

CCW—Council of Catholic Women
 JER—Jericho
 PCC—Parish Center Chapel
 PCCR—Parish Cntr. Conf. Room
 RE—Religious Education

St. Luke Parish

November 2017

Confession: Saturday 4:15-4:45pm
 Liturgies:
 Saturday - 5:00pm
 Sunday - 8:30 & 11:00am
 Tuesday - Friday 8:00am Mass in Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 All Saint's Day	2 7:00 All Soul's Mass & reception	3 First Friday sick visits	4 All Masses ticket sales Christmas Dinner Daylight savings time ends
5 9:40-10:50 RE all rms 9:30-11:00 Bible Study PCC	6	7	8 7:00 Coordinating Board PCCR	9 7:00 Choir Practice	10 6:00-8:00 Girl Scouts rm4	11 All Masses ticket sales Christmas Dinner All Masses Veterans Blessing
12 9:40-10:50 RE all rms 9:30-11:00 Bible Study PCC	13	14 7:00-9:00 VFW rm2 7:00 Booster Meeting JER	15	16 5:30 Set-up Christmas Dinner 7:00 Choir Practice	17 5:30 CCW Christmas Dinner & Auction	18 2:00 Baptism
19 9:40-10:50 RE all rms 9:45 Windsor Mass	20	21	22	23 9:30 Mass Office Closed 	24 Office Closed	25
26 8:00-1:00 CCW Blood Drive-Jer	27	28	29 6:00-8:00 GOF all rms	30 7:00 Choir Practice		

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removed from Thursday's grateful remembrance of the souls who are hidden from our sight, but alive to Christ. Old pagan superstitions might find us holding our breath when going by the graveyard, whereas others might actually go to the cemetery to tend the family graves, to share good food, and remember dear ones. Nowhere does a culture embrace this day as fully as in Mexico. The "Day of the Dead" is a national holiday that unfolds over three full days.

For three thousand years, the indigenous people of Mexico have been mocking death in an annual festival, and the invading Spaniards were shocked at the spectacle. To the Aztecs, life was a dream, and death was the entry into full life. Skulls were thus a symbol of joy and release from life's sorrows. The missionaries found all this a bit creepy, but they moved the three-day feast from August to synchronize it with the Christian calendar. So today, graves are decorated, altars are built in the home to honor the family dead, children feast on candy skulls, and people dress up in elaborate skeleton outfits. The devout spend hours in the cemetery, and there is a lively sense of the communion of saints, the living and the dead.

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BALANCE

Today's scriptures emphasize the fundamental link between love of God and love of our neighbors, especially those who are most in need. Love of God should compel us to love the people whom God cherishes. Conversely, work for justice and charity for those in need should be rooted in our love of God.

That connection and balance, however, isn't always easy to maintain in our lives. Even in religious orders we find that some Christians are more oriented toward contemplation and prayer, while others are more active in reaching out to those who are oppressed. Today Jesus reminds us of the necessity for both in the life of faith.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This week we have in All Souls' Day a commemoration that is linked to the Halloween customs. The big-spending sugar shock holiday is a long way



MASSES CELEBRATED

DURING THE WEEK

ARE HELD

IN THE CHURCH

SATURDAY — OCTOBER 28

2:00pm — Wedding of Kirsten Bescher and Andrew Williams

4:15 — 4:45 Confessions

5:00 — Daniel Pieroni req. by Richard and Marianne Gieser

SUNDAY — OCTOBER 29

8:30am — Louise Blunt req. by Betty Wleklinski

11:00 — Denis Holich req. by Cyndi Holich and for The People of St. Luke Parish

MONDAY — OCTOBER 30

Mass will not be celebrated today

TUESDAY — OCTOBER 31

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

WEDNESDAY — NOVEMBER 1

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

THURSDAY — NOVEMBER 2—ALL SOULS' DAY

7:00pm—In remembrance of all those we have loved and lost

FRIDAY — NOVEMBER 3

8:00am — Joseph Catalano on his 97th birthday req. by his wife Jennie

SATURDAY — NOVEMBER 4

4:15 — 4:45 Confessions

5:00 — Rita Lewek req. by her family

SUNDAY — NOVEMBER 5

8:30am — Herbert Bowe req. by Patrick & Kathleen Elder and for James Curnock on his birthday req. by Donna Curnock

11:00 — The People of St. Luke Parish and the St. Luke Parish Memorial Society



Please pray for the sick in our parish especially, Pat Angelo, Marge Austin, Yecenia Bosley, Disabled Vets, Father John Ducaji, Jim Erickson, Angel Faulkner, Carole Hible, Terri Miceli, Audrey Race and Jim Wright.

