



# Saint Luke the Evangelist

A Roman Catholic Community

Serving the People of Westborough Since 1870

*SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER*

*"PEACE BE WITH YOU." THEN HE SAID TO THOMAS, "PUT YOUR FINGER HERE AND SEE MY HANDS, AND BRING YOUR HAND AND PUT IT INTO MY SIDE, AND DO NOT BE UNBELIEVING, BUT BELIEVE." THOMAS ANSWERED AND SAID TO HIM, "MY LORD AND MY GOD!" JESUS SAID TO HIM, "HAVE YOU COME TO BELIEVE BECAUSE YOU HAVE SEEN ME? BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SEEN AND HAVE BELIEVED."*

*JN 20:26-29*



Although the story of “Doubting Thomas” has been illustrated by artists since the 6<sup>th</sup> century, this one by the Italian Baroque artist known as ‘Caravaggio’ is the most famous. Here we have Christ literally and figuratively leading Thomas out of the dark shadows (representing doubt) into the light (representing faith). Illuminating the scene from Christ’s side of the painting, Caravaggio composes the figures in a tight group: Christ’s calm, serene expression counterposes the apostles’ anxious faces. Thomas’ wrinkled up forehead exaggerates his astonishment as Christ leads his hand to his side wound. Also of note is that Caravaggio indicates the shape of a cross through the vertical alignment of two apostles’ heads in the center of the composition, and suggests the horizontal bar of the cross through the arrangement of their arms (from Christ’s elbow to Thomas’ elbow) reminding us that this entire scene is only possible because Christ conquered death through the cross.

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, April 6**

4:00pm **Olivia Colby**  
by St. Luke's parish  
**Rite of Light for Confirmation Candidates**  
6:00pm **Spanish Mass**

**Sunday, April 7**

7:30am **Patrick Blaney**  
by his family  
9:00am **Harry W. Roberts, Jr.**  
by Bruce & Julie Szczepankiewicz  
11:00am **Brian Scott Sullivan**  
by family  
**Rite of Light for Confirmation Candidates**  
5:30pm **Olivia Colby**  
by St. Luke's Parish family  
**CHARISMATIC MASS**

**Monday, April 8**

9:00am **Alfred James Baeck**  
by family

**Tuesday, April 9**

9:00am **Lee Sheldrick**  
by family

**Wednesday, April 10**

9:00am **Mary R. Flynn**  
by family

**Thursday, April 11**

9:00am **Harry W. Roberts, Jr.**  
by Julie & Bruce Szczepankiewicz

**Friday, April 12**

9:00am **Anthony Putnam**  
by Divine Mercy Cenacle

**Saturday, April 13**

4:00pm **Beth Lambert**  
by Richard & Linda O'Donnell  
6:00pm **Spanish Mass**

**Sunday, April 14**

7:30am **Jean Marie Newey**  
by Stan & Clare Tozeski  
9:00am **Norman E. Nowak**  
by Bruce & Julie Szczepankiewicz  
11:00am **Margaret Revene Barry**  
by William Barry

