



## MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

Sunday, October 8, 2017  
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

4:00 PM

8:00 AM

Gathering: I Sing The Mighty Power Of God  
BB 550

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 103)

*The Lord is kind and merciful. (2x)*

Preparation 'Tis The Gift To Be Simple BB 516

Mass Parts Mass of Creation

Communion: One Bread, One Body BB 339  
Seed, Scattered And Sown BB 353

Recessional: Sent Forth By God's Blessing BB 385

10:00 AM

Gathering: Blest Be The Lord BB 429

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 145)

*I will praise your name, my King  
and my God. (2x)*

Preparation Save Us, O Lord BB 665  
We Praise You, O Lord BB 549

Mass Parts Mass of Creation

Communion: One Bread, One Body BB 339  
Behold The Lamb BB 338

Recessional: Canticle Of The Sun BB 425



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[www.facebook.com/stlukenh.org/](http://www.facebook.com/stlukenh.org/) or **St. Luke the Evangelist  
Parish – Newton/Plastow** and give us a Like! Please invite  
fellow parishioners and friends to do the same.

## ✠ PARISH TITHING ✠

Our Parish needs to take in \$7,000.00 each week in order to make ends meet. Thank you for your generosity to our parish! Your weekly contribution helps ensure that the parish remains a vibrant community. Please remember to submit your weekly gift even if you will be away. We depend upon your support!

October 1, 2017

Offertory	\$6,575.96
Property Management	\$1,804.95

### PARISH GIVING

Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish has engaged *Parish Giving* to provide parishioners with an opportunity to make your offertory and other contributions through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). Parish Giving is a simple, secure, and convenient way to manage your stewardship without weekly envelopes and without worries. It allows you to select contribution amounts and special collections right from your own computer or smart phone. You can be a good steward for the Parish even when you are away from the area on a weekend. Parish Giving allows you to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year. This program is available to parishioners at no cost. Log on to the St. Luke the Evangelist Parish website at <http://stlukenh.org>, click on the Parish Giving logo, and follow the easy registration instructions.

### UPCOMING SECOND & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

October 8, 2017	No Second Collection
October 15, 2017	Fuel
October 22, 2017	World Missions
October 29, 2017	No Second Collection



Out of respect, please remember  
to silence or turn off  
your cell phones during Mass.  
Thank you!

### Suggested Weekly Contribution Based on Income

Annual Income	5% Commitment annually/weekly	3% Commitment annually/weekly
\$100,000	\$5,000/\$100	\$3,000/\$60
\$75,000	\$3,750/\$75	\$2,250/\$45
\$60,000	\$3,000/\$60	\$1,800/\$36
\$50,000	\$2,500/\$50	\$1,500/\$30
\$40,000	\$2,000/\$40	\$1,200/\$24
\$30,000	\$1,500/\$30	\$900/\$18
\$25,000	\$1,250/\$25	\$750/\$15
\$15,000	\$750/\$15	\$450/\$9

### Suggested Weekly Contribution Based on a Percentage Increase

Your Current Offertory Contribution	25% Increase	30% Increase	40% Increase
\$75.00	\$93.75	\$97.50	\$105.00
\$50.00	\$62.50	\$65.00	\$70.00
\$40.00	\$50.00	\$52.00	\$56.00
\$35.00	\$43.75	\$45.50	\$49.00
\$30.00	\$37.50	\$39.00	\$42.00
\$25.00	\$31.25	\$32.50	\$35.00
\$20.00	\$25.00	\$26.00	\$28.00
\$15.00	\$18.75	\$19.50	\$21.00
\$10.00	\$12.50	\$13.00	\$14.00
\$5.00	\$6.25	\$6.50	\$7.00

## ✠ PARISH NEWS ✠

### YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Youth, parents, young adults and any other interested parishioners are invited to join Father Albert for a conversation on Youth & Young Adult ministry in the Parish. We will explore possible programs and outreach opportunities for middle school students, high school and young adults. Your ideas are important! Join us in the Saint Joseph Room in the Parish Hall following 10 AM Liturgy on **Sunday, October 8 and Sunday, October 15.**

### CATECHISTS NEEDED

Our Religious Education Program is in need of catechists for Sunday mornings. Training will be provided. If you can help, please email Joyce at [jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net).



### Christmas Craft Fair

The biggest money maker at our Christmas Craft Fair is the **Silent Auction** – it needs great items. **You might be only six-degrees away from knowing someone who could donate an awesome item!**

Do you know anyone who works for, owns, or knows someone who works for or owns any of New Hampshire's/Massachusetts' tourist attractions? ski resorts? sports teams? historical sites/museums?

- ❖ Can **you** donate a collectible item, or a set of collectibles, an antique or an item now considered kitsch?
  - ❖ What about sports memorabilia and/or tickets for a New Hampshire or New England sports team?
  - ❖ Why not donate tickets to concerts or other entertainment – for adults, children or families ... OR a scratch Lottery ticket for the Lottery Jar (expiration dates, if any, should be after November 5!)?
- OR ... ask people and/or businesses who could donate these type of items?

