

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 19th – Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:30 AM** Mary & Ted Okoniewski
- 5:00 PM** Deceased members of the Aman & Neil Families

Sunday, February 20th – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 AM** Larry Flanagan
- 9:00 AM** Mary Treanor
- 10:30 AM** Michael J. & Mary Francis
- 12:00 PM** John Francis O'Hara

Monday, February 21st – St. Peter Damian

- 9:00 AM** Deacon Alexander Saunders

Tuesday, February 22nd – The Chair of St. Peter

- 7:00 AM** For the People of the Parish
- 8:30 AM** Viola & George Bommicino

Wednesday, February 23rd – St. Polycarp

- 7:00 AM** Richard Offringa
- 8:30 AM** Larry Flanagan

Thursday, February 24th

- 7:00 AM** Harry Lasher
- 8:30 AM** Larry Flanagan

Friday, February 25th

- 7:00 AM** Robert Nochta
- 8:30 AM** Larry Flanagan

Saturday, February 26th – Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:30 AM** Vicki Healy
- 5:00 PM** Helen M. Litchult

Sunday, February 27th – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 AM** Sylvester Leonard, Jr.
- 9:00 AM** Joseph Sinacori
- 10:30 AM** Larry Flanagan
- 12:00 PM** Helen McKeon

***For the Sick:** As a Parish Community, let us remember those who are ill, especially, Angela Alsing, Joan Butler, Ryan Donovan, Marie Dunn, David Fullmer, Maureen Gallagher, Jim Gordon, Danny Griffin, Jr., Eileen Harnett, Joan Kelly, John Mulvaney, Marion Mulvaney, John McCabe, Christina Motzko Mitala, Joseph Motzko, Sr. Margaret O'Donnell and Arlene Palazzolo.*

***For the Deceased:** As a Parish Community, let us keep in our prayers all the victims of terrorism, world violence, and all those who have recently died.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday Session II – Grades 1 thru 6
NO classes are scheduled for February 20th and February 27th.

Tuesday Afternoon Grades 1 thru 6 and Tuesday Evening Grades 7 and 8 – NO classes are scheduled for February 22nd.

Special Sessions for Grades 7 and 8 – Tuesday, March 1st

ALL 7th grade students who attended Summer sessions and all currently attending Tuesday evening classes will meet in the Church from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.

All 8th grade students who attended Summer session and all currently attending Tuesday evening classes will meet in the School from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.

INNER CITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A speaker representing The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City children will visit our parish next weekend to seek your support for its Adopt-A-Student Program.

The Scholarship Fund provides partial tuition scholarships for over 2,000 inner-city children from low income families who attend Catholic Schools within the Archdiocese of Newark.

The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children works to make high-quality Catholic education available as an alternative for these families desiring a disciplined and nurturing environment. Thank you for your generosity.

STEWARDSHIP AND TITHING

The sacrificial giving of our parishioners in the collection on the weekend of February 12th and February 13th, was \$11,054.00. The number of envelopes used was 260. These amounts include Parish Pay contributions. Thank you!



Altar Bread and Wine in Loving Memory of Richard Offringa

Sanctuary Lamp in Loving Memory of Micheline and Emil Celani



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Sunday, February 27, 2011 the Knights of Columbus will again host their monthly breakfast at their Hall after the 9:00 AM Mass.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2011 FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY.

9:00 AM Mass ONLY

EMERGENCY CALLS ARE ALWAYS ACCEPTED 201-314-6490



My Dear Friends in Christ,

Over the past two weeks we have had the opportunity to make our pledge to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. So far we have received pledges totaling \$20,000.00. I am most grateful to all who have taken the time to make a pledge to this year's appeal and for the sacrifice you have made. As I mentioned when I spoke at Mass, I am aware that these are very challenging times for many people even here in our own Parish and yet we are still being called to remember those who are less fortunate than ourselves. We are still a long way from our stretch goal of over \$65,000, and I truly need your help to do all we can to reach our goal this year. If you have not seen this year's video, it is available at the Archdiocesan website at www.rcan.org. I am sure you will be impressed with all of the good that is being done through your generosity. Thank you for being good stewards not only to the Church of St. Luke but also to the Church of Newark and the many programs that benefit from the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

You may have noticed these past two weeks that work is being done on our project to install a new air conditioning system for the Church and the Gym. As you leave Church you can't help but see the huge air ducts sitting up in the Choir Loft as they prepare the new equipment for installation. The new system will be much more efficient and provide a more controlled temperature throughout the Church and Gym. I know that as we continue to face cold days at this time of year we may not appreciate the air conditioning, but come the warm days of summer we will be glad the work has been done. Thank you for making this possible through your generosity to the Capital Campaign. We could not have done it without you!

