

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH

Westborough, MA

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2024



To celebrate St. Luke's Feast Day, we have a painting of St. Luke the Evangelist in his role as Patron Saint of Painters. Here St. Luke sits before a painting of the Virgin and Child he has just completed (with the aid of divine inspiration suggested by the angel in the background). There is a legend that he was the first and only person to have ever captured the likeness of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Baroque painting emblematic of the Catholic Counter Reformation movement, indicated by the Evangelist's gesture *toward* the image and *away* from the book (his Gospel) behind him on the table beneath a statue of an Ox. The Ox is St. Luke's attribute because he stressed the sacrificial aspects of Christ's life for our redemption. The artist Guercino has St. Luke gesture toward the image not to belittle the text of the gospel, but rather to indicate the important role that devotional art plays in the Church's prayer life.

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**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME**

MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday, October 19**
4:00pm **Elaine Roberts**
by Julie & Bruce Szczepankiewicz
- 6:00pm Spanish
- Sunday, October 20**
7:30am **Maria Barretti**
by family
- 9:00am **Nicholas Argento Sr.**
7th Anniversary by family
- 11:00am **Anna Almeida**
by Herman & Dottie Millet
- Monday, October 21**
9:00am **Louis & Marie Baho**
by Bob & Arlene Baho
- Tuesday, October 22**
9:00am **Anthony Putnam**
by Divine Mercy Cenacles
- Wednesday, October 23**
9:00am **Kathleen Bartlett**
by Nancy Papp
- Thursday, October 24**
9:00am **Charles Kobes**
by Morrissey family
- Friday, October 25**
9:00am **Bagocius & Zarzycki**
by Franco family
Souls in Purgatory
by Fr. Sagar
- Saturday, October 26**
4:00pm **Barbara Brogie**
by family
- 6:00pm Spanish
- Sunday, October 20**
7:30am **Gordon Sainsbury**
by family
- 9:00am **Theresa Mancuso**
by Karen & Guido Lonardo
- 11:00am **Beverly Farmer**
by St. Luke's Parish family
- 5:30pm Charismatic Mass



Please Pray for...

Nicole Bates, Susan Bailey, Jonathan Tomashefsky, Brian Howland,
Sharon Wilkins, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson
Joan Sanders, 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,
Sandy Thatcher Kerr, Sarah McMenemy, Helen Galica, Erik Olsen,
Brendon Crowley, Richard Kane, Grace Roche, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett,
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, James Thomas,
Rich Reynolds, Thomas Houde, 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,
Paola Amorelli, David Sawyer, Madison Knopf, Claire Kennedy, ,
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
Susanne Ollman, Christina Narensky, Chloe Nascimento,

**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
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Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm
Prayers For Sanctity of Life 5:00pm
BENEDICTION AT 6:00PM**



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GREETING ON ST. LUKE'S FEAST DAY

Every year, the celebration of St. Luke's Feast brings something unique to our Parish. Spiritual and community time is part of these essential festivities.

We are blessed to be part of a Parish community named after one of the Evangelists. In that way, our celebration is not only local; the Universal Church celebrates this Feast by reading and remembering Jesus' life and teachings collected by the exquisite narrative of our beloved St. Luke, both in the Gospel and in the book of the Acts of the Apostles.

St. Luke's has especially embraced these lessons of welcoming everyone, building a community of love by serving the most needed among us, and acting by the power of the Spirit of the Risen Lord. Indeed, this year, we experience the presence of the Holy Spirit in a new way, with the work of new ministries, new projects, and new members of our Parish family.

While the world shouts, "Be afraid, don't trust what you see or hear," and other scary messages, ***we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord through the celebration, learning, teaching, and living of our faith by the power of the Holy Spirit.***

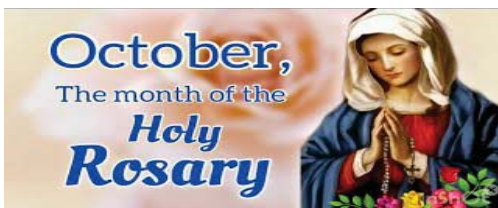
Happy St. Luke's Feast Day!

Fr. Diego
Pastor

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.

"FOREVER YOUNG" OCTOBER GATHERING
Monday, October 28, (9:45-11:30am)
BINGO activity with prizes!
Consider joining this active Senior Adult ministry.



**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 "You've Got a Friend in Me" Men's Prayer Group will have their third in a series of five monthly gatherings at the Parish Center on Monday evening, October 21st beginning at 7:00 PM. All are Welcomed!

