



MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

Sunday, October 9, 2022

Twenty-Eighth 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 34)

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

Preparation Prayer Of St. Francis BB 528

Mass Parts Mass Of Creation

Communion Eye Has Not Seen BB 471
Seed, Scattered And Sown BB 330

Recessional: I Sing The Mighty Power Of God BB 428



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 9	No Second Collection
October 16	Fuel
October 23	World Missions
October 30	Archdiocese for Military Serv.
November 1	All Saints Day
November 6	Property Management

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.

✠ 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!

October 2, 2022

Offertory	\$6,090.87
Property Management	\$1,457.60



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.

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.

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.

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.



The Sanctuary Candle in
Holy Angels Church
will burn this week in loving memory of
Eleanor Harrison
by the St. Vincent de Paul Society

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.

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

Our ministry aims to emulate St. Joseph and become better husbands, fathers, sons and brothers. We gather together for sharing among men to help us become 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.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 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 9

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

Monday, October 10

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, October 12

Holy Angels Church Open

All Day For Prayer

7:00 PM Letter of James *Plaistow*

Thursday, October 13

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

1:30 PM Letter of James *Plaistow*

Saturday, October 15

3:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation *Plaistow*

Sunday, October 16

10:00 AM Religious Ed – K to 6 *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.

✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Saturday, October 8 ~ 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Monday, October 10 ~ Weekday

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Lk 11:29-32

8:00 AM People of the Parish
Newton

Tuesday, October 11 ~ John XXIII, Pope

Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41

8:00 AM Karen Hoppler (Month's Mind)
Plaistow

Wednesday, October 12 ~ Weekday

Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46

6:30 PM Kay Fitzpatrick by Marjorie Knowles
Plaistow

Thursday, October 13 ~ Weekday

Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54

8:00 AM People of the Parish
Newton

Friday, October 14 ~ Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7

NO MASS

Saturday, October 15 ~ Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and

Doctor of the Church

Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12 (Day)

Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tm 3:14—4:2; Lk 18:1-8 (Vigil)

4:00 PM Eleanor Harrison
by the St. Vincent de Paul Society
Plaistow

Sunday, October 16 ~ 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tm 3:14—4:2; Lk 18:1-8

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Angwin and Elder
families by Charlie and Lisa Angwin
Newton

10:00 AM Jesselyn Driscoll by her family
Plaistow



ST. ANDREW DINNER FOR YOUNG MEN

St. Andrew was the first of the Apostles to hear Jesus' call to follow him. We would like to invite young men in our diocese who are considering a vocation to the priesthood, or would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call for their life, to an evening of prayer, conversation with priests, and dinner. RSVP to: rvinson@rcbm.org or call 603-770-0227 if you would like to attend. The dinner will be held on **Friday, October 14, 2022** at St. Christopher Church, 62 Manchester Street, Nashua, NH from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Call Father Charles Pawlowski at 603-448-1262 for more information or questions.

Maybe ... It's Time ...

To re-connect with your Church...

To renew yourself and others through the unique power of the Holy Spirit...

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 reconsider Confirmation.

God *does care about you*. For some reason, God chose you to be born into a family what would bring you to the Catholic Church for Baptism. So maybe – just maybe – now it's time... to make you own choice. **Confirmation**. If you are 18 or over and were never Confirmed, contact the Parish Office at 603-382-8324. With a 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

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
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Val Barczak	mvmbarczak@comcast.net
Parish Council	parishcouncil@stluketheevangelist.net

❖ Community News ❖



SAINT JUDE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

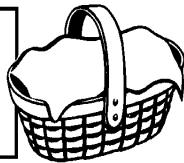
The Knights of Columbus of our Parish are sponsoring a monthly food drive to support the Saint Luke the Evangelist Food Pantry. A list of items needed, along with a paper shopping bag, will be distributed at the end

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 of 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.



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.

**St. Vincent
de Paul
Society**



THANK YOU!

St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank everyone who supported our Annual Appeal and our Mum Fundraiser. We sold out! A special thank you also to Newton Greenhouse for the gorgeous mums they delivered.