**Items will be collected October 28 & 29.**

If you have something to donate to the Silent Auction – or know someone who could be asked – please send a message to [stlukenhfair@gmail.com](mailto:stlukenhfair@gmail.com), or leave a message for Elaine Kindler at the Parish Office: 603-382-8324. Thank you!

### NEW MASS SCHEDULE

Our new weekend Mass schedule is:

**4:00 PM Saturday – Plaistow** (Cantor)

**8:00 AM Sunday – Newton** (Cantor)

**10:00 AM Sunday – Plaistow** (Contemporary Group)

**Please note** that our daily Liturgy schedule will remain the same.

### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

In observance of the Columbus Day Holiday, the Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, October 9.** We will reopen at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, October 10.

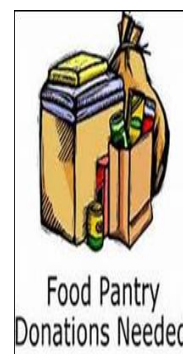
### FREE PIANO

The Parish has a piano in Newton that it no longer needs. The piano is free but you would need to pick it up yourself. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Albert at 382-8324 or [fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net).



### **ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST FOOD PANTRY**

Food or care items are always needed – donations can be dropped off at Church or are welcome at the Parish Office during regular business hours. Cash donations for food are always welcome – make checks payable to **St. Luke the Evangelist Food Pantry**. All donations to the Food Pantry go toward helping the needy of our communities.



### FOOD PANTRY HOURS

**Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**

**Thursday from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM**

**Friday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon**

For more information, call the St. Luke Food Pantry at **603-819-4949.**

### WHILE AWAY THIS FALL...

We appreciate all of you who remember to send in your Parish Offertory during the Fall even when on vacation or visiting other parishes. Thank you for remembering that our expenses also continue through the Fall months. We invite others to consider doing the same before or even after you return home.

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### ✠ WEEKLY CALENDAR ✠

**Sunday, October 8**  
**10:00 AM** Religious Education – Pre-K to 8 *Plaistow*  
**11:00 AM** Scripture Share – Our Father *Plaistow*

**Monday, October 9**  
**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

**Tuesday, October 10**  
**9:00 AM** Scripture Share – Our Father *Plaistow*

**Wednesday, October 11**  
**9:30 AM** Eucharistic Adoration Begins *Plaistow*  
**6:30 PM** Eucharistic Adoration Ends *Plaistow*  
**7:00 PM** Reader Scripture Share *Plaistow*  
**7:00 PM** Scripture Share – Our Father *Plaistow*

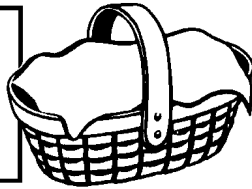
**Thursday, October 12**  
**8:30 AM** Eucharistic Adoration Begins *Newton*  
**9:00 AM** Intercessory Prayer *Plaistow*  
**8:30 PM** Eucharistic Adoration Ends *Newton*

**Saturday, October 14**  
**3:00 PM** Sacrament of Reconciliation *Plaistow*

**Sunday, October 15**  
**10:00 AM** Religious Education – Pre-K to 8 *Plaistow*  
**11:00 AM** Scripture Share – Our Father *Plaistow*

**ST. LUKE'S WEBSITE!** <http://stlukenh.org>

**St. Vincent  
de Paul  
Society**



Drop-a-Dollar in the St. Vincent de Paul box  
on your way out of church.

Remember ~ 100% of your donation is used to help  
those who need a hand up, not a hand out.

Our next meeting on **Wednesday, October 18 at  
7:00 PM.** We meet downstairs in the Church Hall in  
Plaistow. **New members are always welcome!**

If you seek assistance or need information about the  
St. Vincent de Paul Society,  
call 603-382-8324 x315.

**Hear, OH LORD, and answer me  
for I am poor and needy.**

### ✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

**Saturday, October 7 ~ Vigil / 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time**  
*Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43*  
**4:00 PM** John H. Walsh by his family  
*Plaistow*

**Sunday, October 8 ~ 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43*  
**8:00 AM** Norman Cote by Jim & Mary Anne Downs  
*Newton*  
**10:00 AM** In Thanksgiving to St. Michael the Archangel  
 by Jorge Giraldo  
*Plaistow*

**Monday, October 9 ~ Denis, Bishop, and Companions,  
Martyrs; John Leonardi, Priest**  
*Jon 1:1—2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37*  
**8:00 AM** Deb Caron by Grace Bukowski  
*Newton*

**Tuesday, October 10 ~ Weekday**  
*Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42*  
**8:00 AM** Audre Lucile Ball by Ed and Susan Martin  
*Plaistow*

**Wednesday, October 11 ~ John XXIII, Pope**  
*Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4*  
**6:30 PM** Richard E. Dunn by Grace Bukowski  
*Plaistow*

**Thursday, October 12 ~ Weekday**  
*Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13*  
**8:00 AM** Deborah Caron (Month's Mind)  
*Newton*

**Friday, October 13 ~ Weekday**  
*Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26*  
*No Mass*

**Saturday, October 14 ~ Callistus I, Pope and Martyr**  
*Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28 (Day)*  
*Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 (Vigil)*  
**4:00 PM** Daniel J. O'Leary (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
 by Colleen and Mark Hammond  
*Plaistow*

