

**MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY**

**Sunday, August 21, 2022**  
**Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time**

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

Gathering: Praise To The Lord BB 208  
 Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 19)

*Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

Preparation I Want To Walk As A Child Of The Light BB 597  
 Mass Parts Mass Of Creation  
 Communion Ubi Caritas BB 325  
 Shepherd Of Souls BB 370  
 Recessional: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee BB 549

**✠ 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!

**August 14, 2022**

**Offertory \$6,501.28**  
**NH Missionaries Abroad \$1,335.00**



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**

August 21 Fuel  
 August 28 Missionary Co-op  
 September 4 Property Management  
 September 11 Catholic University and USCCB

**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 ✠

**BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM**

The St Luke's Food Pantry and the St Vincent de Paul Society work together every year to raise funds for a program that helps local families who are struggling financially with back to school shopping. This program is funded by donations from local businesses and individual donations. All of the funds raised during this fundraiser will be used for this program.

If you would like to help, donations can be made to St Luke's Food Pantry. Please write on the envelope "**Back To School Program**". Donations may be mailed to the pantry, put in collection basket, or left at the Parish Office. We will also be accepting donations of Kohls, Walmart, Staples, TJ Maxx, or other store cards. We can use backpacks, both larger sizes for grades 5 - 12 and smaller sizes for elementary students, along with any school supplies.

Any help you can give would be most appreciated. Thank you in advance for your help. Together we can make a difference!

**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 our 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](mailto: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!**

**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](mailto:fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net).



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

**VIGIL LIGHT**

The Vigil Light in front of the Blessed Mother icon at Mary Mother of the Church will burn this week loving memory of

**Bill Lawrence**  
by a fellow Knight



**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

In observance of the Labor Day holiday, the Parish Office will be **closed on Monday, September 5**. The Office will reopen at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, September 6.

**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.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.**

**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 ✠

**Wednesday, August 24**  
Holy Angels Church Open  
All Day For Prayer

**Thursday, August 25**  
8:30 AM – 8:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration **Newton**

**Saturday, August 27**  
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](mailto: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](mailto: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, **September 17, 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/](http://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, August 20 ~ 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30 (Vigil)*  
4:00 PM People of the Parish  
**Plaistow**

**Sunday, August 21 ~ 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30*  
8:00 AM Jesselyn Driscoll by her family  
**Newton**  
10:00 AM Elsie Smythe by Debbie, Timothy, and Gregory Manning  
**Plaistow**

**Monday, August 22 ~ The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
*2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22*  
8:00 AM Louis Inzero (Birthday Remembrance) by the Stanley family  
**Newton**

**Tuesday, August 23 ~ Rose of Lima, Virgin**  
*2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26*  
8:00 AM For Michael and his recovery  
**Plaistow**

**Wednesday, August 24 ~ Bartholomew, Apostle**  
*Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51*  
6:30 PM Jack Ronan and Dan O'Leary by Susan Ronan  
**Plaistow**

**Thursday, August 25 ~ Louis; Joseph Calasanz, Priest**  
*1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51*  
8:00 AM People of the Parish  
**Newton**

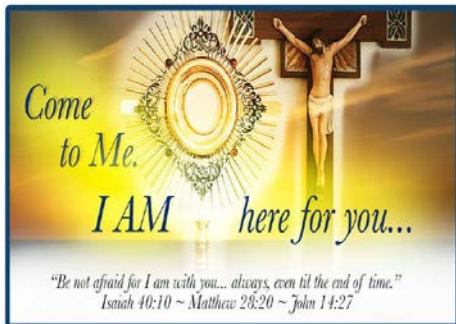
**Friday, August 26 ~ Weekday**  
*1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13*  
**NO MASS**

**Saturday, August 27 ~ Monica**  
*1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30 (Day)*  
*Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a;*  
*Lk 14:1, 7-14 (Vigil)*  
4:00 PM Yvette Caron by Norma Amshey  
**Plaistow**

**Sunday, August 28 ~ 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a;*  
*Lk 14:1, 7-14*  
8:00 AM Diane Burke by the Stanley family  
**Newton**  
10:00 AM People of the Parish  
**Plaistow**



**IGNITE NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2022**



**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**  
[www.EucharisticRevivalNH.org](http://www.EucharisticRevivalNH.org)

National  
Eucharistic  
Preacher

Holy Mass &  
Eucharistic  
Procession

200 Person Choir

Children's  
Activities

Concessions  
& More!



