



MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

**Sunday, October 29, 2017
Thirtieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

**4:00 PM
8:00 AM**

Gathering: All Are Welcome BB 413

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 103)

The Lord is kind and merciful. (2x)

Preparation Ubi Caritas BB 478

Mass Parts Mass of Creation

Communion: Whatsoever You Do BB 620
The Supper Of The Lord BB 351

Recessional: For The Fruits Of This Creation
BB 418

10:00 AM

Gathering: All Are Welcome BB 413

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 103)

The Lord is kind and merciful. (2x)

Preparation Where Love Is Found BB 666
We Remember BB 494

Mass Parts Mass of Creation

Communion: I Have Loved You BB 608
Whatsoever You Do BB 620

Recessional: How Can I Keep From Singing BB 440



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✠ 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 22, 2017

Offertory	\$5,588.67
World Missions	\$1,604.77

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 29, 2017	No Second Collection
November 1, 2017	All Saints Day
November 5, 2017	Property Management
November 12, 2017	Catholic Campaign for Human Development



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 ✠



ALL SAINTS DAY MASS SCHEDULE

During the month of November, the Church celebrates the memorial of All Souls. It is a time when we as God's people take the opportunity to remember and pray for all those who have died.

Recalling what St. Paul says in his first letter to the Corinthians that **"Christ has been raised from the dead...so too in Christ shall all be brought to life,"** we keep our eyes fixed on the promise of the Resurrection and we likewise ask those who have died to pray for us so that we might complete our journey of faith united to the grace of God.

We will remember all our loved ones who have died at the following Masses of Remembrance: **Tuesday, October 31 at 6:30 PM in Plaistow, All Saints Day, Wednesday, November 1 at 8:00 AM in Newton and All Souls Day, Thursday, November 2 at 6:30 PM in Plaistow.** All are invited to attend.

PLEASE NOTE that there will be **NO 8:00 AM Mass on Tuesday, October 31, NO 6:30 PM Mass on Wednesday, November 1 and NO 8:00 AM Mass on Thursday, November 2.**

THE BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

Throughout November, a special *Book of the Names of the Dead* will be opened near the Baptismal Font & Paschal Candle for parishioners to record the names of the faithful departed. It is a visible sign that the faithful departed remain with us as part of the Church. You are welcome to record names of loved ones and the dates of their death.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ONLINE REGISTRATION

Parents can now register their children for our Religious Education program online. Just go to our website at www.stlukenh.org, choose the Religious Education tab, and click on the registration link. This will give you the option of registering and paying online.



DON'T FORGET....
Turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on **Saturday, November 4!**



CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR
Saturday, November 4

Please sign-up today to fill any volunteer gaps for the Fair weekend.

Santa's Helpers are needed on Sunday October 29:

Newton: to bring donations from the church to the Plaistow Parish Offices after the 8:00 AM Mass.

Plaistow: to bring donations from the church to the Parish Offices after the 10:00 am Mass.

Dates to remember:

All **unsold Cash Raffle Tickets** should be turned in today, or brought back to the Parish Office by Noon on **Thursday, November 2**, or brought to the Parish Center by 9:00 am on Saturday November 4.

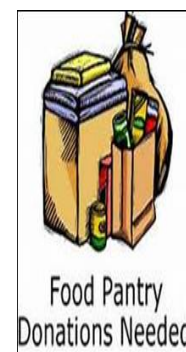
Donations for the **Wine Raffle, Cookie Heaven, Theme Baskets & baked goods for the Country Store** should be brought to the Parish Center on **Friday, November 3**, between 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm.

Have fun & help at the Fair! If you can help in any way, please contact Elaine Kindler at stlukenhfair@gmail.com or leave a message for her at the Parish Office: 603-382-8324.

Thank you!

