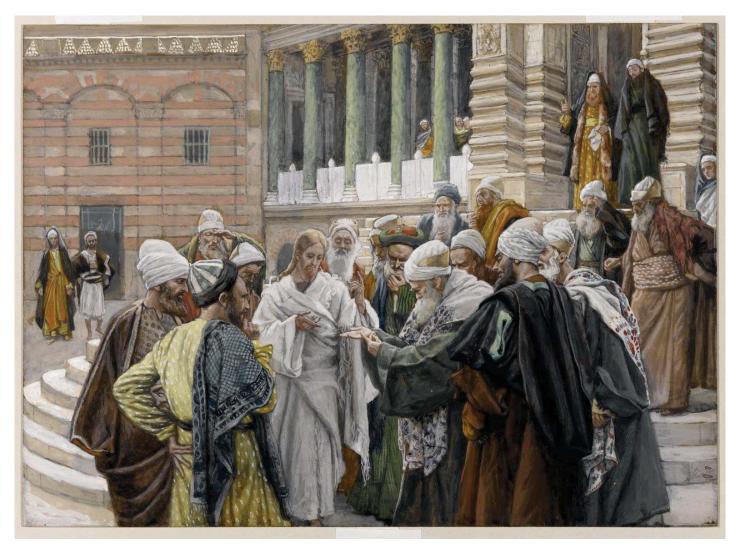


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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."-Mt. 22:21 "



This image is from a set of 350 watercolor paintings produced for a series called The Life of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The artist, James Tissot, painted them over the course of several trips to the Holy Land in order to increase his understanding of the landscape and people there. Here we find his imagined setting for the scene described in today's gospel replete with architectural elements he saw in the Middle East: including elements of the legacy of Roman classicism and even hints of Islamic architecture, both of which were common throughout the Middle East during his visits. Shown here, the Herodians (symbolizing compromise with Rome) and the Pharisees (anti-Roman Jewish patriots) team up in an unlikely way to entrap Christ with their patronizing greetings and their trick question. The painting captures the exact moment when Christ is shown the coin and not only exposes their hypocrisy (revealing that they actually carry Roman coins - evidence that they pay the tax), but he upends their 'false dilemma' with this response pointing simultaneously to the coin and above. Tissot then beautifully captures visually what Christ expresses in these very famous words.

GATHER HYMNAL 1176

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 21

4:00pm Elio Castignoli

by his family

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

Sunday, October 22

7:30am Richard Horrigan

by his family

Celebrant: Fr. Diego

9:00am Nicholas Argento, Sr. (6th Anv)

by his family

Celebrant: Fr. Sagar 11:00am Fred Perron

by his family

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Monday, October 23

9:00am Eileen Sheehan

by her family

Tuesday, October 24

9:00am Maria Barretti

by her family

Wednesday, October 25

9:00am John Walsh

by his family

Thursday, October 26

9:00am Jim Killeen

by his parish friends

Friday, October 27

9:00am Special Intention

by Margaret O'Connell

Saturday, October 28

4:00pm Richard Wojtaszek (6th Anv) &

Stephen Busby by their family

Celebrant: Fr. Sagar 6:00pm Spanish Mass

Fr. Bill

Sunday, October 29

7:30am Madeline Kay (Birthday Intention)

by Dennis & Helen Kay

Celebrant: Fr. Sagar 9:00am **Tom Varco**

by Karen & Guido Lonardo

Celebrant: Fr. Diego 11:00am Lee Sheldrick

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 Ronald Wheelock, Christopher Klein

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





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FLAG RETRIEVALS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Adults/Students (Grades 5-12)

Saturday, November 18, 2023 9:00AM

St. Luke's Cemetery Veterans Grave Site Flag Retrievals. Please bring pliers. Any Questions Contact Paul E. Freeman, Jr. bosn61@gmail.com



A young-at-heart couple was celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary. The family had thought long and hard about a gift for such wonderful peo-

ple, finally deciding to give them a large photo of the entire family and an album of letters of love and good wishes that honored their commitment and love. Nothing could have been more significant or valuable. The couple read the notes and explained each person in the photo to anyone who would listen!

When St. Paul writes to the Thessalonians, he describes how the church acts in power and out of conviction because of the working of the Holy Spirit. St. Paul says how he and the others were mindful of the way the Thessalonians were proving their faith, laboring in love, and showing constancy in hope. Grace took root because the people did not hold back; they kept the covenant with God.

It is not just a church community that practices faith and bears witness to God's Spirit. Each person does too. The couple married 65 years, the volunteers at the soup kitchen, the CCD teacher, the people who practice kindness and virtue all testify to the power of God in their lives. They give back to God what He has given them. And all of us are better and richer and holier for it.

James Gaffney





St. Luke's is serving at the Mustard Seed on Nov. 3rd. We will be 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 Nov. 3rd. Our address is 11 Old Nourse St., Westborough.

The Mustard Seed is also in need of gently used winter clothing as well as new socks and underwear. Those can also be dropped off at our house.

Any questions, please call Sue Black at 508-212-2748 or email me at <u>susanmblack08@gmail.com</u>.
Thanks so much!

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace, who are yourself our peace and reconciliation, who so often said, "Peace to you," grant us peace. Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice, and brotherly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace. May all peoples of the earth becomes as brothers and sisters. May longed-for peace blossom forth and reign always over us all.

Saint Pope John XXIII

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).



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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 Forever Young (St. Luke's Senior Adults)

Welcome Seniors

Come join us for a fun-filled morning playing Bingo! Prizes will be given. Monday October 23, 2023 9:45 – 11:30 a.m

> Gathering – Refreshments Short Business Meeting





ST LUKE'S THANKSGIVING PROGRAM

It has been a long standing tradition at St Luke's to provide Thanksgiving dinner to families in need. All of the "fixings" are brought in by the children in our religious education classes. Each families receives two large grocery bags of food and a \$50. grocery card to purchase a turkey. Due to inflation, and the increasing number of immigrants who have come to Westboro, the need is greater than ever. More and more families in our community continue to face financial insecurity. It is my hope that we can ease their burden a bit this Thanksgiving. Typically we provide for about 135 families which means that just the grocery cards alone cost over \$6,000.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- 1. Donating a \$50. grocery card.
- 2. Make a donation in any amount to help defray the cost of the grocery cards. Checks can be made out to St Luke's Outreach with Thanksgiving in the memo. They can be dropped off at the Parish Center or mailed to St Luke's Outreach, 1 Ruggles St,
- 3. Go online to **We Share** and make a donation by choosing "Thanksgiving".

Thank you for all the support you have given this program in the past, and I encourage your support again this year!

Nan Ford/Parish Outreach Coordinator

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Sunday Ordinary Collection Monthly

Month of July 2023 64,164 Month of August 2023 56, 079 Month of September 2023 55,449

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

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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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