



MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

Sunday, September 15, 2024

Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Gathering: Gather Us In BB 302

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 34)

*Taste and see the goodness of the Lord;
Oh, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

Preparation: Christ, Be Our Light BB 599

Mass Parts: Mass Of Creation

Communion: Our Blessing Cup BB 349

Recessional: Lift High The Cross BB 717

✠ 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). Especially in these trying times, your Parish depends on your responsible stewardship and support!

September 1, 2024

Offertory \$8,142.63
Property Management \$1,565.60

September 8, 2024

Offertory \$6,632.91



UPCOMING SECOND & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

September 15 Fuel
September 22 No Second Collection
September 29 No Second Collection



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.

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. Thanks for being attentive and respectful!

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 <http://stlukenh.org>, click on the Parish Giving logo, and follow the easy registration instructions.

You can also use your smart phone to scan the QR code below. The link will take you directly to Parish Giving so you can donate.



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



NEW HAMPSHIRE CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thanks to all who have made their gift to the *New Hampshire Catholic Appeal: Future of our Faith II* this weekend. Your gift will enable the Catholic Church in New Hampshire to meet the increasing needs of parishes, Catholic schools, retired clergy, seminarians, and much more.

Our Parish has raised \$40,670.00 toward our 2024 goal of \$ 46,979.00.

If you were not able to make your gift yet, please visit the website at www.catholicnh.org/nhca, use the QR code below with your smart device, or bring your gift and drop it in the collection basket at Mass next weekend. Extra gift envelopes and brochures about the Catholic Appeal are available in the pews and at the church entrances. We need the support of all our parish families to reach our parish goal. Thank you for your support of these important needs and ministries of the Church.



FOR OUR RECORDS

We need your help to keep our records current. If there are any births, deaths, marriages, moves, or address changes in your family, please notify the Parish Office at 603-382-8324 or by email at jtremblay@stluketheevangelist.net. If you're new to our parish, registration forms are available at the entrances of both churches.

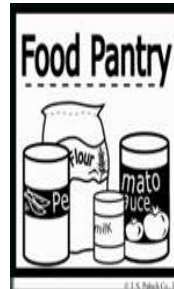


SAFETY AND SECURITY FOR OUR CHURCHES

The Diocese of Manchester has mandated that every parish, school, preschool, and childcare conduct a site visit and site-specific training for active shooter and emergency preparedness. A search for “church shootings and stabbings” on any web browser will reveal hundreds of incidents of violence at churches, many of them Catholic. There have been more than 24 fatal shootings at churches in the United States since 1999. This number does not include the mass shootings at other religious institutions or international tragedies.

On **September 22 at 11:30, at Plaistow in the Church Hall**, members of the Blue-U Security organization will visit our Parish and present ways in which we can all be aware and alert to security issues on our campuses. Blue-U will subsequently conduct a review of our church buildings with Father Albert.

Ushers, Greeters and any interested Parishioners are welcome to gather for the 90-minute presentation. No pre-registration is needed.



SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST FOOD PANTRY

Thank you for your support of our Food Pantry!

Items most needed in the Food Pantry at the moment:

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|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Pasta | Hot and cold cereal |
| Pasta sauce | Crackers & snack items |
| Ramen noodles | Cookies & treats for kids |
| Peanut butter | Pancake mix and syrup |
| Jam and Jelly | Canned meats |
| Canned soup | Tuna fish |
| Canned fruit | Shelf stable milk |
| Canned vegetables | |

Consider donating personal care products (shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.) or household cleaning products, paper towels, toilet tissue, or facial tissue. Pet food is always welcome!

Checks made out to St. Luke Food Pantry are always useful and welcome. Our Pantry spends upwards of \$1,000.00 per month to help the hungry!

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, September 15

11:00 AM Religious Ed Registration *Plaistow*
 11:00 AM Catechist Meeting *Plaistow*

Tuesday, September 17

6:00 PM Finance Council Meeting *Plaistow*

Wednesday, September 18

Holy Angels Church Open All Day For Prayer

7:00 PM Outreach Ministry Meeting *Plaistow*

Thursday, September 19

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

Saturday, September 21

3:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation *Plaistow*

Sunday, September 22

11:00 AM Religious Ed – Gr. K to 6 *Plaistow*

✠ MASS INTENTIONS ✠

Saturday, September 14 ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 50:4c-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35 (Vigil)

4:00 PM Jesselyn and Donald Driscoll
 by the McKinney family
Plaistow

Sunday, September 15 ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 50:4c-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

