

# Saint Luke the Evangelist

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." Matthew 21:43



The Flemish artist Marten van Valckenborch was a landscape painter who often portrayed biblical scenes in his paintings of contemporary northern landscapes so that they were more accessible to viewers. Today's painting reflects the gospel parable by using a practice we have seen before called the "multiple setting technique," where we see different parts of the story in the painting at the same time to suggest a sequence of events. This painting is part of a series of pictures (like a calendar) of what was known as *Labors of the Months of the Year* and shows different scenes of laborers (in this case also biblical stories) happening at different times of the year. This happens to, coincidentally, be October and we can see Christ's dramatic parable play out during the fall grape harvest as we see the father sending out his son in the top left section, as well as the tragic fate of the previous messengers in the bottom right corner. The purpose of this series of paintings was to provide a visual meditation on the complex theme of the gospel stories.

#### GATHER HYMNAL 1170

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, October 7

4:00pm Helen & Edward Gorak

by their family

Celebrant: Fr. Sagar 6:00pm Spanish Mass Celebrant: Fr. Diego

Sunday, October 8

7:30am Paul Freeman, Sr. (33rd Anv)

by his son Paul

Celebrant: Fr. Sagar 9:00am Patrick Ryan

by his sister, Judy Hall

Celebrant: Fr. Diego 11:00am David Jones

by Courtney Rouse & family

Celebrant: Fr. Diego

Monday, October 9

9:00am **Jim Killeen** 

by Gloria Cairns Sullivan

Tuesday, October 10

9:00am Elio Castignoli

by family

Wednesday, October 11

9:00am John W. Fee

by Margaret Bilodeau & Katherine Green

Thursday, October 12

9:00am George Heyward

by Savoie family

Friday, October 13

9:00am Jim Killeen

by Karen Plainte

Saturday, October 14

4:00pm Steven Vaccari

by his family

Celebrant: Fr. Diego

Sunday, October 15

7:30am Mickie Aylward

by Kathy Burbank

Celebrant: Fr. Sagar 9:00am John Martin

by his family

Celebrant: Fr. Diego

11:00am Harold Kashala

by his family

Celebrant: Fr. Diego

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, Dawn Haight, Carol Aloisi, Teresa Putnam, Carmelia Potenti, Leanne McCann, Ellie Carlson, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott, Kellan Keough, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney, Sarah McMenemy, Kristine Ann Jackson, 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, 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, Demetrius Mobley, 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

## OCTOBER 16 AT JESUS' FEET

Holy Hour and Meditation, followed by overnight Adoration. 7.00 pm.

## OCTOBER 17 ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT (All day) Solemn Benediction 6.00 pm.

## OCTOBER 18 FEAST OF ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

Solemn Mass at 9.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. (Bilingual)

Cover Image Marten van Valckenborch, Parable of the Bad Tenants, 1580-90.

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## FESTIVAL OF ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 MULTILINGUAL MASS AT 4:00

"Taste of St. Luke's" Pot Luck Supper

immediately following the Mass Sign-up now!

## **Fabulous Raffle Baskets**

Raffle tickets are available for the more than 25 Baskets filled with goodies which are displayed in the vestibule this weekend! All baskets were donated by the volunteers in our many ministries. Chances are \$2.00 each.







Raffle tickets on sale this weekend (October 7-8) and at the Pot Luck Supper October 14. If you are unable to come for the dinner, come at 6:30pm for dessert and the Raffle.

(You do dot have to be present to win)

## SÁBADO 14 DE OCTUBRE MISA MULTILINGÜE, 4.00 PM.

"Sabores de San Lucas" Cena de compartir

Después de la misa de las 4 pm. Inscríbete ya!

Los tiquetes están listos para la rifa de mas de 25 canastas llenas de difretentes productos. Estarán exhibidas en el vestíbulo de la parrooquia este fin de semana. Todas las canastas han sido donadas por los ministerios de la parroquia. El costo del tiquete es \$2. La venta de los tiquetes empieza este fin de semana (7 y 8 de octubre) y el día de la cena (14 de octubre). Si no puedes participar en la cena, puedes venir a las 6.30 para la rifa. (no tienes que estar presente para ganar)

Lunes 16 de octubre: *A los pies de Jesús*Hora Santa y meditación, seguida de adoración durante toda la noche.

