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Westborough, MA

Twenty-Seventh Sunday Ordinary Time October 5, 2025

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." Luke 17:5



Ary Scheffer's *Christus Remunerator* brings us an imagined scene of an idealized Christ surrounded by saints and martyrs. Framed by a soft yet radiant light, and offering gestures of blessing, this painting of Christ (its title from Latin *remunerationem* meaning "a repaying, recompense,") with the saints suggests a heavenly reward for such faithful endurance. Symbolically, this painting of Christ embodies grace and fulfillment, affirming divine justice rather than judgment, presenting a vision of spiritual consolation and eternal reward.



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NEW TO THE PARISH

Welcome!

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/

<u>newcomers</u> or easy sign-up as a parish member with this OR code.

We look forward to meeting you soon!



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4PM, 6PM (Spanish) Sunday 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM

Weekday (followed by the Rosary) 9:00 AM Monday through Friday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9:00AM Tuesdays after Mass until 6:00PM Benediction 3:00PM Divine Mercy Chaplet 5:00PM Prayers for Sanctity of Life

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call Maria at 508-366-5502 x10 for information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45PM and by request. Reconciliation Room is handicapped accessible.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a Priest at least six months in advance.

OCIA - CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

If interested in learning more about or in becoming Christian in the Catholic faith tradition please contact Josh Dion at Joshua.t.dion@gmail.com or 978-807-1631. We welcome all inquirers.

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 508-366-5502 X15. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.

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MASS INTENTIONS

4:00pm	Saturday, October 4 Joyce Gallinagh by her family Cecile & Thomas Winters
6:00pm	by their family Spanish
7:30am	Sunday, October 5 John Murphy, Jr. by Horrigan family
9:00am	Priscilla Federici (6th Anniversary) by her family
11:00am	Sean Horrigan by Maria & Bob Gasser Stephen Sonia by Pat Gagnon
9:00am	Monday, October 6 Matthew Malone (8th Anniversary) by his family
9:00am	Tuesday, October 7 Dave Blackerby by Bob Metzinger John Fletcher (10th Anniversary) by his family
9:00am	Wednesday, October 8 Paul E. Freeman, Sr. (35th Anniv) by his son Paul Freeman
9:00am	Thursday, October 9 Mike & Maria Barretti by St. Luke's Parish family
9:00am	Friday, October 10 Elio Castignoli by his family
4:00pm	Saturday, October 11 Joanne Dayton by Mike & Marlene Blaney
6:00pm	Spanish
7:30am	Sunday, October 12 George Heyward by Savoie family
9:00am	Christine Merchant
11:00am	by Richard Lambert John Strouse, Jr. by Knights of Columbus

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Month of June 2025	\$59,976
Month of July 2025	\$63,093
Month of August 2025	\$59,591

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

JOIN THE CHOIR ALL ARE WELCOME



SING, O SING!

St Augustine once said:
"Those who sing, pray twice!"
If you love to sing, come and praise our
Good God with us in song!

Our parish choir rehearses Thursday evenings at 7:00pm.

The choir sings at the 11:00 Mass on Sunday. All are welcome, so please consider joining us!

COME AND ADORE JESUS ALL ARE WELCOME

Come and share in this experience every Tuesday all day following the 9:00am Mass.



3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 5pm Respect Life Prayers 6pm Benediction

"In an ever-changing world the Holy Eucharist is a constant reminder of the great reality of God's changeless love." – Saint Teresa of Avila

DONATION ENVELOPES



Receiving envelopes but no longer need to? Contact Linda at 508-366-5502 X19 for assistance.

WOSL HARVEST DINNER WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22nd



Please join us! Wednesday, Oct 22 at 6:30pm Parish Center Hall

Delicious Thanksgiving dinner. Coffee and soft drinks provided. BYOB. Adults only please.

Bring a friend!