**Sunday, October 15 ~ 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14*  
**8:00 AM** Jo-Ann Bourdelais (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
 by her family  
*Newton*  
**10:00 AM** Martin & Florence Fogel and Frank Kelcourse  
 by Elaine Kelcourse  
*Plaistow*

### PRAYER LINE

St. Luke's offers a prayer line as a resource for those seeking prayer assistance. To submit your prayer request please call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 314 or email her at [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

## ✠ FAITH FORMATION & PARISH INFORMATION ✠

### ALL PARISHES WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER ARE RESTORING THE ORIGINAL ORDER OF CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION BETWEEN 2018-2021

In the early church, people were initiated into the community at one single event. They were baptized, anointed with chrism, and shared in the Eucharist. The sacraments, over time, have been separated from one another and this happened for a variety of reasons.

The Second Vatican Council asked the Church to make it more clear that Confirmation is intimately connected with Baptism and the whole of Christian initiation. This also helps us to see that Eucharist completes our initiation into the Church.

Go to [www.catholicnh.org/lifelong](http://www.catholicnh.org/lifelong) for more information.

### ADULT CONFIRMATION

Are you an adult who has been Baptized and received Eucharist, but has not celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation? The adult Confirmation process is an opportunity to complete the Sacraments of Initiation. If you would like to prepare for Confirmation, or if you have questions, call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

### ADORATION

We are truly blessed to have times for Adoration of Our Lord in our Parish. This time of prayer and intercession is not only a source of great grace for the individual, but it is a great source of grace for us as a parish family, as well.

We have many who have made the commitment to spend an hour each week with our Eucharistic Lord, **but** we need more people so there will be at least two people at each hour. We are also looking for people who would be able to substitute.

**Plaistow – Wednesday**

9:30 AM – 6:30 PM

**Newton – Thursday**

8:30 AM – 8:30 PM

If you can commit to one hour a week in Adoration of our Lord, or if you can be a substitute, please contact Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

PARISH READERS  
ARE INVITED TO A  
SCRIPTURE  
SHARING GROUP!

Parish Readers are invited to a program of prayerful reading and reflection on the Sunday Scriptures. Using our Reader Workbooks, Readers will pray together and share insights about the upcoming Sunday Lectionary Readings. We meet in the Parish Hall on **Wednesdays** following the Wednesday evening Liturgy.

### RCIA

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** is the process by which people become members of the Roman Catholic Church. **RCIA** is intended to serve:

- Those not Baptized who would like to learn more about the Catholic religion.
- Those Baptized in another religion who think they might like to become Catholic.
- Those Baptized Catholic but have not been raised in the Faith.

If you or someone you know is interested in inquiring about becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church, call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

### PARENTS BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION

The monthly preparation session for infant Baptism will be held after the 10:00 AM Liturgy on **Sunday, November 5, 2017** in the Parish Office living room. All parents planning to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism are welcome. Families wishing to celebrate Baptism in the Church must be registered (according to Church Canon Law) and practicing (attending Sunday Mass) for 3 full months before a Baptism can be scheduled. The use of the envelope system is always optional; however, it does guarantee a manner of accountability. For most families, the Pastor or staff can easily verify attendance during these three months. Church Canon Law also regulates baptismal sponsors (godparents). Sponsors must be at least 16, fully initiated (having received Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation), and be practicing Catholics living Christian lives consistent with the Church's teaching. Please see Fr. Albert with questions.

## ✠ PARISH DIRECTORY ✠

Parish Office	382-8324
Parish Prayer Line	382-8324 x 314
St. Vincent de Paul Society	382-8324 x 315
St. Luke's Food Pantry	819-4949
Preschool	382-9783
Presentation of Mary Convent	382-2744

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✠ **Parish News ~ Youth News ~ Around The Diocese** ✠

**CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME**

Rivier University is hosting **Care For Our Common Home: An Environmental Forum** on **Saturday, October 14** from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM in Memorial Hall, 435 South Main Street, Nashua, NH.

Inspired by the prophetic call of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'*, with its call to heed "the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor," this Forum seeks to engage the underlying assumptions and issues that have led us to environmental crisis, while also addressing current issues.

Dr. John Carroll, professor of environmental conservation at UNH Durham, will deliver the morning keynote address. Gina Fiorile, UVM student activist and Champion of Change for Climate Education and Literacy, will give the afternoon address. The speakers, breakout sessions, and exhibitors will address local, regional and international aspects of climate change and sustainable development.

The program is open to the public. The registration fee is \$15.00 which includes lunch and snacks. Registration is available on Eventbrite: Care For Our Common Home. The event is also on Facebook.

**HOSPITAL VISITATION**

If you or someone you know is in the hospital and wants to receive a visit, please contact the Parish Office at 603-382-8324. If you or someone you know faces a hospital admission, make sure they know to inform the hospital that they are Catholic and are members of St. Luke the Evangelist Parish. If a person cannot make this information known at the time of admission, a family member may be able to make that information known to the hospital staff.



