



ST. LUKE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Second Sunday of the Season of Advent

DECEMBER 8, 2024

SUNDAY HOLY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5pm | Sunday 7:30am, 9am (Italian), 10:30am, 12 Noon, 5:00pm

DAILY MASSES

Monday to Friday 12 Noon + Saturday 8:30am

THE PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor Very Rev. John J. Costello, V.E.

Parochial Vicar Fr. Chin Nguyen

Permanent Deacon Deacon John P. Kramer

In Residence Most Rev. Raymond F. Chappetto, DD and
Rev. William F. Krlis

Director of Religious Education Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J.

Pastoral Associate Sister Theresa Agliardi, R.S.M.

Principal Mrs. Jan Brunswick

Director of Music Jessica Tranzillo-Smith

Confessions Saturday 3:30PM - 4:30PM; and by appointment or when requested.

The Rectory is the home of our Priests as well as the site of the parish offices. Please call ahead before coming with parish business in order that your inquiry will be assisted by a knowledgeable staff person.

First Friday - additional 8:30AM Mass when school is in session.

Eucharistic Adoration - First Fridays after Noon Mass with Benediction at 2:00PM; Saturdays during confessions from 3:30PM with Benediction at 4:30PM.

DEVOTIONS

The Holy Rosary precedes the noon Mass Monday to Friday and the 8:30AM on Saturday.

The Miraculous Medal Novena follows Noon Mass every Monday.

The Charismatic Prayer Group meets Tuesdays at 7:30PM.

The Italian Charismatic Prayer Group meets Thursdays at 7:30PM.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM.

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism of Infants Please call Sister Theresa at 718-746-8531 to schedule a baptism interview.

Weddings Please contact one of the priests **prior to making plans with a wedding hall**. The Bishop requires, in all cases, that weddings be set no later than six months prior to the date.

Order of Christian Initiation (O.C.I.A.) Interested in becoming a Catholic? Need to receive Communion and Confirmation? Call Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J. at (718) 746-3409.

Ministry to the Sick

If anyone is confined to home and unable to come to Mass, please call the Rectory to arrange to have the sacraments brought. If you foresee hospitalization, please call the Rectory and arrange to be anointed.

SAINT LUKE SCHOOL www.slswhitestone.org

16-01 Msgr. Dillon Place, (150 Place) Whitestone, NY

718-746-3833 | Mrs. Jan Brunswick, Principal

Our school serves the community with classes from Nursery through Eighth Grade. 718-344-7620.

School of Religion Offering Religious Education classes to our young people attending public school. Our Director of Religious Education, Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J., can be reached in her rectory office at 718-746-3409.

Volunteers are always welcome.

Music Office Jessica Tranzillo-Smith is our parish Director of Music. She can be reached at the Music Office at 718-746-8102 Ext.30

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, December 7

- 8:30** Rosaria DeFalco
5:00 Pat & George McGlinchey, Joseph Senica,
Giuseppe Matrullo, Venerable Servant of
God Cardinal Fulton Sheen, Colman Burke,
Jose Bastidas

Sunday, December 8

- 7:30** Joseph Senica
9:00 Frank Morelli, Maria & Margherita DeLuca,
Pasqualina Natale, Ringraziamento Sacro
Cuore di Gesu Sacro Cuore di Maria
10:30 Purgatorial Society
12:00 Pro Populo
5:00 Maria Costanzo

Monday, December 9

- 8:30** Pro Populo
12:00 Alojz Trajbar

Tuesday, December 10

- 8:30** Anne & John Murphy and their son Lt. Col.
Michael Murphy USMC
12:00 Gino Persic & Family

Wednesday, December 11

- 12:00** Mario Kranjac

Thursday, December 12

- 8:30** Kate Tierney
12:00 Rocco Michielli

Friday, December 13

- 12:00** Antonella Mattina

Saturday, December 14

- 8:30** Angela Avena
5:00 Angela Avena, Eva Guevara, Joseph & Angela
Giglio & Leslie Thorsen

Sunday, December 15

- 7:30** Purgatorial Society
9:00 Frank Morelli, Pasquale & Lillina Marie
Russo, Luigi Attanasio, Rosa & Mike
D'Aquila, Associazione Sacchese Santa Lucia,
Salvatore DiSalvo, Ivan Klaric
10:30 Angela Avena
12:00 Joseph Croce
5:00 Pro Populo