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.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

✠ WEEKLY CALENDAR ✠

Sunday, October 29

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

Tuesday, October 31

NO 8:00 AM Mass in Plaistow

6:30 PM Vigil Liturgy for All Saints *Plaistow*

Wednesday, November 1

NO 6:30 PM Mass in Plaistow

8:00 AM Liturgy for All Saints *Newton*
9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration Begins *Plaistow*
6:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration Ends *Plaistow*
7:00 PM **NO** Reader Scripture Share *Plaistow*

Thursday, November 2

NO 8:00 AM Mass in Newton

8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration Begins *Newton*
9:00 AM Intercessory Prayer *Plaistow*
10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting *Plaistow*
6:30 PM Liturgy for All Souls *Plaistow*
8:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration Ends *Newton*

Saturday, November 4

9:00 AM Christmas Craft Fair *Plaistow*
3:00 PM **NO** Sacrament of Reconciliation *Plaistow*

Sunday, November 5

10:00 AM Religious Education – Pre-K to 8 *Plaistow*
11:00 AM Baptism Catechesis *Plaistow*

✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Saturday, October 28 ~ Vigil / 30th Sunday Ordinary Time

Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

4:00 PM Kevin Gallant (Birthday Remembrance)
by Patricia Gallant and family
Plaistow

Sunday, October 29 ~ 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

8:00 AM Norman Cote by Marge Anderson
Newton
10:00 AM William Scully by his wife, Arleen
Plaistow

Monday, October 30 ~ Weekday

Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17

8:00 AM People of the Parish
Newton

Tuesday, October 31 ~ Weekday

Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21 (Day)

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a (Vigil)
6:30 PM Sr. Gabrielle Messier by Verna Carbone
Plaistow

Wednesday, November 1 ~ All Saints

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

8:00 AM People of the Parish
Newton

Thursday, November 2 ~ All Souls

Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

6:30 PM All Souls
Plaistow

Friday, November 3 ~ Martin de Porres, Religious

Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6

No Mass

Saturday, November 4 ~ Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Lk 14:1, 7-11 (Day)

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10; Mt 23:1-12 (Vigil)

4:00 PM John Delle Chiaie by his family
Plaistow

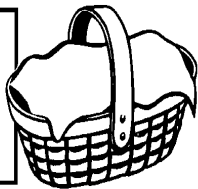
Sunday, November 5 ~ 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10; Mt 23:1-12

8:00 AM Francine & William Bettencourt and Walter Halko
by Janice Bettencourt
Newton
10:00 AM Robert Noltency by Frank Reilly
Plaistow

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

**St. Vincent
de Paul
Society**



The generosity of your contributions have allowed us to help out those in need with rent, medical, and heating oil assistance. The St. Vincent de Paul Society is so grateful and blessed.

Be sure to visit our table at the Christmas Fair!!

Our next meeting on **Wednesday, November 15 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.**

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.

✠ FAITH FORMATION & PARISH INFORMATION ✠

THE GOAL IS LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION

A new model of faith formation has been developing over the last 40 years. We have become accustomed to the classroom-instructional model. This model assumes that it is enough for young people to learn facts about the faith, once a week during their formative years. We all know that it takes much more than this for children to develop a strong foundation in their Catholic faith. The new model emphasizes that the community is at the heart of all faith formation. "Faith is communicated by the community of believers and the meaning of faith is developed by its members out of their history, by their interaction with each other, and in relation to the events that take place in their lives." (C. Ellis Nelson, *Where Faith Begins*, p.10). The life of our church is centered in the events that have the power to educate and transform individuals and the whole community. As Catholics, these include Church year feasts and seasons, sacraments and liturgy, justice and service, prayer and spiritual traditions, and community life. We know that these events are important to us, but we have to constantly learn how to participate in them so that we can understand them fully. Only then will they have the power to change us both personally and as a parish community. Lifelong faith formation is a process of growing in the faith that begins with Baptism. Immersed in the life of the Trinity, we are adopted sons and daughters of God our Father, brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ and temples of the Holy Spirit. Like all human relationships, developing and deepening our relationship with the Trinity happens gradually and over time. Consequently, lifelong faith formation provides opportunities and experiences throughout the entire lifespan to strengthen our relationship and knowledge of God, Jesus and the Spirit; to enhance our understanding of Scripture, Tradition and doctrines of our faith; and to sustain us in living as disciples of Jesus Christ. Catechesis is no longer for children only. If we are to be a church of missionary disciples, we all need to enter into the process of deepening our faith by continually learning and experiencing what it means to be a Catholic Christian.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Are you an adult who has been Baptized and received Eucharist, but has not celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation? 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.

RCIA

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** is the process by which people become members of the Roman Catholic Church. 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.