**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary Candle at  
Holy Angels Church  
will burn in loving memory of  
**Daniel J. O'Leary**  
requested by  
Colleen and Mark Hammond

**AMAZON SMILE DONATION**

**AmazonSmile.com** is the same market platform as Amazon.com, but with the added benefit of allowing customers to donate 0.5% of the price of items purchased to a charitable organization. Please register today to start shopping and donating at [www.amazonsmile.com](http://www.amazonsmile.com). For questions, please call the Parish Office at 603-382-8324. Be sure to choose:

**St Luke the Evangelist Parish, Plaistow.**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS**

On **Sunday, October 8** at the 10:00 AM Liturgy, the St. Jude Council of the Knights of Columbus will gather to pray for their deceased brothers and to celebrate the lives of these Catholic men who willingly served their parish and community with charity, unity, and fraternity. Following the Liturgy, all are welcome to join the Knights in the Parish Hall for light refreshments as they fondly remember the Knights who laid the groundwork for the Parish Knights of today who seek to emulate and carry out their gracious work.

**Deceased Knights of St Jude Council #6617:**

Warren Ames, Edmund Barry, Fred Bishop, Robert Blanchette, Richard Brindle, Ronald Castonguay, Francis Clark, Rolf Comeau, James Conley, John Connors Sr, Alfred Conte, Michael Cook, Mike Daley, Arthur Decareau, Joseph DeRosa, Robert DiBella, Edward DiCarlo, Martin Dowd, Vincent Early, George Filteau, Joseph Fitzpatrick, John Gaff, Joseph Gesmundo, Herman Green, Rev Michael Griffin, Chuck Griggs, Ronald Guyett, Lewis Hadley, Ralph Helms, Theodore Hesse, Fr. Sam Hewitt, Joe Holland, Paul Hughes, John Ioia, John Kavanough, Royal Knowles, Richard laPierre, Ray Lussier, Richard Maloof, Norm Matineau, Jack McNally, Jack Meli, Patrick Morris, Msgr Eugene Murphy, Robert Murphy, Ernie Picken, Louis Quintal, Elmer Ratta, Al Ravgiala, Bob Rivard, Rudolph Rogers, Joseph Roldan, John Scotti, Ed Smith, Paul Stefanski, Ted Stopyra, Paul Vaillancourt, Bill Ward, Harold Widman, Robert Yanacek and George Young.

**MEN'S CONFERENCE**

St. Michael Parish in Exeter, NH will be hosting a huge **Men's Conference on Saturday October 21, 2017**. Grab a couple of friends and ask them to register with you for three very powerful talks by Dr. John Bergsma of Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio. Breakfast & lunch will be provided and the cost is only \$30 per person. Hurry, seats are filling up quickly. For more information on the day and a link to register, go to [www.stmichaelparish.org](http://www.stmichaelparish.org).

**SABBATH – TAKING TIME AWAY FOR YOU AND GOD**

**Our Lady of Hope House of Prayer**

**November 3-5, 2017**

**Registration Deadline – October 20, 2017**

Spend the weekend reflecting on our inherent need for the rhythm of rest in our lives. Discuss ideas for weaving into your busy days simple but meaningful practices to help you be better able to care for yourself and others. There will be ample time for quiet, personal reflection and stillness. For more information, or to register, contact Sisters Rita Pay or Suzanne Rivard, p.m. at [olhope1@yahoo.com](mailto:olhope1@yahoo.com).

**ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**  
*Saturday, November 4, 2017 – 9:00 am–3:00 pm – St. Luke the Evangelist Parish Center*  
**VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET**

**\* PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>!**  
IN THE COLLECTION BASKET OR TO THE PARISH OFFICE

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to reach you: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best day-time phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Cell Work

Best evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Cell Work

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_



**Everybody, Somebody, Anybody & Nobody**

*This is a little story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody & Nobody.*

*There was an important job to be done & Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it.*

*Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.*

*It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.*

***WE NEED YOU! Can you be one of Santa's Helpers?***

\* \* Worker Bees \* \*

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday 10/29, after 8am Mass – Move donations from Newton to Parish Office in Plaistow

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday 10/29, after 10am Mass – Move donations from church to Parish Office in Plaistow

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, afternoon - Help collect and clean benches from Scouts Camp in Kingston (time TBD)

**NOTE: Specific jobs will be assigned when you arrive.** Please come at your allotted time.

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 6pm-8pm - Help set up banners, tables and basketball net in Parish Center

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 6:30pm-7:30pm - Help unload benches at Parish Center

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 6pm-9pm - I have a pickup truck/trailer we can use

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 7pm-7:30pm – Bring items from Liturgy decorations closet to Parish Center

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 7:30pm-9pm – Decorate stage and Café

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 7:30pm-8pm – Bring items from Sacristy, Confessional and choir loft to Parish Center

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 7:30pm-8pm – Move benches to tables

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 7:45pm-8:30pm - Help unload Country Store and Silent Auction vehicles

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 8pm-8:45pm – Move Yard Sale items to correct tables

