

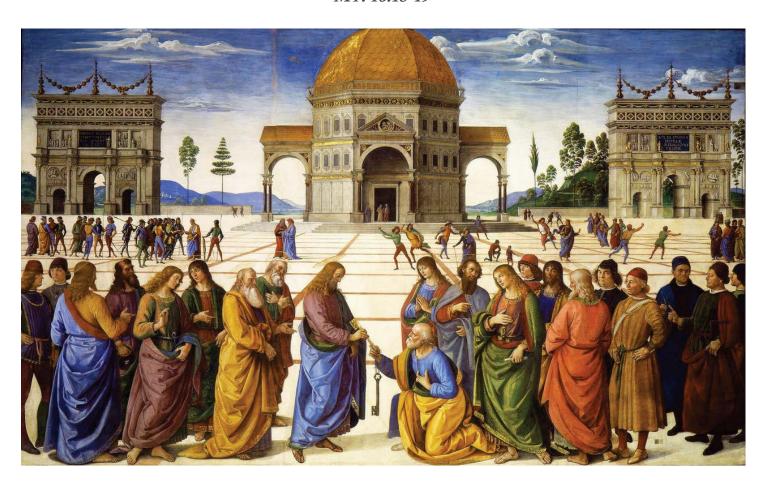
# Saint Luke the Evangelist

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

Mt. 16:18-19



Today's painting reflects the events in the gospel both quite literally as well as imaginatively. On the one hand, the scene depicts the moment when Christ gives St. Peter the metaphorical "keys to the kingdom of heaven," which become St. Peter's attribute (object by which a saint can identified in art). On the other hand, we have a setting that is characterized by what art historians call the "principle of disjunction" whereby a historical biblical scene is depicted in a more contemporary setting (here 15th century Italy). This involves the presence of contemporary Italians in their period clothing on the far right and left of the picture. This was a common technique in Renaissance painting due to the popular revival of classical antiquity. In the background, other events of Christ's ministry are depicted. Although no massive, paved area like this was ever built during the Renaissance, the large grid organizes the scene beautifully and establishes the painting's perspective. The scene is anchored by classical buildings in the background, which represent the Church for which St. Peter is being given responsibility.

### **GATHER HYMNAL 1152**

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

### Saturday, August 26

4:00pm Jared Miller

by Joanna Donahue

Celebrant: Fr. Sagar 6:00pm **Spanish Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Bill

Sunday, August 27

7:30am Diane McMansus

by her family

Celebrant: Fr. Alex

9:00am Annette & Howard LaNoce

by family Celebrant: Fr. Sagar

11:00am John Martin

by his family

Celebrant: Fr. Alex

Monday, August 28

9:00am Emily French Dumont (Birthday)

by Helen & Dennis Kay

Tuesday, August 29

9:00am Special Intention

by family

Wednesday, August 30

9:00am Edna Carroll

by her family

Thursday, August 31

9:00am Berenice Reiss Sheerin

by her family

Friday, September 1

9:00am Mark Gagnon

by Faherty family

Saturday, September 2

4:00pm Oscar Najarian

by Guido & Karen Lonardo

6:00pm Spanish Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Bill

### Sunday, September 3

7:30am Mary Donelan

by Bill & Joann McCullough

9:00am Oscar Najarian

by Bunny Perron

11:00am Lee Sheldrick

by his family

We invite you to pray the Rosary everyday after the 9am weekday Mass Monday through Friday

# Please Pray for...

Susan Bailey, Chloe Nascimento, Jonathan Tomashefsky, Brian Howland, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson Bev Longime, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau, Beth Lambert, Lynn St. Jean Annabelle Duvane, Shirley DePalma, Agnes Limberger, Zachary Collins, Kupaa Keiley, Tiffany Kelley, Margie Morcone, Sharon Beaulieu, Nick Johnson, William Fargelli, Stephen & Kimberly Bankcroft, Toby Claufon, Margaret Valis, Dawn Haight, Carol Aloisi, Teresa Putnam, Carmelia Potenti, Helen Anthony, Leanne McCann, Ellie Carlson, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott, Kellan Keough, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney, Kristine Ann Jackson, Paul Fallon, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen, Vicki Foley, Brendon Crowley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett, John Lynch, Kathleen Farrar, KirolosGergis, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao, Gene Buffo, Courtney Blumberg, Christine, Patrick, Robert & Coutinho family Maryann Bisco, Susan Garry, Melvin Boucher, T.J. Bautz, Joan Fallon, Edward Hubbell, Nancy Camp, David Perry, John Durnan, Linda Darby, Jean Hope, Annie Mason, Nancy Santory, Laconya Mobley, Maria Matejko, Gary Wilson, Jr., Debbie Giroux, Kevin & Donna Brennan, Luz Chavez, Carlene Beck, Joel Rivera, Mary Payant, James Thomas, Christina Narensky, Alyssa Bloom, Ann Martin, Michael Berthuime, Trisha Suzi, Norman Beland, Sofia Shahin, Sarah Cox, Hailie McLatchey, Barbara Auger, Barbara Barnes, George Cabana, Beverly Taylor, Jeanne Amendola, Jack Walker, Daniel Baker Rebecca Coax, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo, Joan Sanders, David Sawyer, Madison Knopf, Claire Kennedy, Susanne Ollman, Frank Sannelli, Pat & John Lusek, Michael Zancewicz, Kristy Cautello, Judy Melfa, Neil Kenny, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Michael Turpin, Elise Ollman-Kahle, Patricia Amorelli, Connor Blaney, Debbie Krikler, Austin Tomalewski, Gary Shults, Erin Magrane, George Beecher