ADORATION

We are truly blessed to have times for Adoration of Our Lord in our Parish. We have many people 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.

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. 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 Council	parishcouncil@stluketheevangelist.net

✠ Parish News ~ Youth News ~ Around The Diocese ✠

**ATTENTION ALL
ALTAR SERVERS, LECTORS, AND
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS!**

**Regarding Scheduling for
December 2, 2017 through February 25, 2018**

Please contact Jeanne Sullivan at 382-4760 or jmsul@myfairpoint.net by **November 8th** and let her know if there are weekends that you will not be available to serve from December 2, 2017 through February 25, 2018, or at which you would like to serve.

In your emails or phone calls, please include the Mass at which you serve and your ministry. **Please be sure to send it to Jeanne and NOT to Jackie.**

Liturgies from the Fourth Sunday of Advent (December 23-24) through January 1 will be scheduled via a sign-up board at Church. It will help Jeanne if you would let her know at which Masses during that time you would like to serve or for which you would not be available (just in case phone calls have to be made after the sign-ups).

PLEASE NOTE: Christmas Day and the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God fall on Mondays this year. This means that in addition to our regular weekend Liturgy schedule, Vigil Masses will be celebrated on Sunday evenings according to the following schedule:

Sunday, December 24 at 4:00 PM in Plaistow;
Sunday, December 24 at 6:30 PM in Newton;
Monday, December 25 at 9:00 in Newton.
There is **NO** Midnight Mass this year.

Sunday December 31 at 4:00 PM in Plaistow;
Monday, January 1 at 9:00 AM in Newton

Your help is greatly appreciated. God bless you all for the wonderful work you do for St. Luke's.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ACTIVITY CORNER

The St Jude Council #6617 from our parish has been very active over the last few months and we wanted to share those activities with you:

- **St Jude Golf Open** was held in June. We had a sell out of 144 golfers and a record number of sponsors. All of the net proceeds were donated to a family in the parish who were in need of financial assistance because of cancer.
- **Italian Festival** held at the end of September. The Knights donated \$1,461 to the Raise the Roof campaign.
- **Middle School Youth Activity Event**, which the Knights sponsor and chaperone, was held at the Y in Plaistow in September and October with an attendance of 300 kids.
- **Blood Drive** held in October with 53 pints of blood being donated.
- **Scholarships** were given in August to two college students by the Knights.
- **Family BBQ** was enjoyed by the Knights and their families in August
- **Atkinson's 250th Anniversary Pancake Breakfast** was hosted by the Knights in early September. Over 250 people attended the breakfast.
- **Pro Life** : We gave a donation to the Pregnancy Care Center in Haverhill and the Knights participated in the 40 Days of Life program.
- **Knight's Golf League** is a fun only league and open to all. It started in May and concluded in September at Garrison Golf with a final round and BBQ.
- **Knight's Memorial Mass** was held in October to pray for and remember our deceased Brother Knights. The Knights served coffee and pastries after the Mass.

The Knights are always seeking new members. We only ask our members to do what they can, when they can. If you would like more information about the Knights, please contact Dan Sullivan at 603-770-4803 or dans49@comcast.net.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

**Saturday, November 4th from
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the
Parish Center in Plaistow.**



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. For questions, please call the Parish Office at 603-382-8324. Be sure to choose:

St Luke the Evangelist Parish, Plaistow.

Sell, Sell, Sell!

Raffle tickets are available for the Christmas Craft Fair **Cash Raffle** at the back of both churches.

The Cash Raffle needs lots & lots & lots of tickets sold to parishioners and – especially – to people outside the parish.

If we sell all of our tickets, we will raise **\$6,000** for St. Luke's!!!

What can you do to help?

- ❖ Take more tickets & Sell! Sell! Sell!
- ❖ Please buy at least one book of tickets yourself.

All Saints Day



Feast of All Saints—

As the Church year comes to a close and nature itself begins slowly to fade from Fall glory to the browns of winter-time, the Church prepares to celebrate two great feasts: **All Saints and All Souls**. We remember on those days those people who have rested in peace with God and have entered heaven's Banquet. Saints, official and unofficial, pray for and with us as we

continue our earthly journey.

