



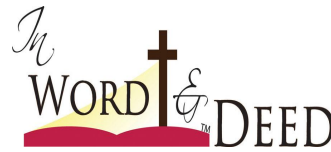
Saint Luke the Evangelist

A Roman Catholic Community
Serving the People of Westborough Since 1870

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT February 25, 2018

*Then a cloud came,
casting a shadow over them;
then from the cloud came
a voice, "This is my beloved
Son. Listen to him."*

Mark 9:7 (NAB)



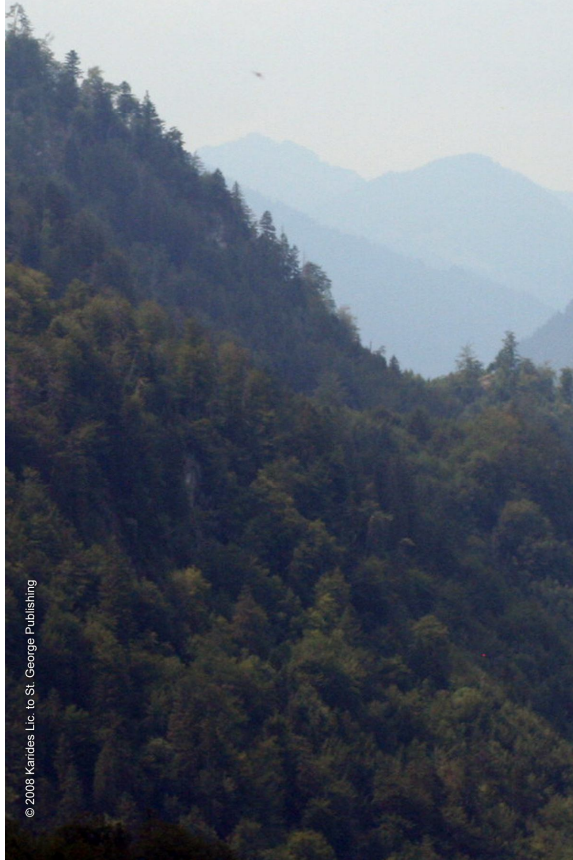
Community colleges often offer developmental courses in math, writing, and study skills.

As students master basic skills, teachers encourage them to focus on the goal: a new career, a degree, advancement at work or personal pride in completing their education. Keeping an eye on the goal can inspire, motivate, and energize us to achieve great things. When we remember what we set out to do, we can push ourselves to go the extra mile with confidence. You might even call it a mission.

Jesus will entrust His mission to the Apostles. His passion, death and resurrection will severely test their faith. And so, on the mountain, Jesus gives them a glimpse of the glory that will be theirs, the goal that will keep them focused and faithful. With Moses and Elijah, who represent the Law and the Prophets, Jesus shows Himself as fulfilling all the hopes and prayers of the past. In the glory of the Resurrection, all will be transformed by God's saving grace.

As we follow Jesus, we strive to be more like Him, doing the Lord's work through good works, prayers and our worship together. In word and deed, we give witness to the Lord, showing others the power of God in our lives and in theirs. We reflect to others the promise of faith, which is a share in God's glory. It is through grace that we are shaped and molded into the image of Christ, as we share His life, His grace and His destiny. Stay focused on the goal and you will complete your mission.

James Gaffney



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Today's readings can be found in the *Gather Hymnal* page 1020

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 24

5:00pm **Bertha "Bertie" Rahmig**
(10th Anv.) by Nancy Papp Anton & family

Sunday, February 25

7:30am **Patrick Kearney**
by Karen Minardi
9:00am **Vilsaint Revost & Celinice Milien**
by their family

11:00am **Margaret Revine Barry**
by her family

6:30pm **Betty Parry**
by the Youth Ministry

Monday, February 26

9:00am **Kathleen Despres**
by Forever Young

Tuesday, February 27

9:00am **Nonnie Anderson (5th Anv.)**
by her family

Wednesday, February 28

9:00am **Joseph Sessa**
by Gloria Josephs

Thursday, March 1

9:00am **Special Intention**
By Gloria

Friday, March 2

9:00am **Souls in Purgatory**
by the Savoie family

Saturday, March 3

8:00am **Jeffrey May**
by Ann-Marie

5:00pm **Patrick Kearney (5th Anv.)**
By Karen Minardi

Sunday, March 4

7:30am **Ellen Ryan**
9:00am **Evelyn Cummins**
11:00am **Pen Thompson**
6:30pm **Ann Meaney**

Pray the Rosary
Monday through Friday
after the 9:00 Mass
Cenacle Monday at 6:30PM



Please pray for...