We read in this week's Gospel that we are called to be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. Truth be told, we are all far from being perfect and left to ourselves perhaps this would be impossible. But, because God has loved us first, we have the ability to strive towards perfection even though it may not be attainable in this life. I am certain our efforts will be rewarded in the life that is yet to come where perfection will surround us in God's presence for all eternity.

Peace and all good things,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Jim". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

There are so many ways God is made visible in the world around us.

Our Church of Newark, which serves Hudson, Essex, Union and Bergen counties, sees God in the hundreds of thousands of people it takes care of every year by teaching, sheltering and caring for all who come to it for help.

We can only offer assistance because of your generosity to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

Won't you please take a moment to fill out a pledge card? This sacrifice on your part will show that you, too, see the face of God in everyone who seeks help.

MEN'S CORNERSTONE

A GATHERING OF ORDINARY MEN

In a 26-Hour Weekend Experience

www.menscornerstone.org

April 1st and 2nd, 2011

The Church of the Nativity
and

St. Luke's Church

To be held on the Nativity Campus
315 Prospect Street
Midland Park, NJ 07432

Who comes to Cornerstone?

- ❖ Anyone looking to "jump-start" their sense of belonging in the parish community.
- ❖ Those looking to take time out for themselves and reflect.
- ❖ Men who have been away from the Church for awhile and are curious about re-connecting.
- ❖ Those looking to meet and interact with other men in our Christian community.
- ❖ Those who simply need some time to stop and think.
- ❖ **ORDINARY MEN LIKE YOU!**

For further information or to register, please contact Deacon John McKeon at 201-444-0272 ext. 13.

WORD – Home

Sunday Readings – February 20, 2011

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Matthew 5:38-48

Sunday Readings – February 27, 2011

Isaiah 49:14-15

1 Corinthians 4:1-5

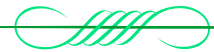
Matthew 6:24-34

YOUTH GROUP

"Speak only well of people and you'll never have to whisper."



HS YOUTH GROUP: We are participating tonight in "Service & Sleepover" – you must have signed up by last Friday in order to get your ticket to the movie (we are going to see "Just go for it" in Ridgewood), returning to the Parish Center for pizza and a sleepover with a service element. Bagels in the morning!



NEXT WEEK: MINUTE TO WIN IT...isn't just a TV game show – we are playing it next Sunday in the Gym starting at 7:00 PM. Please wear sneakers and old clothes in case some things are messy!! What a great night!!



COMING UP: Because we need to pay 2 weeks in advance, we have sent out a separate flyer for High School sign ups for **MEDIEVAL TIMES**. ALL ORDERS MUST BE IN BY MARCH 6TH because our ticket payment must be in by that time. The trip will be on Sunday, March 20th and we will be going to the 4:30 PM show. For more information, call Mrs. McCann at 201-444-0272 ext. 20. Space is limited to bus size, so please get your forms in to save yourself a spot.



JR. YOUTH GROUP: Coming up in March is **MONSTER MINI-GOLF!!** Please see your flyer and sign up early!! The trip is scheduled for Friday, March 18th.

ST. LUKE'S WOMEN'S FORUM ON SPIRITUALITY

Thursday, March 3, 2011, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Parish Office Meeting Room. At the Ministry Fair this Fall, over 40 women from St. Luke's expressed an interest in exploring ways to encourage and support Parish efforts, to develop opportunities for women of all ages, to identify Spirituality needs and for the Parish Community to promote resources. Please join Fr. Jim Weiner and others and share your ideas.

If you have any questions, contact Deacon John McKeon at 201-444-0272 ext. 13.

Catholic Story Hour



Last Friday we talked about the Liturgical Seasons of the Church and the Priest's garments. The children made their own paper doll Priests and paper garments to attach.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, March 4th, at 9:30 AM in the Parish Center. We will talk about Lent and Ash Wednesday.

If you would like to join us, please call me at 201-670-8856, or you can send an e-mail to annrald@hotmail.com or just stop in to try us out.