The gathering will commence with a light dinner, followed by a video on the Family. There will then be small group discussions on the concepts introduced in the video. The gathering will conclude with group prayers focused on bringing individuals closer to Jesus Christ in their daily lives. The gathering will conclude at 8:15 PM. There is no fee for participation in these gatherings. Attendees need not to have attended either of the previous gatherings.

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

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



St. Luke's is serving at the Mustard Seed on Friday, Nov. 1st. We will be serving chicken, rice pilaf, vegetables, fruit and dessert. Please see the sign-up sheet in Flocknotes for details. **Please deliver the food hot to the parish center parking lot between 3:30 and 4:00 on Nov. 1st.** Any questions, please call or email Sue Black at 508-212-2748, susanmblack08@gmail.com.
 Thank you so much!

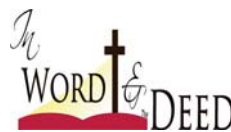
ST LUKE'S FALL BEREAVEMENT SERIES

Session One: Wednesday, October 30, 2024

Introduction to Grief I'm not alone.



Other dates: November 6, 13, 20 and December 4th. Please pre-register with Julie Basque, pastoral associate at 508-366-5502, 15 or email pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org to sign up or for more information.



A bishop wanted to keep in touch with people and get away from the problems and the bureaucracy of running a rather large diocese. So, as often as he could, he would slip away unnoticed, take off his pectoral cross and visit patients in a nursing home and in a hospital. He would introduce himself as Father "John" and bring Communion, hear confessions and anoint the sick. No one really knew who he was. For him, it was a labor of love and, as he put it, 'the time when I renew the grace of my priesthood.'

Grace and greatness come from serving others. Jesus reminds the disciples that they have all experienced how the Romans would force their authority on the people, using force if necessary. Their greatness was self-proclaimed. But in truth, those who are great put themselves at the service of others, willingly sacrificing whatever they have so that life will be better for someone else.

Our goal is to build the community of the church, to practice our faith, supporting and encouraging one another. In the small, seemingly unnoticed moments of love, of hope, of healing and helping, greatness comes. We hear it in words of thanks, we see it in the faces of those who are fed and clothed and taught and loved. We touch it in the hands of the lonely we visit, or the sorrowing we comfort. Find your way to greatness. It will be the source of your greater grace!

St. Luke's GRAND ANNUAL

Dear Parishioners,

July 1st marked my second year as pastor of St. Luke Parish. It has been an exciting time and a wonderful blessing to my ministry.

I was blessed to receive a strong, well-established community with solid physical and spiritual foundations from my predecessors.

My job as a pastor also includes some responsibilities with the administration of the Parish. Therefore, as steward of the Parish buildings, I must take care of and maintain our Parish Church, Parish Center, the Rectory, and the Cemetery.

In the past few years, we have replaced the roof on the Parish Center, structurally repaired our leaning bell tower, and renovated the kitchen in the Rectory. This summer, we repaired the parking lot behind the Parish Center. We want to keep this tradition of stewardship and care going forward.

After prayer and careful consideration, I would like to introduce the St. Luke's Grand Annual, as a way to keep up with the ongoing needs of Parish Church.

Among the projects we have identified with some approximate costs are:

Church Roof. (\$55.000)

Church Exterior, Windows painting, cleaning, and repair. (\$62.000)

Campus Sidewalk repairs. (\$33.000)

Church, Parish Center, and Garage electrical upgrades and repair. (\$40.000)

Church Choir Loft Safety Rail. (\$5.000)

Church Signage. (\$25.000)

Security Access Control in the Parish Center and Rectory. (\$30.000)

Parish Center Drainage System. (\$10.000)

Cemetery Plumber Repairs. (\$15.000)

Administration-Software updates and Cybersecurity System. (\$5.000)

Our Building and Ground Staff and the Finance Committee will review the repairs needed every year.

This is a Parish Campaign, and all the funds will be used in our Parish.

I believe this campaign will be a great opportunity for us to continue the work of evangelization.

I am truly grateful for your consideration and generosity. All gifts are welcome and appreciated.

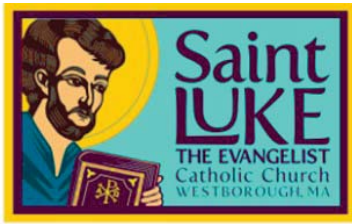
In Christ,

Fr. Diego

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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**

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Please call Maria at 508-366-5502
for information*

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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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
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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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