE FALL SESSION (PARENTS AND FAMILIES IN THE BACKGROUND) DRESSED AS SAINTS AND MARCHED AROUND THE CHURCH/SCHOOL PARKING LOT NEAR THE PARISH CENTER, THEN GATHERED BY THE STATUE OF THE BLESSED MOTHER FOR A RECITATION OF THE ROSARY HONORING THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES. FINALLY, ALL REVERENTLY PLACED A CARNATION AT THE BASE OF THE STATUE WHILE SINGING, "HAIL HOLY QUEEN ENTHRONED ABOVE."

