

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH

Westborough, MA

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 6, 2024

And people were bringing children to him that he might touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." Mark 10:13-15



This week's painting is by the German artist Fritz von Uhde, whose style expresses aspects of both realism and impressionism situating him uniquely between the two styles. We've seen one of his paintings before on the bulletin (*The Mealtime Prayer*, 1885) – he painted at least four pictures where Christ is shown appearing to contemporary people in the 1800s. Typically, Uhde depicts Christ among the poor; from the laboring working class in cities to rural agrarian communities living off the land. Here, we can understand the economic situation through details such as the poorly woven mat covering the floor, the barefoot boy in line, and the pinned-up cloth for curtains. However, despite the circumstances, the Christian symbolism remains: a barefoot Christ sits on a throne-like chair set upon a type of 'carpet.' These are traditionally motifs of royalty in painting. However, here Christ the King receives a line of mostly children who have nothing and are gathered to see him and receive a blessing. Uhde upends traditional images of royalty here by denying us those typically rich decorative ornamentations by keeping the scene and the materials sparse, making clear the core of Christ's important message from today's gospel.

**GATHER HYMNAL
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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME**

MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday, October 5**
4:00pm **Fr. Walter Riley**
by Ken & Beth Salsman
MASS OF ANOINTING
- 6:00pm Spanish
- Sunday, October 6**
7:30am **Francis F. Riley**
by Crowley family
- 9:00am **Joyce Gallinagh**
by St. Luke's
- 11:00am **Matthew Malone**
7th Anniversary by family
- Monday, October 7**
9:00am **Anthony Jr. & Betty Zaccaria**
by Bob and Arlene Baho
- Tuesday, October 8**
9:00am **Paul E. Freeman, Sr.**
34th Anniversary by his son Paul
- Wednesday, October 9**
9:00am **Red & Louise Cote**
by family
- Thursday, October 10**
9:00am **Elio Castignoli**
by family
- Friday, October 11**
9:00am **Souls in Purgatory**
by Fr. Sagar
- Saturday, October 12**
4:00pm **Deceased of the Antkowiak &
Kwiatkowski Families**
by family
- 6:00pm Spanish
- Sunday, October 13**
7:30am **George Heyward**
by the Savoie Family
- 9:00am **Bill & Vilma Henderson**
by family
- 11:00am **Louisa Victor**
by family

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,
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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
Sean Horrigan

**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**



NEW TO ST. LUKE'S?

**A heartfelt welcome to new members
of our parish family! Whether this is
your first visit or you're joining us
weekly, we are thrilled to welcome**

**you to your new parish home. Be
sure to visit [https://stlukes-parish.org/
newcomers](https://stlukes-parish.org/newcomers) or easy sign-up as a par-
ish member with QR .**

**We look forward to meeting you
soon!**



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ST LUKE'S THANKSGIVING PROGRAM – 2024

It has been a long-standing tradition at St Luke's to provide assistance to those in need at Thanksgiving. In the past, we have provided two bags of groceries as well as a grocery card. This year, in order to better meet the needs of our families, Outreach will change things up a bit. Most of the families that come to St Luke's for help receive a monthly SNAP card (formally known as Food Stamps) to get groceries. What many don't realize is that with a SNAP card, you cannot purchase diapers, wipes, detergent, soap, toothpaste, cleaning supplies etc. So, this year we will be asking our kids in the religious ed classes to (instead of food) bring in some of these essential items. Each family will receive a number of these items as well as a \$50. grocery card. 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. (The most asked for are Walmart, Stop & Shop and Market Basket.)
2. Make a donation in any amount to help defray the cost of food 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 we encourage your support again this year!

Nan Ford/Parish Outreach Coordinator

Can you spend an Hour with Jesus on
Thursday, October 17, 2024?
(Any hour from 9:30 pm to 6:00 am)

OVERNIGHT EXPOSITION OF THE
EUCHARIST: AT JESUS' FEET



Spending an hour with Jesus during the night hours is a unique experience. The graces and peace will be worth your lost time of sleep. Please consider signing up for an hour of your choice. Please use the link below to sign up.