Your support and generosity will go a long way in helping those in need in our community.

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.**

RETRouvaille

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Retrouvaille is a Christian Marriage Ministry, Catholic in origin, started in 1977 to help marriages that were hurting, struggling, or in need of a restart. Even couples who were separated or divorced have been helped to reunite. Marriage Help Weekends coming up:

November 18-20, 2022

March 10-12, 2023

For more information, or to register, call 800-470-2230.

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.

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, or you can now join online at www.kofc.org/joinus.

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





Knights of Columbus

St Jude Council #6617 Memorial Mass

REMEMBERING AND HONORING OUR BROTHER
KNIGHTS OF THE ST. JUDE COUNCIL #6617 WHO HAVE
RETURNED HOME TO OUR SAVIOR.

Warren Ames
Gerald Assad
Edmund Barry
Fred Bishop
Robert Blanchette
Mark Bloom
Richard Brindle
Edmund Caillouette
John Caiazza
Ronald Castonguay
Robert Chrisemer
Francis Clark
Dave Codding
Rolf Comeau
James Conley
John Connors Sr
Alfred Conte
Michael Cook
Ray Cooper
Roger Couture
Mike Daley
Arthur Decareau
Joseph DeRosa
Robert DiBella
Edward DiCarlo
Martin Dowd
Vincent Early
George Filteau

Joseph Fitzpatrick
Frederick Gabriel
John Gaff
Andy Gagnon Sr
Joseph Gesmundo
Robert Giallongo
Bernie Gosselin
Herman Green
Rev. Michael Griffin
Chuck Griggs
Ronald Guyett
Lewis Hadley
Ralph Helms
Theodore Hess
Fr. Sam Hewitt
Joe Holland
Paul Hughes
John Iola
Curtis Jacques
Will Johnson
John Kavanough
Royal Knowles
Joseph Krafon
Roy Lajoie
Richard Lapierre
Bill Lawrence
Ray Lussier
Richard Maloof
Norm Matineau

Albert Morin
Jack McNally
Jack Meli
Patrick Morris
Msgr. Eugene Murphy
Robert Murphy
Ernie Picken
Brian Plante
Louis Quinital
Elmer Ratta
Al Ravgiala
Russel Riccio
Don Richardson
Robert Rivard
Rudolph Rogers
Joseph Roldan
Jack Ronan
John Scotti
Ed Smith
Francis Smith
Paul Stefanski
Ted Stopyra
Joseph Thompson
Michael Twomey
Paul Vaillancourt
Bill Ward
Harold Widman
Robert Yanacak
George Young



Lead, they'll follow.

**Empowering men to live
their faith at home, in
their parish, at work and
in their communities**



DISCOVER YOUR MISSION. BECOME A KNIGHT
Joining is Simple

For more information or to join contact Dan
Sullivan at 603-770- 4803 or email him at
dans49@comcast.net

ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET

This Fair provides our parish community the perfect opportunity to work together towards a common goal. Our Christmas Fair is as successful as it is BECAUSE OF WHAT YOU CONTRIBUTE, without you, this fair would not be possible. As Fair Lead Coordinator, I am so grateful for how generously you all have donated time, talents, and goods to the Fair in years past. How can you contribute to the fair this year? Thank you, in advance, for your generous donations, your physical assistance, and your participation. ~ Julie Lamere

SATURDAY, 11/5, THE DAY OF THE FAIR!!

PARKING ATTENDENT - Parking is 'staffed' 7AM - 2PM. Your info will be passed on to Ray Viglione.

_____ I am available from _____ to _____

PARISH TABLE HELP – During the Fair, please indicate your preferred shift. You will be placed where needed most.

_____ Early AM SHIFT, 7:30AM – 9:00AM

_____ AM SHIFT, 8:30AM – 12:30PM

_____ PM SHIFT, 12:00PM – 3:30PM

LUNCH BREAKS – we need to fill a total of 30 lunch breaks, feel free to sign up for more than 1 shift.

