



MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

Sunday, October 2, 2022
Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

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

Gathering: Gather Us In BB 303

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 34)

*Taste and see the goodness of the Lord;
 O taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

Preparation You Have Called Us BB 647

Mass Parts Mass Of Creation

Communion One Bread, One Body BB 337
 One Love Released BB 353

Recessional: Let All Things Now Living BB 610

✠ 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!

September 25, 2022

Offertory

\$5,952.66



Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish uses **Parish Giving** to provide parishioners with an opportunity to make your offertory and other contributions through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). 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.



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!

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

October 2	Property Management
October 9	No Second Collection
October 16	Fuel
October 23	World Missions
October 30	Archdiocese for Military Serv.
November 1	All Saints Day

NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Diocese of Manchester has created a new annual New Hampshire Catholic Appeal (NHCA) to enable the Catholic Church in New Hampshire to meet the increasing needs of parishes, retired clergy, seminarians, Catholic schools, and much more. Due to this change, we will NOT be collecting for the NH Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund.

Read more about the NHCA here:

<https://www.catholicnh.org/about/get-involved/giving/nhca/>

Our parish will begin participating in the NHCA in May 2023. Additional information will be made available in the future.

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.

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 ✠



CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Our Annual Christmas Craft Fair will be held on **Saturday, November 5, 2022 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**, at 8 Atkinson Depot Road, Plaistow, NH. Watch the weekly bulletins to find out how you can help, donate, volunteer, and participate in St. Luke Parish's biggest (and ONLY) fundraiser! As always, there will be 20+ vendors of high-quality, handcrafted items; plus the Country Store, Silent Auction, Jewelry Table, Cookie Heaven, and FIVE great raffles: 1000 Ca\$h Raffle, Wine Raffle, Quilt Raffle, Penny Sale, and Theme Baskets. The Cafe will serve up breakfast and lunch, and if we're lucky, Santa may stop in from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM for photos! Got questions? Please email StLukeNHFair@gmail.com.



PET BLESSING

In honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, patron saint of the environment and a special friend to all God's creatures, we will have a DRIVE-UP Blessing of Pets on **Sunday, October 2 from Noon to**

1:00 PM in the parking lot on the school side of the church in Plaistow. Bring your fur baby, scaly or feathered friend for a ride, pray for God's protection, and off you go!

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, **October 22, 2022 from 8:00 to 9:00 AM** in the parish hall on the Plaistow campus.

ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST WEBSITE

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

END OF LIFE PLANNING

Three Beliefs is a document from the Diocese of Manchester that gives valuable assistance to Catholics and others on end-of-life issues. *Three Beliefs* explains Catholic teaching on life-sustaining treatment and care and includes the New Hampshire Advance Directive form modified in such a way to make it consistent with both Catholic teaching and New Hampshire law. *Three Beliefs* contains a helpful FAQ section and wallet cards that include important information for healthcare providers.

The New Hampshire Advance Directive form was revised by a law that is consistent with Catholic teaching and the changes to the New Hampshire form. If you completed an advance directive before 2021 and your intentions for your end-of-life care have not changed, you do not need to complete a new form as long as your advance directive was valid when it was executed. For example, if you completed the October 2007 version of *Three Beliefs* and signed the document before two witnesses or a notary public or justice of the peace, you do not need to complete a new advance directive form.

Copies of *Three Beliefs* are available at the church entrance.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

In observance of the Columbus Day holiday, the Parish Office will be **closed on Monday, October 10**. The office will reopen on Tuesday, October 11 at 8:30 AM.

MARRIAGE IN THE CHURCH

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 Fr. Albert in the Parish Office for more information and assistance – there are ways in which your situation might be resolved!

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 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.

