

Saint Luke Church, Whitestone, N.Y.



“Christ Jesus, Our Hope”

1 Timothy 1:2

In the next few weeks the Bishop will hold a series of meetings as part of a process of Strategic Planning which will result in decisions about parish structures throughout Brooklyn and Queens. On February 4 a Presbyteral Assembly of all the priests of the Diocese will be held to introduce the strategic planning process and to begin to explore priestly ministry in light of such large scale institutional change; on February 6 there will be a Convocation for Professional Staff - to include deacons, pastoral associates, D.R.E.s, principals, youth ministers - all other paid pastoral leaders; on February 13, Diocesan Convocation for lay leaders - select members of Parish Pastoral Councils, Parish Finance Councils and Parish Trustees.

It is the Bishop's hope that working and praying together we can identify through the gathering of sound data the strengths of the diocese and each parish. Thus the first part of this process is an honest inventory of the church of Brooklyn and Queens and of every parish. The purpose of the process is to identify the strengths and goals and to implement the strategies that will ensure the long term vitality of the parishes. The criteria for the viability of a parish include: faith formation, vocations, demographics, leadership and the parish's material resources. Then from September 2010 to September 2011 decisions will be made by the Bishop, based on the findings of the process on what measures will need to be taken for each parish.

This process calls for all of us to practice the virtue of hope - hope in Christ who is always with the church. We do not know where this process will take us. Yet in trust guided by the Spirit we move forward building on the past so that we can continue to preach the Good News of Christ in this corner of God's Kingdom.

I will continue to keep you informed as we implement this process in the diocese, the cluster and in our parish.

God bless.

Let us pray for one another,

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 sacrament, we grow together as a Eucharistic community inviting all to the Good News of Jesus.



Save the Date

100TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2010
NORTH HILLS COUNTRY CLUB
MANHASSET, NEW YORK
6:30PM TO MIDNIGHT

*T*he gala will commemorate the 100 years St. Luke School has provided a Catholic education to its students. Proceeds raised will benefit the school and enable us to continue to remain an educational institution where faith and knowledge meet.

Since 1910, St. Luke School has provided its students with a Catholic atmosphere that nurtures the growth and development of the whole person: intellectually, spiritually, emotionally and physically. St. Luke School is a Catholic institution of learning that is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools serving the needs of children from nursery to grade eight.

TICKETS, SPONSORSHIPS AND JOURNAL AD OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE
For more information call HJMT COMMUNICATIONS, LLC at 516-997-1950

January 24 Collection	Amount Needed
\$13,765.50	\$13,000
Second Collection	\$3,216
Envelopes Mailed	Envelopes Received
1,750	778

HELP FOR HAITI ---

When the students of St. Luke School were asked to help the relief efforts for those affected by the devastating earthquake in Haiti, they responded enthusiastically.

Each morning, our prayers were offered for the people of Haiti, in addition to prayers being said in the students' classes throughout the week. A collection basket was set up in the cafeteria throughout the week during the children's lunch period and they contributed their snack money and allowance for the people of Haiti. Our eighth grade donated their bake sale money to the cause and our dollar dress down day money was also added to the collection.

With all of the efforts of the children, we raised \$800. St. Luke School matched that amount. \$1,600 will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and the dioceses in Haiti where the earthquake has had a significant impact.

IN ADDITION ---

In a continuing effort to assist the people of Haiti, an additional \$2,000 has been taken from parish funds and sent to Catholic Relief Services. This is in addition to the amount contributed to the special collection for Haiti. What better way to express our concern for the Haitian people.

SECOND COLLECTION ---

Next weekend, February 6 & 7 there will be a second collection taken up for the Support of Catholic School Education in the diocese. Your generosity, as always, is greatly appreciated.

**FEAST OF ST. BLAISE,
BISHOP & MARTYR ---**

will be celebrated on Wednesday of this week - February 3rd. According to tradition throats will be blessed on the feast of St. Blaise as follows:

During the 7:00am & 12 Noon Masses and at 3:30pm. Please note: throats will not be blessed in the evening.

THANK YOU ---

To Mr. Robert Lanaghan who has been assisting us as organist since the death of Charlie Mallia. We are so grateful for his willingness to be available to us and for sharing his musical talent at the liturgy, especially Sunday Mass. His playing added to the beauty and prayerfulness of our worship. We are most grateful for Bob's time with us and assure him of our prayers and best wishes.

WELCOME TO ---

Lonedra Jaoutakene who has accepted the position of full time organist here at Saint Luke. She will be working with Jessica Tranzillo Smith, the parish Director of Music, in all areas of our music ministry. Loneda will begin her work on the weekend of February 6-7.

***ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT ---***

On the First Friday of every month there is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the church from after the 8:30am Mass until 9:00pm at night. This is a special opportunity to spend time with the Eucharistic Lord in prayer; adoration and thanksgiving. When was the last time you spent some quiet time with Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament? In our busy lives with our hectic schedules, with the many demands on our time, can we not take some time to be with the Lord?

Next Exposition will be on Friday, February 5th - the First Friday of February.

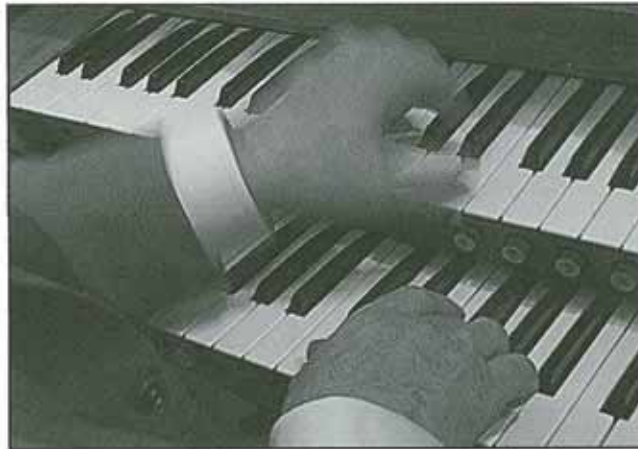
“Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise”

Memorial Concert

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**Dedication of the Garden Memorial
for Charles A. Mallia
Director of Music 2006-2009**

February 7, 2010 at 3:00 PM



**St. Luke Church,
16-34 Clintonville Street,
Whitestone, NY**

As the first anniversary of the passing of our beloved friend and colleague, Charles Mallia nears, Jessica Tranzillo, Patricia Kistner, Joseph Smith, & Emanuel Bologna will present some of his favorite music in his honor. Following the concert there will be a dedication of the Memorial which has been placed in the Marian garden shrine at the church. Join us as we celebrate his life.



ST. LUKE SCHOOL
1910-2010
Celebrating 100 Years!

REGISTRATION

For New Students for the 2010-2011 School Year
Tiny Tots/Nursery/Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten through
Grade Eight
January 31-February 5

\$200.00 NON-REFUNDABLE registration fee due at time
of registration of each new student Nursery through Grade 8

REQUIREMENTS:

Tiny Tots students must be 2 years old by 10/1/10
Nursery students must be three years old by 12/1/10
Pre-K students must be four years old by 12/1/10
Kindergarten Students must be five years old by 12/31/10

DOCUMENTATION:

Tiny Tots through First Grade must present
Copy of child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate and
Immunization records.
Grades Two through Eight must present a copy of the most
recent report card and standardized test scores, birth
certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization records
and IEP if applicable.

Call for a tour of our building and see for yourself what is going on in
your parish school and why we are so very proud of St. Luke's!

(718)746-3833

Visit us at www.SaintLukeOnline.com

OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 31, 2010
11:30am-1:30pm

OPEN SCHOOL

Thursday, February 4, 2010
8:30am-10:30am

St. Luke School

Celebrating 100 Years of Catholic Education ^{1910 ~ 2010}

16-01 150 Place, Whitestone, NY 11357

Mommy and Me Program (Birth and up)
Tiny Tots (2 year old), Nursery (3 year old),
PreKindergarten (4 year old) through Grade Eight

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Open School

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Spiritual

Faith Formation, Character Development,
Respect for Others, Sacramental Preparation,
Weekly/Monthly School Masses, Moral
Environment, Children's Choir, Altar Server
Program

Newly Acclaimed "Excel School"

Academic Excellence in All Areas,

Including:

Smartboard Technology in all classrooms,
Desktop Internet Technology Lab, Earobics
Program, Classroom Performance System, Fully
Equipped Science and Mathematics Labs, Art,
Italian, Physical Education Classes, Afterschool
Band, Aquinas Program

Extras

Guidance Counselor, On-Site Special Education
Teacher Support Services (SETSS), Speech and
Language Services, Full Time Department of
Health Nurse, AIS Program for ELA and Math,
TACHS Preparation Program

Saint Luke's School acknowledges its obligation and intention to guide our children in the manner called for by Christ in His Gospel, educating the whole person; body, mind and spirit, for his/her eternal community. It is the community of staff, teachers, administrator, pastor and parents, who are all involved in the education of our children.

