## SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH Westborough, MA

# Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile. "From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile." Mark 7: 14-15, 21-23.



Jacob Jordaens painted many biblical scenes, including at least two of Christ with the Pharisees, and appears to have enjoyed poking fun at the Pharisees. Here we see Christ near the center of the picture wearing blue with a red mantle (foreshadowing the Passion) surrounded by Pharisees. By the look on their faces this is clearly not a friendly crowd. With his right hand Christ gesticulates toward the larger group, which contain symbols referring to the Pharisees. One man in the center wears elaborate vestments and carries a gold censer and is likely a critique of the excesses of the Pharisees, while the man holding the book wearing the mask on his back is a symbol the often insincere ('two-faced') nature of the Pharisees when they challenge Jesus. In the lower left is a *putto* (child angel) who holds a bag of what is likely gold or silver coins symbolizing the greed that Christ highlights as coming from 'within.' The text at the very bottom is a verse that refers to a similar scripture passage in Matthew.

# GATHER HYMNAL PAGE 1156 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, August 31

4:00pm Helen & Edward Gorak by family

6:00pm Spanish

Sunday, September 1

7:30am John Cannon

by Daniel Breidenbach

9:00am Beverly Farmer

by Linda & Richard O'Donnell

11:00am John Martin

by his family

Monday, September 2

9:00am Beverly Farmer

by Pat & Kenny Gagnon

<u>Tuesday</u>, September 3

9:00am Lee Sheldrick

by family

Wednesday, September 4

9:00am Souls in Purgatory

by Horrigan family

Thursday, September 5

9:00am Edward Durand

by Jim & Carol Mulchahy

Friday, September 6

9:00am Virginia Brault

by Linda & Richard O'Dnonnell Saturday, September 7

4:00pm Jane & John Kwiatkowski

by family

6:00pm Spanish

Sunday, September 8

7:30am Maria Barretti

by family

9:00am Peter Louis Messina

by family

11:00am Louis & Jenny Delfanti

by niece Sharon DiProfio



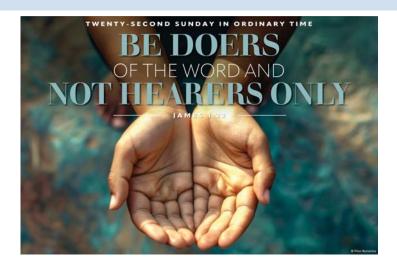
## Please Pray for...

Nicole Bates, Susan Bailey, Jonathan Tomashefsky, Brian Howland, Sharon Wilkins, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson Rich Reynolds, Joan Sanders, Bev Longime, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau Annabelle Duvane, Shirley DePalma, Agnes Limberger, Zachary Collins, Kupaa Keiley, Tiffany Kelley, Margie Morcone, Sharon Beaulieu, Ellie Barney, 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, Sandy Thatcher Kerr, Sarah McMenemy, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen, Brendon Crowley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett, Larry Maloney, 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, Louis Yuknavich, Annie Mason, Nancy Santory, Laconya Mobley, Gary Wilson, Jr., Debbie Giroux, Kevin & Donna Brennan, Luz Chavez, Debbie Krikler, Dalene Stephens, Vicki Foley, Joel Rivera, Christina Narensky, James Thomas, Chloe Nascimento, Ann Martin, Michael Berthuime, 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 Zancewicz, Kristy Cautello, Judy Melfa, Neil Kenny, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Michael Turpin, Frank Murphy, Jr. Nick Johnson, Patricia Amorelli, Connor Blaney, Demetrius William Fargelli, 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



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## JOIN an ADULT STUDY this FALL 2024 at St. Luke's!

Great topics to choose from:

- The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation History
- God: They Mystery of the Trinity in the Bible
- First Corinthians: The Church and Christian Community
- Questions Jesus Asks
- Faith and Fellowship for Moms
- Living the Sunday Gospel

"You've Got a Friend in Me" Men's Prayer Group

For descriptions, details, dates/times, and locations AND to register,

please visit: www.stlukes-parish.org/adult







## SING A JOYFUL SONG TO THE LORD!

Saint Augustine once said that "Those who sing, pray twice!" Please give some prayer-

ful 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 12<sup>th</sup>. The choir will lead us in song at the 11:00 Mass starting Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. 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: <u>craigistine@aol.com</u>, 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 Coordinator

### **ONE HOUR**

PEACE
OPENING our HEARTS and
MINDS TO JESUS

## Together in the Spirit

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
7:00 to 8:00 PM
St. Luke the Evangelist Church

A brief message of HOPE
Time to reflect, seek, knock, listen, receive
Led by SONGS OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE
ONE HOUR
OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH
JESUS PRESENT
WITH EACH OTHER
ALL ARE WELCOME!



## MUSTARD SEED SOUP KITCHEN

Friday, Sept. 6th.
Signup & details in Flocknotes

We are changing the drop off location to the parish center parking lot. Please deliver the cooked and hot food to the parking lot between by 3:30pm on Sept. 6th.

Call or email Sue Black at 508-212-2748, susanmblack08@gmail.com. Thank you so much!

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Fr Diego joined the Westboro Connects Pickleball Tournament this past Sunday at the Nelson Ball Lake Chauncy courts. He is pictured here with his playing partner Andrew Levine While he didn't win gold this year, his game was sharp and his sportsmanship stella.

