

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH

Westborough, MA

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 27, 2024

Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, he is calling you." He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

Mark 10:49-52



Today's painting illustrates the moment in our gospel today when Christ heals the blind man of Jericho. We have seen artwork previously by Carl Bloch, a Danish artist, who is known for avoiding overt symbolic religious imagery and instead attempts to illustrate how he imagined a particular scene really might have appeared. However, despite this there remains rich symbolism in the picture. In the foreground we have Christ, who is *the light*, and has been brought to the area of the blind beggar. Christ emerges from the brightest part of the scene and walks into the darkest (what looks like an alley way). Thus, this darkest part of the painting symbolizes the darkness of sin and ignorance. The blind beggar resides in this literal and metaphorical space of darkness, yet through his strong faith and desire to 'see' Christ he yearns for salvation. Others behind them look on in yearning anticipation, while those further shrouded in darkness on the left foreground, likely Pharisees, look on the scene with great skepticism.

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 26

4:00pm **Barbara Brogie**
by family

6:00pm Spanish

Sunday, October 27

7:30am **Gordon Sainsbury**
by family

9:00am **Theresa Mancuso**
by Karen & Guido Lonardo

11:00am **Beverly Farmer**
by St. Luke's Parish family

Monday, October 28

9:00am **Madeline Kay (Birthday Wishes)**
by Dennis & Helen Kay

Tuesday, October 29

9:00am **Elio Castignoli**
by family

Wednesday, October 30

9:00am **Bill McLoughlin**
by family

Thursday, October 31

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

Friday, November 1

All Saints Day

9:00am **Souls in Purgatory**
by Fr. Sagar

12:10pm **John Bergstrom**
by family

6:00pm Spanish

Saturday, November 2

9:00am **All Souls Day**

4:00pm **Edward Manion Sr.**
by Knights of Columbus

6:00pm Spanish

Sunday, November 3

7:30am **Pat Dempsey**
by family

9:00am **Francis Riley**
by McCarthy family

11:00am **Edwin P. Valis, Jr**
by family

Please Pray for...

Nicole Bates, Susan Bailey, Jonathan Tomashefsky, Brian Howland, Sharon Wilkins, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson, Eilla Walker, 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 Berthume, 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 Zanczewicz, 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
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**



FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

**FRIDAY, NOV. 1 MASS SCHEDULE
7:00AM—12:10AM—6:00PM (Spanish)**

the **Feast of All Saints** celebrates the victory over death of our brothers and sisters who have gone before us. The Church gives us this feast so that we might realize again that sanctity is something that belongs to all of us. It is being faithful to God's call to us everyday.

FEAST OF ALL SOULS

Saturday, November 2 at 9:00AM

The **Feast of All Souls** is not a Holy Day of obligation, but it is a special feast day. It is a day to pray for all our dead

Cover Image: Carl Bloch, *Healing of the Blind Man by Christ*, 1871.

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SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE

As a gift from the parish, each Confirmandi will receive a copy of *The Great Adventure Bible* before Confirmation. We also ask for prayer for the students preparing for Confirmation. It is important for each young student to experience the beauty of praying for and supporting another's faith journey, in a concrete way. This weekend, we are asking you to pick a Confirmation student to pray for during the course of the year. Please pray for the Candidate that you chose. If you are homebound, you can send an email to Denise Pelkey dpelkey@stlukes-parish.org and she can give you a student to pray for.

You will notice a number next to their name. If you would like to include any correspondence, please put the number on an envelope and put it in the bin on St. Monica Religious Education Office door in the Parish Center. I will make sure that they receive any correspondence. They can include but are not limited to the following:

- Send a note of encouragement
 - Send a birthday card, Christmas, Easter card or a Saint card
 - That you are praying for them throughout the course of the year
 - Have a mass said for them
 - Explain how your faith has impacted your life
- Write a note to the student you are praying for in their new Bible.

Please know that we will be praying for you and appreciate the prayers you give to the youth at St. Luke's.

On Sunday, Fr. Diego led an evening of reflection and prayer for the young people of our parish. They concluded the celebration of the Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist with and ice cream and fun.