8:00 AM Suzanne Busch by Jim Edwards
Newton

10:00 AM Karen, Lillian, and John Murphy
 by Carole Lueders
Plaistow

Monday, September 16 ~ Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10

8:00 AM Carol Mudzinski by Mary Ann Downs
Newton

Tuesday, September 17 ~ Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 11-17

8:00 AM All Souls Intentions
Plaistow

Wednesday, September 18 ~ Weekday

1 Cor 12:31—13:13; Lk 7:31-35

6:30 PM Sr. Rachel Pinonnault, pm
 by the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary
Plaistow

Thursday, September 19 ~ Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50

8:00 AM Anne Marie Zamierowski and Russell
 Estabrooks, Sr. by their family
Newton

Friday, September 20 ~ Andrew Kim Tæ-gõn, Priest, and Paul Chõng Hasang, and Companions, Martyrs

1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3

No Mass

Saturday, September 21 ~ Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13 (Day)

Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16—4:3; Mk 9:30-37 (Vigil)

4:00 PM Deceased Members of the Pineau family
 by Joan Meader
Plaistow

Sunday, September 22 ~ 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16—4:3; Mk 9:30-37

8:00 AM George Moulaison by Tess Moulaison
Newton

10:00 AM Paul G. Antkowiak (2nd Anniversary)
 by his family
Plaistow

The Sanctuary Light
 at Holy Angels Church
 will burn this week in loving memory of
Natalie and Phillip Gagnon
 by Armand and Rachel Lanseigne



The Sanctuary Light
 at Mary, Mother of the Church
 will burn this week in loving memory of
Suzanne Busch
 by Jim Edwards



The Vigil Light in front of the
 Blessed Mother icon
 at Mary Mother of the Church
 will burn this week in loving memory of
Mateo Intervalo
 by Tess Moulaison



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.

RADIO CATÓLICA

Escuche Radio Católica
 WGUA 98.1 FM con una
 programación 24 horas al día.
 Música, oraciones, Misas,
 información y formación en la
 fe. Teléfono en cabina
 978-683-1030. Oficina y línea
 de oración 978-688-9811.
 Descargue nuestra aplicación
 en su celular."





WELCOME IN CHRIST!

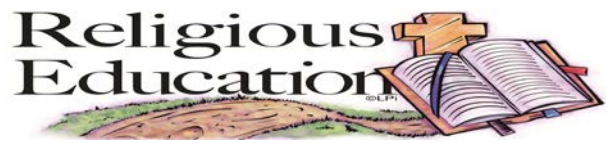
Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish invites all to a deeper love of Jesus and to a fullness of communion with the Church. The **rites of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** is a process where adults and older children are welcomed into the Catholic Church. Some have never been Baptized, others never received Eucharist or Confirmation and others arrive at our door after a long faith journey.

Do you know someone who is thinking about becoming part of our Catholic community? Are you the non-Catholic spouse of a parishioner who is wondering about full communion with the Church? Are you an adult Catholic who for whatever reason, "missed" one or more of the sacraments of initiation while growing up? Do you have children over 7 years of age who were never Baptized, or older children who "missed" sacraments?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (and its adapted form for children) welcomes all kinds of people into the Catholic family. The RCIA is for any adult who is: unbaptized and recognizes a need for spirituality in their life, or Baptized and raised in another Christian tradition but interested in learning about the Catholic faith, or Baptized in the Catholic faith, but never received any formal religious training.

Children of all ages are welcome and participate in age appropriate meetings for their RCIA experience.

Contact Father Albert or Cathy Smith in the Parish Office at 603.382.8324 for more information.



ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Registration for the 2024-2025 Academic Year for **Grades K through 6** begins on September 22. Whether your child is currently enrolled or is new to the Program, please call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324 for more information.

CATECHISTS NEEDED

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

BUSTED HALO

Busted Halo is a unique media resource sponsored by the Paulist Fathers of the US that utilizes a relevant and accessible voice to help people understand the Catholic faith, put it into practice in their everyday lives, and share it with others. Check out their site, podcasts and videos at www.bustedhalo.com.