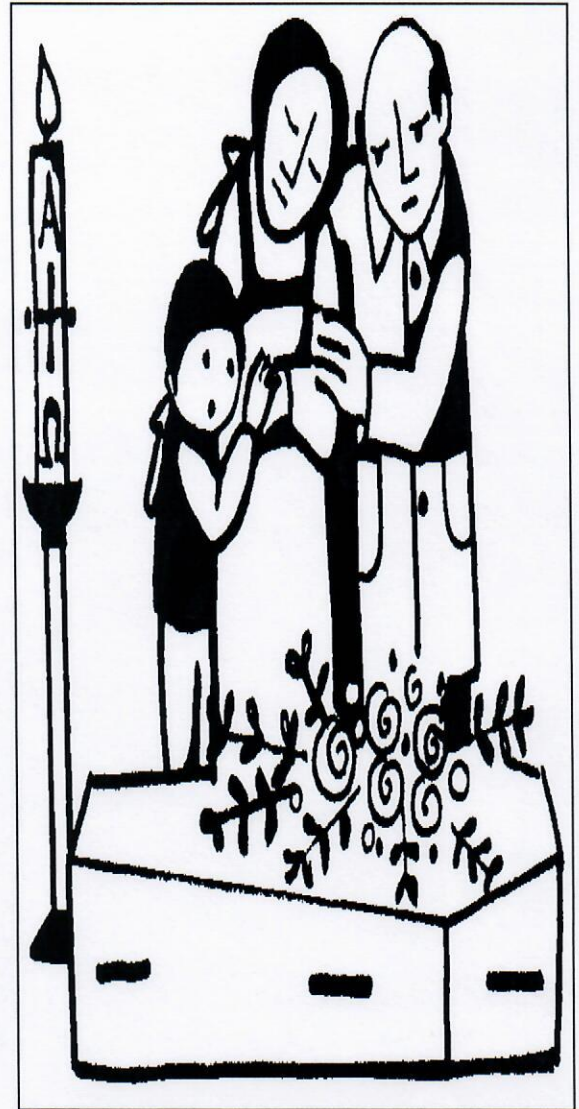
All Saints Day has been celebrated in the Church since 731 AD, when Pope Gregory III consecrated a chapel at Saint Peter's in the Vatican in honor of all the Saints. In all Churches throughout the world, All Saints Day is a special day of prayer and joy - a day when we celebrate our heroes in the Christian Faith.

All Saints Day is a HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. We will celebrate a Vigil Liturgy on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 at 6:30 PM in Plaistow, and a Liturgy on WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 at 8 am in Newton.

Note that there will **NOT** be an 8 am Liturgy celebrated in Plaistow on Tuesday, or a 6:30 PM Liturgy celebrated in Plaistow on Wednesday. Eucharistic Adoration will be held as usual in Plaistow on Wednesday from 9:30 PM to 5:30 PM.

All Souls Day

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls) comes as a well-meaning liturgical afterthought to that of All Saints. Having commemorated all the blessed who enjoy the face of God in their death, we turn our thoughts to the other souls who await the fullness of God's glory. The sequence of these two feasts implies a belief that those who have lived lives of holiness enjoy God's presence and can intercede for us before the throne of God. These are the dead who await the call to resurrection and eternal bliss with God, and we remember every November 2 members of our families, friends, the lonely and forgotten, and public figures who have touched our lives. On this day we pray that God will have mercy on them and grant them the vision of blessedness for which they longed.



All Souls Day celebrates our union with the church in every place and beyond all time. We will remember and pray for our deceased parishioners on **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2 AT 6:30 PM AT PLAISTOW.** Please note that there will not be an 8 am Liturgy celebrated on November 2 at Newton. Eucharistic Adoration will be held at Newton as usual from 8:30 am – 8:30 PM.

The Book of the Names of the Dead

Continuing throughout November, a special *Book of the Names of the Dead* will be opened at the entrance of the Church for the faithful to record the names of the faithful departed. It is a visible sign that the faithful departed remain with us as part of the Church. You are welcome to record names of loved ones and the dates of their death.