Let us remember to pray for all the men and women who are over seas in harm's way.

We remember those who have died

EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT & ADORATION
TUESDAY 9:30AM TO 6:00PM
Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm
Prayers For Sanctity of Life 5:00pm
BENEDICTION AT 6:00PM

#### WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS 21st SUNDAY Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8/Rom 11:33-36/ Aug 27 Mt 16:13-20 MONDAY 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b/ Aug 28 Mt 23:13-22 TUESDAY 1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mk 6:17-29 Aug 29 WEDNESDAY 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Mt 23:27-32 THURSDAY 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14+17/Mt 24:42-51 Aug 31 FRIDAY 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1+2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mt 25:1-13 Sept 1 SATURDAY 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30 Sept 2 22ND SUNDAY Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/ Sept 3 Mt 16:21-27 Pilot Bulletins

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# WELCOME WEEKEND!

### September 9 & 10th

Celebration and Refreshments Following each Mass

### WELCOME TO OUR TABLE!

"Let us show hospitality... for some have entertained angels without realizing it!" - Hebrews 13:2

September is a great time to celebrate new beginnings! This year, our parish has many reasons to celebrate during

### "WELCOME WEEKEND!"

Join us at Mass the **TABLE OF OUR LORD** and

at our **Table of Refreshments** on the Rectory lawn\* after each Mass:
Saturday 4pm and 6pm (Spanish Mass)
Sunday 7:30am, 9am, 11am
\*in the case of rain celebration will be in Parish Center



### Volunteers Welcome! Greeters, bakers and helpful hands needed!

Sign-up at: <u>Welcome-Weekend-Helpers</u> or email Chris <u>4farmers@verizon.net</u>, Kathy <u>kathyrichov@gmail.com</u>, Kevin <u>kjboyd@gmail.com</u>. Sign-up at: <u>Welcome-Weekend-Helpers</u> or <u>https://tinyurl.com/4dzmy5bm</u>



# SING A JOYFUL SONG TO THE LORD!

Saint Augustine once said that "Those who sing, pray twice!" Please give some prayerful consideration to joining our parish music ministry. Our choir will resume rehearsing on Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 in the church, beginning Thursday, September 14th. The choir will lead us in song at the 11:00 Mass starting Sunday, September 16th. Our choir is open to anyone from high school age on, and all are welcome!! Perhaps you may have a calling to the cantor ministry, in which case, Craig would

love to speak with you! Maybe you play an instrument and would like to share the gift God has given you, by enhancing our liturgies at special celebrations. If you have any questions, please feel free to speak with Craig after Mass or by email: <a href="mailto:music@stlukes-parish.org">music@stlukes-parish.org</a> or <a href="mailto:craigjstine@aol.com">craigjstine@aol.com</a>, or by phone: 508-277-3771. Thank you so much for considering; we would love to have you join us!!



#### SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to our school supply drive. Your response was amazing! All supplies will be distributed to Westborough school children who are in need. It is our hope that every child can start off their school year with a backpack filled with all the essentials needed for their grade. As always, thank you for understanding the importance of Outreach. Nan Ford/Parish Outreach

# CATECHISTS

### HELP NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help our students on their Faith Formation journey. Lesson plans, materials, activities, and much support are provided to ensure

a successful year. Our schedule can be found on the St. Luke's website under Faith Formation, Class Schedules. We are excited about our engaging programs and think you will be too! To join us in this opportunity, please contact <a href="MBarilLower@stlukes-parish.org">MBarilLower@stlukes-parish.org</a> for grades K-6 and <a href="DPelkey@stlukes-parish.org">DPelkey@stlukes-parish.org</a> for grades 7-11. Thank you and God bless!

#### SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Here at St. Luke's, we follow the guidelines of the national charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the policies of the Worcester Diocese in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. For questions, information or help please contact Judy Audette, Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Worcester at 508-929-4361 (direct line and confidential voicemail is available).