**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.

**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](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

**EUCCHARISTIC 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](mailto: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 ✂

Parish Office	603-382-8324
Parish Prayer Line	603-382-8324 x 314
St. Vincent de Paul Society	603-382-8324 x 315
St. Luke's Food Pantry	603-819-4949
Preschool	603-382-9783
Presentation of Mary Convent	603-382-2744

Fr. Albert Tremblay	<a href="mailto:fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net">fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net</a>
Cathy Smith	<a href="mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net">csmith@stluketheevangelist.net</a>
Joyce Szczapa	<a href="mailto:jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net">jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net</a>
Jackie Tremblay	<a href="mailto:jtremblay@stluketheevangelist.net">jtremblay@stluketheevangelist.net</a>
Val Barczak	<a href="mailto:mvmbarczak@comcast.net">mvmbarczak@comcast.net</a>
Parish Council	<a href="mailto:parishcouncil@stluketheevangelist.net">parishcouncil@stluketheevangelist.net</a>

❖ Community News ❖



**SAINT JUDE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE**

The Knights of Columbus of our Parish are sponsoring a monthly food drive to support the Saint Luke the Evangelist Food Pantry beginning this August. A list of items needed, along with a paper shopping bag, will be distributed at the end of Masses on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of each month to those who wish to participate. We ask that you bring back the non-perishable food items the following weekend (4<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month). You are also welcome to drop off donations at the Parish Office during normal business hours or at one our Parish churches. Monetary donations are also welcome (make checks payable to Saint Luke Food Pantry), or gift cards to local supermarkets. Thank you for reaching out to help families in our community who need assistance. The Knights and the Food Pantry appreciate your generosity and support.

**SCOUT RETREAT**

All Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, American Heritage Girls, and Knights of Columbus Squires in Grades 6-12, and Adult Leaders, are invited to the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual High Adventure Scout Retreat on **Friday, September 16 through Sunday September 18, 2022** at Camp Fatima in Gilmanton Iron Works, NH. This retreat is very active, involving the scouts in a number of fun, interesting, challenging, thought provoking, and faith filled activities. To register, or for more information, send an email to [nhcatholicscouting@gmail.com](mailto:nhcatholicscouting@gmail.com).

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**



**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, September 21 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.**

**RETRouvaille NEW ENGLAND: MARRIAGE HELP**

Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for separation or divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille (*pronounced retrovi with a long i*) is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or reawaken the love, trust, and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about, or to register for the upcoming New England program beginning with a weekend on **August 12-14, 2022**, visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 800-470-2230 or email us at [3023r@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:3023r@helpourmarriage.org).

**FOR OUR RECORDS**

We need your help to keep our records current. If there are any births, deaths, marriages, moves, or address changes in your family, please notify the Parish Office at 603-382-8324 or by email at [jtremlay@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:jtremlay@stluketheevangelist.net).

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**

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.



**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 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](mailto:dans49@comcast.com), or you can now join online:

[www.kofc.org/joinus](http://www.kofc.org/joinus)

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
ST. JUDE COUNCIL  
#6617  
[www.kofc6617.org](http://www.kofc6617.org)**





**THE LAMB SHALL LEAD**  
INTERNATIONAL

**MISSIONARY  
COOPERATIVE  
COLLECTION  
WEEKEND OF  
AUGUST 27-28**

**An International Missionary Community  
serving the Philippines**

**The Lamb Shall Lead are disciples of The Lamb of God, Jesus, the true revelation of the Father's love. They are lay, religious and clergy striving to be like lambs in the world among the poorest of the poor. With the least of Jesus' brethren (MT 25:40), they stand in the gap, and, together, lead in transforming the world and society, participating in the transmission of the fullness of Catholic life.**

**The group's goal is to empower grassroots communities in the Philippines to help the poor.**



**Funds from the Mission Collection will be used for**

- > sustainable livelihoods through livestock raising and organic farming**
- > recruiting and training lay missionaries in their own communities**
- > care for malnourished and undernourished Children**
- > pediatric medical care and immunizations**
- > medical, dental and optical care for elders**
- > response to natural disasters and forced relocations**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
GENEROSITY!**

# Maybe ... it's time

**To re-connect** with your Church

**To re-new** yourself and others through the unique power of the Holy Spirit who guides us in Love and Truth.

If you are a baptized Catholic, have received your First Communion, but decided against Confirmation as a teen, maybe **NOW IS THE TIME** for you to re-consider **Confirmation**.

- ✓ Maybe you weren't ready when you were sixteen years old.
- ✓ Maybe you didn't want to be pressured into it by your family and peers.
- ✓ Maybe you weren't sure that Catholic is who you wanted to be.
- ✓ Maybe you were just beginning to doubt that what you were taught as a child -- about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the Virgin Mary, the Eucharist, the saints, eternal life -- was all too good to be true.
- ✓ Maybe you were overwhelmed with school commitments, personal disappointments, and feeling that God really didn't care if you were Catholic anyway.