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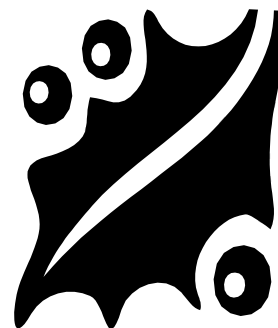
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PRESENT THIS TO YOUR SERVER

ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH 10TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
ST. LUKE'S PARISH CENTER, 8 ATKINSON DEPOT ROAD, PLAISTOW, NH



**Please sign-up today to fill any
volunteer gaps for the Fair weekend,
then be there!**

**Saturday - November 4th - is our fabulous Parish Christmas
Craft Fair ... great vendors, entertainment & fun!**

**There's something for everyone on your Christmas gift list from one or
more of our outstanding vendors of high quality hand-crafted & hand-
made items ...**

Christmas Decorations, Soaps, Candy Bouquets, Jewelry, Baby/Children's Clothing
& Accessories, Fudge, Wood Products, Scarves, Folk-Art & Decorations, & more...

Or at one of our three Parish-sponsored tables ...

Terrific Silent Auction items

Stylish Jewelry for men & women, boys & girls

Country Store & Thrift Store special finds not to be missed

You might win a fabulous prize in one of our five raffles ...

Prizes from \$50 to \$1,000 in the Cash Raffle

A table-full of all kinds of wine in the Wine Raffle – one winner takes it all

Prizes of all shapes & sizes, for all ages, in the Penny Sale

Creative collections of gifts in the Theme Basket Raffle

A stunningly beautiful one-of-a-kind quilt hand-made by Barbara Lawrence

Live entertainment & children's activities! (Subject to change.)

9 am – 2:30 pm Sugar Cookie Decorating (while supplies last)

9:30 am – 2:30 pm Face Painting

10 am – 2 pm Photos with Santa –take your own photos with the whole family

Plus: live entertainment on stage every



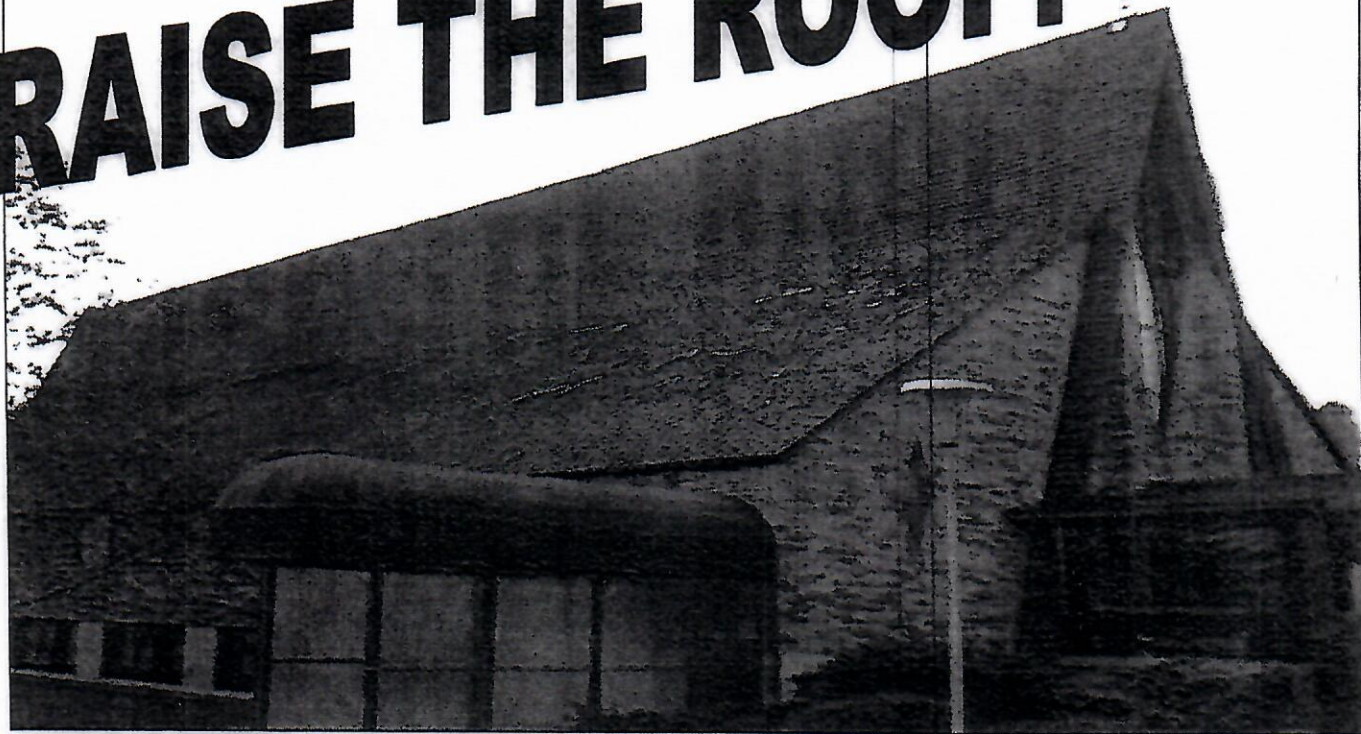
Support our Parish Ministries ...