We have been canceling a few meetings because of illnesses and the weather, so please call me to make sure we will be there.

Thank you. Ann Woods.

PALMS TO ASHES.....



All are invited to bring back last year's palm and place it in the baskets at the Church entrances. The palm will be burned to make Ashes for Ash Wednesday, which is on March 9th this year.

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITY

Would you like to memorialize the Paschal Candle in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving, to honor a special birthday or anniversary or occasion in your family? Donations are now being accepted towards this year's Paschal Candle which will be blessed and lit at the Easter Vigil and lit all year long for funerals and baptisms. What a special way to remember someone you love! We are asking for \$100.00 per memorial and you can stop by the Parish Office for more information or to drop off the form below.

PASCHAL CANDLE MEMORIAL

Your Name _____

I would like to make my donation in memory of/in honor of/in thanksgiving for

New Energies PARISH PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

We are one in the Spirit,
we are one in the Lord!"

Women's Morning of Reflection

Mother Teresa, Dorothy Day, and Eileen Egan:
Portraits of a Holy Friendship

Ash Wednesday, March 9, 2011

10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

Church of the Presentation—Upper Saddle River

Mother Teresa, Dorothy Day and Eileen Egan have each been called "one of the most remarkable Catholic women of the 20th Century." Come to hear the surprising story of the abiding friendship among these three women. We will find in our "gallery tour" portraits of a shared vocational call, a love of the Eucharist, a commitment to servant leadership and a stance for peace. We will leave with a sense of gratitude for our own holy friends" who support us in our journey of faith. Presenter: Dr. Linda Baratte
Van transportation to and from St. Luke's available. We depart after the 8:30 AM Mass. Contact Deacon John McKeon at 201-444-0272 ext 13 by Monday, March 7th.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Volunteers needed!

We will be dyeing eggs, hiding plastic eggs and having an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 23rd on the field and in the Parish Center.

Anyone who would like to help before hand, on the day of or with coordinating our event, please contact Roz Kenny at 201-447-6187.

ARCHDIOCESE ANNIVERSARY LITURGIES

We are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of Christian marriage in the year 2011. These anniversary liturgies will be celebrated by Archbishop John J. Myers in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows:

April 3, 2010 3:00 PM 50 Years
(Essex and Union counties)

June 5, 2011 3:00 PM 50 Years
(Bergen and Hudson counties)

June 12, 2011 3:00 PM 25 Years and 5 Years
(All counties)

To register for any of the above listed events, contact Michele or Debbie in the Parish Office, 201-444-0272.

Something's Cooking at St. Luke's



10th Annual Lenten Dinner

Take-out or Eat-in at The Parish Center

Friday, March 11, 2011 ~ 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Meals prepared by TASTEFULLY BRITISH include: 6 oz. Cod Fillet or Chicken Fingers, French Fries, Coleslaw, Tartar Sauce, Ketchup, Malt Vinegar.

We will provide Dessert, Tea, Coffee and Soda

Dinners must be ordered by Monday, March 7, 2011

For further information, call Susan at 201-447-2779

FILL OUT ORDER FORM BELOW AND MAIL TO ST. LUKE'S. TICKETS WILL BE AT THE DOOR THE DAY OF THE EVENT. NO TICKETS WILL BE MAILED.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

St. Luke's Lenten Dinner Order Form

Something's Cooking at St. Luke's



Ticket # _____

Fish _____

Chicken _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Please make checks payable to:
St. Luke's Church
340 N. Franklin Tpke., Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Number of Dinners (regular price): \$12 Fish _____

Number of Dinners (regular price): \$12 Chicken _____

Number of Dinners (Senior price) \$11 Fish _____

Number of Dinners (Senior price): \$11 Chicken _____

Order Total: \$ _____

Take-out _____ Eat-in _____ Delivery _____
5:15-5:45 _____ (6:00-7:00 p.m.)

or 7:00-7:30 _____

(please check applicable time slot)

Delivery service is available to those who are homebound or have circumstances that prevent them from picking up their dinner(s). Call Susan at 201-447-9137 for delivery arrangements.