Nancy Papp Anton, Patricia Amorelli, Connor Blaney, Cheri McGee, Kim Evans, Beverly Taylor, Sharon Beaulieu, James Wright, Evelyn Croteau, Beth Lambert, Joe Gonzales, Zachary Collins, Grace Roche, Elise Renee, Ann Tisbert, Patrick, Christine, Robert Coutinho, Toby Claufon, William Carr, Charles Flynn, Becky Rawson, Richard Renaud, Russell Gazzana, Abelardo Prodigalidad, Bill Miller, Erin Magrane, Don McLatchey, Ellie Carlson, Epifania Soto, Jane Burke, Hayleigh Scott, Dorothy Clinton, Sr. Pamela Philbin, Karen Mooney, Luis Ferreria, Helen Galica, Melinda O'Connor, Erik Olsen, Vicki Foley, Rosemary Bartolini, Jack Curtin, Jim Bennett, Neil Kenny, Paul Fallon, Carole & Pam Laino, Sharon Magnetti, Gregg Merloni, Tome Valadao, Melvin Boucher, T.J. Bautz, Ronald Cox, Joan Fallon, Joan Antonio, David Perry, Lucia Engdahl, John Durnan, Linda Darby, Judy Melfa, Claire Kennedy, Connie Heagerty, Maria Matejko, Kevin & Donna Brennan, Richard Carey, Emiliano Cuellar, Donna Butler, James Thomas, Teresa Putnam, Christina Narensky, Lynn St. Jean, Michael Berthuime, Trisha Suzi, Norman Beland, Margaret Markert, Susan Garry, Barbara Auger, Ann Price, Barbara Barnes, Doris Biedermann, Joan Finnerty, Jeanne Amendola, Jack Walker, Daniel Baker, Ruth Davoe, Robert Trant, Michael McAndless, Michael Del Pozzo, Elizabeth Flynn, Richard Samson, Marie Paradis, Joel Rivera, Gary Shults, Isla Winnie Bassler, Corine Sciarappa, John Lynch, Kristy Cautello, Joseph Malzone, Lois Kerbel, Carol Guarino, Michael Turpin, Debbie Krikler, Sally Gagliardi, Sam Mozley, Carson Wong,

PARISH PRAYER LINE 508.366.6916

Names of individuals on the Prayer Line are not published in the bulletin
Let us remember to pray for all the men and women and their families who are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan

We remember those who have died...

Margaret Donellen, Robert Tufts, William Montgomery

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & ADORATION

TUESDAY 9:30AM TO 6:30PM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET AT 3:00PM

PRAYER FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE AT 6:00PM

ADORATION MUSIC AT 6:10PM

BENEDICTION AT 6:30PM



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 1st Sunday of each month

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45PM ~ also by personal request
Reconciliation Room is handicapped accessible

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact a Priest at least six months in advance

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Our extraordinary ministers are always pleased to bring the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship. If you or a family member would like to receive Communion, please call the Rectory. If you know of someone from the parish who is in the hospital, please let us know.

SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH



The Knight of Columbus John Boyle O'Reilly Council is hosting an open house on February 25th noon to 4pm. Please stop by with your family and learn more about the Knights of Columbus and what we can offer to the men of our Parish. Refreshments will be offered and questions answered.

MEN'S CONFERENCE

All men are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled for Assumption College on Saturday, March 17 and ticket prices increase on Thursday, March 1st. Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Father David Cavanagh, Robert Rogers, Ryan Tremblay, and Elvis Grbac. For a Conference brochure, further information, or registration Visit our website - www.firstmensconf.org - for information and ticket purchases. Ticket prices until Feb 28th are \$45.00, they go to \$60.00 after March 1st, Students are \$30.00. For information please contact Herman Millet at 508-735-8465 or Jay Woodman at 508-330-7071.



FOREVER YOUNG

MUSIC – MUSIC – MUSIC

Enjoy a sing-along with Nancy Gage at the piano, when we meet on Monday, Feb. 26, at 9:45 a.m. After continental breakfast and a short business meeting, we'll tickle our tonsils with all the songs we've sung over the years. And please remember to bring the manufacturers' coupons you've saved during the last month. For a weather-related cancellation, call Jean-Marie Newey at 508-845-3686 or Florence Richards at 508-329-1133.

READERS ARE NEEDED!

SOUP & STATIONS

We are looking for adults and teens to be Readers at the Soup and Stations Service, which will be held in the Church on Friday, March 2nd. We need fourteen Readers and two Crucifers, plus one person to carry the Cross. Afterwards, all are invited to partake of a simple meal of Clam Chowder, Macaroni and Cheese and Salad in the Parish center. This is a wonderful way to be part of the Journey of the Passion of Christ! All Readings will be provided before the Service. Please call Ellen Linn at (508)366-5502. Many thanks!