✠ WEEKLY CALENDAR ✠

Sunday, October 2

10:00 AM Religious Ed – K to 6 *Plaistow*

Monday, October 3

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting *Plaistow*

Wednesday, October 5
Holy Angels Church Open
All Day For Prayer

7:00 PM Letter of James *Plaistow*

Thursday, October 6

8:30 AM – 8:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration *Newton*

10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting *Plaistow*

1:30 PM Letter of James *Plaistow*

Saturday, October 8

3:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation *Plaistow*

✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Saturday, October 1 ~ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10 (Vigil)

4:00 PM Alfred Araskiewicz
by Armand and Rachel Lanseigne
Plaistow

Sunday, October 2 ~ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

8:00 AM Bill Lawrence by Mick and Susan Swanwick
Newton

10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Fogel family and
Frank Kelcourse by Elaine Kelcourse
Plaistow

Monday, October 3 ~ Weekday

Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37

8:00 AM Patricia Zakiewicz by Barbara Metcalf
Newton

Tuesday, October 4 ~ Francis of Assisi

Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42

8:00 AM Margaret Davidson
by her daughter, Marjorie Knowles
Plaistow

Wednesday, October 5 ~ Faustina Kowalska, Virgin;

Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4

6:30 PM Bill Lawrence by Joe and Ann Marie Sheehan
Plaistow

Thursday, October 6 ~ Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose

Durocher, Virgin

Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13

8:00 AM People of the Parish
Newton

Friday, October 7 ~ Our Lady of the Rosary

Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26

NO MASS

Saturday, October 8 ~ Weekday

Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28 (Day)

2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19 (Vigil)

4:00 PM Eileen LaFrance by Joanne Crowe
Plaistow

Sunday, October 9 ~ 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

8:00 AM Sr. Elizabeth Anne Lee, osf
by Charlie and Lisa Angwin
Newton

10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Knights of
Columbus, St. Jude Council #6617
Plaistow

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!

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 csmith@stluketheevangelist.net or 603-382-8324. 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.

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 jtremblay@stluketheevangelist.net or 603-382-8324.



SECULAR FRANCISCANS

Who Are the Secular Franciscans?

We're people like YOU! Accountants, nurses, teachers, moms, dads, grandmothers, grandfathers, aunts, uncles,....!

What makes us different?

By choosing the Life of Christ as his guide, St. Francis of Assisi answered God's call to "rebuild His Church". We seek to pattern our lives after Christ in the spirit of St. Francis. We, too, are called to embrace the values of poverty, joy, simplicity, gratitude and love of all God's creatures as St. Francis did 800 years ago when times were difficult and war and greed were rampant.

What do we do?

We pray alone and together.
We learn about Christ through the gospels, Francis, Clare and ourselves.
We share our journeys and ourselves.
We live with the gospels as our guide – reaching out to others.

Join us as we celebrate the **Transitus of St. Francis** on **Monday evening, October 3 at 7:00 PM at St. Thomas Aquinas Church**, 26 Crystal Ave., Derry NH

For more information, contact Susan Ronan, ofs at 603-706-8381 or Sues3sons@comcast.com.

CANDLES

The Sanctuary Candles in both Newton and Plaistow, as well as the Vigil Candle in front of the Blessed Mother Icon in Newton, may be offered in memory or in honor of a loved one. The suggested offering for each is \$10.00. Please call the Parish Office at 603-382-8324.

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.

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.

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 fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net
Cathy Smith csmith@stluketheevangelist.net
Joyce Szczapa jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net
Jackie Tremblay jtremblay@stluketheevangelist.net
Val Barczak mvmbarczak@comcast.net
Parish Council parishcouncil@stluketheevangelist.net

❖ 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. A 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 to those who wish to participate. We ask that you bring back the non-perishable food items the following weekend (4th 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.

ROSARY RALLY

Sts. Mary and Joseph Parish (200 Lawrence Road, Salem, NH, South Campus) will hold an indoor Rosary Rally on **Sunday, October 2 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM**. A procession will begin at 3:00 PM outside and will move inside the church, followed by recitation of the Rosary for our families, our community, and our country. A Presentation on the power and beauty of the Rosary will be given. Music will grace the program. For questions, contact Beccah at 603-893-8661, ext. 109.

CURSILLO

If you have a desire to know Jesus more closely, a Cursillo is for you. The Cursillo weekend is a short course in Christianity. The purpose of the weekend is to facilitate a meaningful personal encounter with Christ and his body, the Church. The three day weekend is also the bridge connecting the faithful with the supportive post-Cursillo community, where we live our faith joyfully with our fellow Christians. Cursillo weekends are being offered **October 13-16 for men** and **November 3-6 for women** at the Sato Center in Hookset, NH. To find out more, contact Mark Collopy at 603-833-7341 or explore www.nhcursillo.org.