Please remember our beloved dead, especially John Capezio, David Johnson and the men and women who have given their lives for our country.



October 22, 2017

REG. CHURCH SUPPORT	
137 SUN. ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTIONS	=\$3,618.00
LOOSE CONTRIBUTIONS	=\$ 229.70

TOTAL COLLECTION	=\$3,847.70
AVERAGE CONTRIBUTION	=\$ 26.41

EXPENSES	=\$10,952.08
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MISSION COLLECTION	=\$ 57.98
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Thank you so much for your on-going generous financial support of St. Luke Parish! Every amount contributed helps, so we respectfully ask that you continue to regularly use your church support envelopes. It is your generosity that allows us to do what we do. Please give as your financial needs allow.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You shall not oppress an alien, for you yourselves were once aliens in Egypt (Exodus 22:20-26).

Second Reading — You became imitators of the Lord, so that you became a model for all believers (1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10).

Gospel — You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 22:34-40).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Thursday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Friday: Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday: Mal 1:14b — 2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1-3; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Three “do-nots” and two “dos”. The Old Law says: Do not oppress the alien. Do not wrong the widow or orphan. Do not keep the poor poor. That is, care for the most vulnerable...with dignity, with justice, and with compassion. Jesus puts it in the positive. Love God. Love neighbor as yourself.

- How will I be compassionate in ways that God is compassionate?
- What will I stop thinking, saying, or doing?
- How will I love? Who will I love — beyond those who already love me?

THANK YOU

Most of us take things like underwear for granted, but our neighbors who live on low-incomes rarely have extra money to spend on these basic needs. That is why CCW wants to say “THANK YOU” to all the members of St. Luke Parish!

Undy Sunday on October 14th & 15th was a great success. We collected a total of 8 large bags of items for men, women and children/infants. And our cash/check/gift card donation totaled \$335.00

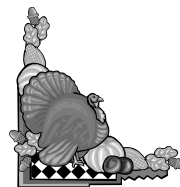
Thank you for your generosity!

CASH CARD ORDERS



Cash Card orders are due back this weekend. Please place them in the box in the back of church. Extra forms can be found in the back of church. Orders will be available for pick up November 11th & 12th. Extra cards will be on hand as well. Please stop by the tall table in the hallway. You have plenty of time to plan your grocery shopping for Thanksgiving using the cash cards. Remember you receive full value of the card and we receive the rebate percent indicated on the form.

Use cash cards for your Thanksgiving shopping and hostess gifts.



TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES

The Ten Thousand Villages store is open at St. Luke today after all Masses. Beautiful handcrafted items are available for purchase. Come shop. Come share.

CHRISTMAS DINNER BASKET DONATION ITEMS

CCW is now collecting Party Themed items for our annual Christmas Dinner and Silent Auction. Join the party and provide some goodies for this fun event. Wine, craft beers, liquor, and uniquely themed items can be combined to create one-of-a-kind Party Baskets. From Game Day to Holiday – pick a theme and drop your donations in the collection boxes in the hall. All donations are needed by Sunday, November 12th. Thank you!



CHRISTMAS DINNER TICKET SALES

Tickets for the annual St. Luke Christmas Dinner and Auction on Friday, November 17th are now on sale. The evening's festivities include a winter wonderland of delicious food, beverages, auctions and raffles. Doors open at 5:30pm with dinner served promptly at 6:30pm. Tickets are available only in advance and are limited in number at \$20 each. Be sure to purchase your ticket today. Ticket sales close the weekend of November 11th/12th or earlier if all tickets are sold.

BLESSED ARE THEY WHO MOURN FOR THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED

Each year on November second, the church honors all those who have transcended this life to the next. This year at St. Luke Parish, we will celebrate a special Mass and Memorial Service to remember all those who have died. If you have lost a loved one or friend through death either recently or some time ago, we encourage and invite you to attend this special Mass and Memorial Service on Thursday, November 2nd at 7:00pm.

You are encouraged to bring a framed photo of your deceased loved one(s) to display from October 28th to November 12th. Pictures can be dropped off at the Parish Office or when coming to Mass.

After the Mass, our Council of Catholic Women (CCW)

invite you to a reception of beverages and desserts in Jericho. Please join us for fellowship as we honor those who have passed before us. "LIFE IS CHANGED - NOT TAKEN AWAY". (Words taken from the Mass of the dead).