Sessions begin  
soon!

God *does* care about you. *For some reason*, God chose you to be born into a family that would bring you to the Catholic Church for Baptism.

So maybe -- just maybe -- now...it's time....to make your own choice.

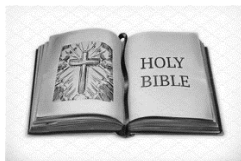
## Confirmation.

If you are 18 or over and were never Confirmed, contact the Parish Office. With little time and reflection, practicing Catholics can be prepared to celebrate the gift of the Spirit in their lives.

**Maybe it's your time.**

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH, NEWTON-PLAISTOW  
603 382 8324. WWW.STLUKENH.ORG

# BRING THE BIBLE TO LIFE AND LIVE SCRIPTURE EVERY DAY!



Join us for six weeks of exploration of the Bible that equips you to apply the message of Scripture to your daily life.

**Six Weeks with the Bible** series, published by *Loyola Press*, is an ideal way to learn important background information on Scripture, experience praying God's Word, and discover the difference the Bible can make in your life today.

Our Fall Bible share groups will be exploring the book of *James* and the theme: *Put Your Faith to Work*. *Loyola Press* states: "The book of James insists that conversion to Christ changes the way we act. In *James: Put Your Faith to Work*, we learn how to apply Jesus' teachings to our lives as members of God's kingdom. Ultimately, we come to understand the book of James as our roadmap for the Christian journey."

If you are interested in joining a group either on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m., beginning September 21, or Thursday afternoons at 1:30 p.m., beginning September 22; please cut the form at the bottom and complete. Completed forms should be returned either in the collection basket or the parish office no later than Tuesday, September 6. Any questions, contact Cathy Smith at (603) 382-8324 or [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net)

## Groups will meet downstairs in the Church Hall

(There is an \$8 book fee)

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### ***James: Put Your Faith to Work*** (check one)

Wednesdays at 7 p.m. \_\_\_\_ Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. \_\_\_\_  
Sept. 21 – Oct. 26                      Sept. 22 – Oct. 27



## The Society of St Vincent de Paul

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**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Luke the Evangelist Parish, invites you to join our Prayer Shawl Ministry!**

Shawls can be made with yarn, quilt fabric, or fleece. They are filled with prayer, care and love. They will be given to anyone in need of comfort, solace or encouragement.

- **If you are interested in prayerful camaraderie and in joining the group or,**
- **If you would like to contribute knitted hats, scarves, shawls or materials to the group, you may make those donations by contacting Barbara Metcalf or Alice Litwinovich. (see below)**
  - **They can also be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular office hours.**
- **If someone you know, is in need of one of our shawls, scarves or crochet crosses contact:**

◆ **Barbara Metcalf**

**603-642-8334**

**[cmbklb.bmk@gmail.com](mailto:cmbklb.bmk@gmail.com)**

**Alice Litwinovich**

**603-819-9578**

**If you would like to join our group but cannot come to the meetings because of time constraints, we are open to additional meeting times, if there is interest.**

### **Meeting Schedule:**

- **First Thursday of each month**
- **10 A.M. – 12 Noon**
- **Parish office building (dining room)**
- **Material can be supplied**

**We are honored to provide this service to anyone in need.**

# Help is NEEDED.

If you have ever thought about wanting to give more to our Parish community, share your talents, or become involved in something meaningful; NOW'S YOUR CHANCE!

Over the past couple of years, a few VITAL Craft Fair team members have moved away. Since then, the Craft Fair Lead Coordinator (Julie Lamere) has had to fill the vacated roles as well as LEAD the craft fair effort – that is too much for one set of shoulders.

Currently, Julie is looking to add THREE people to the Craft Fair Team. These individuals will work with Julie to learn about and help with, the following areas:

1. Silent Auction Helping with the Silent Auction sounds like a big deal but be assured, none of the tasks are difficult for any organized person with basic computer skills
2. Jewelry Table Coordinator This person needs to be able to sort jewelry leading up to fair, help with table set-up the day before fair, work the table the day of fair
3. Photographer for Santa & Mrs. Claus  
Super simple: work from 10AM – 2PM (with lunch break) the day of the Fair, be friendly, smile, know how to take a picture on your iPhone and 'send it to print'

Julie Lamere has a 'fairly flexible' schedule and should be able to work with you and your schedule to determine best day/time to get together.

Please email Julie Lamere, craft Fair Lead Coordinator at [StLukeNHFair@gmail.com](mailto:StLukeNHFair@gmail.com) to find out if any of these roles may be the right fit for you.