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

***Please Pray for...***

Nicole Bates, Susan Bailey, Jonathan Tomashefsky, William Fargelli,  
Brian Howland, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson  
Norman Beland, Bev Longime, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau  
Annabelle Duvane, Shirley DePalma, Agnes Limberger, Zachary Collins,  
Kupaa Keiley, Tiffany Kelley, Margie Morcone, Sharon Beaulieu,  
Mildred Raymond, Stephen & Kimberly Bankcroft, Toby Claufon,  
Joe Smith, Dawn Haight, Carol Aloisi, Teresa Putnam, Carmelia Potenti,  
Charles Arkle, Leanne McCann, Ellie Carlson, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott,  
Kellan Keough, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney,  
Sarah McMenemy, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen, Vicki Foley,  
Brendon Crowley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett,  
John Lynch, Kathleen Farrar, Kirolos Gergis, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao,  
Lynn St. Jean, Gene Buffo, 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,  
Annie Mason, Nancy Santory, Laconya Mobley, Maria Matejko,  
Gary Wilson, Jr., Debbie Giroux, Kevin & Donna Brennan, Luz Chavez,  
Joel Rivera, Mary Payant, James Thomas, Christina Narensky,  
Chloe Nascimento, Ann Martin, Michael Berthuime, Trisha Suzi,  
Joan Sanders, Sofia Shahin, Sarah Cox, Hailie McLatchey, Barbara Auger,  
George Cabana, Beverly Taylor, Jeanne Amendola, Jack Walker, Daniel Baker  
Rebecca Coax, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo,  
David Sawyer, Madison Knopf, Claire Kennedy, Susanne Ollman,  
Frank Sannelli, Pat & John Lusek, Michael Zanczewicz, Kristy Cautello,  
Judy Melfa, Neil Kenny, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Michael Turpin,  
Nick Johnson, 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*  
Beverly Farmer, M. Virginia Brault

**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**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS 2024 YEAR B**

<b>SUNDAY</b> April 7	Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Jn 5:1-6/ Jn 20:19-31
<b>MONDAY</b> April 8	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/ Lk 1:26-38
<b>TUESDAY</b> April 9	Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> April 10	Acts 5:17-26/34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21
<b>THURSDAY</b> April 11	Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2+9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36
<b>FRIDAY</b> April 12	Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
<b>SATURDAY</b> April 13	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
<b>SUNDAY</b> April 14	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9/1 Jn 2:1-5a/ Lk 24:35-48

Pilot Bulletins

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## SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH



**Knights of  
Columbus®**

This year,  
Westborough's  
Knights of  
Columbus Council  
85 is celebrating its

130<sup>th</sup> year of consecutive service and support to St. Luke's Parish. 2023 was a record year as the Council donated \$25,000 to charitable organizations, and invested nearly 5,000 volunteer hours running programs benefiting the Parish, the Westborough Community, our Brother Knights, and their families.

Over the last 3 years, our membership has grown by 32%: 30 new Knights have joined the Council, and an additional 10 veteran Knights have transferred into the Council. Our membership now stands at 149 Knights. Cultural Diversity is increasing with 19% of our new Knights coming from Latino, South Asian, and African American Cultures. The Council is also becoming younger, as most new Knights are in the 30 to 55 age group.

During the weekend of April 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, the Council will hold its annual recruiting program; and the process has been streamlined. Following each Mass, Knight Ambassadors will be distributing Council 85 Information Packets in the vestibule. Each packet recaps the Council's recent achievements, lists the programs and services the Council provides, and describes the benefits a Council 85 Knight can expect to receive. Additionally, directions are included on how to apply on-line to become a Knight at Council 85. Please contact Membership Director Pat Collins if you wish to learn more about the Council: (617) 543-3179, [collinspj43@gmail.com](mailto:collinspj43@gmail.com)

### SPRING into a SMALL GROUP!



**LIVING THE SUNDAY GOSPEL  
SMALL GROUP for  
CATHOLIC MOMS**

**THE LESSONS of ARCHBISHOP  
FULTON SHEEN**

**Go to: [https://stlukes-parish.org/  
adult](https://stlukes-parish.org/adult) for details**



Inviting all families who had a child baptized this past year, as well as any young family who would like to connect with other families in our parish community. Join Fr. Diego for a morning of pancakes and fun. Come and get connected!