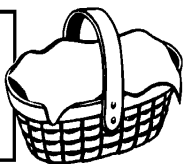


St. Luke the Evangelist is now on Facebook! Go to www.facebook.com/stlukenh.org/ or **St. Luke the Evangelist Parish – Newton/Plaistow** and give us a Like! Please invite fellow parishioners & friends to do the same.

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.

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, October 19 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 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 online at www.kofc.org/joinus.

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



GIVE BLOOD



American Red Cross

You can make a difference.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - ST. JUDE COUNCIL #66617
WILL BE HOSTING A RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AND INVITE YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO
ANSWER THE CALL AND CONSIDER DONATING AS OUR NATION FACES A SEVERE BLOOD SHORTAGE
AND THE NEED IS REAL.

Atkinson Community Center - 4 Main St Atkinson NH

Friday October 7, 2022

DONATING IS SIMPLE



Registration

Make an appointment Pre registration for an appointment time is required. You can pre-register by going to **WWW.redcrossblood.org**. or call **1-800-733-2767**

On the date and time of your appointment you will sign in, show an ID, and be asked to read some required information.



Health History and Mini-Physical

Answer some questions online or in a private interview, and receive a general health check.



The Donation

You'll be seated comfortably while a pint of blood is drawn. The actual donation only takes 8-10 minutes.



Refreshment and Recovery

After donating, you can enjoy a snack and a drink (They are free) for 10-15 minutes before resuming your day. The entire donation process takes about an hour.

4.5 million
Americans will need
blood transfusion each year.

Only 37 percent of the
U.S. population are eligible to donate
blood - unfortunately less than 10
percent do annually.

The number one reason blood
donors say they give is because they
"want to help others." Won't you?

Children being treated for cancer, premature infants
and children having heart surgery need blood and
platelets from donors of all types.

There is no substitute for
human blood.

43,000 pints:
amount of donated blood used
each day in the U.S. and Canada.

Someone needs blood every
two seconds.

One pint of blood can save up to three lives.

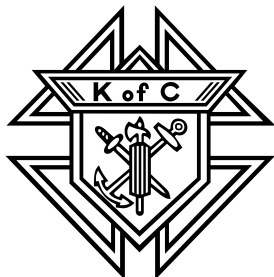
If only one more percent of all Americans
would give blood, blood shortages would
disappear for the foreseeable future.

OK YOU'RE ON THE FENCE

WHY NOT COME JOIN US AT ONE OF OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS AND SEE WHAT WE ARE ALL ABOUT. THE KNIGHTS MEET THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH IN THE CHURCH HALL IN PLAISTOW. MEETINGS LAST ABOUT AN HOUR.

WE ARE ALL CALLED FOR SOMETHING. MAYBE YOU ARE BEING CALLED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR LIFE, YOUR FAMILY LIFE, YOUR PARISH, YOUR COMMUNITY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO JOIN
CONTACT DAN SULLIVAN AT 603-770-4803
OR EMAIL HIM AT dans49@comcast.net



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #6617**

St Luke Christmas Fair 2021 UPDATES

Donations are starting to come in (THANK YOU) but we still need a lot more.

All donations are needed by Sunday, October 16, but sooner IS better.

Please drop your donations off downstairs in the Parish Hall in Plaistow any Saturday, from 3:00PM-5:00PM or Sunday, from 10:00AM-12:00PM until October 16.

Our fair's success relies on your fabulous donations.

At minimum, we need the following items...

- ◆ 50 bags of Tootsie Roll Lollipops, 500 just to fill the gameboard (each bag has 10 lollipops)
- ◆ Brand New Toys, BIG & Medium-sized, in packaging, for Lollipop Game prizes
- ◆ 70 more bottles of WINE – red, white, or rose
- ◆ 20+ LOTTERY TICKETS for Silent Auction's "Rack In The Cash"

We also need offerings for our Silent Auction ...

- ◆ New (like-new) items in original boxes
- ◆ Brand New Tools (we already have a leaf blower) need ideas? Search "new tools 2022 for men" on Amazon!!
- ◆ Brand New Gadgets & Gizmos - think new wireless earbuds, Emergency Hank Crank Radio with Solar Charger, a Smart Watch or FitBit, Noise-canceling headphones, etc...
- ◆ Newly Knitted and/or Crocheted Coordinated Sets or Afghans

Theme Baskets are desperately needed.