Reservations are due: by October 15th

No tickets will be sold at the door

Cost: \$20.00 check or cash

More info on the flyers at the back of the church Questions: please call Dottie O'Neil 508-335-2696 or Kathy Lawrence 508-847-7744

ADULT STUDY FALL OPPORTUNITIES

From Genesis to Jesus ~ Mondays
The Mass ~ Tuesdays
Freedom that Comes with Forgiveness
~Wednesdays
Bible Timeline ~ Wednesdays or Thursdays

Bible Timeline ~ Wednesdays or Thursdays Living the Sunday Gospel ~ Sundays Faith and Fellowship for Moms ~ Sundays

For more details and to register go to St. Luke's website or scan the QR code



VISIT OUR NEW TODDLER GROUP AND LENDING LIBRARY!



TODDLER ROOM

Sundays 10-10:50am during RE class in the Parish Center Hall ages 1-3 year olds caretakers available

CHILDREN'S LENDING LIBRARY

located on the bookshelves at the back of the church religious books, activity sheets, etc. to be enjoyed during Mass and returned for others

Suggestions welcome!

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - THURSDAY 10AM - 4:00PM

If you are in need of assistance Please call Maria at 508-366-5502 x10 or Melissa at 508-366-5502 x16

Other hours are available upon request

FLOCKNOTE

Be sure to sign up to receive "Flocknotes"

Text the word STLUKES to the number 84576 or sign up online: flocknote.com/StLukesWestborough

LOOKING FOR ENGLISH?



Mondays 6-8pm for Beginners Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm for Advanced Other times are available as well.

Register with Carmen (508)826-5172

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OCIA INQUIRY SESSIONS



Sessions are weekly Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in Room 23, Parish Center

If you are not already a member of the Catholic faith community (or perhaps no Christian faith community), this is an excellent opportunity to learn about the Christian faith in the Catholic tradition.

All are welcomed to attend without any obligation or pressure to "become Catholic." For those who choose, OCIA can provide a path to one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist). No need to sign up - just stop by the Parish Center and join us in Room 23. If you are a confirmed Catholic having received all your sacraments, please gently mention OCIA to any people you meet who you sense may be receiving a calling from God to explore Christianity in the Catholic faith tradition.

We would be delighted to meet them!

For more information on OCIA at St. Luke's, please contact Josh Dion via text/phone at 978-807-1631 or via email at Joshua.t.dion@gmail.com.

Remember that at the end of our time on earth, our faith is our most precious possession.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES



October 5 - Notre Dame Academy, Worcester

October 16 - St. John's HS, Shrewsbury

October 18 - St. Paul Jr./Sr. High School, Worcester

October 22 St. Mary's, Shrewsbury November 15 - St. John's HS, Shrewsbury

TEENS & TRUCKS NEEDED! TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11th

VETERANS' DAY BREAKFAST



With the Senior Adults after 9am Mass. Contact Denise Pelkey at 508-366-5502 x17 or dpelkey@stlukes-parish.org for info and to sign up.

LEAF RAKING



Meet at church parking lot at 9am for donuts and hot chocolate. Bring your gloves, rakes, tarps. Trucks and leaf blowers needed too! Contact Julie Richards at juliem1of5@hotmail.com for more info and to sign up.

THANK YOU!

OCTOBER ~ MONTH OF THE ROSARY AND RESPECT LIFE MONTH!

OCTOBER 7TH ~ FEAST OF THE HOLY ROSARY



Pope Leo invites all the faithful to pray the rosary each day during October for peace. There are blessed rosaries and rosary pamphlets on the bookshelf at the back of the church for your devotion. As a reminder, you are welcome to join the rosary group who prays the rosary after every daily Mass.

SACREDNESS OF LIFE - A PRAYER FOR HOPE

Heavenly Father, in the sacrament of Baptism, you have given us the gift of new life. Through your son our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, you have made us your own.

Help us to recognize the gift of human life as a sign of hope in our world.

Reveal to us the places where your precious gift of life is most in need of protection and strengthen us to defend life in all stages and circumstances, from the child in the womb to the elderly and dying.

Guided by your Holy Spirit, guard us from discouragement and give us the grace to be messengers of hope, filled with confidence that nothing can separate us from your love.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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HELPING THE "LITTLE ONES"



During this month, we are looking to help out Moms in need ~ in our Westboro community, local pregnancy crisis centers, and women's shelters. Items like diapers (not newborn), wipes, infant clothes, blankets, bottles, monetary donations, etc. are greatly appreciated. Please contact Elizabeth Kumpulanian at ekumpulanian@gmail.com or our website for more details. Thank you!!