## Saturday's 4 pm Mass is in need of more Altar Servers! Can you help?



Become involved in the Mass liturgy.
Get to know our parish priests.
Be a role model for others.

Once trained, scheduling for upcoming Masses is very flexible. You decide which weekends you are available to serve. Training is offered by our pastoral associate Julie Basque. Please contact her at 508-366-5502, ext 15 or email at <a href="mailto:pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org">pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org</a> to set up your training sessions.



### SPEND TIME WITH JESUS

Adorers during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament desperately needed on Tuesdays especially for the hours of 11am to 12 noon and 12 noon to 1pm. Jesus is waiting for you and it is a great opportuni-

ty to pray. Please consider this special request as coming from Jesus to you. It is critical especially during the summer vacation period. Please come, no strings attached. Thank you.

WORD DEED ish

In the middle of the political campaign season, our parish held a weekend retreat. The retreat director, an elderly

Jesuit who had seen a few campaigns in his day, spoke about judging the character of the candidates. He said that you take the measure of a person by looking at the FACTS—friends, actions, convictions, time and sincerity. Pay attention to what he does and where he goes and what friends he has, and you will know what kind of person he really is.

Jesus said much the same thing. You will know them by their fruits. God does not judge from the outside, but from the inside. Empty rituals and religious practices do not make a person holy. Rituals and practices have a purpose and meaning that brings us to the moment of truth when we choose God over all else. It is openness to grace, the conversion of heart and the purity of spirit that truly conforms one to the image and likeness of God. A heart given in faith to God is close to Him, filled with prayer, praise, wonder and awe.

We can judge ourselves by the FACTS—faith, attitude, compassion, truth and sincerity. It is easy to fall into the trap of the Pharisees and go through the motions of faith without real commitment. Be a friend of God. Be mindful of Him and pray often. Let faith penetrate your soul and everywhere you go, everything you do, and everyone you know will see the Lord at work in you.

James Gaffney

#### DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Bishop Robert J. McManus will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 20 at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Worcester. This liturgy of thanksgiving to God for many years of faithful witness to the sacredness of Christian marriage honors couples who are marking significant anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, etc.) this year. A light reception will follow downstairs in the Cenacle. Family and friends are welcome! Couples wishing to attend should pre-register no later than October 10 so that commemorative certificates may be issued. To register, complete the registration form at www.worcesterdiocese.org/weddinganniversary-mass or contact the Office of Marriage and Family at 508-929-4311 or email <u>aledoux@worcesterdiocese.org</u> to request that a copy of the registration form be sent to you.

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## Forever Young

Members of St. Luke's "Forever Young" want to take this opportunity to invite parishioners, especially **Baby Boomers**, who are of a certain age (60+) to join this active ministry of Senior Adults.

Our mission is to create fellowship, educational enrichment, and community outreach activities while fostering our Catholic Faith and Christian values. We generally meet on the fourth Monday of the month in the Parish Center following the 9am Mass. We have a varied activity schedule beginning on Monday, September 23, when our first Guest will be our very own Pastor, Fr. Diego!

Please consider joining us! Our membership envelope may be found in your September envelope packet. Dues are listed at \$10 per year. This covers costs for refreshments through the year, incidentals, and most important, assists us in our outreach donations within the parish. (Note: Including your email or phone number on envelope assists us in contacting you.)

Contact Karen Sheldrick at ksheldrick33@gmail.com for Membership or Dianne Patrick at diannempatrick@yahoo.com for general information. Thank you!



"Be doers of the word and not hearers only... "James 1:22It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and Stewardshup generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do way of Living your words and actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God daily?

Do you use your talent to help those in need without expecting anything in return? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

## REGISTRATION FOR FALL RELIGIOUS **EDUCATION CLASSES**

Emails have been sent to all previously registered families.

Please see the St. Luke's website at www.stlukesparish.org or contact the Religious Education Coordinators for more details.

Melissa Baril-Lower (Grades preK-6) mbarillower@stlukes-parish.org (508)366-8509 x16

Denise Pelkey (Grades 7 and up) dpelkey@stlukes-parish.org (508)366-8509 x17

### ATTENTION H.S. BOYS Please join us in a Retreat for Young Men

Date: September 28, 2024 Time: 7:45 am - 5:00 pm Where: St. Benedict Abbey 252 Still River Road, Harvard, MA

Breakfast & lunch will be provided. Let us know of any special dietary needs. \$33 per person.

If interested, please contact Denise Pelkey at dpelkey@stlukes-parish org for a permission slip.



### Home Communion Visits MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Looking for people to bring communion to parishioners who cannot attend Mass. Visits happen often during the week but can also be on the weekends. Flexible sched-

ule to meet the needs of the person visiting and the one being visited. Training provided.

**Requirements:** Enjoy people and the opportunity to bring Jesus to others.

**For more information,** please email Julie Basque at pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org or call 508-366-5502. Ext. 15. Thank you!

#### FREE VETERANS BREAKFAST

Westborough American Legion Post 163 invites all Veterans to a Free Veterans' Breakfast on Saturday, September 14, 9:00am at Westborough Senior Center, 4 Rogers Road. Please RSVP at 508-366-3000, transportation is available if needed. If you have questions, please contact John Gallinagh at USNR1967@gmail.com or Paul Horrigan at paulhorrigan123@gmail.com.

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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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