Refreshments all day!

Invite your family, friends and neighbors!

Questions? Call 603-382-8324

RAISE THE ROOF!



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

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. Other projects in Plaistow and in Newton need your help and support.

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:

Newton parking lot	\$ 6,000.00 (estimated)
Plaistow parking lot	\$ 19,700.00 (estimated)
Newton Church lighting	\$ 5,000.00 (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.

The Gospel for All Ages

Family Catechesis

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Weeklies**
FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 29, 2017 • Two Great Commandments

Sunday Readings: Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10; Matthew 22:34-40

Weekly Discussion Questions

For the Parish Bulletin

Life Question: What commandments do you follow in your business or work team?

Gospel Question: What demonstrations of love do you find most convincing?

FOR PARISHIONERS, BY AGE GROUP

LIFE AND GOSPEL QUESTIONS BY AGE LEVEL

Exploring the Sunday Readings (Adults)

Gospel Question: List ten values or virtues you aim for in order of importance. Then place them into a circle. How does this affect your relationship to them?

Visit exploringthesundayreadings.com

Visions (Grades 7-8)

Life Question: What are actions that express love?

Gospel Question: When have you gained more from giving than receiving?

Venture (Grades 4-6)

Life Question: How do you show love?

Gospel Question: Give an example of loving your neighbor as yourself.

Good News (Grades 2-3)

Life Question: What is your most important family rule?

Gospel Question: What is Jesus' most important rule?

Promise (Grades K-1)

Life Question: What are friends for?

Gospel Question: How can I show love like Jesus?

Seeds (Preschool)

Life Question: What are some of our family rules?

Gospel Question: What are Jesus' two rules?

Family Corner

About the Gospel

Love God above all else and love your neighbor as yourself! This is Jesus' message to us today. He reminds us to love ourselves. We need to take care of ourselves and others to fulfill this greatest commandment.

Visit www.usccb.org/bible/readings to read this Sunday's Scripture.

In Church

Put God first by paying attention to each of the four parts of the Mass: Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, and Concluding Rites. See if you can tell when each part starts and ends. (Ask for help if needed.)

Question of the Week



What can you do this week to take better care of yourself? Do you need to rest, eat, sleep, or spend time with a good friend?

Family Prayer

Dear Lord, show us how to love you, others, and ourselves.

Rincón de la Familia

Acerca del Evangelio

¡Ama a Dios sobre todas las cosas y ama a tu prójimo como a ti mismo! Este es el mensaje de Jesús para nosotros hoy. Nos recuerda amarnos a nosotros mismos. Tenemos que cuidarnos a nosotros mismos y a los demás para cumplir el mandamiento principal.

Visita www.usccb.org/bible/readings para leer las lecturas de este domingo.

En la Iglesia

Pon a Dios en primer lugar prestando atención a cada una de las cuatro partes de la misa: Ritos iniciales, Liturgia de la Palabra, Liturgia de la Eucaristía y Ritos de despedida. Mira si puedes decir cuándo comienza y termina cada parte. (Pide ayuda si la necesitas.)

Pregunta de la semana



¿Qué puedes hacer esta semana para cuidarte más? ¿Necesitas descansar, comer, dormir o pasar tiempo con algún buen amigo?

Oración en familia

Querido Dios, muéstranos cómo amarte a ti, a los demás y a nosotros mismos.

✠ AROUND THE PARISH & DIOCESE ✠



MARRIAGE IN THE CHURCH Did you know that **ALL Catholics** are required to be married in the Church as a condition of the validity of their marriage?