MEMORIALS



The Altar Bread is given in memory of
Louis Bridda
Requested by
Lori Wakie & Family

The Altar Wine is given in memory of
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Requested by
Lori Wakie & Family

The Sanctuary Lamp is given in memory of
Theresa and Giuseppe Matrullo
Requested by
Claudia Morelli

The Altar Candles are given in memory of
Angela Avena
Requested by
Rosa & Giovanni Donofrio

There are no Altar Flower memorials during Advent

PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

<i>LORRAINE ALLESI</i>	<i>MADELINE KARLITZ</i>
<i>ANTHONY BALDO</i>	<i>LILY MORALES</i>
<i>SELENE BELESIS</i>	<i>KATHLEEN O'CONNELL</i>
<i>EDWARD BLAKLEY</i>	<i>GIUSEPPE RAELE</i>
<i>JOHN ANTHONY BURKE</i>	<i>JOSE MANUEL SILVA</i>
<i>EILEEN BYHENY</i>	<i>CAROLINE SAPORITO</i>
<i>GRACE DAVIS</i>	<i>MARIANNA TOTINO</i>
<i>NOREEN DONOHER</i>	<i>MARY VARLESE</i>
<i>LOUISA DUME</i>	<i>JOSEPH T. VERNICE</i>
<i>CAROLLYNN FREDA</i>	<i>MILLIE WEIGL</i>
<i>ROSA GALEJ</i>	<i>JANET</i>
<i>SR. MARY HELENE</i>	
<i>JAKUBOWSKI, RSM</i>	

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY



Jorge Martinez
Mary Ann Jordan
Joseph John Durkin

Dear Friends,

November 30—December 1	
5:00PM	189
7:30AM	76
9:00AM	62
10:30AM	216
12:00PM	192
5:00PM	101
TOTAL	836

On this second Sunday of Advent we are introduced to the figure of John the Baptist. We hear no word from John; instead, we are told that the word of God came to him in the desert. Luke then explains how John fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah: “*A voice of one crying out in the desert: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.’*” We know how sometimes our lives seem to pull us in different directions with obligations, responsibilities, and temptations overwhelming us. Advent encourages us to focus on Jesus and to listen – to create the quiet and the space to make a straight path to the Lord.

This year the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to Monday and the obligation to attend Mass remains. God anticipated the Incarnation by having Mary conceived without sin. This great privilege not only readies Mary for the Annunciation, where she makes herself completely available to God’s will, but it allows her to be the best possible Mother for Jesus as he was raised in Nazareth and ultimately made the journey to the Cross. Here at St. Luke we will celebrate Mass tomorrow at 8:30 AM and 12:00 PM. Locally St. Mel will have a mass at 7:00pm.



On Thursday this week, we also celebrate Mary as Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of the Americas. If you are unfamiliar with the image, it’s worth a Google search to find articles or videos describing this garment. Juan Diego’s tilma with the miraculous image of the Blessed Mother has endured for almost 500 years; typically, the fibers that are found in the tilma deteriorate in about 15-20 years. The stars on the mantle represent the stars that were in the sky at the time. The image keeps a constant temperature of 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit. Mary’s eye captures the image of the people in the crowd when Juan Diego opened the tilma in the presence of the bishop. The tilma even survived a bombing of the basilica that destroyed everything near it in 1921. Beyond the tilma, the enduring presence of Mary as an intercessor and patroness is what makes this feast so precious for Christians in North, Central and South Americas. *Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!*

Next Saturday the parish council has planned a Christmas party for the children of the parish. After the 5:00 PM Mass there will be cocoa, crafts, and other activities. We are also asking that they bring a new, unwrapped toy for a child in need. All parish children are welcome, and I am sure it will be a fun evening. Please see the flyer in the bulletin.

In two weeks we will welcome Deacon Callistus Ibeh back to St. Luke! He will serve as deacon and preach at the 10:30 AM Mass on December 21st, and we will have a reception afterwards to give parishioners an opportunity to greet him. We look forward to his ordination to the priesthood next June! Let us continue to pray for vocations.