_____ 11:30AM – 12:00PM

_____ 12:00PM – 12:30PM

_____ 12:30PM – 1:00PM

_____ Sign Me Up for ALL THREE (3) LUNCH BREAK SHIFTS!!!

POST FAIR TASKS

_____ **2:30PM-4PM** – Help "After Fair" with Silent Auction – monitor tables as bids are tallied, organize items, etc.

_____ **3:30PM-5PM** – FOUR (4) people needed to call "winners". Volunteers must be comfortable using their own cell phone to make these calls. Calls will be made at Parish Center.

_____ **3:30PM-5PM** – Muscle needed to breakdown fair and/or bring specific tables back to Parish Hall as labeled.

_____ **3:30PM-5PM** – We need TWO Trucks (or SUVs with open trailer) sign-up if we can utilize yours!

Assignments will be confirmed via email/phone, be sure to provide BOTH at the top of this form.

Arrive 5 minutes early for your confirmed shift.

Be sure to check-in with Volunteer Coordinators for badge & assignment.

SUNDAY, 11/6, NOT QUITE DONE YET!! THE DAY AFTER...

_____ **10AM-12PM** – FOUR (4) people are needed to help the Fair Lead and the Silent Auction Coordinators with prize distribution at Parish CENTER. This task involves greeting winners, a little bit of walking, and carrying light items.

If you would like more specific information about anything fair-related, please email: stlukenhfair@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEET

Return no later than Oct. 16

Name: _____ Best time to reach you: _____

Day-time phone: _____ Evening phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Please indicate below how you'll help and donate.

SATURDAY 10/29 & SUNDAY, 10/30, weekend BEFORE Fair (look for these @ church last 2 weeks of OCTOBER)

_____ **DISTRIBUTE** Windshield Flyers along with Halloween Treats! Put them on windshields when shopping!

WEDNESDAY, 11/2, 3PM-5PM

Decorate Stage for Santa & Hang Banners

_____ **3PM-5PM** – Four (4) volunteers needed. We will be setting up the Fair Check-In Area and decorating the stage to look festive and welcoming for Santa with Christmas trees, garland, flowers, wreaths, a rug, & a chair. Volunteers must be willing and able to: sweep, carry awkward, but not heavy, items from various places, negotiate stairs, and be comfortable climbing & using a step ladder.

THURSDAY, 11/3, 4PM-5PM

Carry & load, onto trucks/trailers, many tables, and boxes from Parish Hall to Parish Center

This job involves requires working as a team, paying attention, and above all, having a friendly CAN-DO spirit. Teams will carry & load on to trucks, 20 tables (some heavy/some light), a chair, a rolled rug, & MANY boxes of donations, from Parish Hall, and then, unload them at Parish Center. These volunteers must be able to negotiate stairs while carrying awkward items and do a fair bit of walking.

_____ **4PM – 5PM** FOUR (4) Robust Teams needed. *Include your team member's name and email address*

Name of second team member: _____ email _____

FRIDAY, 11/4, 3PM-8PM

Volunteers needed between 3PM and 8PM to help arrange merchandise at the Parish Fair Tables.

Indicate preference & specific availability below.

_____ Help set-up Parish Tables: I am available from _____ to _____

_____ Help set-up Silent Auction: I am available from _____ to _____

_____ Hold doors as vendors come in & out of Parish Center: I am available from _____ to _____

FRIDAY, 11/4, 3PM-8PM

I will donate & deliver PERISHABLE items DIRECTLY to Parish Center on Friday, 11/4, between 3PM-8PM.

_____ **Country Store:** _____

_____ **Cookie Heaven:** I'll BAKE LOTS OF _____

_____ **St. Luke's Café:** Please watch for special sign-up boards after Masses in October!

The Gospel at Home

This Week's Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus heals ten lepers that he meets on the road. Only one of the ten returned to thank Jesus. This leper was considered to be an outsider for two reasons. First, leprosy was dreaded and contagious, and those afflicted were legally obligated to live apart from society. Second, the leper was a Samaritan, which meant he had a different religion. Jesus looked beyond the differences and taught that God's love is for everyone.

