



MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

Sunday, July 31, 2022
Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

4:00 PM
8:00 AM
10:00 AM

Gathering: All Creatures Of Our God And King
 BB 543

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 19)

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Preparation Eye Has Not Seen BB 471

Mass Parts Mass Of Creation

Communion One Bread, One Body BB 337
 Unless A Grain Of Wheat BB 498

Recessional: Take The Word Of God With You BB 380

✠ PARISH TITHING ✠

Our Parish needs to take in \$9700.00 each week in order to make ends meet. This amount represents an adjusted budget offertory of \$8500.00 per week plus the combination of budgeted Property and Fuel second collections (\$4800.00 per month divided into 4 weeks or \$1200.00 weekly). 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. Consider signing up for electronic giving (see below). Especially in these trying times, your Parish depends on your responsible stewardship and support!

July 24, 2022

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| Offertory | \$5,205.06 |
| Fuel | \$1,205.25 |



Out of respect for the Lord and in consideration of fellow parishioners, please remember to silence or turn off your cell phones during Mass. Thank you!

RESTROOM BREAKS DURING MASS

Attention Parents

Please be sure to accompany your young children when they need to use the restroom during Mass. This is for their safety and your peace of mind!

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.

UPCOMING SECOND & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

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| July 31 | No Second Collection |
| August 7 | Property Management |
| August 14 | NH Missionaries Abroad |
| August 21 | Fuel |

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 ✠

COVID UPDATE

Be Safe! Be Considerate of Others!

The choice to wear or to not wear a mask is left up to individuals and their discretion. Those persons who have not been vaccinated should be especially mindful of their own safety and the safety of others, especially those vulnerable to communicable disease.

A hand sanitizer station will remain at the main entrances of the church doors for the time being for parishioners' convenience.

Anyone who has been recently exposed to COVID 19 or any other communicable disease should not attend public services of any kind. Those sick should remain at home until such time as they are healthy.

Liturgy online or on TV...

Boston Catholic Television catholictv.org
Sunday Mass from Notre Dame
catholictv.org/masses/notre-dame-mass
Salt & Light TV saltandlighttv.org
Eternal Word Television ewtn.com

MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a monthly food drive to support our food pantry. The list of items needed, along with a paper shopping bag, will be distributed at the end of Masses on the 3rd weekend of each month starting in August to those that wish to participate. We would ask that you bring back the non-perishable food items the following weekend. If you are unable to do so, please feel free to drop the items off at the parish office during normal business hours or at a future Mass. The Knights will also be accepting monetary donations to the food pantry or gift cards to local supermarkets. The dependence on our food pantry has been increasing. The Knights and the food pantry appreciate your generosity and support.

ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST WEBSITE

Visit our website to view our Weekly Church Bulletin and Upcoming Parish Events: http://stlukenh.org

HELP WANTED

Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish in Newton-Plaistow, NH is searching for a PT custodian for our Preschool-Kindergarten in Plaistow, NH. The position involves routine custodial services after school hours (post 3 PM) Monday through Friday to equal twenty (20) hours per week. The successful candidate must be able to work independently and follow instructions to prepare the school environment for each new learning day. Candidates must be able to work on their feet for most of their time, go up and down stairs, and lift at least twenty-five (25) pounds. Candidates must also complete the Diocese of Manchester protocols for Safe Environment, including a State(s) Criminal background check and Diocesan Safe Environment database training.

A full job description and application materials are available by contacting the Parish Office at (603) 382-8324 or fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net.

The Sanctuary Candle in Holy Angels Church will burn this week in loving memory of Roxanne Papken by Jim Edwards



The Sanctuary Candle in Mary, Mother of the Church will burn this week in loving memory of Julito Intervalo by Tess Moulaison

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AMAZONSMILE FOUNDATION

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

St Luke the Evangelist Parish, Plaistow.

WHILE AWAY THIS SUMMER...

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

✠ WEEKLY CALENDAR ✠

Monday, August 1
 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus *Plaistow*

Wednesday, August 3
 Holy Angels Church
 Open All Day For Prayer

Thursday, August 4
 8:30 AM – 8:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration *Newton*

Saturday, August 6
 3:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation *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.