February 25, 2018



MUSTARD SEED SOUP KITCHEN

St. Luke's Parish will be sponsoring the meal at the Mustard Seed on Friday, March 2nd. A sign-up sheet and recipes for donating food and serving are in the back of the church. Food drop-off is at 11 Old Nourse Rd., Westborough on Friday, March 2nd, by 4:30. If you have any questions, please call Sue Black at 508-212-2748. Many thanks!



Looking for adult Altar Servers to assist at funerals during the week. Usually three people share the responsibility, and your involvement can increase as you become more comfortable. Commitment is from 10am until noon on the day of the funeral Mass. While advance notice for funerals is usually a day or two, if you are on our list you can certainly decline or let us know which day of the week is best for you. Training is provided. If you are interested or would like more information, please call Maria Gasser at 508-366-5502.

Save the Date....March 22

Evening of Reflection -7:00 - 9:00 pm
Guest speaker Jayme Stuart Wolf
Sponsored by Women of St. Luke

SAVE THE DATE



Our Annual Pasta Supper will be on Sat March 10 at 6 pm. Great meal and raffle baskets! Tickets will be on sale the weekend of March 3

2018 Ecumenical Vacation Bible School Dates Announced!

"Shipwrecked" is the theme for this year's VBS planned for **August 6-10** at the *First United Methodist Church*. For further information you may contact Dianne Patrick at 508-366-8509.

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IS OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK,
WE CAN MAKE A VISIT ANYTIME WE PASS.
JESUS WILL BE AS HAPPY TO SEE US
AS WE ARE TO SEE HIM.**

CARE PACKAGES FOR DEPLOYED TROOPS

The Veterans Advisory Board of Westborough, MA. is sponsoring a community drive to provide care packages to a battalion of troops primarily from Massachusetts that are stationed in the Middle East. The battalion consists of 189 males and 3 females. The First United Methodist Church of Westborough is assisting the Veterans Advisory Board with the logistics, their location will be used for storing, assembling and shipping the packages.

We have established locations where residents of Westborough may come and pick up their box that will have instructions as to the items requested by this infantry battalion. Residents should use the "shopping list" as a guide, and when the box is filled it should be returned to a location listed below.

The locations for pick up are:

- * First United Methodist Church, 120 West Main St.
- * The Public Library
- * Westborough TV
- * Veterans Advisory Board, Town Hall Room #130

Contact Person for questions or guidance:

John Gallinagh, Westborough Veterans Advisory Board 5A8-7 69 -7 8L3 ion a cg @verizon. net

Veterans Advisory Board Members: Paul Horrigan, Kinneth Ferrera, Paul Freeman, Jr., Brent French, Ken Gagnon, John Gallinagh, Andy Toorock, Al Tournas

PARTNER WITH IGNATIAN VOLUNTEERS

Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) New England has begun seeking non-profit partners for the 2018-2019 (September to June) year. IVC volunteers, men and women 50 years of age and better, work one or two full days/week with programs addressing poverty and marginalization in the Boston, Worcester, Providence and surrounding community areas. There is a small partnership fee. Contact IVC New England Regional Director Dave Hinchin (dhinchin@ivcusa.org) for more information. Check out our website at www.ivcusa.org.



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Confirmation Retreat Reflection Eric Gould

The Confirmation Retreat weekend was filled with special moments. I learned a lot over the course of the couple days we spent there. One major highlight of the weekend were individual talks. The adults were able to explain how they got to where they are today, and how they were introduced to the faith. This helped me fully understand how others learned and continue to share their faith. I also appreciated the smaller groups that were formed for the entire weekend. This offered the ability to create strong relationships with the others in your group. Overall, I thought the weekend was great and it helped me "escape from the world" for a few days before getting back to school once again.

CONSIDERING A VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD?

The Diocese of Worcester's annual discernment retreat, directed by Bishop McManus, will be held on March 23 & 24. It begins at 6 pm Friday and ends 6 pm Saturday. It's for men high school age, college age, and older. Immaculate Conception Retreat Center in Putnam, Connecticut is only 30 minutes from Worcester. The retreat is free and transportation is provided if needed. For more info visit worcestervocations.com. To sign up contact Fr. Jim Mazzone at jmazzone@charter.net or call 508-340-5788.

Catholic Free Press Subscription Renewal

Regular subscriptions are \$30 per year for 52 issues and 52 weeks of online eEdition access. (email address required) If you would like to order or renew your subscription please use the envelope that is included with your monthly St. Luke's envelopes and put it in the collection basket. If you have any questions, please call Maria at 508-366-5502. We are updating our list of subscribers and need this information by the end of February. Thank you.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace, who are yourself our peace and reconciliation, who so often said, "Peace to you," grant us peace. Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice, and brotherly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace. May all peoples of the earth become as brothers and sisters. May longed-for peace blossom forth and reign always over us all.