ADORERS NEEDED AT 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 is a great source of grace for us as a parish family. We have many who have made the commitment to spend an hour each week with our Eucharistic Lord. Adoration takes place each Thursday in Newton from 8:30 AM to 8:30 PM. We also need people at all times so we can have 2 people at each hour. 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. Luke's Outreach Ministry	603-382-8324 x 315
St. Luke's Food Pantry	603-819-4949
Preschool	603-382-9783
Presentation of Mary Convent	603-382-2744

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MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

**Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
St. Jude Council #6617**

The Knights of Columbus and Saint Luke the Evangelist Food Pantry would like to thank our parishioners for the ongoing support to feed those in need. Shopping lists and bags are provided on the 3rd week of every month with the general collection of non-perishable items happening the following (4th) weekend. Food donations can also be left in the plastic totes at the rear of either church or brought to the Parish Office any time they are open. Prefer not to shop? Gift cards or checks can be made out to Saint Luke Food Pantry anytime. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
HAPPENINGS**

Knights Associate Membership:

The parish's Knights of Columbus are offering associate membership to anyone who would like to participate with the Knights in our activities. The membership is available to anyone in our parish or in the community. There are currently about a dozen associate members. It's free and you can pick and choose what activities you would like to be involved with.

If you want more information, please contact Peter Richards at 603-382-4315 or via email at pmrjs6@comcast.net.

**THE KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS
ST. JUDE COUNCIL
#6617**



ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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



CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Our Annual Christmas Craft Fair will be held on **Saturday, November 9, 2024, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**, at 8 Atkinson Depot Rd., Plaistow, NH.

Watch weekly bulletins to find out how you can donate, volunteer, and participate in St. Luke Parish's biggest fundraiser!

Please join the fun & festive day while getting a jump on your holiday shopping!

Got Questions? Please EMAIL the Fair Coordinator at StLukeNHFair@gmail.com



**Saint Luke the Evangelist
OUTREACH MINISTRY**

Your "Dropped Dollar" Hard At Work

Thank you for your continued support of the St. Luke Outreach Ministry! 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. Luke Outreach Ministry box on your way out of church.

Remember ~ 100% of your donation is used to help those who need a hand up, not a handout.

Our next meeting on **Wednesday, September 18 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 St. Luke's Outreach Ministry, call 603-382-8324 x315.

**Hear, O LORD, and answer me
for I am poor and needy.**



Saint Luke the Evangelist

OUTREACH MINISTRY

PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING

ST. LUKE the EVANGELIST OUTREACH MINISTRY'S
ANNUAL APPEAL

THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 21 AND 22 AFTER ALL
MASSES, FOLLOWED BY OUR ANNUAL SALE OF FALL
MUMS. (FLOWERS GROWN RIGHT AT NEWTON
GREENHOUSE.)

10" PLANTS - \$15



DONATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Our Parish-Run Tables **DEPEND ON YOUR GENEROSITY**

Can You Donate ??

New and/or Like-New items WINE Antiques and/or Collectibles
WINE Gift Cards Newly Knitted/Crocheted Items Lottery Tickets
Fun Gadgets WINE Original Artwork Tootsie Roll Lollipops
New TOYS Theme Baskets WINE New Power Tools Jewelry

Please, NO VASES & NO STEMWARE, & NO MUSTY ITEMS

DONATION DROP-OFF DATES

SATURDAYS from 3:00PM-5:00PM **September 7, 14, 21, 28**

SUNDAYS from 10:00AM-12:00PM **September 8, 15, 22, 29**

LAST DATES for Drop Off 9/28 & 9/29



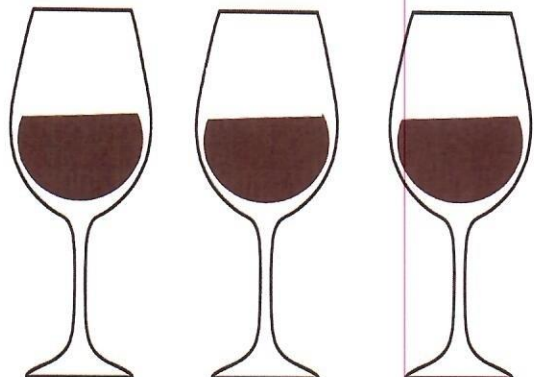
DROP OFF LOCATION

Downstairs

Parish Hall

PLAISTOW

Raffle Tickets! Get Your Raffle Tickets HERE!!”



WINE RAFFLE

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

QUILT RAFFLE

One (1) ticket for \$3.00, THREE (3) for \$5.00

or FIVE (5) chances to WIN for \$10.00

Cream, Dk Blue, Lt Blue Quilt,. 68" x 80"

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

\$_____

QUILT Raffle

\$_____

Total Owed

\$_____



Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
September 15, 2024

Faith or Works?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Unfortunately, these two facets of our faith are often pitted against each other. In many of his letters, St. Paul insists on the superiority of faith, while today’s reading from St. James underscores the importance of good works. It is understandable that one might get confused. Actually, both are vital. In fact, one without the other does not result in full Christian living. At issue is how they fit together.