### PLEASE BE AWARE

If you receive an email, text, or any other system of technological communication supposedly from Fr. Diego Buritica, please do not respond to it. Fr. Diego's name, among the names of other priests, and even the Bishop of Worcester, is being used to attempt to pry and steal gifts cards, money from financial accounts, and other ways using their names as a way of getting parishioners to respond to the communication. Please know that if Fr. Diego wants a gift card or money, he will ask you in person, which means he will never ask you. Any form of communication that looks fishy and odd, know that it is fishy and odd and delete it. And never, under any circumstances, respond to these tactics that seek to steal finances using the name of any priest. These scams are attempted mostly against elderly people, but not limited to the elderly by any means. Remember, don't respond and DELETE

Many people claim to be spiritual, but not religious. They acknowledge a spiritual reality, but it is often non-personal and non-specific. It does not involve church or community and resembles a 'feel good' pep talk rather than anything with the power to transform, change and bless. Being spiritual is noncommittal and easy; being

religious requires something more personal and commit-

Jesus is not one to tiptoe around the question of faith and commitment. He does not suggest that discipleship is about feeling good or being happy. To follow Him, you pick up a cross. You sacrifice yourself for the sake of others. You follow Him wherever He goes. All this is done with hope in His promise of life and grace.

The quick way to decide if you are spiritual or religious is to answer the question that Jesus asks: Who do you say that I am? If you say He is a nice guy who preached about love, you are spiritual. If you say he is the Son of God who died for our sakes and rose from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, and He guides and directs my life through the Holy Spirit and through the Church, then you are religious. Look at the cross, and decide what your answer will be.

James Gaffney



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### STAY CONNECTED!

Be sure to sign up to receive "Flocknotes" from St. Luke's.

News, Weather Cancellations, Events, Ministry Updates, Important Reminders, Seasonal Reflections, and more! To sign up, text the word STLUKES to the number 84576 Or sign up online: flocknote.com/StLukesWestborough

### WELCOME MINISTRY BEGINS

Hospitality is...the creation of a free space where strangers can enter and become friends."

Henri Nouwen

Welcoming the stranger raises our awareness and attentiveness to meet the needs of our neighbors with open minds and hearts. Jesus himself has commanded us to "love one another as I have loved you."

Come and be part of this exciting new ministry as we build upon our welcoming hospitality and works of mercy. Like the many colors and textures of our beautiful Church rectory garden, our parish family too has uniquely gifted people and families growing together in unity. Let us put our gifts to bring joy and welcome to those who enter through our doors of mercy. Your ideas, talents, and gifts are welcome!

As we gear up for Welcome Weekend, Sept 9th &10th, hands, hearts and smiles are needed! Come help and reach out to Chris 4farmers@verizon.net or Leslie leslie.a.buffo@gmail.com or Kathy (kathyrichov@gmail.com) and Kevin (kjboyd@gmail.com) to be part of this exciting new chapter!

### Mustard Seed Soup Kitchen

St. Luke's is serving at the Mustard Seed on September 1st. We will be serving chicken rice pilat vegetable

serving chicken, rice pilaf, vegetables, fruit and dessert. Please see the signup sheet in Flocknotes for details. Please deliver the food hot to our house by 3:30 p.m. on Sept. 1st. Our address is 11 Old Nourse St., Westborough.

The Mustard Seed food pantry is also in need of peanut butter, jelly, unsweetened cereal, and canned vegetables. They can also be dropped off at our house on Sept. 1st.



All are WELCOMED to SUMMER SUNDAYS with God, the Gospel, and Goodies!

### When:

TODAY Sunday, 8/27 between the 9 and 11 am masses (9:55 - 10:55 giving you the option to go to mass before or after)

Where: Parish Hall Room 23

Together, through meaningful conversation, we take a closer look at the Sunday mass Gospel reading, have time for quiet reflection, and take away practical insights to apply to life in the week ahead while enjoying homemade breakfast goods and coffee.

# GREETER MINISTRY HELP WANTED: SMILES!

















How does a smile make you feel? A smile awakens a sense of joy, acceptance, encouragement and belonging. Would you share your smile to greet our parishioners? We invite you to join (or re-join!) our Greeter Ministry team at the Mass of your preference once a month. If you feel called to this ministry of hospitality, contact Julie at 508-366-8509 Ext. 4 or email at pastoralassociate@stlukesparish.org



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### Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4PM, in Spanish 6PM Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM

Weekday Masses
Monday through Friday,
9:00 AM

# NEW TO THE PARISH Welcome

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Rectory for information

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45PM ~ also by personal request. Reconciliation Room is handicapped accessible

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a Priest at least six months in advance

#### **RCIA**

Contact the parish secretary if interested in becoming Christian in the Catholic faith tradition.

#### **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 . If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.



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