Please include a list of basket contents as well as approximate "worth" of total contents.

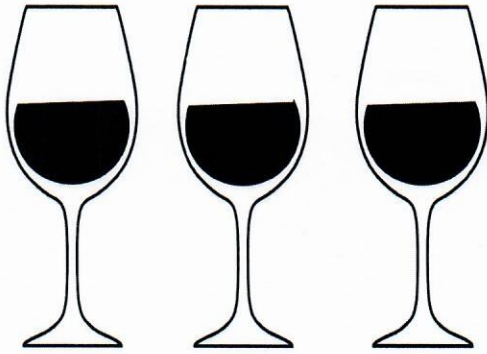
If assembling a basket isn't your strong suit, feel free to purchase the CONTENTS relating to a specific Theme and St. Luke Elves will magically transform your donation into a fabulously arranged Basket.

Here are some ideas: 'As Seen On TV' Items, Baking, BBQ King/Queen, Beauteous Beards, Best Dad Ever, Birthday-In-A-Box, Breakfast-In-A-Basket, Book Club, Car Care Kits, Chocolate Madness, Cozy on a Cold Day, Craft Corner, Family Movie Night, Fanatic Fisherman, Fabulous Foodie, First Aid, Football Fan, Gardeners Gifts, Get Well Basket, Golf-Galore, Kitchen Gadgets, Manicure Maniac, Mexican Fiesta Night, Magnificent Momma, New Year's 2023!, The Knifty Knitter, Outdoor Adventurer, Pasta Night, Pampered Puppy!, The Quintessential Quilter, Spa Day, Sports Enthusiast, Take A Hike!, Tea & Crumpets, Vehicle Safety Kit, A Weekend Getaway, Wild about Birds, 'Snow' Much Winter Fun.

Please continue to sell **CASH RAFFLE TICKETS**. Return the Stubs and Cash in an envelope marked RAFFLES via the collection basket - OR mail it to St. Luke the Evangelist Parish Office

Check out the "Order Form" on the other side of this bulletin insert. Simply fill out the requested information, Add up the total owed, Make your check payable to: St. Luke Parish, Pop the form and check in an envelope marked RAFFLES via the collection basket - OR mail it to: St. Luke the Evangelist Parish Office, 8 Atkinson Depot Rd., Plaistow, NH, 03865.

Raffle Tickets! Get Your Raffle Tickets HERE!!”



WINE RAFFLE 2020

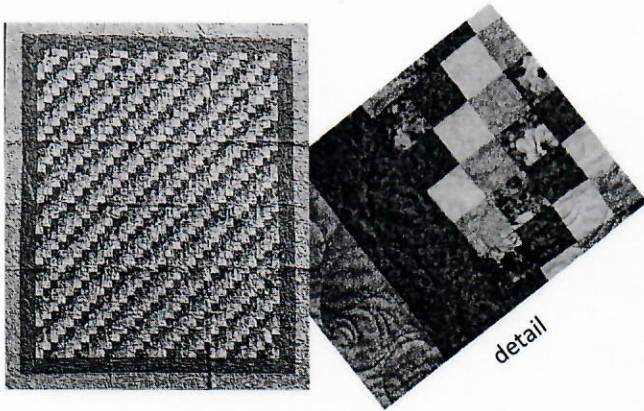
1st Prize: 50+ bottles of WINE!!

2nd Prize: 12 bottles of wine of various types.

One (1) for \$10.00, THREE (3) for \$25.00, or FIVE (5) for \$40.00

CASH RAFFLE

1st Prize: \$1,000 – 2nd Prize: 200 – four 3rd Prizes @ \$50 each \$1.00 each, or SIX (6) chances to WIN for \$5.00



THREE QUILT RAFFLES!