Martes 17 de octubre: Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento (Bendición solemne a las 6.00 pm.)

MIERCOLES 18 DE OCTUBRE: FIESTA DE SAN LUCAS EVANGELISTA Misa solemne (bilingüe) a las 7.00 pm.

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#### FALL BEREAVEMENT SERIES

First Session of the bereavement sessions begins on October 25 and will be held in the parish center 1 Ruggles Rd., Westborough, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Please pre-register with Julie Basque, pastoral associate, at 508-366-8509, ext 4

#### 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

#### FROM THE BENCH... IN CASE YOU ARE WONDERING...



By now, I am sure you have noticed that the Music Ministry has been relocated to a new area in the front of the church. There are several reasons for this move. According to the general instructions of the Church, the choir,

cantors and all ministers of music, as servants of the Divine Liturgy and at the same time being members of the community at prayer, should be located between the nave (the area in which the congregation is seated) and the sanctuary, in a visible place where the congregation is invited and encouraged to participate as active members of the liturgy, especially in singing. This said, we feel that the song of the ministers of music can travel more freely throughout the church, encouraging and supporting everyone to raise their voices in praise to our God!!

Please know that you are most welcome to continue to sit in this area when the choir is not in attendance. You are also always invited to seriously consider joining our music ministry; all are welcome!

Continued blessings to all... Craig

St. Luke's is serving at the Mustard Seed on Nov. 3rd. Please see the signup sheet in Flocknotes for details. Please deliver the food hot to our house by 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 3rd. Our address is 11 Old Nourse St., Westborough.

Any questions, please call Sue Black at 508-212-2748 or email me at susanmblack08@amail.com. Thanks so much!

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#### HOLY ROSARY RALLY

October 14, 2023 ~ 12:00pm Church Entrance Join us to pray the Holy Rosary for our Parish, our town, our Country, and the world. October is Respect Life Month. Let us pray together for the Sanctification of our lives and peace in the world; for the respect of human dignity and the protection of the most vulnerable; and for the end of hatred and division, through the intercession of our Blessed Mother. Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at Noon in the Sidewalk of the Church.



#### **RCIA Inquiry Session**

Weekly Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) inquiry sessions continue Tuesday evenings in October at 7:30 PM in room 23 of the Parish Center. If you

are not already a member of the Catholic faith community (or perhaps no Christian faith community), this is an excellent opportunity to learn about the Christian faith in the Catholic tradition. All are welcomed to attend without any obligation or pressure to "become Catholic." For those who choose, RCIA can provide a path to one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist).

If you are a confirmed Catholic having received all your sacraments, please gently mention RCIA to any people you meet who you sense may be receiving a calling from God to explore Christianity in the Catholic faith tradition. We would be delighted to meet them!

There is no need to register – inquirers are welcomed to just go to the parish center and walk into room 23 where we will look forward to meeting you! For more information on RCIA at St. Luke's, please contact Bob Thompson via phone at 508-341-7677 or via email at bob thomps@hotmail.com.



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet Tuesday October 10th from 1:00 – 2:30 PM in Room 23 of the Parish Center. This ministry is open to any person interested in knitting or crocheting prayer

shawls, lap robes or afghans for the sick and suffering. The ministry also makes hats and mittens for the Giving Tree at Christmas. If you would like to participate but can't make the monthly meetings, please e-mail/call Carol Mulcahy at cmmulcahy@live.com/508-898-0409 for more information about patterns and yarn. We would love to have new members since there are many requests for the handmade items. Yarn is available at the Parish Center.

TOGETHER IN THE SPIRIT Wednesday, October 11th at 6PM

A time for praise, for worship and listening to His word



What is the Synod of Synodality

Last Sunday, I briefly mentioned in my homily the Synod of Synodality. I realized that many people don't know about this important meeting. I would like to present some information about it. The word synod comes from two Greek words: "syn" (together, in conjunction) and "hodos" (way) which roughly

could be translated as "journeying together."