PRAYER LINE INTERCESSORS NEEDED

How does the "Prayer Line" work? Once a prayer request is given, an email is sent to the intercessors who respond by praying for the intention. The request is written on a list. Now that we can meet in person again, several of the intercessors will get together once a week and pray for each person.

If you are interested in being an intercessor, either through an email or meeting in person once a week, please contact Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324 or csmith@stluketheevangelist.net. For those who are interested in being part of the group that meets in person, we will gather in the Fall to decide the best day and time to start meeting again.

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

Our ministry aims to emulate St. Joseph and become better husbands, fathers, sons and brothers. There are no dues and the Men of St. Joseph do not participate in projects or other volunteer efforts as a group, but instead, gather together for sharing among men to help them be a better person, a better family man, and a better member of the Church. Join us on Saturday morning, **August 20, 2022 from 8:00 to 9:00 AM** in the parish hall on the Plaistow campus.



St. Luke the Evangelist is now on Facebook! Go to www.facebook.com/stlukenh.org/ or **St. Luke the Evangelist Parish – Newton/Plaistow** and give us a Like! Please invite fellow parishioners & friends to do the same.

✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Saturday, July 30 ~ Eighteenth Sunday in Ord. Time
Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21 (Vigil)
 4:00 PM Mark Hammond by Colleen Hammond
Plaistow

Sunday, July 31 ~ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21
 8:00 AM Frederick C. Colby, Jr. (1st Anniversary)
 by Carol and John Tucker
Newton
 10:00 AM Brian Abraham (10th Anniversary) by his family
Plaistow

Monday, August 1 ~ Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21
 8:00 AM People of the Parish
Newton

Tuesday, August 2 ~ Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Mt 14:22-36
 8:00 AM People of the Parish
Plaistow

Wednesday, August 3 ~ Weekday
Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28
 6:30 PM People of the Parish
Plaistow

Thursday, August 4 ~ John Vianney, Priest
Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23
 8:00 AM People of the Parish
Newton

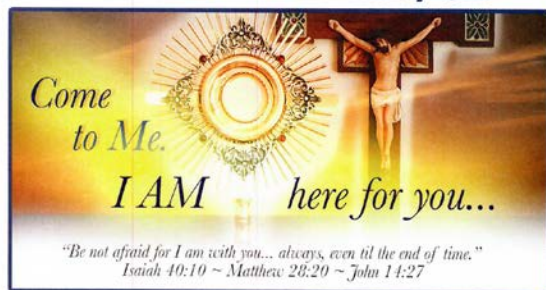
Friday, August 5 ~ Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major
Na 2:1, 3, 3:1-3, 6-7; Mt 16:24-28
NO MASS

Saturday, August 6 ~ The Transfiguration of the Lord
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36 (Day)
Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1, 2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48 (Vigil)
 4:00 PM James O'Donnell (1st Anniversary)
 by Jane Leach and family
Plaistow

Sunday, August 6 ~ Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1, 2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48
 8:00 AM Angelina Antczak by the Burge family
Newton
 10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Fogel family and Frank Kelcourse by Elaine Kelcourse
Plaistow



DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2022



DIOCESAN WIDE EVENT



Bank of New Hampshire Pavilion

Doors open 8:00am - 2:30pm

Free Admission

Ticket Registration Required



☑ Day includes Holy Mass, Eucharistic Procession, Eucharistic Preacher, Diocesan Holy Hour, and the Sacrament of Confession will be available.

☑ Buses from all deaneries will be available for those that do not want to drive. Information to come.

☑ Some seating under cover- some on grassy areas suitable for blankets / lawn chairs. Food concessions available and encouraged.

72 Meadowbrook Lane
 Gofford, NH 03249



Diocese of Manchester
 The Catholic Church in New Hampshire

For more information or to Register visit: www.EucharisticRevivalNH.org

VOCATIONS DAY

Saint Matthews in Windham is hosting a vocation day on **Sunday, August 7 from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM** in the parish center. Dinner will be provided and the retreat will end with the 6:00 PM Mass at Saint Matthews. There will be priests, nuns, religious orders, and married couples presenting on their vocations. All students in grades 8 - 12 are invited. For questions, or to register, email johnmdeangelo@comcast.net.

