4:00 PM 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY Sunday, October 16, 2022 Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time
Gathering:	Table of Plenty BB 310
Responsorial Psa	alm (Psalm 34)
	Taste and see the goodness of the Lord; O taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
Preparation	Hosea BB 665
Mass Parts	Mass Of Creation
Communion	Gift Of Finest Wheat BB 329 The Supper Of The Lord BB 349
Recessional:	How Can I Keep From Singing BB 443



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 16	Fuel
October 23	World Missions
October 30	Archdiocese for Military Serv.
November 1	All Saints Day
November 6	Property Management
November 13	Catholic Campaign for Human
	Development

#### 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/ <b>\$60</b>
\$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

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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!

#### COLLECTION AMOUNTS FOR OCTOBER 9, 2022 WILL APPEAR IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN



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). Parish Giving is a simple, secure, and convenient way to manage your stewardship without weekly envelopes and without worries. This program is available to parishioners at no cost. Log on to the St. Luke the Evangelist Parish website at <u>http://stlukenh.org</u>, click on the Parish Giving logo, and follow the easy registration instructions.

#### HURRICANE RELIEF

All Catholics in the US are invited to help in the aftermath of the destruction caused by Hurricane Fiona and Hurricane Ian in the US Territory of Puerto Rico and the State of Florida. Visit <u>www.catholiccharitiesusa.org</u> to learn how to help. Local Catholic Charities in the various Dioceses affected by the storms are already assisting people to rebuild their lives. Thank you for your prayers and concern for the people of Puerto Rico and Florida.

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	\$18.70	\$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.

#### SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

We appreciate the gracious support of our bulletin by our Advertisers. Please be sure to support our advertisers by calling them first! If you have a business and would like to place an ad, call 1-800-333-3166.

#### **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: <u>http://stlukenh.org</u>

#### **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.

#### **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**

Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish has been issued a **\$92.84** donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of AmazonSmile activity between April 1 and June 30, 2022.

**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 <u>www.amazonsmile.com</u>. 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.

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	Sunday, October 16	
10:00 AM	Religious Ed – K to 6	Plaistow
	Tuesday, Ostabor 19	
	Tuesday, October 18	
6:00 PM	Finance Council Meeting	Plaistow
	Wednesday, October 19	
	Holy Angels Church Open	
	All Day For Prayer	
7:00 PM		Plaistow
7:00 PM	St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting	Plaistow
	<u>Thursday, October 20</u>	
8:30 AM -	- 8:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration	Newton
1:30 PM	Letter of James	Plaistow
	Saturday, October 22	
8:00 AM	Men of St. Joseph	Plaistow
3:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation	Plaistow
	Sunday, October 23	
40.00 414		
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.

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Saturday, October 15 ~ 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 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 Monday, October 17 ~ Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21 8:00 AM Chet Connors (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) by Peggy Connors Newton Tuesday, October 18 ~ Luke, Evangelist 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9 8:00 AM Richard Sullivan and Jack Cotter by their sisters, Jeanne and Cathy Plaistow Wednesday, October 19 ~ John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48 6:30 PM Deceased Members of the Charles and Mary Jesionowski family by their daughter, Sonia Tatarka Plaistow Thursday, October 20 ~ Paul of the Cross, Priest Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53 8:00 AM For All Prayer Shawl Recipients by the Prayer Shawl Committee Newton Friday, October 21 ~ Weekday Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59 NO MASS Saturday, October 22 ~ John Paul II, Pope Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9 (Day) Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14 (Vigil) 4:00 PM John Marciano (20th Anniversary) by his family Plaistow Sunday, October 23 ~ 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14 8:00 AM Fr. Conrad Salach, OFM Conv. by Charlie and Lisa Angwin Newton 10:00 AM Jack Harrigan by the Prayer Shawl Committee

Plaistow



#### **CREMATION AND THE CHURCH**

On October 25, 2016, the Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith published a new instruction on the burial of the dead and on the conservation of the ashes in cases of cremation. The instruction reiterated the longheld view that the Church is not opposed to the practice of cremation, though it continues to recommend that the bodies of the deceased be buried in cemeteries or other sacred places. However, the new document insists that ashes should not be kept in private homes, and that the scattering of ashes in the air, on land, or at sea is not permitted. The instruction also insisted that cremains may not be divided among various family members, nor may they be preserved in mementos, pieces of jewelry, or other objects.