VINTAGE METAL CHAIRS SOLD!

Over the last few years, many of the chairs that were purchased in the 1970s have been updated throughout the Parish Center. Last week, we listed and sold 191 chairs!







They all went to good homes, ALL of which we hope you will to pray for! These chairs were part of many teaching, prayer, and service opportunities at St. Luke's and it would be nice to carry those blessings to the next "occupants"! Some of their new homes are: a Jewish family, special education classroom, several middle school classrooms and church classrooms, several kitchen tables, a pediatric clinic, and even an adult production/play. We are using the funds for further upgrades to the Parish Center like the new seating area above.

REGISTRATION FOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS AND THE GIVING TREE OCTOBER 7 - 9 IN THE PARISH CENTER

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Nicole Bates, Susan Bailey, Jonathan Tomashefsky, Brian Howland, Sharon Wilkins, Michael LeBlanc, Mary Mahan, Becky Rawson, Ella Walker, 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, Carol Aloisi, Teresa Putnam, Carmelia Potenti, 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, Courtney Rouse, Kirolos Gergis, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao, Lynn St. Jean, 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., Kevin & Donna Brennan, Luz Chavez, Debbie Krikler, Dalene Stephens, Vicki Foley, Joel Rivera, James Thomas, Jack Walker, Rich Reynolds, Thomas Houde, Michael Berthuime, Joan Sanders, Sofia Shahin, Sarah Cox, Hailie McLatchey, Barbara Auger, George Cabana, Beverly Taylor, Jeanne Amendola, Daniel Baker, Rebecca Coax, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo, 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, William Fargelli, Demetrius Mobley, Erin Magrane, George Beecher, Susanne Ollman, Christina Narensky, Chloe Nascimento, Gary Shults, Charlie Skinner, Jim and Roz Oesterle, Laraine Day, David Arkle, Dotty Millet, Ray Baril

Let us pray for all our military men and women who are over seas in harm's way
We pray for those who have died....

GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT SERIES BEGINS OCTOBER 8th



Our fall series meets on seven Wednesdays St. Luke's Parish Center 6.30 - 8.30pm

> October 8, 15, 22, 29 November 5, 12 & December 3

Space is limited.
Register with Julie Basque at 508-366-5502 X 15
Natalie Bruce at 774-258-0869
Joe Pucciarelli at 508-878-5964
or stlukesgriefministry@gmail.com

CELEBRATE PRIESTHOOD THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30th



Join us! Thursday, Oct 30th 5:30-7:30pm

As we celebrate our diocesan priests!

Our 12th Gala will be held at St Paul Diocesan Jr/Sr High School, 144 Granite St, Worcester in the gymnasium. As a benefit for Retired Priests' Care, the Gala will feature cuisine from local restaurants, ethnic cuisine from our diocesan parishes, a variety of wines, local handcrafted beers, and soft drinks.

Over the past eleven years, nearly \$1.75 million has been raised! To make a gift or purchase a ticket, please visit: www.worcesterdiocese.org/celebrate-priesthood

Thank you!

IN WORD AND DEED ~ by James Gaffney

On one of the cable channels, there was a series that featured interviews with great artists, musicians and designers of all kinds. It was a fascinating look into their lives, their work and their view of their craft. While each one had a unique life story, there were several things they had in common: the need to be creative, the importance of a good teacher and role model and the necessity of lots and lots of prac-

tice. No one had a shortcut to greatness!

The Apostles are intrigued by Jesus. They are with Him as He preaches, heals and forgives. His message of love and faith appeals to them, so they ask Him to increase their faith. But Jesus can do no such thing because there are no shortcuts to faith, no simple road to take that makes the way easy. Doing what is required is but the first step. Then it is the spirit of sacrifice, dedication and service that allows faith to grow stronger and deeper.

But God does not leave us helpless. St. Paul tells Timothy that it is the Spirit that "makes us strong, loving and wise." These are the tools that we need to grow in faith and holiness, the tools that help us to persevere, to see God in all we do and to choose to follow what is good. The Spirit will lead us, guide us and help us. It is up to us to practice what the Spirit teaches and remain faithful to what we learn.

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