THE GOD MINUTE

Every morning a small group of priests, religious, and lay people start their day in prayer. Soft music, sacred scripture, and a thoughtful reflection are weaved into a 10-minute prayer called "The God Minute." It's then uploaded for you to access and pray along with us on your own time. And it's free. Listen with your coffee in the morning, while driving to work, or taking a walk. See how easy and beautiful prayer can be! www.thegodminute.org

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** is the process by which people become members of the Roman Catholic Church. Be a good agent of welcome and evangelization! If you or someone you know is interested in inquiring about becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church, contact Cathy Smith in the Parish Office.

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 call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at csmith@stluketheevangelist.net.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION

Students in Junior High or High School who have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to prepare to receive the sacrament, contact Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305, or email her at csmith@stluketheevangelist.net.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

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.

The Church in Plaistow is open all day on Wednesdays for people to stop by and pray before the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle.

✕ PARISH DIRECTORY ✕

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| Parish Office | 603-382-8324 | Fr. Albert Tremblay | fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net |
| Parish Prayer Line | 603-382-8324 x 314 | Cathy Smith | csmith@stluketheevangelist.net |
| St. Vincent de Paul Society | 603-382-8324 x 315 | Joyce Szczapa | jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net |
| St. Luke's Food Pantry | 603-819-4949 | Jackie Tremblay | jtremblay@stluketheevangelist.net |
| Preschool | 603-382-9783 | Val Barczak | mvmbarczak@comcast.net |
| Presentation of Mary Convent | 603-382-2744 | Parish Council | parishcouncil@stluketheevangelist.net |

❖ Community News ❖



**ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST
FOOD PANTRY**

Thank you for your generosity towards the hungry of our area!

Non-perishable food or personal 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. **Call the Pantry at 819-4949 for more information.**

COFFEE AND DONUTS

With pandemic restrictions fading away, it would be great to return to occasional Coffee and Donuts at Sunday morning Masses.



We are looking for “hosts” for

Coffee Hours. Host responsibilities include picking up donuts and coffee, placing all items on the serving tables, and clean up after Coffee Hour.

If you are interested in hosting, please send an email to fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net or call the Parish Office at 603-382-8324.

A schedule for Coffee and Donuts is in the works. **Coffee and Donuts can happen only with the help of generous volunteer hosts!**

CATECHISTS NEEDED

Our Religious Education Program is in need of catechists for Sunday mornings. Training will be provided. If you can help, please email Cathy Smith at csmith@stluketheevangelist.net.

ALCOHOLICS ANANYMOUS

A Men’s AA Step Meeting is being on Sunday mornings from 7:00 to 8:00 AM at the St. Luke the Evangelist Parish Hall in Plaistow, NH (Holy Angels). Bring your own coffee. For more information, call 617-921-9899.



**ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Religious Education Registration for the 2022-2023 Academic Year for **Grades K through 6** begins in September. If your child is currently enrolled, a registration form has been sent home. If your child is new to the Program, please call Cathy Smith at 382-8324 for more information.



Your “Dropped Dollar” Hard At Work

Thank you for your continued support of the St. Vincent de Paul Society! Please know that your “dropped dollars” are being used wisely to help the poor in our area. Your generosity does not go unnoticed.

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, August 17 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.**



DO SOMETHING GOOD WITH US

The Knights of Columbus are a vital and vibrant part of St Luke the Evangelist Parish.

We welcome any practicing Catholic man, 18 years or older, to join the Knights.

We are sons, fathers, husbands, and grandfathers, whose main purpose is charitable works in support of our parish and community.

Where there is a need, there is a Knight.

Joining is simple – talk to a brother Knight, contact Dan Sullivan at 603-770-4803, email him at dans49@comcast.com or you can now join on-line - www.kofc.org/joinus.

**THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS
ST. JUDE COUNCIL
#6617
www.kofc6617.org**





Bringing Home the Word

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
July 31, 2022

Becoming Rich in What Matters

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

What are we working for? What is the desire that moves us to sacrifice every day? Where is our heart? These are the deep questions pondered by the author of Ecclesiastes. He sees people around him struggling for years and then, as fate would have it, their wealth falls into the hands of someone who hasn't worked for it. He sees others, toiling and anxious, and wonders, "What does it really get them?"