With love and prayers,
Fr. John Costello

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Masses, Prayer Groups, Meetings and Parish Events

<p>SUNDAY December 8 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i></p>	<p>7:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Italian Mass 10:30 AM Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 2;30 PM Magnificat—Christmas Concert 5:00 PM Mass</p>
<p>MONDAY December 9 <i>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i></p>	<p>8:30 AM Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 6:30 PM Italian School 7:00 PM Community Board</p>
<p>TUESDAY December 10</p>	<p>8:30 AM Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 12:45 PM Advent Faith Sharing 3:00 PM Youth Choir</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY December 11</p>	<p>12:00 Noon Mass 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Sunday Scripture Sharing</p>
<p>THURSDAY December 12 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i></p>	<p>8:30 AM Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 6:00 PM Bereavement Group 7:30 PM Italian Charismatic Prayer Group</p>
<p>FRIDAY December 13 <i>Saint Lucy, virgin and Martyr</i></p>	<p>12:00 Noon Mass 7:30 PM AA</p>
<p>SATURDAY December 14 <i>Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i></p>	<p>8:30 AM Mass 12:30 PM Baptisms 3:30 PM Confessions 5:00 PM Mass 6:00 PM Family Evening with St. Nick</p>
<p>SUNDAY December 15 <i>Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday</i></p>	<p>7:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Italian Mass 10:30 AM Mass 12:00 Noon Mass 5:00 PM Mass</p>



Welcome
TO
St. Luke Church

MISSION STATEMENT

As a community of believers in Jesus Christ and in Communion with the Universal Church, we strive to follow the Lord's command to love God and one another. Rooted in word and sacraments as we grow together a Eucharistic community inviting all to the Good News of Jesus.

Our Church is open for private prayer from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm each weekday. Take advantage of the opportunity to spend some quiet time in prayer and reflection.



At 11:15 am from Monday to Friday, parishioners pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass. All are welcome! If you cannot join in person, please join them spiritually.

If you wish to register as a parishioner of St. Luke Church, please stop by the Rectory Office during regular office hours where you can pick up a census card which can be filled out or returned by mail or in the Sunday Collection Basket.

You can even download the census card online.

Please check our website:
stlukewhitestone.org

Kindly let us know if you would like to receive weekly offering envelopes.



We Remember

MEMORIALS DECEMBER 1ST -7TH, 2024



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Christine Wylie
Requested by
Carol & Bill Chimento

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Requested by
Carol & Bill Chimento

The Sanctuary Lamp is given in memory of
Salvatore Oppedisano
Requested by
Laurie & Paul Robilotto

The Altar Candles are given in memory of
Salvatore Barretta
Requested by
Antoinetta Barretta & Family

There are no Altar Flower memorials during Advent

Collective Intentions Mass

Several times a year we celebrate a Collective Intentions Mass, on a Saturday at Noon, for parishioners to have the opportunity to remember their loved ones. We celebrate these to memorialize the special anniversaries of our loved one's passing.

Our organist and cantor are there to help lead and accompany our celebration.

This December 7th we remember:

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|-------------------|----------------|
| Raymond Arel | Armando Campos |
| Angela Avena | Lucio Matrullo |
| Clement Gallagher | |
| Pietro Paolo | |
| Louis Torre | |

Upcoming Dates
January 18, 2025

\$50 offering is requested.



four WAYS to GIVE
at Saint Luke's

SUNDAY

December 1, 2024
\$12,825



Mobile Giving

Text directly 929-209-6614 to send your offering via message.



Drop Off or In-Person

You may drop off your envelopes in the collection basket at mass or in the rectory office.



Mail-In

St. Luke's Church
1634 Clintonville St.
Whitestone, NY 11357



Online Giving

Scan this code or visit our platform online at givecentral.org/location/614

Saturday Adoration

Spend some time with Our Lord

3:30 till 4:30
During Confessions

St. Luke Parish
GOAL: \$100,274

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

We are over our goal!

So far ...
206 donors
\$115,365 pledged
115% of goal
Avg. gift: \$560.00

Ms. Nayibe Berger
Bishop Raymond Chappetto
Mr. Barry Collins
Walinda & Luigi Esposito

ACA 2023 Final Results:
261 donors
\$125,880.00

Thank you!

Bambinelli Blessing

Sunday, December 15, 2024
Bring Baby Jesus from your Nativity for a special blessing at all Masses.

ADVENT

Faith Sharing

Sr. Theresa and Mary Pollini will offer the opportunity to prayerfully reflect on the Gospels of the four Sundays of Advent.

Our group will meet on Tuesdays after the 12:00 Noon Mass in Church

November 26th December 3rd December 10th
& December 17th

For more information - Call Sr. Theresa
718-746-8531

Epiphany Parish Volunteer Party

Saturday, January 4 at 6:00 PM

All adult ministers, committee members, and those who volunteer in any way are invited to a celebration to thank you for your service to our parish community.