**SATURDAY APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup> AT 8:00 AM**

Parish Center

1 Ruggles St.

Pancakes, sausages,  
juice and coffee

Please RSVP

Julie Basque,

at: [pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org](mailto:pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org) or  
call 508-366-8509. ext. 15



### COFFEE HOUR MINISTRY OF THE MONTH

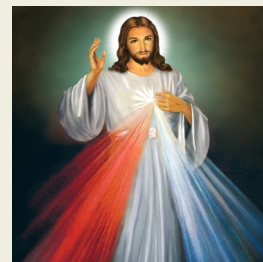
*Divine Mercy Sunday is April 7<sup>th</sup>*

***Drop-in ... Learn more about Graces  
Received from the Divine Mercy Devotion***

**Sunday, April 7th 10-11:15am**

*(After 9AM or Before 11AM Masses)*

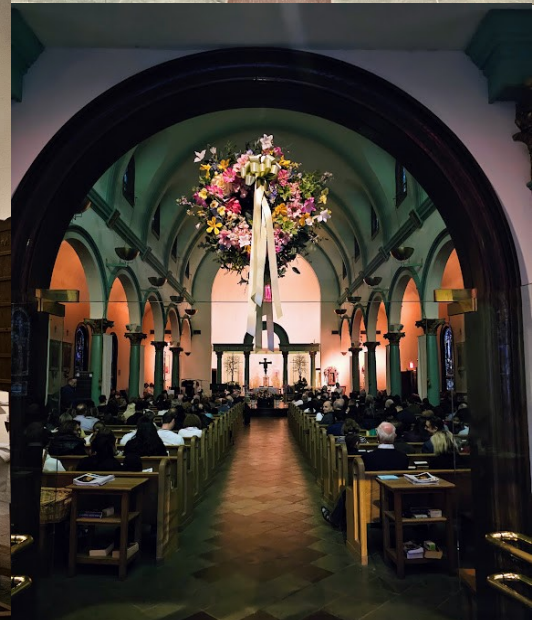
**Parish Center Hall**



***SPECIAL THANKS*** to our Coffee Hour Team and Knights of Columbus for many years of generous financial support as the primary funder of St. Luke's Coffee!



# THE EASTER TRIDUUM



*Stephen Churchill & Rhonda Selwyn Lee who were baptized at the Easter Vigil.*





## CONFIRMATION

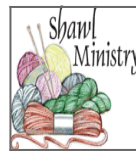


St. Luke Parish will celebrate a **Rite of Light Mass** for our Confirmation Candidates, presenting half of the candidates to the parish for blessing on April 6 at 4pm and half on April 7 at 11am. During the ceremony, parents/guardians hand the Confirmation candidate their lighted baptismal candle, acknowledging that this young person is ready now to accept responsibility for his/her own faith,

with continued support from their families and the faith community to which they belong. This Mass & Blessing encourages students in their faith as they get ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, while allowing parents to place their son or daughter into the hands of God. We ask for your prayers over all of our young people who are in their final preparation for Confirmation. The candidates will celebrate the Sacrament on April 11, 2024 at the Cathedral of St. Paul in Worcester.

## RCIA

*The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or RCIA constitutes a path for one to learn more about the Catholic faith, and if sense a calling by God, to prepare for the Sacraments of Initiation into Christ's pilgrim church. We are always happy to meet inquirers and invite inquirers to contact us anytime. For more information on RCIA, please call the St. Luke's secretary, Maria Gasser, at 508-366-5502 or the RCIA Team Lead, Bob Thompson, at 508-341-7677. We are anxious to meet and welcome future inquirers!*



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet Tuesday April 9th 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](mailto: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.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2024 AT 9:00AM**  
Placement of Veterans' Gravesite Flags at  
St. Luke's Cemetery.

We request 6th to 12th grade students & adults too!

Any questions, please contact,

Paul E. Freeman; Jr. [Pfreemanjr25@yahoo.com](mailto:Pfreemanjr25@yahoo.com)

**Please Note :** Rain Delay - If heavy thunderstorms or heavy rains are forecast for that time frame; the placement will be rescheduled to May 4th, 2024, Saturday, 9:00 A.M.

## MASS FOR LIFE

The annual Mass for Life will be celebrated by Bishop Robert J. McManus on the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord **Monday, April 8 at 10:00 am** at the Cathedral of St. Paul. All are invited to join students from our Catholic schools who will be our special guests. The Diocese of Worcester's annual Pro-Life Awards will also be presented at this Mass. All are welcome to attend!

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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.*