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 8pm-9pm - Bring items from office to Parish Center and move to correct tables

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 8pm-9pm – Move wood blocks to tables

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 8pm-9pm – Move chairs to tables

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday 11/2, 8:30pm-9pm – Test and tape electrical cords

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday 11/3, between 12 Noon – 8pm - Help set-up Silent Auction Tables

– I will come from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday 11/3, between 12 Noon – 8pm - Open doors for vendors at Parish Center

– I will come from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Friday 11/3, between 12 Noon – 8pm - Help set-up Parish Tables and decorate Café tables

– I will come from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday 11/5, after 10am Mass (until 12:30pm) Help match Penny Sale, Theme basket and Silent Auction winners with their items in the Religious Education Office in Plaistow

**Call the Parish Office for more information: 603-382-8324**

**Please check one or more ways that you're able to help. \* PLEASE RETURN BY OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>!**

**WE NEED YOU!**

*Can you be one of Santa's Helpers?*

\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE INDICATE YOUR PREFERRED SHIFT TIME FOR SATURDAY 11/4 \*\*\*\*\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Early Bird 7:30 am – 9:00 am

\_\_\_\_\_ Afternoon 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

\_\_\_\_\_ Morning 8:30 am – 11:00 am

\_\_\_\_\_ Hall Take-Down 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

\_\_\_\_\_ Lunch 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

\_\_\_\_\_ Other (please be specific) \_\_\_\_\_

**When you arrive, please stop at Volunteer Check-In for your assignment.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I can't stand for very long    \_\_\_\_\_ I can't climb stairs    \_\_\_\_\_ I can't lift heavy items

\_\_\_\_\_ Other physical limitation(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 11/4, 7am-2pm** – Help with Parking – I will come from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 11/4, 8am-3pm** – Help at Parish Tables – I will come from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 11/4, 2:30pm-4pm** - Monitor Silent Auction Tables as bids are tallied

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 11/4, 3:30pm-5pm** - Help breakdown in Parish Center and/or bring items to the church

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 11/4, 3:30pm-5pm** - I have a pickup truck/trailer we can use

\_\_\_\_\_ **Saturday, 11/4, 4pm-6pm** – Help match Silent Auction items with winning bidders in Religious Education Office in Plaistow

**I prefer to work at:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **CASH RAFFLE**    \_\_\_\_\_ **Silent Auction**    \_\_\_\_\_ **Penny Sale**    \_\_\_\_\_ **WINE RAFFLE**

\_\_\_\_\_ **THEME BASKET RAFFLE**    \_\_\_\_\_ **Quilt Raffle**    \_\_\_\_\_ **Cookie Heaven**    \_\_\_\_\_ **Country Store**

\_\_\_\_\_ **St. Luke's Own Jewelry Table**    \_\_\_\_\_ **Children's Corner**    \_\_\_\_\_ **St. Luke's Café**

**I will donate to...PLEASE, only NEW or AS NEW items (this is not a yard sale).**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Silent Auction** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Penny Sale** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Country Store** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Jewelry** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Children's Corner** \_\_\_\_\_

[Please bring non-perishable donations to church 10/28 and 10/29]

**I will donate to...PLEASE, only NEW or AS NEW items (this is not a yard sale).**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Wine Raffle** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Theme Baskets** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Cookie Heaven** Cookies, cookies, cookies, cookies, cookies, cookies, and more cookies!

\_\_\_\_\_ **Country Store** \_\_\_\_\_

[Please bring donations for these tables, and all perishable items, to the Parish Center 11/3 – 3-8pm]

\_\_\_\_\_ **St. Luke's Café** : Please watch for special sign-up boards after Mass!

*Please don't wait for somebody else to do what you could do! St. Luke's needs your help.*

**Call the Parish Office for more information: 603-382-8324**

**Please check one or more ways that you're able to help. \* PLEASE RETURN BY OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>!**

# **RAISE THE ROOF!**



## **THE ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH**

**After all the waiting, after all the planning... it is time to begin raising funds to replace the roofs on our Plaistow campus. Work to replace the roofs on Holy Angels Church, our Parish Center/Preschool, the Parish Office and Convent will cost \$ 150,000.00.**

### ***How can you help?***

**Any contribution is welcome. Make checks payable to  
*Saint Luke the Evangelist – Capital Campaign.***



# **CAPITAL FUND DRIVE FOR SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH**

**Our Parish has additional needs beyond the roof project on the Plaistow campus. Our Finance Council has identified the following capital projects that also require funding:**

<b>Newton parking lot</b>	<b>\$ 6,000.00</b> (estimated)
<b>Plaistow parking lot</b>	<b>\$ 19,700.00</b> (estimated)
<b>Newton Church lighting</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b> (estimated)

**Our Diocese has authorized the Parish to sponsor a Capital Campaign drive with a goal of \$ 250,000.00. The projects we envision would be supplemented by additional projects (Plaistow church access ramp, Plaistow office building & convent windows, Newton rectory interior flooring, Newton church & rectory painting) as funds became available.**