ST. LUKE'S 13TH ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S PARTY

DATE: Sunday, March 13, 2011

TIME: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

PLACE: St. Luke's Gym

Music by "Rob"

Irish Step Dancing, Face Painting, Clowns, Tricky Tray
Irish Pot of Gold" 50/50 Raffle

Cost: \$15 per Adult - Seniors \$12 (55 and older)
\$5 per Child (Children under 5 free)



Tickets on Sale at the Parish Office
Call Michele at 201-444-0272 Ext. 15

Tickets must be purchased by Thursday, March 3rd

*****PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS EARLY,
SEATING FOR 280!! EVENT HAS SOLD OUT FOR THE PAST TWELVE YEARS.*****
(No tickets sold at the door!!!)

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Rye Bread, Irish Soda Bread, Killion's Red, Coffee, Tea, Dessert
Hot Dogs, Ziti & Ice Cream for the Children Only
Catered by Helen & Sean Slattery of Slattery's Landing, Piermont, NY

Yes, the St. Luke's St. Patrick's Day Celebration sounds like great fun. I (we) would like to attend!

Name _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

of Adults _____ # of Seniors _____ # of Children 5 & over _____ # of Children under 5 years _____

Amount enclosed: _____ (PLEASE DO **NOT** COMBINE THIS PAYMENT WITH ANY OTHER!)

I would like to sit with _____ /OR/ _____ **No preference as to seating**

ASSIGNED SEATING ONLY

For reservations contact Michele at 201-444-0272 ext. 15
Please mail or bring this form with your payment to the Parish Office at:
St. Luke's Church, 340 North Franklin Turnpike, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423

“Angels for St. Anthony”

Prom Dress Collection



Do you have prom dresses, shoes and accessories in your closet that you don't know what to do with? Angels for St. Anthony is a group of parishioners who has been in touch with St. Anthony's School in Jersey City and will be collecting gently used prom dresses for the girls at the school for their Jr./Sr. Prom in May. Many of these girls can't afford to buy that very special dress. The collection will take place on Tuesday, March 1st and Wednesday, March 2nd in the Parish Office in order for us to get the dresses to St. Anthony's in time for their prom.

All dresses must be less than five years old, in like new condition and dry cleaned. We will also be accepting like new prom shoes, purses, jewelry and any other accessories that can be used for the evening. All items can be dropped off from 9 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. both days. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 201-444-0272 or Carol Courtney at 201-652-0494. Thank you as always for your generosity!

ST. LUKE'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



To the Men of St. Luke's,

We wanted to bring a very enjoyable and rewarding organization to your attention: The Knights of Columbus. We are the world's largest Catholic men's organization with over 1.8 million men worldwide. Pope John Paul II has called us the strong right arm of the Church. As Knights, we take pride in supporting our Church and Parish.

The Knights of Columbus has four principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. By following these principals we are able to help those in need. Through its fund raising, the Saint Luke's Knights of Columbus have donated to local organizations such as the Bergen Wildcats, Meaningful Movements and other well-known organizations, such as Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and Autism Speaks. If there is a need, either local or worldwide, the Knights are always willing to help.

If you are 18 years of age, a practicing Catholic with the Church and are looking for a rewarding experience – come and grow in your faith, come and support your Church – join the Knights of Columbs!

For further information or if you have any questions, please visit our website at www.kofc5257.org or email us at kofc5257membership@gmail.com or you may call 201-493-7776.

Thank you & God bless –

The Saint Luke's Knights of Columus

St. Luke's Lenten Mission 2011

Monday, March 21st, Tuesday, March 22nd and Wednesday, March 23rd

During 8:30 AM Mass

Evenings: 7:30 PM – In the Church

All are Welcome!

COME TO THE LORD & GET A NEW LIFE!



A Franciscan Mission Conducted by:

Father Kevin Cronin, O.F.M.

Nightly topics Include:

- ❖ *All you need is Love!* In the face of violence & injustice it is tempting to abandon our belief in a God of Love. We proclaim that God does indeed hold each of us in a loving embrace, which gives us the strength to carry on, as well as the ability to reach out to those in need.
- ❖ *Let there be peace on earth!* In a world that more and more seeks to resolve conflict through retaliation, punishment & violence, we proclaim a God who is merciful and who always seeks to forgive and who calls us to become peace-makers by forgiving those who have wronged us, and by accepting His Gift of mercy for ourselves.
- ❖ *Lord, you can heal me!* In spite of the advances made in medicine & technology, suffering & sorrow still afflict the human heart. We proclaim through the death and resurrections of Jesus Christ people of today can find healing, restoration & new hope!