Exploring the Gospel Message

Seeds (Preschool): Your child has learned the importance of thanking and has named actions for which to say "thank you." The session also taught that Jesus cares for those whom others leave out. Talk with your child about family members and the many things in your home for which you need to say thanks. Ask to see the "Thank You Prayer Card" your child has put together. You can say this prayer together before dinner or before going to bed.

Promise (Grades K–1): In this week's session your child thanked God for the gift of creation. He or she learned about Jesus' parable through a story about a teddy-bear picnic. Ask your child to tell you the stories of the picnic and of the ten sick people. Talk about ways your family can say thank you to people who do good things for you.

Good News (Grades 2–3): This week's lesson focused on the people who provide care. Your child learned that Jesus' love for people is shown in his healing acts. Jesus shares his love and life through the Seven Sacraments. Ask your child to tell you the story of the ten lepers in his or her own words. Share ways that your family can show gratitude to those who provide you with help and service.

Venture (Grades 4–6): As part of a sharing of the Sunday Gospel, the class discussed times when they have been thankful to God. Ask your youngster to share with you the stories of Bishop Bartolomé de las Casas and of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha. Talk about how these two people reached out to people in need. Discuss members of your community who may be in need and how your family can serve them.

Visions (Grades 7–9): Your youngster's class read a story called, "Scrimmage at Burger Shack." They talked about how Jesus stands with outsiders just like the ones from Sunday's Gospel. Discuss how Tom's decision worked out for him in the story. Discuss the definition of prayer and the five kinds of prayer the class learned about this week—blessing, adoration, petition, thanksgiving, and praise.

Pray Together

When your conversation is finished, join hands and let each person in the family mention some blessing that he or she is grateful to God for providing. After each person has contributed, together say: "Heavenly Father, we thank you."



Communion Call



As early as the year 150, the martyr Justin, in writing an explanation of Christian worship to the Roman authorities, described the Sunday Eucharist pretty much as we celebrate it today. At the end of the description, he notes that ministers take the eucharist from the Sunday assembly to those who were unable to be present.

Perhaps these included people who were in prison for living according to the Gospel, and those whose work (Sunday was a work day back then) kept them

away. But almost certainly he meant the sick and the infirm, and those who were otherwise homebound. This is our ancient tradition: to love and cherish and to keep connected with those members of this community who cannot be with us on Sunday.

When illness or infirmity keeps you from the Sunday assembly, Special Ministers of Communion will bring a word of scripture and the body of Christ to you. The best time for this is Sunday, when the minister can come straight from the celebration of Mass. But other times can be arranged. Don't worry about fasting before receiving communion: If you are able to, that's fine. But because of your condition, you are not obligated.

The rite of communion for the sick is simple. It can be very brief if you are not feeling up to more. But normally, it consists of some opening prayers and readings (similar to those at Mass). If you are able, you then offer some prayers for the world and the church. Your family, friends and caregivers can (and should!) participate in the rite. If they would normally receive communion at Mass, then they can share in communion at this time, too. Before and after this simple, powerful rite of communion, you can visit with the minister or not, depending on how you feel.

Sick or infirm, homebound or hospitalized, each baptized person is nonetheless part of this parish, a member of the body of Christ. So don't be afraid that you're being a burden, and don't think that we're so busy we wouldn't have time for you. Regularly sharing in communion is an important part of our life together as the church.

Call the Parish Office at 603 382 8324 for more information.



Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

October 9, 2022

Paid with a Glass of Milk

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

A young Howard Kelly was poor and hungry, knocking on doors for a bit of charity. At the last door, discouraged with so little response that day, he merely asked for a glass of water from the young girl who opened the door. Realizing he was more than thirsty, she brought him a glass of milk. He asked what he owed her and she responded, "Nothing. Mother has taught us never to accept pay for a kindness." Little Howard responded simply: "Then I thank you from my heart."