Any questions or concerns please email Julie Basque at pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org

**DO YOU ENJOY WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE?
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SHARING YOUR FAITH?**

We would love to talk you!
**We are looking for a Youth Minister to help
organize events and activities, and be there to
help guide the young people in our parish.**

**If interested, please contact Father Diego
frdiego@stlukes-parish.org.**



The St. Luke's Christian Initiation for Adults inquiry sessions continue through October - meeting on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in room 23 of the Parish Center. Anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or have an interest in joining the Catholic faith community are welcomed to attend. No need to register - just show up!

We welcome all inquirers. For more information, please contact Bob Thompson at 508-341-7677 or just show up at one of our inquiry sessions.

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet Tuesday October 8th 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 cmulcahy@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 hand-made items. Yarn is available at the Parish Center.



Unrealistic idealism is as sure a path to failure as unbridled pessimism. When we expect too much, or expect nothing at all, we end up in the same place—disappointed. Life is full of twists and turns, ups and downs, successes and failures. It takes a positive attitude, realistic expectations and a lot of love to live life well.

Jesus offers a new teaching on marriage, confronting the accepted traditions. A man could divorce his wife for whatever reason and she had no say. In this male dominated society, a woman had no rights at all. Jesus speaks against divorce not only because the two are one, but also because God is the author of their union. It is a vocation for both the man and the woman and they have equal rights within their marriage.

Marriage is often seen in secular terms and the idea that God is somehow part of the process gets lost in the midst of florists, gowns and menu options. It can be difficult to hear God's call, to look for the spiritual bonds that create the union between a man and a woman. God does not call us to failure and we need to nurture and protect the bond of love that joins us together. With a positive attitude, realistic expectations, and more than a few prayers, may all marriages celebrate many happy years together!



St. Luke's Annual Pilgrimage Thursday October 17, 2024 National Shrine of Divine Mercy I Stockbridge MA

Please plan to come alone, with your group, or to car-pool with others meeting at 10 am in the St. Luke's Parking Lot at 70 West Main St. Westboro. Or you can choose your own times when you wish to go and return, and we will see you there! **Food is now available** at the new **Eden Hill Café** at the Shrine! See their attached menu.

Please share this with others you think might be interested and contact Judy Savoie jsavoie42@msn.com if you would like to attend the Pilgrimage, with any questions and if you need a ride or a handicap cart

HARVEST KICK OFF DINNER Women of St. Luke (WOSL) Open to ALL women of the Parish, October 24, 2024 Thursday 6:30pm \$20.00pp Parish Hall

We look forward to seeing all of you fabulous women. Bring a sister, daughter or a friend! *must be 21 or older to attend*

Questions: Kathy Lawrence 508-366-6631



HELPING THE LITTLE ONES

October is the month of the Rosary. During this month, we are looking to assist Moms in need in honor of the Mother Mary. Problem Pregnancy supports struggling Moms in Worcester County.

Please help us provide the following items that they are in most need of:

- ♦ Diapers of all sizes, especially sizes 4 & 5
- ♦ Baby clothes, especially winter clothes in sizes 6-12 months
- ♦ Baby toiletries, towels, burp cloths
- ♦ Gently used strollers and bouncy seats

Donations can be placed in designated boxes in the Church vestibule and Parish Center lobby. Thank you for your generosity! If you have any questions or want to help further, please contact: Denise Pelkey dpelkey@stlukes-parish.org or Elizabeth Kum-pulanian ekumpulanian@gmail.com.

JOIN an ADULT STUDY FALL 2024
For descriptions, details,
dates/times, and locations
AND to register,
please visit:
[www.stlukes-parish.org/
adult](http://www.stlukes-parish.org/adult)





ALL ARE WELCOME!...ALWAYS!

Many thanks to all who shared in the joy of St. Luke's Welcome Weekend! Special appreciation to Fr. Diego, Fr. Sagar, St Luke's Staff, Team Leaders, Welcome Announcers, Greeters, Helpers, Coffee Team, Bakers and many more!...and to our parishioners who brought smiles and joy to make Welcome Weekend a truly special experience for ! Thanking our Lord Jesus for the gift of every person in our St. Luke's family!



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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 Commun-
ion, 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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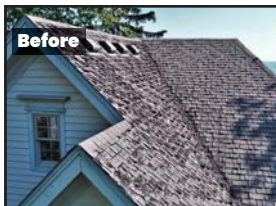
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