#### 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 <u>own</u> 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 <u>www.stlukenh.org</u>

#### 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 <u>**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</u>** 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.</u>

#### **ADULT CONFIRMATION**

Are you an adult who has been Baptized and received Eucharist, but has not celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation? The adult Confirmation process is an opportunity to complete the Sacraments of Initiation. If you would like to prepare for Confirmation, or if you have questions, call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at csmith@stluketheevangelist.net.

#### **YOUTH CONFIRMATION**

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

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

We are truly blessed to have times for Adoration of Our Lord in our Parish. This time of prayer and intercession is not only a source of great grace for the individual, but it is a great source of grace for us as a parish family, as well.

We have many who have made the commitment to spend an hour each week with our Eucharistic Lord, **but** we need more people so there will be at least two people at each hour. We are also looking for people who would be able to substitute.

#### Newton – Thursday 8:30 AM – 8:30 PM

If you can commit to one hour a week in Adoration of our Lord, or if you can be a substitute, please contact Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at csmith@stluketheevangelist.net.

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

#### ✤ PARISH DIRECTORY ♣

- Parish Office Parish Prayer Line St. Vincent de Paul Society St. Luke's Food Pantry Preschool Presentation of Mary Convent
- 603-382-8324 603-382-8324 x 314 603-382-8324 x 315 603-819-4949 603-382-9783 603-382-2744
- Fr. Albert Tremblay Cathy Smith Joyce Szczapa Jackie Tremblay Val Barczak Parish Council

fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net <u>csmith@stluketheevangelist.net</u> jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net jtremblay@stluketheevangelist.net mvmbarczak@comcast.net parishcouncil@stluketheevangelist.net

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#### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of each month to those who wish to participate. We ask that you bring back the nonperishable 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.



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.



#### 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.



JOIN MEMBERS OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THIS THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 20 AT 7:00 PM MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH, NEWTON, NH

AS A GIFT FROM GOD, EVERY HUMAN LIFE IS SACRED FROM CONCEPTION TO NATURAL DEATH.

TOGETHER WE WILL PRAY AND DEDICATE THE ROSARY FOR THE RESPECT FOR LIFE

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



## THE CULTURAL WORLD OF THE OLD TESTAMENT



The world of the Old Testament is essentially alien to even the most avid readers of the Bible. So often, prejudices, assumptions and images generated by our own culture govern our reading of the Jewish Scriptures. Anyone who has read the Book of Exodus and then seen the famous movie "The Ten Commandments" can easily agree!

We will explore some of the cultural traditions and customs that were part of the society of the ancient Mediterranean world. The World of the Old Testament course is an invitation for adults to learn more about the Mediterranean culture of our ancestors in the faith to better understand the Bible.

Instructor: Rev. Albert Tremblay, obl. SB **Tuesday evenings, 6:30 – 8:00 PM** Plaistow Church Hall October 25, November 1, 8, 22, 29, December 6, 13

Please contact fr.albert@stluketheevangelist.net or call 603.382.8324 to register.

Name		PLEASE PRINT
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Address	Phone	
E-Mail	Cell Phone	

Group will meet in the Plaistow Church Hall

October 25, November 1, 8, 22, 29, December 6, 13

## **BAPTISM IS ONE OF THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.**

Sacraments are celebrations and milestones in our relationship with God and are a must for a Catholic to go through in his/her life. Participating in sacraments is also God's way to show us His graces and love that invites us to salvation with Him.



Children receive baptism primarily to remove original sin but also as a way to initiate a child into the family of the Church. Infant baptism has been debated for centuries. First, let us appeal to the Bible. John 3:5 says, "Jesus answered, 'Amen, amen, I say to you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit.'" Note that Jesus says "no one" can enter heaven in that passage. In the spirit of brevity here is the short answer straight from the Catechism: "The practice of infant Baptism is an immemorial tradition of the Church. There is explicit testimony to this practice from the second century on, and it is quite possible that, from the beginning of the apostolic preaching, when whole "households" received baptism, infants may also have been baptized," (Acts 16:15,33; 18:8; 1 Corinthians 1:16). (Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 1252)

#### WHAT IS THE ROLE OF SPONSORS OR GODPARENTS?

Sponsors or Godparents for Catholic Baptism are like Sponsors for Confirmation. They assist in the faith development of the person being baptized. Sponsors or Godparents can also be helpful through their prayers and example, helping the child's parents fulfill their own promise to raise the child in the faith. Therefore, the faith of the Sponsors is important in fulfilling the baptismal promise of being raised in the Catholic faith. Sponsors must be able to show the value of the community of faith by their own example as active and committed members of the Church.