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

A spaghetti supper and dance will be held from 6:30-8:30 on Friday, November 3rd at the Bartlett Fire Barn, 218 W. Main Street. Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit Du-Page PADS at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Carol Stream.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

WHAT! But it's so early to talk about Christmas! Not really. Since Christmas Eve is on a Sunday we have **CHANGED** the Sunday weekend schedule so we wanted everyone to be aware of it ahead of time. Please keep this handy so you know when to attend Mass.

If you are a minister or past minister and can help with the holiday Masses please call the office at 630/668-1325 or email us at stloff@aol.com. The sooner the better so we know how many ministers we will still need to find. Thank you ahead of time for your assistance.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE – 2017

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Friday, December 1.....7:00pm

CHRISTMAS WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday, December 23
Mass.....5:00pm

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24
NO MORNING MASSES
Masses.....4:00 and 6:00pm

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25
Masses.....8:30 & 11:00am

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

Saturday, December 30
Mass.....5:00pm

Sunday, December 31
Masses.....8:30 & 11:00am

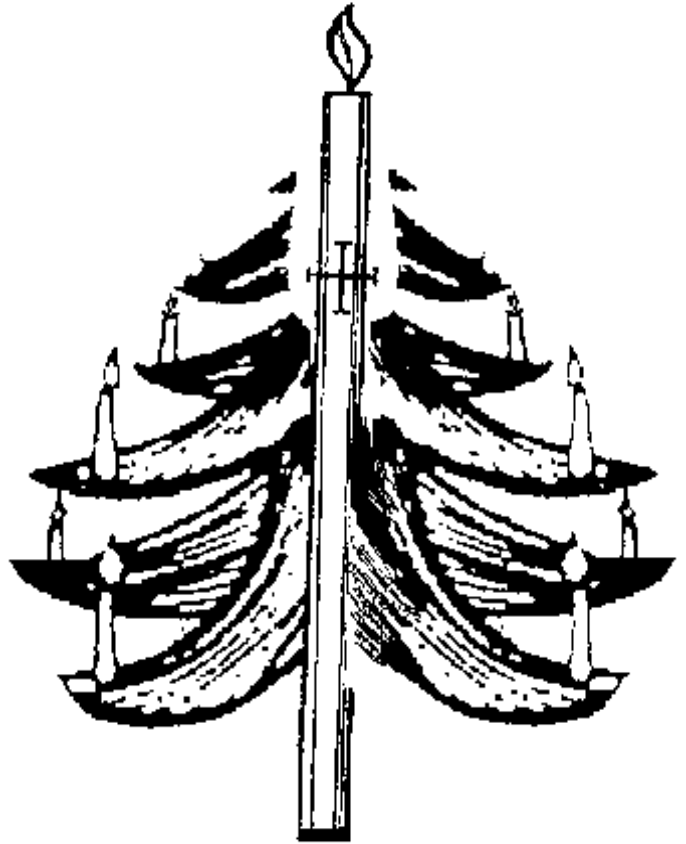
New Year's Eve, Sunday, December 31
Mass.....5:00pm

New Year's Day, Monday, January 1
Mass.....11:00am

TREE OF LIGHT INFANT MEMORIAL MASS

On Sunday, November 5th all families and individuals are welcome to attend this Mass at the Blanchette Catholic Center in Crest Hill. This beautiful liturgy will remember babies who have been lost through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death, other pregnancy losses or early childhood death. At 2:00pm a special tree blessing ceremony for family members to commemorate these babies will precede the mass. Family members may wish to arrive at 1:30pm to sign in and to gather in the chapel. A reception with light refreshments will be served immediately following.

To register online, go to <http://conta.cc/2f4CvXS> or call 815/838-5334 by *November 1st*. If you are not able to attend but would like your baby remembered, please call us.



TREE OF LIGHT MEMORIAL MASS

Sponsored by the Office of Family Ministry, Diocese of Joliet
Please RSVP by November 1.

Please estimate number attending _____ Babies being honored: _____

Baby Name (s) _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ PARISH _____

E-MAIL (for map & confirmation) _____

Return information by email,
return form by mail or fax,
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PET BLESSING

On Saturday September 30th St. Luke hosted a pack of pets in the parking lot for the annual pet blessing. In attendance were seven dogs and two guinea pigs:

Addie Bilek
Coco Casale
Toto Casale
Chocolate Foys
Snowy Foys
Angel Savegnago
Coco Schwartz
Chip Wleklinski
Bear Zon



All pets were well behaved and paid close attention to Father Danny's prayers, and only a few of them attempted to lick the holy water from their faces after their blessing.

Thank you to everyone who came out and helped make this a special day.