For more information call: (718) 746-3833

or visit online at www.saintlukeonline.com

REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN ON JANUARY 31, 2010



**Need Based
SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**

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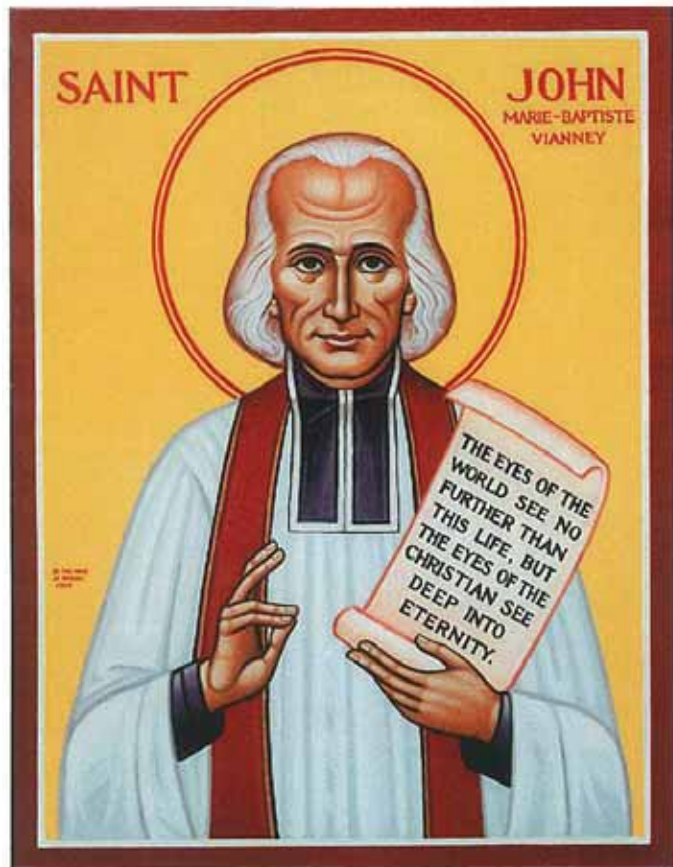
St. Luke School

Applications will be available
in the Spring

All funding for financial assistance and allocation of these funds is determined by PSAS (Private School Aid Service).

Financial need is based on a variety of financial components including family size, income, assets and other data.

For more information, please call the school at (718) 746-3833.



“God has given each of us our own work to do. It is for us to pursue our road, that is to say, our vocation...When God gives us such and such a vocation, he bestows upon us at the same time his grace to fulfill it.

*- On Vocation
- The Cure of Ars*

The Year of the Priest
June 2009 - 2010

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF THE PRIEST ---

“They walked among us” Brother Priests...Saints too?

Saint James Cathedral, 250 Cathedral Place, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11201

Solemn Evening Prayer & Presentation

Sunday, March 7, 2010 - 4:00pm - “Felix Varela” - Bishop Octavio Cisneros

Sunday, March 14, 2010 - 4:00pm - “Bishop Ford” - Bishop Ignatius Catanello

Sunday, March 21, 2010 - 4:00pm - “Msgr. Quinn” - Msgr. Paul Jervis

Open to all

Save the Dates!

Join us each month at the Family Mass
(11:45am) on the following dates!

February 21st In preparation for Easter,
(1st Sunday of Lent) Monsignor Tosi will talk to the
children about Baptism.



March 28th Children are invited to walk in
(Palm Sunday) the Palm Procession.



April 18th Eggs will be distributed to
celebrate the Easter season.



May 9th Honor the Blessed Mother
(Mother's Day) and all Mothers.



June 20th Remember St. Joseph and
(Father's Day) all Fathers.



We hope to see  all families there!

January 19, 2010

Ms. Marie DiTucci
Saint Luke's Church
16-34 Clintonville Street
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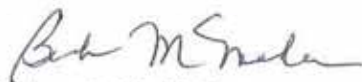
Dear Mrs. DiTucci and Church Members:

All of us here at SCO Family of Services are beginning the New Year heartened by the fact that, you did not forget our children. We were able to bring a magical Christmas to so many children and their families, who until now have had very little magic in their lives. Your generosity will never be forgotten.

On behalf of all of us here at SCO, but most of all the children whose lives you have helped brightened, please accept our warm thanks. It is with the help of friends like you that magic can happen. The teen gifts were just what was needed to help make our teens feel special!

We wish you a happy, healthy and peaceful 2010.

Sincerely,



Robert J. McMahon
Executive Director

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOCATIONS FROM OUR PARISH ---

Do you know of any Priest or religious who were members of Saint Luke parish before they entered religious life or the seminary? Please call Father Vincent at (718) 746-8102.

PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM---

If you are planning a spring Baptism, please note the following dates:

<u>Baptism Class</u>	<u>Baptism Sunday</u>
Mon., March 15	March 14 March 21
Mon., April 19	April 18 April 25
Mon., May 17	May 16 May 23

For more information or to schedule a Baptism, please call Sister Catherine T. Reilly, O.P. at 718-746-8531.