Years later, the girl who gave milk

to Howard had become a seriously ill, middle-aged woman. She was transferred to the city hospital and treated by a successful specialist. After months of treatment and medication, she overcame the disease and returned home. When the bill arrived, she feared to open it because, although not totally poor, she was of humble means. Upon opening the envelope, she found this message on the bill: "Paid in full with one glass of milk. Dr. Howard Kelly."

Our acts of kindness never go unpaid, and a little love goes a long way toward transforming the world. True gratitude is never just a word on the lips but a lifestyle and an attitude of a noble heart. A grateful-hearted person knows that everything is a gift, and we should, in turn, give to those around us. Our biggest benefactor is God himself, our Creator, who has given us life, love, and eternal salvation. May he be the first one to whom we express our gratitude! +

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A Word from Pope Francis

The prayer of thanksgiving always begins from...the recognition that grace precedes us. We were thought of before we learned how to think; we were loved before we learned how to love; we were desired before our hearts conceived a desire. If we view life like this, then "thank you" becomes the driving force of our day.

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Sunday Readings

2 Kings 5:14-17

[Naaman said,] "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel. Please accept a gift from your servant."

2 Timothy 2:8-13

The word of God is not chained.

Luke 17:11-19

[Jesus said,] "Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?...Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- How often do I thank people?
- When I can't say thank you in words, do I express it with a smile, gesture, or act of kindness?

Saving Grace

By Stephen Rehrauer, CSsR

I was eating lunch at a local diner with a group of friends recently. As we prayed our customary grace over the food, a group in their twenties at the next table began conversing in voices so loud it was obvious they meant for us to hear their comments. The gist of their remarks was that it seems stupid to thank God for something we have earned and paid for through our own effort and hard work.

My normal reaction to this type of comment would be to chalk it up to arrogance. However, that morning I had read Pope Benedict's encyclical *Caritas in Veritate* (Charity in Truth), which strongly emphasizes the need to recover a sense of the giftedness of our lives—an awareness that has been lost within some people in contemporary social life. His point became much more real to me as I witnessed a concrete manifestation of the very ingratitude he was talking about.

Self-sufficiency is one of the most prized values in the American psyche. It goes hand in hand with our emphasis on individual initiative, personal goal setting, and the strong work ethic that has helped make our nation successful. Properly understood and lived, tempered, and ordered by concern for the common good and for others, self-sufficiency often leads to



a strong moral character, innovation, creativity, and security.

But as Christians, we should also keep our accomplishments and individuality in proper perspective. There is a moral need to thank God and others for what we have “earned by our own efforts.” Our very existence is a gift to us from God that we did not and cannot ever earn. If not for the many others who took care of us, provided for us, protected us, and sacrificed for us, we could not have even survived the first years of our lives. Were it not for our health, our intelligence, our education, our physical and mental energy, our

personal and social opportunities—none of which we can take sole credit for and all of which have been given to us by God through the help of other people—we would not have what we do today. Even at lunch in the diner that day, were it not for the work of the people who grew the food, brought it to market, bought it and carried it to the restaurant, and prepared it and served it to us, our meal together would not have been possible. Just the simple act of saying grace, thanking God, maybe mentioning the farmers and the cooks, reminds us to be grateful for the unearned love of God and the work of others. +

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PRAYER

*Generous and loving God,
source of all blessings,
please give us the grace
of humble gratitude and
unstinting generosity.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

October 10–15

Monday, Weekday: Gal 4:22–24,
26–27, 31—5:1 / Lk 11:29–32


Tuesday, Weekday:
Gal 5:1–6 / Lk 11:37–41

Wednesday, Weekday:
Gal 5:18–25 / Lk 11:42–46

Thursday, Weekday:
Eph 1:1–10 / Lk 11:47–54

Friday, Weekday:
Eph 1:11–14 / Lk 12:1–7

Saturday, St. Teresa of Jesus:
Eph 1:15–23 / Lk 12:8–12

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