#### WHEN ARE BAPTISMS CELEBRATED?

Since Baptism incorporates a person as a member of the Body of Christ, the ideal time for the Sacrament's celebration is when the community gathers on Sunday (or Saturday evening) for Mass.

The Rite of Baptism during Mass consists of a welcome for the candidate at the beginning of Mass, and the actual Baptism immediately following a Profession of Faith. Baptisms are scheduled for the 4:00 pm vigil Liturgy on Saturday (Plaistow), or the 8:00 am (Newton) or 10:00 am (Plaistow) Liturgies on Sunday.

There are certain Liturgical celebrations (Christmas, RCIA dates, First Eucharist dates) and Liturgical seasons (notably Lent) when Baptism is not celebrated. There are unusual circumstances when Baptism is celebrated outside of Mass. Accommodations are made to help you and your family celebrate with our Parish family in an appropriate way. The Parish assists parents in these special cases.

A Baptism preparation session for parents is required to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. Call the Parish Office at (603) 382-8324 for more information.



## **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. <u>These volunteers must be able to negotiate stairs while carrying awkward items and do a fair bit of walking.</u>

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!

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!!

I am available from	to
PARISH TABLE HELP - Durin	ng the Fair, please indicate your preferred shift. You will be placed where needed mo
Early AM SHIFT, 7:30	AM – 9:00AM
AM SHIFT, 8:30AM -	12:30PM
PM SHIFT, 12:00PM -	- 3:30PM
UNCH BREAKS - we need t	o 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 "Af	ter Fair" with Silent Auction - monitor tables as bids are tallied, organize items, etc.
	4) people needed to call "winners". Volunteers must be comfortable using their own
	ne to make these calls. Calls will be made at Parish Center.
	needed to breakdown fair and/or bring specific tables back to Parish Hall as labeled.
3:30PM-5PM – We nee	d TWO Trucks (or SUVs with open trailer) sign-up if we can utilize yours!
Assignments will be conf	irmed 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 ch	eck-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



Family Guide October 16, 2022 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

# The Gospel at Home

#### This Week's Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus exalts a widow who persistently petitions for her needs. The unjust judge's softening of heart dramatizes God's willingness to respond to our frequent prayers. Asking God for what we want and need will help us clarify what is really important. This week provides a good opportunity to review how your family lives and prays together.

#### **Exploring the Gospel Message**

**Seeds** (Preschool): This week's lesson focused on persistence and prayer. Consider adding a new prayer time to your child's daily routine. Use this time to review the day and its highs and lows. Lead your child in the Five Finger Prayer for family and friends, parents and teachers, our leaders, the weakest among us, and for yourselves.

**Promise** (Grades K–1): Ask your child to tell you about all the people who help your family. Have your child tell you things that we all need. Discuss the importance of asking for help when help is needed, and why God wants us all to ask for help. Look at the prayer book your child has made and promise to say the morning prayer together every day this week.

**Good News** (Grades 2–3): Children of this age do a lot of asking. To build on the experience of the lesson, talk about what family members ask for over and over again—toys, games, pets, or snacks. Talk about how Jesus wants us all to pray for what we need. This week is also a good time to commit to a family prayer time once a day—mornings, mealtimes, or in the evenings. Ask your child to teach your family the Five Finger Prayer and the petitions he or she learned about during the lesson. **Venture** (Grades 4–6): This week's session helped your young person distinguish between a *need* and a *want*. Your youngster learned to appreciate God's willingness to answer prayers. Talk about things your family needs and also discuss things your family may want. Ask your youngster about how Moses served as a mediator to help God's People. Ask your young person to tell the family what kinds of prayer are found in Scripture. Talk about why it is important to keep praying.

**Visions** (Grades 7–9): This week's lesson pointed out the importance of being persistent in life and in prayer. The class looked at people who were persistent and read a story called, "Shaking Up the Squad." Your young person learned how to be persistent in responding to situations in a Christian way. Talk about situations in your family that called for persistence—in school, at work, in sports, in relationships with others. Talk about ways your family can be persistent in your relationships with God and the Church. Ask your youngster how Moses served as a persistent mediator.

#### **Pray Together**

The Gospel for the week shows that God expects all to be persistent in prayer and to ask God for help. Set aside a few minutes each day for sharing family prayers of petition. After each petition, the whole family can respond: "Lord, hear our prayer."