 **Saint Luke**  
**the Evangelist**  
**Parish**  **Christmas Fair**



# St. Luke the Evangelist

## CASH Raffle Tickets

are NOW available at  
both churches

1. Take some and sell to family & friends.
2. Return completed stubs & money or check, payable to St. Luke, Cash Raffle on memo line please, in a sealed envelope.
3. Ticket stubs & payment must be returned together in an envelope, to the Parish Office **OR** placed in the collection basket.



# Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)  
August 21, 2022

## Just Come In the Side Door

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

A fragment from a church ceiling fresco crumbled and fell to the ground. It was eventually added to the Vatican collection. A piece of rubble that is now a priceless object of art depicts an apostle as he gazes upwards towards Christ's divine glory.

We too are striving to attain that heavenly vision, and in today's Gospel, Jesus advises us on how to realize it. We should strive to enter the smaller gate, the narrow door. It's not the grand main entrance that everyone sees and knows about. The narrow door is a less-traveled

side entrance that only those who are close to the owner and his family know. Christ invites us to be so familiar with him that we know the side door.

Many pass the Master's house, know where it is, but have lost the practice of stopping inside. They know about God, even pray occasionally, and don't hurt anyone. No doubt not hurting others is admirable, but there is so much more for someone baptized into Christ. We're not called to merely avoid hurting others, but to have a deep, transforming experience of healing love that we then share with others.

Jesus' warning seems to be that when there is a mad rush to enter the front gate, those well-intentioned but out-of-practice souls who "don't know him" might find themselves struggling to squeeze in.

Jesus and the Church don't want that to happen to anyone. He invites us to get familiar, stop in often. He might say, "When you get here, just come in the side door!"

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### A Word from Pope Francis

[Faith] means that you show the revelation, so that the Holy Spirit might work in people through witness.... If I say that I am a Christian, but I live like a pagan, that doesn't work, that doesn't convince anyone. If I say that I am a Christian, and I live like a Christian, this attracts.

Homily, Rome, April 25, 2020



## Sunday Readings

### Isaiah 66:18-21

[Thus says the Lord,] "I am coming to gather all nations and tongues; they shall come and see my glory."

### Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Do not disdain the discipline of the Lord or lose heart when reprov'd by him; for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines.

### Luke 13:22-30

[Jesus said,] "Strive to enter through the narrow door, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."

### REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- Do I prioritize getting to know our Lord in prayer?
- Do I live the words I hear and speak at Mass?

# Walk the Talk

By Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR

Every week, Catholics recite a common creed that binds us in one faith. I've been thinking about personal creeds. What creed do I live? What creed do others infer from my actions, words, and deeds? What if God will judge us not on what we recite at weekly Mass, but on what we do the rest of the week? What if we will be convicted by our convictions?



- If I believe sacred Scripture is the inspired Word of God, and yet I don't read and study the Bible, then I refuse to hear God.
- If I believe in plentiful redemption, and yet I fail to forgive myself, then I deny that God is all-loving.
- If I believe God created the heavens and the earth, and yet I fail to care for the environment, then I am abusing the offspring of God.
- If I believe God is the creator of all life, and yet I believe an unborn child is a choice, then I make my God an inconvenience.
- If I believe humankind was created in God's image, and yet act as if any race or gender is superior to another, then I proclaim God to be fickle and imperfect.
- If I believe in the primacy of conscience, and yet I fail to learn the teachings of the Church, then I'm a rudderless ship adrift in a sea of troubles.
- If I believe Christ will judge the living and the dead, and yet I spend my days judging the faults of others, then I have surely usurped the throne of my King.
- If I believe the Holy Spirit is part of the Trinity, and yet I spend all my days stifling the Spirit, then I have muzzled my God.
- If I believe in the Real Presence, and yet I am not transformed by holy Communion, then I deny Christ's admittance to the world.
- If I believe we are all sisters and brothers in Christ, and yet I fail to share my time, talent, and treasure, then I surely deny that Christ is my brother.

At Mass we profess the faith we believe. What faith are we professing by our actions?

## PRAYER

*Faithful God, grant me the grace to believe the truth, to speak what I believe, and to live what I speak. I pray in in Jesus' name. Amen.*

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## WEEKDAY READINGS

August 22–27

**Monday**, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary:  
2 Thes 1:1–5, 11–12 / Mt 23:13–22


**Tuesday**, Weekday:  
2 Thes 2:1–3a, 14–17 / Mt 23:23–26

**Wednesday**, St. Bartholomew:  
Rev 21:9b–14 / Jn 1:45–51

**Thursday**, Weekday:  
1 Cor 1:1–9 / Mt 24:42–51

**Friday**, Weekday:  
1 Cor 1:17–25 / Mt 25:1–13

**Saturday**, St. Monica:  
1 Cor 1:26–31 / Mt 25:14–30

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