Name: _____

Ministry: _____

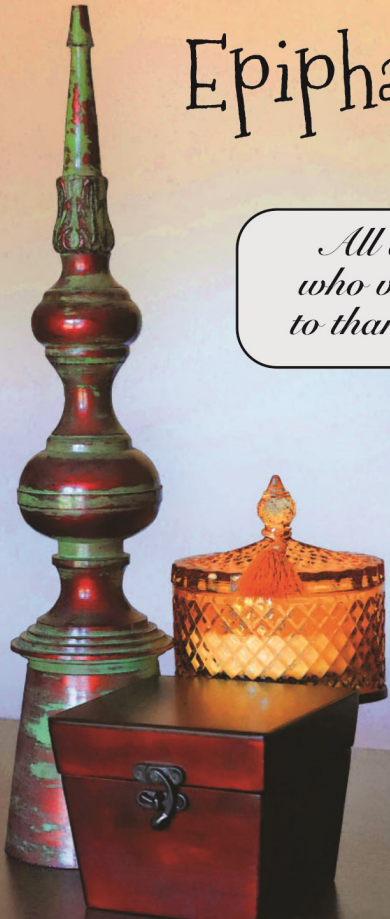
Cell phone: _____

Email: _____

Number attending: _____

Please RSVP by Sunday, December 29

Return this form in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory.



SYMBOLON
THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED
Part I - Knowing the Faith

Join us for an experience of
ADULT FAITH FORMATION.
Knights of Columbus will satisfy
COR
by participating.

Saturdays in 2025 after the 8:30 AM Mass

January 25	The Journey of Faith: Trinity, Faith & the God Who Is Love
February 1	Divine Revelation: God Seeking Us & the Compass of Our Lives
February 8	The Bible: God's Love Letter to Humanity
March 1	The Story of Salvation: Creation, Fall, & Redemption
March 8	Who Is Jesus? Just a Good Man or Lord of Our Lives
March 15	The Paschal Mystery: The Mystery of Jesus's Death & Resurrection
March 22	The Holy Spirit & the Life of Grace: God's Divine Life Within Us
March 29	Why Do I Need the Church? The Mystery of the Catholic Church
April 5	Mary & the Saints: Our Spiritual Mother & the Communion of Saints
April 12	The Last Things: What Happens After We Die?

in the Monsignor Tosi Pastoral Center

All are welcome!

Please respond by January 19

Name _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Enclose \$25 if you would like to purchase the Participant's Guide

St. Luke's Golden Age
Christmas Party
Thursday, Dec. 12th
from 1-5pm at Verdi's in Whitestone

All are welcome!! Join us for holiday fun with all your friends!

\$75

50/50, Raffles and DJ

Our sit down lunch will include: Antipasto, salad, pasta, choice of entrée, and wine and/or soda.

All Tickets must be purchased in advanced. Tickets will be available in the Rectory and at Golden Age Meetings

Sunday Scripture Sharing
 with Deacon John Kramer

Wednesdays at 7:30 PM
 Msgr. Tosi Pastoral Center

Join others as we reflect on the upcoming Sunday Scriptures, discuss Church teachings, and open ourselves to the Holy Spirit.

All are Welcome!

Congratulations!
Deacon Callistus



Deacon Callistus will come on Sunday, December 22 10:30 AM to preach and serve as a deacon.

Light refreshments after Mass.
 All are welcome!

Take an ornament

Buy a \$25 gift card

Attach ornament to gift card

Return by December 15

Giving TREE

Please no cash, checks or gifts.

This is only for gift cards to the stores listed on the ornaments.

God bless you for your generosity!



St. Luke Evening with St. Nick for Families



Cocoa,
Crafts,
Raffle
Baskets
and
more...

Saturday, December 14, 2024
after the 5pm mass
in the Msgr. Tosi Pastoral Center



'Tis the Season to Give -
Bring a NEW unwrapped toy
for a child in need



Pre-Registration Required
Deadline: Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Use the QR code to register your children
or fill out the form below and return it to the rectory
Note: All children must be accompanied by their parent/guardian.