One (1) ticket for \$5.00, THREE (3) for \$10.00 or SIX (6) chances to WIN for \$20.00

Cream & Pink Floral Quilt, approx. 92" x 77"

Made by Cathy Cronin

RAFFLE TICKET ORDER FORM

Make your check payable to: St. Luke's Parish, Pop the form and check in an envelope marked WINE RAFFLE and drop it in the collection basket - OR ... Mail to:

St. Luke the Evangelist Parish, Attn: RAFFLES, 8 Atkinson Depot Rd., Plaistow, 03865

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

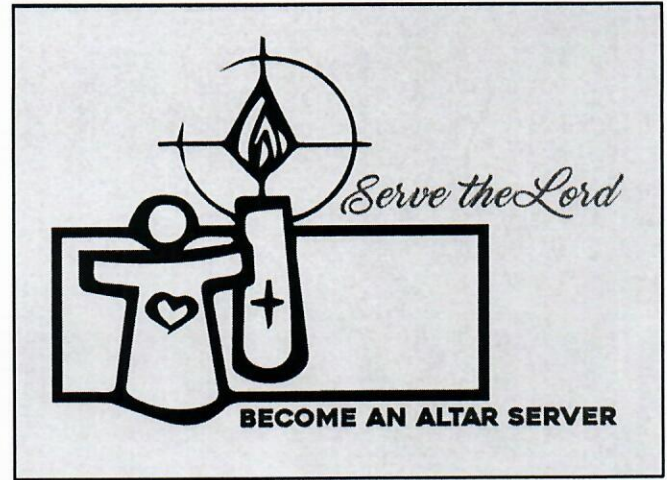
Raffle	Quantity of Tickets	Total \$
WINE Raffle	_____	\$ _____
CASH Raffle	_____	\$ _____
Floral Quilt Raffle	_____	\$ _____
	Total Owed	\$ _____

PARISH SERVERS WANTED

Parish life is back !!

We are looking for **ALTAR SERVERS** ministering at all Sunday, Weekday and Holy Day Liturgies...

But we are also conscious of personal safety and family schedules as well as the Parish schedule for Religious Education.



Saturday 4 PM Plaistow – ADULT SERVERS
Sunday 8 am Newton – ADULT SERVERS
Sunday 10 am – YOUTH & ADULT SERVERS
Weekday Liturgies – ADULT SERVERS

★ Youth are always welcome to serve at the 4 PM and the 8 am Liturgy, but because of Religious Education schedules this may be complicated... but welcome still !

ALTAR SERVER - YOUTH

The mission of the St. Luke the Evangelist Altar Servers is to minister at God's altar with reverence, generosity, and love. The presence of Altar Servers is an important witness, reminding us that Catholics of every age have gifts to offer and a role in ministry. To become a youth Altar Server, students must be in the third grade or higher, and have received Confirmation & Eucharist

Parent permission forms are available in the Sacristy of both Churches. All Servers begin as "observers" and gradually learn what Servers do during Mass. Contact F. Albert (fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net) or at 382-8324 with any questions or to begin Altar Serving.

ALTAR SERVER - ADULT

Adult Altar Servers continue the mission of service to the Parish in its worship. Adults are scheduled at Saturday Vigil, Sunday, Daily and Holy Day Liturgies. Adults are especially welcome to assist at Funeral Liturgies which are typically held on weekday or Saturday mornings.

Youth or Adult Servers may choose to wear a mask while serving.

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SPECIAL MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST

The primary mission of the St. Luke the Evangelist Special Ministers of the Eucharist is to assist at Liturgy in distributing the Body and Blood of Christ to the faithful. Additionally, Eucharistic Ministers may bring Communion to the sick and homebound.

To serve as a Eucharistic Minister one must be at least 16 years old and a Confirmed, practicing Catholic. If married, a Minister must have been married in the Church as required by Church Law. Applicants for this ministry must be approved by the Pastor.

This role in the Church is different from other volunteer opportunities because it requires a *mandate* (or permission) from the Diocesan Bishop in order to function as a Special Minister in a particular community. With such a special status come requirements. The Diocese of Manchester asks that Special Ministers receive formation and training as to the theology of the Eucharist and their specific roles as ministers in their respective parishes.

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READER



Readers proclaim the Word of God at Liturgy. They also offer the Prayer of the Faithful at weekend Liturgies. A good public speaking voice and attention to the nuances of the Scriptures are needed to be a good Reader. Adults and youth age 14 and up are welcome to serve as Readers. New Readers receive a short training session to review current guidelines and procedures before serving at their first Liturgy. Readers are provided with an annual workbook to help them understand the readings in historical / spiritual / liturgical context.