## ***Can you help?***

**Making a Capital Campaign commitment is a prudent, practical, and responsible form of stewardship toward our Parish. Nearly everyone believes in a commitment when dealing with personal financial affairs, when arranging for loans or other forms of credit, or when saving for future expenditures. Now is the time to use this same kind of reasoning and common sense to care for our combined interests as a Parish community. It would be impossible to raise enough money through cash donations or “gifts of convenience.” We must rely on everyone to plan a personal three-year goal of generosity and then accomplish it, one step at a time. With the spirit of equal sacrifice—not equal gifts—our commitment relies on the spiritual values of sacrifice and faith.**

# Saint Luke the Evangelist

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Dear Parishioners,

Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish has decided to modernize our offertory program to augment and better manage your stewardship dollars. Our Parish uses **Parish Giving** to provide our parishioners with an opportunity to make your offertory and other contributions through Electronic Funds Transfer. The program is available at no cost to parishioners.

What is Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

- EFT is the mechanism that allows you to make a transaction directly from your bank account to the Parish on a pre-determined schedule. You may also use credit cards to make these transactions. Your financial information is safeguarded using Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) technologies, the same encryption technology employed by banks and other financial institutions.

How does this help Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish?

- EFT benefits the Parish in many ways. By the very nature of automated giving, the Parish will experience an increase in the amount received each month because there will be no missed weeks due to illness, vacation, inclement weather, etc. Further, budgeting becomes an easier task as fluctuations in individual giving is all but eliminated

How does it work?

- To enroll in the program, logon to Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish at [www.stlukenh.org](http://www.stlukenh.org) and click on the link for **Parish Giving**. This will bring you to the Parish Giving home page where you start the initial registration process. After completing the registration, you can pick your preferred payment method (bank transfer or credit card). Due to the inevitable credit card fees, we do ask you to consider bank transfer if it is within your means. Once that is complete you will be directed to a different page that lists our parish's various contribution opportunities.

When can I start?

- You can begin this program immediately. For more information please consult the FAQ's on the Parish Giving home page

Please prayerfully consider whether this convenient program might be a viable option for you. It will go a long way in fortifying the fiscal health of our Parish community.

Father Albert, obl. SB  
Pastor

**Parish Giving can also be used for  
contributions to the Capital Campaign to  
"Raise the Roof!"**



## **Why don't you think about it too?**

**Parish Giving is a simple,  
secure and convenient way to  
manage your stewardship  
without weekly envelopes and  
without worries.**

- Parish Giving allows you to select contribution amounts and special collections right from your own computer or smartphone
- You can be a good steward for the Parish even when you are away from the area on a weekend
- Parish Giving allows you to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.
- Log on to the St. Luke the Evangelist Parish website <http://stlukenh.org>, click on the Parish Giving logo and follow the easy registration instructions.

*Parish Giving*



# The Gospel for All Ages

Family Catechesis

**Gospel Weeklies**  
Pflaum  
FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 8, 2017 • The Parable of the Renters**

**Sunday Readings:** Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

## Weekly Discussion Questions

For the Parish Bulletin

**Life Question:** What is your experience as a tenant or owner?

**Gospel Question:** What does being a fruitful steward ask of you in your faith community? What does being fruitful stewards ask of us as inhabitants of Earth?

**FOR PARISHIONERS, BY AGE GROUP**

**LIFE AND GOSPEL QUESTIONS BY AGE LEVEL**

**Exploring the Sunday Readings (Adults)**

**Gospel Question:** How do you hold onto the promise of the Kingdom, even on the not-so-good Fridays of life?

Visit [exploringthesundayreadings.com](http://exploringthesundayreadings.com)

**Visions (Grades 7-8)**

**Life Question:** How are you responsible at school, home, church, and with other people?

**Gospel Question:** How are you a good steward of our world?

**Venture (Grades 4-6)**

**Life Question:** What communities do you belong to? What is a good thing about belonging to a community?

**Gospel Question:** How can we care for our world? Our family? Our class?

**Good News (Grades 2-3)**

**Life Question:** How can you help care for our Church?

**Gospel Question:** Who belongs to the Church?

**Promise (Grades K-1)**

**Life Question:** How do flowers grow?

**Gospel Question:** How can we care for creation?

**Seeds (Preschool)**

**Life Question:** How am I growing?

**Gospel Question:** How does Jesus help us grow?

## Family Corner

### About the Gospel

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us about those who reject his message. Most of us have felt left out at one time or another. God's plans for us and for his Church are for happiness and holiness. We are God's children and we are all important.

Visit [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings) to read this Sunday's Scripture.

### In Church

Say hi to someone who is alone or invite them to sit with your family.

### Family Prayer

Lord, it hurts to be left out. Help us to reach out to others so that no one in your family feels rejected.

### Question of the Week



Do you ever make someone else feel left out? When have you had the chance to include someone but did not?

## Rincón de la Familia

### Acerca del Evangelio

Un padre les pidió a sus dos hijos que lo ayudaran. Uno dijo que no pero cambió de parecer y lo ayudó. El otro hijo dijo sí pero no ayudó. ¿Qué hijo ayudó a su papá? Cuando aprendemos algo sobre Jesús, ¿estamos listos para seguirlo en ese mismo momento? ¿Dejamos de lado nuestros videojuegos, programas y celulares para escuchar realmente el mensaje que Dios tiene para nosotros?