Parent's First Name (Print) _____

Parent's Last Name (Print) _____

Children _____ Parent's Cell Phone Number: _____

Parent's Email: _____

Names and Ages of Children Attending:

- | | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| 1. _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Child #1's First Name | Child #1's Last Name | Child #1's Age |
| 2. _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Child #2's First Name | Child #2's Last Name | Child #2's Age |
| 3. _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Child #3's First Name | Child #3's Last Name | Child #3's Age |
| 4. _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Child #4's First Name | Child #4's Last Name | Child #4's Age |
| 5. _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Child #5's First Name | Child #5's Last Name | Child #5's Age |

Attached are additional names on another page

Christmas Tree Light Memorials

Merry Christmas from
Liliana & Madyline Karp Love Nana
& Pa

Merry Christmas from
Kirk Family
In loving memory of
Eugene Jordan

Merry Christmas from
Marianna, Peter, Gabriella &
Christina
In loving memory of
Salvatore D'Amico

Merry Christmas from
Roseanne & Peter Raccasi
In loving memory of
The deceased members of the
Raccasi Family
Marie Foglia

Merry Christmas from
Madeline Bullaro
In loving memory of
St. Joseph
St. Anthony

Merry Christmas from
Maryann Sessa
In loving memory of
Dominick Sessa
Raffaella Sessa

Merry Christmas from
Rosanna Lombardi
In loving memory of
Pat Lombardi
Benny Lombardi
Anna Lombardi
Francesco DiBiase
Teresa DiBiase
Michele DiBiase
Pietro DiBiase
Agnese Iacampo
Carmela D'Aquila
Rosa D'Aquila

Merry Christmas from
Patrick & Nancy Russo
In loving memory of
Anthony Caccavale
Monsignor John Lavin
Monsignor John Tosi
Monsignor John Delendick
Monsignor William Flood
Monsignor Martin Geraghty
Brother Ronald Moore OSF
Brother Robert Smith OSF
Brother DeSales Pergola OSF
Brother James McVeigh OSF

Merry Christmas from
Patrick & Nancy Russo
In loving memory of
Joseph Russo
Lucy Russo
John Caputo
Nancy Caputo
Anthony Caputo
Angela Caputo
Debbie Caputo
Tony Caccavale
Eleanor Caccavale
Margie Romano

Merry Christmas from
Thomas & Madeline Bullaro
In loving memory of
Michael Colasuonno
Vincent & Josephine Bullaro
Angelo & Josephine Furnari
Margaret & Frank Pollizzi
Grandparents

Merry Christmas from
Mary McKell
In loving memory of
James T. Garvey
Kathleen S. Brennan
Vishno Brennan
Michael Snell
Bernard McNally
Eugene J. Curnyn

Merry Christmas from
Carmela Cerasuolo & Family
In loving memory of
Mario Cerasuolo
Angelo Cerasuolo
Felicia Cerasuolo
Carmine Rizzo
Filomena Rizzo
Mario Polito

<p>Merry Christmas from Pat McGlinch In loving memory of John Fanning Val & Ed Flynn</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Their Daughter In loving memory of Italia Lisanti Donato Lisanti</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Their Neice In loving memory of Amedeo Basile Ophelia Giannattasio</p>
<p>Merry Christmas from Michael & Janet Smith In loving memory of Eileen & Thomas Murphy Helen & Robert Smith Mathew Horan & Ida Horan Mary Jean Smith & Mike Cipriano</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Jack & Olinda Franceschetti In loving memory of Tito D'Urso Pia Franceschetti Domenick Franceschetti</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Adrienne & James Druiett In loving memory of Joan Schliessman Therese Anne Hauser Connie Druiett David (Don) Friedman</p>
<p>Merry Christmas from Elia & Maria D'Urso In loving memory of Tito D'Urso Angelo Polito</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Patsy In loving memory of Mom & Daddy "O" McGlinchey Glen McGlinchey Denis & Denise Duggan Eileen & donald Duggan</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Natasha Reggio In loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Onorato Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Lima Mrs. Catherine Cush Mr. Danny Reggio</p>
<p>Merry Christmas from Phyllis Tesoriere In loving memory of Peter Tesoriere Phyllis Tesoriere Angelo Scavone Vincenza Scavone Rosemarie Calle</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from In loving memory of Angela Avena Pietro Paolo Rose Peluso Franca Zecca Sadie Barge</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Cathy & Joe Durkin In loving memory of Frank Durkin Charlie Schaudel Bobby Irwin Maureen Heap Hugh McGrellis</p>
<p>Merry Christmas from Christine Campbell In loving memory of Andrew C. Marzano Vincenza Marzano Orazio Marzano Philomena Marzano Gandolfo Russo Mary Russo Lena Crimarco Angela Maraventano Laura Blasi</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Rita Cumbo In loving memory of Joseph Cumbo Rocco Mercurio Natalie Mercurio Angelo Pensa Lawrence Pensa Frances Pensa Marietta Cumbo EnzaMarie Cumbo/Bogler All Souls Angela Pensa</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Anthony Liuzzi Jr. & Carmen Salas In loving memory of Nestor Orches Sofia De Orches Mery Salas Julio Javier Salas Anthony Liuzzi Sr. Christina Liuzzi Mary Liuzzi John Liuzzi Frank Liuzzi Sr. Josephine Liuzzi</p>