ATLANTIC CITY BUS TRIP ---

Join the St. Luke Golden Age Club for a bus trip to the Showboat Hotel & Casino in Atlantic City on Tuesday, February 23, 2010. Bus leaves 8:00am SHARP!! Cost is \$25 per person. For more info, please call Eileen at (718) 352-3902 or Martha at (718) 539-4396.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP ---

The Bereavement Group meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 2, at 7:30pm in the Rectory. If you are interested in joining us once a month, please call Sister Catherine T. Reilly, OP at (718) 746-8531 or Father Vincent Chirichella at (718) 746-8102.

THANK YOU ---

Providence House
January 14, 2010

Dear Ms. Tenny,

On behalf of the women and children of Providence House, I would like to thank you for your participation in our Christmas Drive and for the generous donation of Christmas gifts. Your gifts have made the holidays at Providence House very joyous.

As we continue to service those who are homeless, we are encouraged by your support and appreciative of the generosity. May God bless you all in the New Year!

Sincerely,
S. Janet Kinney
Executive Director

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS ---

In the month of January:

- 9 Baptisms
- 11 Funerals
- 1 Marriage

These are in addition to the numerous Masses celebrated; confessions heard; Anointings of the Sick; communion calls and visits to the sick and homebound.

DIOCESAN WEDDING

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th and 50th anniversary are invited to attend the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, April 24, 2010 at Our Lady of Angels Church, located at 7320 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn at 11:00AM. Please call the Rectory at 718-746-8102 to register no later than Friday, March 26. All registered couples will receive a personalized certificate and those couples in attendance will have their picture taken with Bishop DiMarzio who will celebrate Mass.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon.- 2Sm 15:13-14,30;16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20
Tues.- Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
Wed. - 2Sm 24:2,9-17; Mk 6:1-6
Thurs.- 1Kgs2:1-4,10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Fri. - Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29
Sat. - 1Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34



WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

**CHARLIE DOONAN
JOSEPHINE MADDI
JENNIE ROMANO
ALFRED MONTELEONE
COSMO DITUCCI
GRACE GAMBY
SARA DARAB**

AND FOR THE DECEASED:

**GIOVANNI NATALE
ANNA DELLAQUILLA
MICHAEL CONNELL
JAMES HILL**

Collective Intentions Mass ---

The next Collective Intentions Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, February 13 at 12 Noon.

At this Mass we pray for:

MICHAEL COLALILLO

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 1, 2010

Monday, February 1

7:00 Dolores Smith
12:00 Deceased Members of the Lauri & O'Connor Families

Tuesday, February 2

8:30 McBride & O'Neill Families
12:00 Zora & Josip Karlovic

Wednesday, February 3

7:00 Dr. Maximo Deysine
12:00 Maria Kanaletic

Thursday, February 4

8:30 Marie Rausch (2nd Anniversary)
12:00 Antoinette Iemma

Friday, February 5

7:00 Margaret Ennis
8:30 Bridie Fallon
12:00 Giovanni & Maria Flaim

Saturday, February 6

8:30 Alberto Guerra

MEMORIALS

The Altar Bread is in memory of **CHARLES MALLIA** at the request of the Knights of Columbus; the Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of **CHARLES MALLIA** at the request of the Knights of Columbus; the candles are burning in memory of **MARIE RAUSCH (2nd Anniversary)** at the request of her family.





Community News

SAVE THE DATES ---

*Catholic Recording Artist - Author - John Michael Talbot
3 Days of Ministry at Holy Trinity, Whitestone - April 29 at 7:30pm,
April 30 at 7:30pm and May 1 at 2:00pm. No cost for admission
but a free will love offering will be collected during each event.
For more information on John Michael's ministry please visit the
website www.johnmichaeltalbot.com or email Michael Zabrocki at
Zabrocki@aol.com.*

JOIN THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF AMITYVILLE AT IRISH NIGHT---

For the benefit of our Senior Sisters. Saturday, March 6 at St. Brigid's School, Maple Avenue, Westbury, NY. Mass for "Peace in the World" at 7:00pm. Followed by IRISH CELEBRATION at 8:30pm. Music by "Celtic Connection Band". Donation: \$35 per person (no tickets will be sold at the door) For more information: 631-842-6000, Ext. 238 or 269.



FLUSHING FIRST FRIDAY CLUB ---

Friday, February 5 at 12 noon at the Reception House. Speaker: Rev. Father Thomas D'Albro, O.L. of the Blessed Sacrament. Cost: \$20.

CLAIMING YOUR POWER IN A CHANGING WORLD ---

How can we use the gifts God gave us to make a difference? Where do we begin...and how? These questions and more will be answered in an informative series created and hosted by the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Sunday, Feb. 28 from 4-6pm - Three Key Questions - Insights from a theology professor

Sunday, March 14 from 4-6pm - Your Path - A rare look at women religious
Time & Place: 4-6pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 2805 Fort Hamilton Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y.

To register contact S. Mary Walsh, CSJ at 516-483-6799 or walshm@csjbrentwood.org.