"The Synod on Synodality is a three-year process of listening and dialogue that began with a solemn opening in Rome on October 9 and 10, 2021 with each individual diocese and church celebrating the following week on October 17. The synodal process will conclude in 2024.

Pope Francis invites the entire Church to reflect on a theme that is decisive for its life and mission: "It is precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium." This journey, which follows in the wake of the Church's "renewal" proposed by the Second Vatican Council, is both a gift and a task: by journeying together and reflecting together on the journey that has been made, the Church will be able to learn through Her experience which processes can help Her to live communion, to achieve participation, to open Herself to mission."

Traditionally, a synod is an only-bishops meeting, in which they and some delegates meet to discuss important and specific issues of the universal Church.

Two aspects of this Synod make it special and different from the previous: first, the participation of many diverse delegates (363 in total, 54 of them are women) who will be able to vote. Second, the methodology will be different. Instead of listening to a panel of experts, the participants of the synod will be invited to talk about different challenges of the Church and their speeches will be followed by a moment of reflective silence and prayer.

I would like to invite you to pray that this Synod, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, brings new and faithful ways to live out the gospel as a community of believers in this world.

"We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever." Amen.

#### Qué es el Sínodo sobre la Sinodalidad?

El Domingo pasado mencioné rápidamente el Sínodo que se celebrará en la Iglesia este mes de octubre. Me he dado cuenta que muchas personas no saben mucho sobre esto, por eso quiero presentarles alguna información sobre éste. La palabra Sínodo viene del griego y está compuesta por dos palabras: "Syn," que significa "juntos" y "odos" que significa "Camino." Podríamos traducir la palabra "Sínodo" como "Caminar juntos."

El Sínodo sobre la Sinodalidad es un proceso de tres años de escucha y diálogo que empezó con una ceremonia de apertura en Roma el 9 y 10 de octubre del 2021 y celebrado en cada diócesis en octubre 17. El proceso sinodal culminará en el 2024.

El Papa Francisco ha invitado a toda la comunidad eclesial a reflexionar en un tema que es decisivo para la vida de la Iglesia y su misión: "Es precisamente este camino de sinodalidad que lo que Dios espera de la Iglesia en el tercer milenio. Este proceso, que sigue el proceso de renovación propuesto por el Concilio Vaticano II, es un regalo y una tarea; caminando y reflexionando juntos en el camino que hemos recorrido, la Iglesia podrá aprender a través de la su experiencia cuáles procesos le pueden ayudar a vivir en comunión, a lograr mayor participación y a abrirse a la misión.

Tradicionalmente, un sínodo es una reunión de obispos solamente, en el cual algunos delegados son invitados a presentar algunos asuntos y retos de la Iglesia universal.

Dos aspectos hacen de este sínodo una reunión especial: primero, la participación de un grupo mas diverso de delegados (363 en total, entre las cuales hay 54 mujeres) que podrán votar. Segundo, la metodología será diferente. En vez de escuchar un panel de expertos, los participantes del sínodo serán invitados a hablar sobre los diferentes retos y sus discursos serán seguidos por un momento de silencio reflexivo y oración.

Quisiera invitarlos a orar por este Sínodo para que, bajo la guía e inspiración del Espíritu Santo, podamos encontrar nuevas y mas fieles maneras de vivir el evangelio como comunidad de creyentes.

Estamos ante ti, Espíritu Santo, reunidos en tu nombre. Tú que eres nuestro verdadero consejero: ven a nosotros, apóyanos, entra en nuestros corazones.

Enséñanos el camino, muéstranos cómo alcanzar la meta. Impide que perdamos el rumbo como personas débiles y pecadoras.

No permitas que la ignorancia nos lleve por falsos caminos. Concédenos el don del discernimiento, para que no dejemos que nuestras acciones se guíen por perjuicios y falsas consideraciones.

Condúcenos a la unidad en ti, para que no nos desviemos del camino de la verdad y la justicia, sino que en nuestro peregrinaje terrenal nos esforzemos por alcanzar la vida eterna. Esto te lo pedimos a ti, que obras en todo tiempo y lugar, en comunión con el Padre y el Hijo por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

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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 call Maria at 508-366-5502 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 Julie at 508-366-8509. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.

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"Come to me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28-29)

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