<p>Merry Christmas from Maria Grazia D'Amico In loving memory of Salvatore D'Amico</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from The Licata Family In loving memory of Frank A. Licata</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from The Kid In loving memory of Adeline Van Note</p>
<p>Merry Christmas from Coach In loving memory of Stephen Paczkowski</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Patrice Woehling In loving memory of Deceased Members of the Beechhurst Women's Club</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from In loving memory of Ray Baxter</p>
<p>Merry Christmas from His Wife In loving memory of William McInerney</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Christine Kromer In loving memory of Adeline & Frank DeSanna Mary Del Vicario</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Peter Muteba In loving memory of Ellen & George Paul Maryann Dowers</p>
<p>In loving memory of Zdravko Colak Zdravka Goglia Mirjana Jurcic Blaz Colak Monsignor John Tosi Giacomo Goglia Deceased Members of the Matosin Family Deceased Members of the Goglia Family Deceased Members of the Colak Family Deceased Memembers of the Beretin Family</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Steve & Janice Hess In loving memory of John D'Onofrio Orsola D'Onofrio Patricia Bontemps Harry & Adrienne D'Onofrio Raymond & Sylvia Hess Betty Hess Anne Krysztoforski Nicola & Concetta Petrella Angelina & Vincenzo D'Onofrio Raymon & Elsie Hess</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Frank Grippi In loving memory of Casey Grippi Joseph Romano Vito Loiacono Francesco Grippi Casey Romano Francesca Grippi Lenny Saputo Vincent Torre Adrianna Grippi Leonarda Romano</p>
<p>In loving memory of Francesco & Concetta Davi Alberto & Mary Ronci Antonio Davi Dennis Martinelli Sarah DeFalco Harry Stafiliias Allanna Conneely</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Sandra Valenza In loving memory of Dominick Valenza Joe Valenza</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Annette Neglia In loving memory of Damiano & Maria Scardamaglia Matteo & Francesca Neglia John Connell Michael Connell Rosa Scardamaglia</p>

<p>Merry Christmas from Mary & Bob Burns In loving memory of Lilian & Howard Noeth Helen & George Burns</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Michelle & Spencer Lui In loving memory of Frank Tarantino Sr. Michelle Weidenbach</p>	
<p>Merry Christmas from Edna Z. Stern In loving memory of Frank & Lillian Zingarelli Deceased Members of the Zingarelli Family Fillipo and Antonina DiStefano Steven Stern Michael Sblendorio Deceased Members of the DiStefano Family</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Jessica Tranzillo Smith In loving memory of Joseph B. Smith Charles A. Mallia Dominic Tranzillo Angela Tranzillo Nina Tranzillo Katie Tranzillo Deceased Members of the St. Luke Choir</p>	
<p>Merry Christmas from Bishop Raymond Chappetto In loving memory of Vera Chappetto Louis J Chappetto Charles J. Chappetto Thomas A. Chappetto Sr. Mary Louise Sarra MSBT Grace E. DeNigris Emily G. Fisher Winifred McGuire Madeline Paskey Rev. Msgr. John C. Tosi</p>	<p>Merry Christmas from Mary Chianese In loving memory of Anthony Chianese Tom Chianese Brigida Chianese Carmella Chianese Charles Tomeo Anna Tomeo Louis Tomeo Charles Tomeo Jr. Msgr. John Tosi Joseph Valenza</p>	

This spring, join
ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY
for online and in-person degree and certificate programs in Catholic Theology



REGISTRATION FOR SPRING 2025 IS OPEN!