Readers share the Word of God at weekend Liturgy or weekday Liturgy. Readers are also needed to help at funerals (weekdays and Saturday mornings)

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All adult volunteer ministries require the Diocese of Manchester Volunteer Application process which provides information about promoting safe environments and sexual abuse. Please see the Pastor with questions.

The Gospel at Home

This Week's Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus' disciples ask him to increase their faith. Jesus uses the example of a mustard seed to tell them that even a little bit of faith is powerful. Faith in Jesus gives the power to perform miracles and to recognize those we witness.

In Jesus' time, masters didn't sit down to eat with servants or reward them for doing their jobs. Jesus used this reality to make a point. His parable is critical of disciples who want to become masters of their fate or to lord it over others. Service is the ordinary duty of all Jesus' followers.

Exploring the Gospel Message

Seeds (Preschool): Your child has learned to recognize the growth he or she sees all around. The lesson also taught that we can all trust Jesus. Talk with your child about the story of the tiny seed. Ask to see your child's "I'm growing inside and out" booklet, and let the child explain the booklet to you. Consider taking a walk to see what things are growing in your neighborhood.

Promise (Grades K-1): This week's lesson centered on the trust children have in people they know and love. The lesson also showed that we can all trust Jesus. Ask your child to tell you the story of the tiny seed in the Gospel story. Ask your child why Layna needed to trust people on her first day of school. Encourage your child to show you the four images of people he or she can trust. Let him or her tell you why these people were chosen.

Good News (Grades 2-3): This lesson focused on recognizing signs of faith in God. Ask your child what lesson Abby learned by taking part in the play. Tell him or her what it was like when God gave your child the gift of faith at Baptism. Ask your child to tell you what a Creed is. Brainstorm with your child ideas of how your family faith can grow like the mustard seed.

Venture (Grades 4-6): A discussion of faith is at the heart of this week's session. Discuss how your young person felt while reading the story titled, "From Soldier to Saint." Use this opportunity to talk about what faith is like for your family. Discuss what do you do as a family to nourish the "mustard seed" of faith and make it grow? What more could you do? Work together to write a statement of faith for your family. Ask your youngster to tell you why Saint Mary MacKillop is the Patroness of Australia.

Visions (Grades 7-9): This week your young person discussed the importance of faith and believing. The class performed a skit titled, "Francis, Knight for God." Talk with your youngster about the faith activity and interview that he or she did during class. Share what faith means to you and to your family. Talk about the ways we use the word *faith*—knowing, thinking, and trusting. Discuss which of these ways best describes faith in God.

Pray Together

After your conversation, sit quietly for a moment. Then let each member of the family ask God in his or her own words to help the family grow in faith.





Anointing of the Sick

Celebrating the Sacrament

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is a celebration in which those who are seriously ill or infirm are surrounded and supported by other members of the Christian community, whether at home or in the house of the church (for those who can leave their beds and come here). In song and in silence, with scriptures and prayers, we strengthen the bonds of love and faith that are stronger than the most lethal disease and more powerful even than death. The sacrament may be celebrated in the context of a Mass, or on its own, depending on the needs of the person who is sick.

The celebration opens with brief introductory rites that help us remember that God is with us and that we are the body of Christ. Then follows a liturgy of the word, in which we hear scriptures that shed light on the meaning of sickness and suffering and the

compassion of our God, who suffers with us. Depending on the needs of the person who is sick, one brief passage or two or three readings and a psalm may be used.

Then the rite continues. The gathered church surrounds the person who is sick with the prayer of faith. In response to God's word, a litany is prayed. Then, the priest does the laying on of hands, an ancient sign of the moving of the Holy Spirit to heal and save. Others may join in this ancient prayer gesture. This is done in silence. Then a prayer is said over the oil of the sick. Finally, the priest anoints the head and the hands, and sometimes other parts of the body (the feet, for example, or the part of the body that is in pain) of the one who is sick. While anointing the sick person's head, the priest says "Through this holy anointing, may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit." And all answer "Amen!" While anointing the hands, the priest says, "May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up." And again, all answer "Amen!" If other parts of the body are anointed, no words are said. A final prayer is then said.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist, or simply the giving of communion, may follow. Or the rite ends with a blessing. If you or someone you know needs the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick anointing, please call the Parish Office at 603 382 8324.



Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
October 2, 2022

The Faith of Humble Servants

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

What's the difference between a believer and an atheist? What separates one who is indifferent to religion from a religious person? Faith! To believe is no small thing and a huge gift. "Father, you're lucky you have faith!" an atheist friend once told me. "I have tried, but I can't believe."

We believers are indeed lucky, because having faith in Jesus opens us up to heaven, to life after death, to finding hope and meaning in suffering. Faith allows us to trust

something bigger than ourselves and to be at peace even when all around us is crazy. Faith and acceptance is the difference between interior harmony and frustration.

We have received everything from God, which is why Jesus invites us to have the attitude of humble servants. He uses an example that is clear to his listeners: a servant works hard all day and then comes home and prepares and serves dinner. In so doing, he is merely performing his job. Jesus isn't endorsing the insensitive nature of the master but offering a model of the humble servant who faithfully fulfills his position. Since he receives everything from the master, he can only be grateful for the opportunity to work. Such is our position before God. We have no place being proud or demanding before God because all we have is from him: life, family, health, our talents. All are his gifts to us. +

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A Word from Pope Francis

The firm rejection of the death penalty shows to what extent it is possible to recognize the inalienable dignity of every human being and to accept that he or she has a place in this universe. If I do not deny that dignity to the worst of criminals, I will not deny it to anyone.

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Sunday Readings

Hebrews 1:2-3; 2:2-4

[God] spoke to us through a son, ...through whom he created the universe.

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.

Luke 17:5-10

[Jesus said,] "When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- What does being humble look like to me?
- In what situations do I need to cultivate the virtue of humility?

All Lives Are Sacred, Even the Guilty Ones

By Fr. Rick Potts, CSsR

October is Respect Life Month. What does it mean to be pro-life? Some people would move heaven and earth to convince a desperate, frightened mother not to kill her unborn baby but would not consider trying to convince a court to spare the life of a convicted murderer. The reasoning goes something like this: An unborn child is innocent; a convicted murderer is guilty. But aren't we missing a key teaching of the Catholic faith? Each life may not be innocent, but each life is sacred (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2258).

During his 1999 visit to St. Louis, Pope John Paul II called for us to be pro-life in *all* issues, including the death penalty, which he called “cruel and unnecessary.” And in 2018, in a letter to the bishops of the Church, Pope Francis explained his approval of the revision of the *Catechism*: “The death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person.”

Yet when I speak against the death penalty, someone inevitably asks, “But what if someone in your family were murdered? How would you feel then?” In the heat of the moment, my personal and emotional response would probably be to get revenge.

But the death penalty is not the



emotional, personal, or impulsive response of a distraught victim; it's the measured and calculated response of the state. The state doesn't lose its temper; the state doesn't act on impulse. The state is supposed to embody the ideal, to represent the best of us. Granted, the state has the responsibility to protect its citizens and maintain peace, but it is possible to separate dangerous people from the rest of the population without putting them to death. And in some cases, science and faith make it possible for us to transform their hearts and give them the hope of rehabilitation and redemption.

Maybe if we could protect the guilty, defense of the innocent would follow. After all, even a murderer was once an unborn child. Does life cease to be sacred once we're born? Does sin erase the fact that God created that life and sent his Son to redeem that person? Didn't Jesus die for that person's sins as well?

God said, “I am the LORD your God...You shall not kill” (Exodus 20:2a, 13). We quickly added exceptions (see Exodus 21—22). But Jesus proclaimed if we are angry with others, we “will be liable to judgment” (Matthew 5:22).

For our words to have validity when we speak in defense of the unborn, we must speak in defense of all life. +

But what if someone in your family is murdered?



Gracious God, enlighten our minds and open our hearts so we may humbly receive the message of your truth. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

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WEEKDAY READINGS

October 3–8

Monday, Weekday:
Gal 1:6–12 / Lk 10:25–37


Tuesday, St. Francis of Assisi:
Gal 1:13–24 / Lk 10:38–42

Wednesday, Weekday:
Gal 2:1–2, 7–14 / Lk 11:1–4

Thursday, Weekday:
Gal 3:1–5 / Lk 11:5–13

Friday, Our Lady of the Rosary:
Gal 3:7–14 / Lk 11:15–26

Saturday, Weekday:
Gal 3:22–29 / Lk 11:27–28

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