Paul’s insistence on faith was probably a corrective for the erroneous belief that we can earn eternal happiness by our good works. This was not simply a problem with the Jewish law and practices but with the religious law and practices of many societies. Even today

we find people convinced that obeying religious laws assures salvation. To this, Paul insisted that it was faith in Jesus that saved, not conformity to law. Paul never said that believers should not obey the law.

Rather, he would insist that such obedience should flow from faith, not vice versa. It seems that the people to whom today’s second reading was directed took the idea of “faith alone” to an extreme. They were not committed to good works. This letter corrected that error. It states that faith without works is dead. In fact, good works demonstrate the authenticity and depth of one’s faith.

The message for today should be clear. Faith and works belong together. Genuine faith manifests itself in works of love and mercy, and the works of love and mercy that flow from faith are of God. †

Sunday Readings

Isaiah 50:4c–9a

The Lord GOD opened my ear;
I did not refuse, did not turn away.

James 2:14–18

What good is it, my brothers,
if someone says he has faith
but does not have works?

Mark 8:27–35

[Jesus] asked [his disciples],
“But who do you say that I am?”

**Faith without works
or works without faith
does not result in
full Christian living.**



A Word from Pope Francis

Jesus asks his disciples: “Who do you say that I am?” ... [The disciples] had to take that decisive step, from *admiring Jesus* to *imitating Jesus*. Today too, the Lord looks at each of us personally and asks...*Who am I for you?* This question calls for more than a quick answer straight out of the catechism; it requires a vital, personal response.

HOMILY, BUDAPEST, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021



REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- How are your actions inspired by your faith?
- Is there something you feel called to do that you’ve been putting off?

Healing the Wound of Unforgiveness

Excerpts from *Seven Steps to Peace with Saint Alphonsus Liguori* by Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR

When we are wounded in a physical way, the first question the doctor always asks is how it happened. Part of the healing journey is acknowledging and explaining the event itself.

When we embrace the wound of unforgiveness, we take the time to look at the history of the wound. How did this happen? What are the events that surround the initial hurt? It might be necessary to feel again the grief, shock, or sorrow that connect you to this wound of unforgiveness. The wound is like a huge magnet that attracts to itself a history of darkness. There is criticism of the self and the other, there is blame, there is casting of people as villains and victims, there is anger—maybe hatred—and most often feelings of revenge.

As painful as this road is to review and to walk, it is a necessary step in the



process of healing. Look at the stepping stones that led to the event and that followed. Try not to allow the feelings trap you into a downward cycle of darkness. Do not blame yourself or the other.

How do you heal the unforgiveness and bring yourself to a sense of

wholeness? Place the matter into God's healing hands. If you find that anger and hurt still surround the images of unforgiveness, then you must replace that anger and hurt with images of love. When the event or person of your darkness comes into your mind, purposely surround them with a loving presence.

The second aspect of becoming a whole, healed person is to act with compassion toward others, especially those who have injured you in some way. Acting with compassion is one spiritual practice that all major religions promote. Outward compassion brings inner healing. At first this might feel very strange and difficult. The more you challenge yourself to take action, the easier the action will become, and you will be amazed at how quickly you will heal. †

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From "Laughing With the Saints" by James Martin, SJ

The most joyful people are those closest to God. As the Jesuit priest Pierre Teilhard de Chardin said, "Joy is the most infallible sign of the presence of God." Joy has a somewhat disreputable reputation in the Church, though. And that's a tragedy not only because joy is necessary, but also because it has a distinguished history among the saints and spiritual masters as an essential element for spiritual health. When you meet someone truly in touch with God, isn't that person joyful? Think of the holy people in your life. Are they not full of the spirit of the Resurrection? Full of joy? †

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Holy God, help us to hear the teachings of Jesus, to believe the truth of the Gospel, and to live what we believe in our everyday lives. Amen.

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

September 16–21

Monday, Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian:

1 Cor 11:17–26, 33 / Lk 7:1–10

Tuesday, Weekday:

1 Cor 12:12–14, 27–31a / Lk 7:11–17

Wednesday, Weekday:

1 Cor 12:31—13:13 / Lk 7:31–35

Thursday, Weekday:

1 Cor 15:1–11 / Lk 7:36–50


Friday, Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn,

Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and companions:

1 Cor 15:12–20 / Lk 8:1–3

Saturday, St. Matthew:

Eph 4:1–7, 11–13 / Mt 9:9–13

Bringing Home
the Word 

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