<p>Theology Degree and Certificate Programs</p>	<p>Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Theology</p>
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CONTACT ADMISSIONS NOW!
914-367-8145 | sjsacademics@dunwoodie.edu
www.dunwoodie.edu



AUTO DONATIONS



The Associated Vincentian Charities will take any car, truck, or van, running or not, and donate \$75 to \$200 to St. Luke Church.

Any condition, free towing, and IRS tax deduction.

Call **718-491-2525**

Visit us at svdpauto-brooklynqueens.org

Vestment Memorials

In memory of
Ron Giurdanella

In memory of
Deceased in Avena & Paolo
Families
from Sandra Paolo

In memory of
Kate Tierney
from Claire Tierney

In memory of
Joseph Berardi
with love from
Berardi, Cazzorla & Kearns
Families

In memory of
Joseph B. Smith
from Jessica Smith

In memory of
Lillian & Frank Zingarelli
and Steven Stern
from Edna Stern



Teen and Adult Coat Drive


WHEN: December 1st through January 4th
WHERE: Rectory of St. Fidelis
123-06 14th Ave
College Point, NY 11356

Donors can leave donations in bags at the rectory during business hours specifying that they are for Sr. Ruth's Street Outreach.

*Used coats are fine if they are *gently* used and cleaned*

VICKIE Paladino
new york city council

ST FIDELIS R.C. CHURCH
STREET OUTREACH



Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve
4:00 PM – Children's Nativity
6:00 PM
10:00 PM

Christmas Day
9:00 AM – Italian
10:30 AM
12:00 PM

Congratulations to our November Students of the Month who all modeled "Responsibility."

N: Cara Lombardozzi

PK: Sophia Yoon

K: Olivia Canale

1-1: Lenny Petroglia

1-2: Anthony Davide

2: Chloe Luli

3-1: Matteo Amato

3-2: Giavanna Barone

4-1: Isabella Mucciacciaro

4-2: Madison Riccardi

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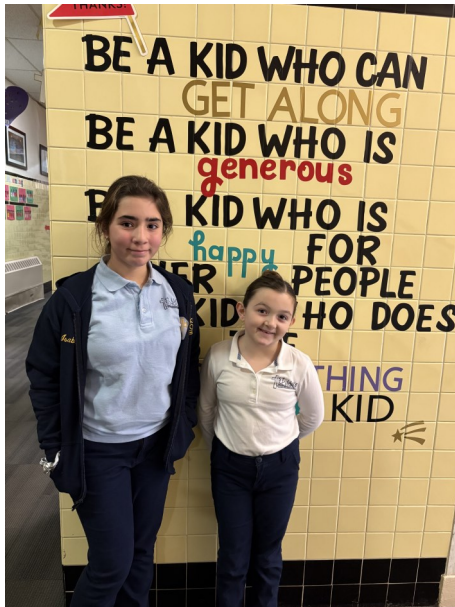
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Last week St. Luke collected over 170 boxes of food and over \$777.00 in cash donations for additional food, totaling over 4,200 pounds for our local food Pantries at Grace Church, St. Fidelis RC Church, St. John the Baptist RC Church in Brooklyn, St. Mary/St. Gertrude RC Church in Rockaway, Sister Ruth Lauth's Street Outreach, and St. Leo RC Church.



We would like to thank all who helped and donated to the Food Drive!

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Adult classes are held between 6:30 pm-8:30 pm.



**For more information,
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PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR CHRISTMAS

RECONCILIATION *Monday*

**Monday,
December 16,
2024**

2 PM - 4 PM

6 PM - 8 PM

Check with local parishes for languages and alternate times.



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*Pray for those who have lost loved ones.
May they rest in peace.*



CALLING ALL ANGELS AND SHEPHERDS

We would like to invite all parish children in grades 2 and 3 to participate in a special Mass on Christmas Eve, and help to re-enact the Birth of Jesus.

Christmas Eve Children's Mass
Tuesday, December 24th at 4:00 PM

Costumes will be provided

Please fill in the below information (print):

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent's Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Please return this form in the Sunday collection basket, to the school or to the Rectory Office by Tuesday, December 10th.

Additional information will be provided to those who register (practice day, costume distribution, etc.)

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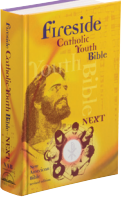
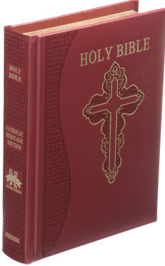
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laughter	Lord	among	mouths	nations
men	said	great	things	tongues
back	when	songs	brought	

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