Jesus also pointed out the vanity of making our life goal a struggle to

amass wealth, as if that was the source of security. To keep us from spiritual shortsightedness, he reminds us of an undeniable truth: we know neither the day nor the hour when we will be called before God to give an accounting of how we invested the talents he gave us.

We have been raised with Christ. Our greedy, miserly nature has been buried with Christ so that our generous, magnanimous, and farsighted nature could be set free. So if we believe in Christ, in the one who left all his heavenly treasures and became poor so that we might become rich, then the best investment is in him and his truths. He guarantees a return, even if it is deferred. He promises that what we surrender to him will be reimbursed a hundredfold and will give dividends for eternity.

So when examining where our treasure is, where our hearts and worries go, Jesus would have us ask ourselves: Will this make me richer in what matters to God?

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A Word from Pope Francis

Material goods are necessary—they are goods!—but they are a means to live honestly and in sharing with the neediest. Today, Jesus invites us to consider that wealth can enslave the heart and distract it from the true treasure which is in heaven.

Angelus, August 4, 2019



Sunday Readings

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21–23

For what profit comes to mortals from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which they toil under the sun?

Colossians 3:1–5, 9–11

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Luke 12:13–21

[Jesus said,] "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- Would living a simpler life make my life better? How?
- Do "things" get in the way of my relationship with others?

Embracing the Tough Message

Kathleen M. Basi

When I was little and attended Mass, I dreaded the homily every week—and the Eucharistic Prayer, and usually the readings. In fact, I think I dreaded all of Mass except the songs. Because at least during those, I knew what I was doing—singing stirred my heart.

At some point, I realized that what sounded to me like the chatter of the adults in the *Charlie Brown* TV cartoons was actually supposed to mean something. I started trying to wrap my brain around all those words. Although most of it still zipped over my head, every week a word or a phrase would emerge from the gibberish and ping my conscience like divine sonar.

These days, I still struggle with distraction and preoccupation: forgotten tasks, lists in progress, my preschooler lying down on the front pew. My mother once told me, “There were a lot of Masses when you girls were little that we didn’t get much out of.” I understand now exactly what she meant.

Of course, the point of the liturgy is not what we “get out of it.” Christ is there whether we’re preoccupied or not, and grace touches us either way. But it’s worth the effort to refocus after each distraction. As with most things, we get out of liturgy what we put into it. If we make the effort to listen with an open heart, we almost always come away with a word that speaks to



a situation, relationship, or problem we’re facing.

That is the beauty of the Word: It’s not static, or dead, but rather living—Jesus, the Word of God “veiled in flesh.” Jesus is always speaking. He speaks through every breath of wind and every person we meet, and in particular, through liturgy. The question is whether we’re willing to face up to what it tells us about our lives, right here, right now. It’s easy to hear words meant for someone else. However, to embrace words that reach into the raw places of our soul and call us to change—that’s a harder Word to swallow.

Yet that is why we come to church. The liturgy is the spiritual food that sustains us for daily living. God won’t force himself on us. We have to be willing to be vulnerable. We have to listen with ears open to our own weakness. Most important, we have to be willing to change.

But if we muster the courage to respond to the Word when he calls, our lives—and by extension, our corner of the world—will be better for it.

***God won’t force himself on us.
We have to be willing
to be vulnerable.
We have to be willing
to change.***



***Generous God, while I am grateful
to have what is necessary
for my well-being... let me always
be intent on one thing:
listening and responding to your
presence in my life. Amen.***

—From *Celebrating the Gospels: A Guide for Parents and Teachers* by Gaynell Cronin

WEEKDAY READINGS

August 1–6

Monday, St. Alphonsus Liguori:
Jer 28:1–17 / Mt 14:13–21

Tuesday, Weekday: Jer 30:1–2, 12–15, 18–22 /
Mt 14:22–36

Wednesday, Weekday:
Jer 31:1–7 / Mt 15:21–28

Thursday, St. John Vianney:
Jer 31:31–34 / Mt 16:13–23

Friday, Weekday:
Nah 2:1, 3; 3:1–3, 6–7 / Mt 16:24–28

Saturday, The Transfiguration of the Lord:
Dn 7:9–10, 13–14 / 2 Pt 1:16–19 /
Lk 9:28b–36