Any Catholic married in a civil ceremony (JP) or in any religious ceremony other than a Catholic one (unless specifically excepted by the Bishop) is not living out the Sacrament of Marriage in its fullness according to the teaching of the Church. Contact Father Albert at the parish office for more information.

STAY INFORMED WITH FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP NEWS

The Diocese of Manchester wants to inform Catholics about important public policy matters facing our elected officials. Faithful Citizenship News provides briefs on legislation as well as information about Catholic social teaching on some of today's pressing issues. To read the current issue of Faithful Citizenship News and to subscribe, visit www.catholicnh.org/fcnews.



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 \$85 (*increase is due to change in size of arrangement and deliver charge*), 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.

SANCTUARY CANDLES



The Sanctuary Candles in both Newton and Plaistow may be offered in memory or honor of a loved one. The suggested offering is \$10.00.

HOW TO MAKE A REPORT OF SEXUAL ABUSE

Child sexual abuse is a crime in the State of New Hampshire and the Church. New Hampshire law requires that anyone who has reason to suspect that a child is being or has been abused or neglected must make a report to the Division for Children, Youth & Families ("DCYF") of the State of New Hampshire, 1-800-894-5533. Any person who suspects or alleges child abuse on the part of a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of a parish, school, or institution of the diocese of Manchester is also encouraged to make a report to the Office for Ministerial Conduct, 603-669-3100. Church personnel – clergy, paid employees, and volunteers – have additional reporting requirements if they believe that Church personnel have sexually abused a child. You can learn more about these reporting requirements on the diocesan website at www.catholicnh.org or by speaking with our Parish Safe Environment Coordinator, Cathy Smith at 382-8324.

PLEASE HELP US!

As you leave church, kindly take your Bulletin with you – or return it to the basket at the entrance of the Church, return your music book and Mass card to their proper place, and pick up after yourself as you leave. Our Ushers are wonderful and diligent, but they should not have to face a Foxboro aftermath as each Mass ends! Thanks for being attentive and respectful!

F. Albert.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Don't you and your spouse deserve a beautiful, romantic weekend away together? Get away from all those worldly anxieties and take time to just focus on each other by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance, and renew your sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in New England. For more information, call Ralph & Jane Becker at 1-800-710-9963 or visit www.wwme.org.

NH COUPLE ENRICHMENT CIRCLE

Have you attended a Marriage Encounter Weekend? If your answer is yes, you are invited to participate in the NH Couple Enrichment Circle to continue to strengthen your marriage relationship. For more information, contact David and Karen Demers at 617-480-9989 or ddemers@aviconpartners.com.

RETRouvaille...A Lifeline

Rediscover a loving marriage with a Retrouvaille weekend. If your marriage is tearing the two of you apart, if there is little or no meaningful communication, if you are considering separation or divorce, we believe Retrouvaille can help you. For more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.



SUPPORT FOR DIVORCED AND SEPARATED

Divorce and separation can be painful experiences. Support groups are available to those who are seeking healing, comfort, and empowerment. Visit www.catholicnh.org/support for a listing of groups.





Bringing Home the Word

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Loving God and Neighbor

By Mary Katharine Deeley

Quickly, name the greatest law of the United States. I think all of us would have to think about that. Some might name a precept like: "All men are created equal." Others might talk about the Bill of Rights. But when it comes to the laws that embody these precepts, we might point to any number of them and disagree about which is the greatest.

Jesus has no such problem. When the Pharisees try to test him with a similar question about Jewish law, Jesus responds with the great commandment from Deuteronomy (6:4) and pairs it with a law found in Leviticus (19:18).

The Pharisees knew both laws, but the first had been emphasized throughout Israelite tradition. The Jews were commanded to teach it to their children and to bind the words to their foreheads and wrists. The second, though, was one of a series of laws, seemingly no more or less important than the ones that surrounded it.

When Jesus lifted up the two of them, he made it very clear that our first love is always for God, to whom we give our entire being. Jesus is equally clear, though, that we cannot stop there. We must also love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Indeed, our relationship with God and our relationship with one another are bound together. When one is broken, so is the other. When one flourishes, so does the other. Loving God and neighbor draws us together as Church to praise and worship God and to reach out to the world.