Visita [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings) para leer las lecturas de este domingo.

### En la Iglesia

Busca oportunidades para decirle sí a Dios. Si se necesita un monaguillo, ofrécete como voluntario. Sostiene la puerta a alguien que necesite ayuda y saludalo con una sonrisa.

### Pregunta de la semana



¿Qué te hace decir no en lugar de sí cuando te piden hacer algo?

### Oración en familia

Jesús, ayúdanos a escuchar lo que quieres que sepamos y a decirte sí.



## ✠ PARISH MINISTRIES & INFORMATION ✠



### JOIN THE CHOIR!

Why not join the Choir? We have lots of fun, work hard, and singing is a great way to worship! We rehearse on Sundays following the 11:00 AM Mass in Plaistow. You don't have to know how to read music to join – come on down!

### ALTAR SERVERS

Students wanting to become **Altar Servers** at Liturgy are welcome to see Father Albert for more information. We welcome any student who has celebrated their First Eucharist to become an **Altar Server**. Training typically begins with the new server being an "observer" until they are ready to function as servers. Parents – call the Parish Office for more information at 382-8324.



### READERS WANTED

Our Parish community is in need of new **READERS** for weekend and weekday Liturgies. Readers proclaim the readings and lead the Assembly in the General Intercessions on Sundays. A good heart and clear speaking voice are the only qualifications needed – all other training and materials are provided. Any adult or high school age student is welcome to become a **READER**. Anyone who is interested can see Father Albert. Prospective **READERS** can also call the Parish Office for more information at 382-8324.

### GREETERS AND USHERS WANTED

Our Parish community is in need of **GREETERS** and **USHERS** to assist us at the weekend liturgies. **Greeters** are principally concerned with offering a welcome to all who come through the doors of our churches, distributing the weekly Bulletin and making guests feel part of our Parish. They also help designate people to bring up the gifts during the offertory. The ministry of **Usher** is also concerned with hospitality; helping with the collections at Mass, helping people who need handicap access to the church in Plaistow, and helping to designate people to bring up the gifts during the offertory. Couples or families are invited to serve together! Anyone who is interested can see Father Albert. Prospective **GREETERS** and **USHERS** can also call the Parish Office for more information at 382-8324.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers are a special opportunity for remembering a departed loved one or offering thanksgiving for a blessing or family event. A floral arrangement placed in front of the altar for the Sunday Liturgy can be purchased for an offering of \$50, with an accompanying announcement in the weekly bulletin. Availability is limited according to the Liturgical Calendar. Offerings can be reserved on a first-come basis by contacting the Parish Office at 382-8324.

### HOSPITAL VISITATION

If you or someone you know is in the hospital and wants to receive a visit, please contact the parish office at 382-8324. If you or someone you know faces a hospital admission, make sure they know to inform the hospital that they are Catholic and are members of St. Luke the Evangelist Parish. If a person cannot make this information known at the time of admission, a family member may be able to make that information known to the hospital staff.

### PRAYER LINE

St. Luke's offers a prayer line as a resource for those seeking prayer assistance. Submit your prayer request to [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net) or call 382-8324, ext. 314.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST JUDE COUNCIL #6617 SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

The St. Jude Council is a vital part of your parish. We are a Catholic men's fraternal organization whose main purposes are charitable works and supporting our parish and community. We are involved with many activities during the year, including: A yearly Golf Tournament to raise money to help local families in need; Blood Drives; A Wedding Vows/Valentine's Day Meal & Dance; Food Baskets; Family Pool Party & BBQ. This is just a small sampling of the many activities of the St. Jude Council. We offer opportunities not just for the men, but for our members' entire family, including a Squires Club for young men between the ages of 10 and 18. The only requirement for membership is that you are a practicing Catholic who wants to join other men and their families of the parish to help those who are in need, support your parish, and enjoy the fellowship of other members and their families. If you would like to find out more about the Knights, please contact Bernie Gosselin at 603-642-4012.



# Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 8, 2017

## Powerful Positive Thinking

By Mary Katharine Deeley

**I**n a scene from the musical *The Music Man*, the central character, Harold Hill, tells his band that if they want to *play* the Minuet in G, all they have to do is *think* the Minuet in G. He's a swindler, and when the mayor tries to prove it by having "the professor" conduct his band, he looks at them pleadingly and begs them to think.

To the surprise of everyone, including Harold, the band slowly (and even painfully) plays something that sounds a little like the Minuet in G and a little like many grade-school concerts, making parents proud and keeping Harold out of jail. Soon the show ends with the band

playing a rousing rendition of "Seventy-Six Trombones."

Paul has his own version of the "think system" in today's passage from Philippians. For Paul, every minute spent thinking about that which is true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, gracious, excellent, and worthy of praise is another minute that brings us closer to the living God whose presence is evident in all these things.

It's not such a bad idea. God manifests the divine self in truth and beauty and in all the things Paul names. To reflect on these is to become more aware of his presence to us through them.