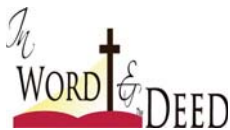
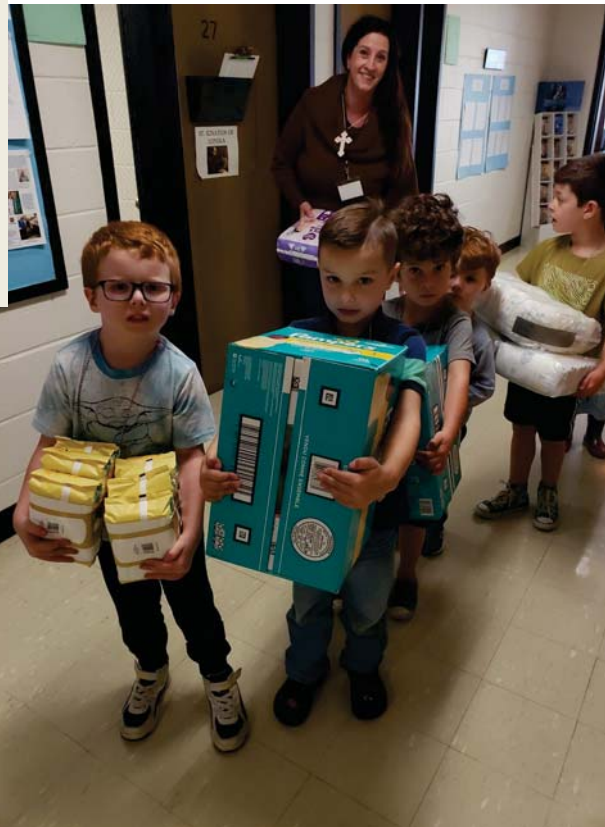
**DO YOU ENJOY WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE?
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SHARING YOUR FAITH?**

**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 "Little Disciples" Preschool/Kindergarten Faith Formation class enjoyed sorting and moving the items for "Moms in Need" during the month of October! We will continue to collect donations until November 1st. Problem Pregnancy is still in need of size 5 diapers, boys and girls clothes sizes 9-12, pacifiers, receiving blankets, bibs and burping cloths. Monetary donations can be made at www.ppwdonations.org. Thank you for your amazing generosity!

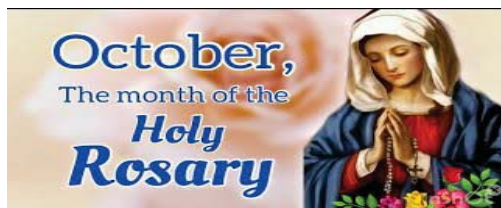


An old man was walking around a lake and the water had dropped off rather quickly, stranding many fish in the shallow water and mud. As he walked along, he would pick up a fish and toss it into deeper water. A woman walking by saw this and told him that he was crazy! He'd never throw all the fish back into the water. "What does it matter?" she asked. Picking up a fish, he said, "It matters to this one."

Jesus does not heal the whole world all at once, nor does he reveal Himself to all in one huge display of power and glory. Although He preaches to large crowds, He is keenly aware of individual people and specific needs that each one has. He heals one by one. He teaches the Apostles privately. He raises Lazarus from the dead. Each person has his or her own encounter with Jesus and, to each one that encounter matters.

It is easy to feel lost in our world where we become just a number, or another screen name in cyber space. It is easy to feel disconnected from God, wondering if He really knows me or really cares about me. The truth is that God knows us by name. He made us in His own image and shares His life with us. We are not strangers, but sons and daughters. Keep the faith and trust the Lord. We matter and we matter to Him.

James Gaffney



November 5 — Election Day
Important Day to Pray! Please join us anytime:

9:00am Morning Mass
9:30am - 6:00pm Adoration
6:00pm Benediction

To pray for our country & election of our new President!



POSTER CONTEST!

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus for children ages 8–14 years old. Create a 11x17 poster for the theme: Keep Christ in Christmas. Prizes will be awarded for all participants! A select few will be entered into the Regional Contest. For Entry Forms or more information, contact Melissa Baril-Lower at mbarillower@stlukes-parish.org or Denise Pelkey at dpelkey@stlukes-parish.org. Thank you and good luck!



Reconciliation Retreat is this Saturday, October 26th. Please keep all second graders and their catechists in prayer as they prepare for this wonderful sacrament!



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 signup 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 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

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.

October 27, 2024

Together in Spirit

Wednesday November 6

7- 8pm in church

A brief message of Hope

Time to

reflect, seek, knock, listen, receive

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Charismatic Masses on Sunday evenings have been cancelled until further notice.

FOREVER YOUNG

The Senior Adults of St. Luke's invite you to join them for their next meeting with BINGO on Monday, October 28. We meet from 9:45-11:30am in the Parish Center Hall.



UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

Monday, November 11, breakfast hosted by St. Luke's Youth Group.

Sunday, December 8, trip to see "A Christmas Story" at Calliope Productions in Boylston.

Tuesday, December 17, Christmas Luncheon at Cold Harbor Brewing Co. in Westborough.

Please consider joining this active community group. Come see who we are! Contact Dianne Patrick at diannepatrick@yahoo.com or Karen Sheldrick at ksheldrick33@gmail.com for more information.



SUNDAY, NOV. 3RD AT THE 11AM MASS

Every November we remember in prayer all those in the parish who have died in the past year.

This year we would like to open it up to those in the parish who also experienced a significant loss in their lives, but their loved one was buried elsewhere. If you would like to add your recent loss of a loved one to our Remembrance Mass please email Julie Basque, our pastoral associate at pastoralassociate@stlukes-parish.org.

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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
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know of someone from the parish who is in the
hospital, please let us know.*

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