St. John XXIII



“St. Luke’s donates 10% of its weekly collection through Sharing First . We donate to others before attending to our own wants. Sharing First is unique not only because there is one collection each week, but that we help the needy first. Please adjust your donation to include both Sharing First and St. Luke’s. Thank you for your generous support.

FEBRUARY 18 supports **CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA** in the amount of **\$1186**

FEBRUARY 25 supports (TODAY) **ABBY'S HOUSE**

MARCH 4 supports **OUTREACH ...SPOTLIGHT ON MEANS AND TRANSPORTATION MINISTRIES**

Two of the components of St Luke's Outreach are Meals and Transportation Ministries. Meals are offered once a week to those who are dealing with an illness, or perhaps recuperation at home from a hospital stay. We ask them the type of food they prefer, and if they have any allergies. From our list of volunteers, four "cooks" are assigned to the recipient and rotate weeks, each cooking once a month. We continue the meals as long as needed. Our Transportation Ministry is most frequently used by seniors and those with disabilities. This service involves driving parishioners to and from Sunday mass as well as doctor's appointments, therapy and grocery shopping. The time commitment varies, but usually volunteers are called upon once or twice a month. If you are interested in joining our volunteer team, please call Nan Ford/Parish Outreach Coordinator at 508 366-8509. Thank you!

POPE FRANCIS' WORDS



Do you want to fast this Lent?

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.



March Knights of Columbus Meeting will be held on Monday the 5th at 7 pm. If you haven't been t a meeting in a while come on down and see whats new. All men are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled for Assumption College on Saturday, March 17. For a Conference brochure, further information, or registration Visit our website - www.firstmensconf.org - for information and ticket purchases. Ticket prices until Feb 28th are \$45.00, they go to \$60.00 after March 1st, Students are \$30.00. For information please contact Herman Millet at 508-735-8465 or Jay Woodman at 508-330-7071.

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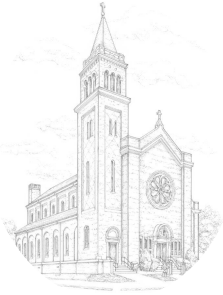


2ND SUNDAY OF LENT



“Here I am!” he answered.” (Genesis 22:11) It is easy to say, “Here I am, Lord,” when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say “Here I am, Lord,” when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it’s not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

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9:30AM -5:30PM
Closed Friday

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5 PM, in Spanish 7 PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM, 6:30 PM

Weekday Masses

Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM

Saturday 8:00 AM

Holy Days

7:00 AM, 12:10PM and 7:30PM

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS March 3/4

Saturday, 5:00PM Mass

Lector: Jim Basque

Extraordinary Ministers: Carol Belle, Pat Najarian,
Jen O'Neil, Tricia Guest & Barbara Nickley

Cantor: Mary Beland

Servers: Lindsey & Alex Kenny, Timmy & Will Breen

Greeters: Paula Sparks & Gloria Sullivan

Sunday 7:30 AM

Lector: Paula Christensen

Extraordinary Ministers: Jeanette Baxendale,
Nancy Virzi & Ed Swiderski

Servers: Eric Abeles, Charlie McLarnon

Katie & Chase Loban

Greeters: Judy & Fred Savoie

9:00 AM Mass

Lector: Eileen Ryan

Cantor: Ellen Linn

Extraordinary Ministers: Peter Flynn, Carol Aloisi,

Lela Westerberg, Louise Eklund & Pearl Menezes

Servers: Andrew O'Keefe, Fiona, Nicholas & Sophie Boyd

11:00 AM Mass:

Lector: Nick Argento

Extraordinary Ministers: Thi Barbini, Sue McCann,
Yves Jonassaint, Pat & Paul Horrigan

Cantor: Mary Beland

Servers: Michael Barbini, Peter Casey-Caplan &
Joshua Bebko

Greeters: Ellie & Rob McKeever

6:30PM Mass

Lector: Linda Levesque

Extraordinary Ministers: Gloria Josephs, Dot Mello,,
Jim Bruce, Ramona Michael & Nancy Mazur

Servers: Catherine Szczepankiewicz, Abisha Joyce,
& Sara & Clara Stec

Greeters: Kathy Kivlehan

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St. Luke the Evangelist Parish is a Roman Catholic community in the Diocese of Worcester. We strive to learn, teach and joyfully live the fullness of our Faith and serve God and our neighbors in charity and truth. We faithfully celebrate the Sacraments, pray together as a community and give generously of our time, talent and treasure to live and promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our daily lives.