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# Prayer: A Powerful Battle

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Water cuts through rock, not because of its power, but because of its persistence. As believing Christians, persistence is one of the key virtues to our life of prayer. We will penetrate the solid rock of our faith, which is Christ, only through regular and relentless prayer. Saint Luke makes this clear when he reveals Jesus' intention in telling this parable "about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary" (Luke 18:1). Jesus wants us to keep at it in prayer. The *Catechism of the* 

## **Sunday Readings**

#### Exodus 17:8-13

Moses' hands, however, grew tired; so....Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and one on the other.

#### 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know from whom you learned it.

#### Luke 18:1-8

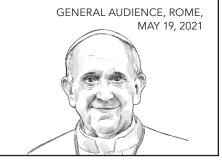
[Jesus] told them a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary. *Catholic Church* has an entire section devoted to prayer with the intriguing title "The Battle of Prayer." After 2,000 years of experience, the Church sums up the theme of prayer as a battle! Moses might have said the same thing, for his perseverance in prayer was reflected in the battle with Amalek.

The truth is. God doesn't entrust the treasures of his friendship to just anyone who says to him, "Lord, Lord." He knows the fickleness of the human heart but also knows that fidelity over time is the evidence of sincere love. He longs for the hearts of his children to seek him, but he also knows that for them to reach full maturity in him, growth in prayer must be steady. God is not at all like the unscrupulous judge of the Gospel. That is exactly Jesus' point. If God is literally dying to reconcile with us, then so much more will he respond to us if we are persistent in praying to him. +

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## A Word from Pope Francis

Do not forget the prayer that asks "why?". It is the prayer of children when they begin not to understand things,... because the child asks his father, "Daddy, why? Daddy, why? Daddy, why?" But let us be careful: the child does not listen to his father's answer. The father starts to reply, but the child interrupts with another "why?"





- Am I as persistent in prayer as I am in pursuing other life goals?
- What would help my prayer life?

# Pray Always

#### By Paige Byrne Shortal

**P** ray always. That's the message of today's Gospel and the first reading from the Book of Exodus. When you think about it, it's kind of an amazing teaching. Prayer is where our little and limited selves meet the all-knowing, the all-powerful, the anything-but-little-and-limited Creator of all things, the Force behind all that is.

I would think the message would be more like, "What do you know? Hush up and let God be in charge!" But that's not what the Scriptures say. We are to pray *persistently*. Moses is to stand with his arms raised in prayer and if he falters, the Israelites begin to lose the battle. The community, in the form of Moses' brother, Aaron, and their friend, Hur, help Moses persist by holding his hands aloft. In the Gospel, Jesus says we should pray like the woman who won't stop nagging until she gets what she wants. (My children claim she is my patron saint.)

But how realistic is "pray always"? Consider that most of us have an inner prayer going on all the time, but too often it's more like an inner whine: "I want this. I want that. Give me. Help me. Please, please, please."

What would happen if we consciously directed our inner whine to God and called it prayer? We might become aware of all the prayers



directed to God from people all over the world who are sick or suffering or in danger, who are afraid of dying, who simply love their children and want what's best for them. Then we might realize that we are not alone. We might learn to attend to today's task and not borrow trouble for tomorrow. We might trust that for every loss, there is a gain; for every death, a resurrection. We might come to know how often our desire for something else is preventing us from noticing and relishing the good presented to us each and every moment.

Directing that inner whine to God

may help us identify our deepest desires. It is in these desires that we come to know our true self. And we may come to know the good God in whose image that true self—and the true self of every human being—was created. If, like Moses, we get tired, then we can lean on the community, as he leaned on Aaron and Hur. We can rely on our community of faith to stand beside us and lift us up in prayer.

Let us pray! +

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Faithful God, forgive us our lack of constancy and inspire us in our prayer that we may come to know and love you and your people. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

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WEEKDAY READINGS

October 17–22

Monday, St. Ignatius of Antioch: Eph 2:1–10 / Lk 12:13–21 Tuesday, St. Luke: 2 Tm 4:10–17b / Lk 10:1–9

Wednesday, Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues and Companions: Eph 3:2–12 / Lk 12:39–48 Thursday, Weekday: Eph 3:14–21 / Lk 12:49–53 Friday, Weekday: Eph 4:1–6 / Lk 12:54–59

**Saturday,** Weekday: Eph 4:7–16 / Lk 13:1–9



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