Centuries later, the Christian founders of the university where I work adopted Paul's "think system" as their motto, reasoning that our thoughts should not be directed only toward facts to grow the mind but also toward the things that would transform our characters.

Like Harold Hill's band, we might sound a little or a lot out of tune at first, but with practice, we will get better and march in our own big parade. †

**"Think, men, think!"**

—Harold Hill,  
*The Music Man*

## A Word From Pope Francis

The prayer of praise is a Christian prayer, for all of us. In the Mass, every day, when we sing the "Holy, Holy, Holy," this is a prayer of praise: we praise God for his greatness because he is great. And we address him with beautiful words because it pleases us to do this. The prayer of praise bears fruit in us. Sarah danced as she celebrated her fertility—at the age of ninety! This fruitfulness gives praise to God. Men and women who praise the Lord... bear fruit.

—Address to the  
Catholic Fraternity  
of Charismatic  
Covenant  
Communities and  
Fellowships,  
October 31, 2014



## Sunday Readings

### Isaiah 5:1–7

The vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel.

### Philippians 4:6–9

By prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

### Matthew 21:33–43

[Jesus said,] "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

### ONE QUESTION FOR REFLECTION

- How does our Lord want to see fruit and growth in your life?
- Have I squandered God's harvest in my life?



# A Difficult—and Important—Eleventh Commandment

By Kathy Coffey

*"Thou shalt be joyful."*

**G**roans might greet this hypothetical eleventh commandment. Where are we supposed to cram joy on an overloaded to-do list? Does it go before or after the litany of chores, bills, and family obligations? All we want is to make it through the crunch of the workweek, then collapse in exhaustion.

Sad, but true. This stressed state of affairs points clearly toward the need for a joyous eleventh commandment. The rationale is this: If we were made for eternal joy, we should start now. We are more than cogs in a machine, toting up hours that feed corporate profits but fail to satisfy our souls. God made us for the everlasting bliss of gazing into his eyes. So if drudgery consumes our time, we should fill our free hours with deep nurture rather than televised fluff.

The acid test is always: How shall we be remembered? Imagine grandchildren saying, "She trudged dutifully, year after year, to all her commitments, but we didn't see her much." Or imagine their voices lightening as they recall, "She was so much fun! When we cooked her special chili we laughed and told stories." "I'll always remember his pride in his garden, how he'd grin at the first tomatoes, or how he happily took me canoeing."

These positive attitudes aren't Pollyanna-esque. They are choices as

difficult to honor as any of the Ten Commandments. Let's face it, daily news is often depressing. A sample of headlines: "Thirty Killed in Iraq." "Terrorists Attack London Bridge." "Bullied Child Kills Self." The daily media hardly sends us rushing for the tambourines. That's why we need God's strength to remain faithful, confident, and hopeful.

## Joy in the Real World

From prison comes an example of one who honored the difficult eleventh commandment. There, Fyodor Dostoevsky wrote, "Yes, we are in chains, deprived of liberty, but in our sorrow we are restored to joy, without which we cannot live....We underground men, we will dig in the entrails of the earth a tragic hymn to the God of joy!"

If convicts can sing praise from the "entrails of the earth," what about us? We are rich in faith, blessings, comforts, and wealth. Yet our distracted days and frowning faces give little praise to the "God of joy."

## Pursuit of Joy

Before we all start a serious pursuit of joy, a few qualifications: It cannot be sought. It's a gift. It springs from the conviction that the Kingdom of God is near. It's like Lazarus emerging from the tomb, squinting in the sunlight—and laughing. Joy is the appropriate response when we know we are saved, rescued despite

failures, happy not in our achievements but in God's fidelity.

The image of a child snoozing in a parent's lap may be a cliché, but it resembles our contentment in God's presence, where we are at all times. Joy spills from the security of knowing every need will be met—not necessarily the way we foresaw, but in God's time and pleasure. Dancing conveys the same joy: arms wide, feet in rhythm, worries set aside.

Contrast that with our postures when burdened by negativity. We must carry ourselves with joy. The living Jesus won't be found in boredom and inertia but in what brings beauty and restores grace. And because he is risen, so are we. Despite suffering, we were made for joy. Maybe that commandment isn't carved on a stone tablet, but we can write it on our hearts. †

## PRAYER

Lord, I am grateful  
for your vineyard of love.  
Remove my shortcomings  
that I may cultivate  
your gifts of  
compassion and peace.


*From Grateful Meditations  
for Every Day in Ordinary Time  
by Rev. Warren J. Savage  
and Mary Ann McSweeney*

## WEEKDAY READINGS

October 9–14

Mon. Weekday:  
Jon 1:1–2:2, 11 / Lk 10:25–37  
Tue. Weekday:  
Jon 3:1–10 / Lk 10:38–42  
Wed. Weekday:  
Jon 4:1–11 / Lk 11:1–4

Thu. Weekday:  
Mal 3:13–20b / Lk 11:5–13  
Fri. Weekday:  
Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2 / Lk 11:15–26  
Sat. Weekday:  
Jl 4:12–21 / Lk 11:27–28

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