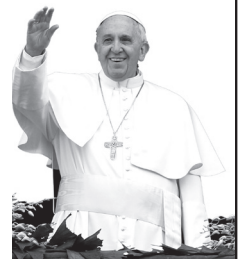
Let us obey both these commandments with equal joy. †

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A Word From Pope Francis

Jesus did not say: "One of you go," but "All of you go": we are sent together. Dear young friends, be aware of the companionship of the whole Church and also the communion of the saints on this mission.... Jesus did not call the Apostles to live in isolation, he called them to form a group, a community.

—Homily at
World Youth Day,
July 28, 2013



Sunday Readings

Exodus 22:20–26

You shall not oppress or afflict a resident alien, for you were once aliens.

1 Thessalonians 1:5c–10

For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth.

Matthew 22:34–40

[Jesus said,] "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS REFLECTION

- What next thing is Jesus asking for as you strive toward giving him your all?
- There is joy that comes from giving our all. Do I experience that joy?



Answering the Question Why We Believe in God

By Phyllis Zagano

If a friend asked you why he or she should believe in God, how would

you answer? Catholics have a common understanding of what it means to speak of God. But in our pluralistic society where different religions meet every day, just what people mean by God is unclear. Christians, Muslims, and Jews all believe in a single God but think about him differently.

When agnostics say they don't know about God, it is the God of these great Western religions they profess ignorance of. The same is true of atheists, who do not believe in one supreme being who created the world and sustains its existence.

For most, either you believe you are in charge—or not. If you believe you are not in charge but that the cosmos is ordered by a supreme intelligence and not by chaotic chance, then you likely believe in God.

Why is that? A French philosopher named Blaise Pascal (1623-1662) presented an interesting wager. He said we all either bet there is a God or that there is not. The possible results of Pascal's wager really argue for belief in God.

If we bet that there is a God and there is not, then we effectively lose nothing. However, if we bet that there is not a God and there is a God, then we lose everything. And if we bet that there is a God and there truly is a God, then we win everything. This is a coldly rational way of looking at God, but for many

it is a way to start thinking about his existence.

Limits of Human Reason

Even so, we cannot really know much about God. That is because our intellects are limited and if God is God, then he is without limits. Our minds are unable to surround the enormity and complexity of God.

Before Pascal, many great thinkers such as St. Anselm (1033-1109), St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274), and René Descartes (1596-1650) presented proofs for God's existence. Even today, philosophers argue the point. But arguments and counterarguments about the existence of God are limited by the confines of human reason. In the end, whether we are a brilliant philosopher or the simplest child, the Church teaches that everyone can know and love God.

How can that be? To begin with, Christianity teaches that God came into history as Jesus Christ. The mission of Jesus was to teach us about the Father, who loved Jesus—and us—into being. The fact of that love is understood in the person of the Holy Spirit. This is how we understand God as the Trinity. In

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the Church's earliest years, Christians hammered out the definition of God that remains today and which forms the first words of the Apostles' Creed: "I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary..."

Unique Evidence

Even so, after millions of people have professed the Apostles' Creed, and after brilliant philosophers have "proved" God's existence, why should we believe?

The question is best understood in the negative. How can anyone see a sunrise or a baby and not believe in God? How can anyone watch a flower grow or see a wave upon the shore and not believe in God? How can anyone who has seen reflected in his or her own heart, the bright star in the east that continues to shine throughout eternity, not believe in God? †



Lord, I am grateful your commandments to love are simple and to the point. Keep my focus on loving you. Stretch my heart to love my neighbor, too.

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

WEEKDAY READINGS

October 30–
November 4

Mon. Weekday:
Rom 8:12–17 / Lk 13:10–17


Tue. Weekday:
Rom 8:18–25 / Lk 13:18–21

Wed. All Saints' Day: Rv 7:2–4, 9–14 /
1 Jn 3:1–3 / Mt 5:1–12a

Thu. All Souls' Day: Wis 3:1–9 /
Rom 5:5–11 or Rom 6:3–9 / Jn 6:37–40

Fri. Weekday:
Rom 9:1–5 / Lk 14:1–6

Sat. St. Charles Borromeo:
Rom 11:1–2a, 11–12, 25–29. / Lk 14:1, 7–11

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