The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saint Luke Church, Whitestone, New York

FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. TOSI ---

SERVING THE PRESENT; BUILDING THE FUTURE The Campaign for St. Luke Church

Dear Friends,

For over 140 years, our Church has stood proudly here in Whitestone, serving not only as a local landmark, but also a symbol of God's presence in the community. Today, as we look to the future of the parish, we have the opportunity to address the building needs of the Church, School and Rectory. Architectural studies have shown that they have deteriorated to the point where, if the needs are not addressed, we are in danger of losing them. As you probably know, we have already lost the use of the Lower Church. To make necessary repairs and renovations, we are embarking on **SERVING THE PRESENT**; **BUILDING THE FUTURE**: **THE CAMPAIGN FOR ST. LUKE CHURCH**.

The historic endeavor seeks to raise critical funds totaling \$3,000,000 to complete exterior repairs of the Church, School and Rectory; interior repairs to the church; and a complete conversion and renovation of the Lower Church. At first glance, that total may seem way out of reach for our parish.

Now, here's the good news. To date, this effort has enjoyed an overwhelming success. So far, \$1,166,800 has been committed from just 38 families in our parish with an average gift of \$30,705, representing 39% of our goal. To continue this success, *I will need your help.* Over the next few days and weeks you will hear more about our effort and how you can help with this project. If you would like to get involved in the Campaign and help us reach our goal, please consider attending an informational and training meeting on Thursday, November 3, 2011 at 7:30pm in the Rectory.

I am counting on each of you to help make **SERVING THE PRESENT**; **BUILDING THE FUTURE** a success.

Let us pray for one another,

Mag. Tosi

FEAST OF SAINT LUKE ---

Join us for Mass in honor of our patron Saint Luke on Tuesday, October 18th at 7:30pm. Refreshments will follow in the school hall.



<u>REFLECTION ON</u> THE ROMAN MISSAL ---

A workshop for all Liturgical Ministers and Religious Education Catechists will be presented by Msgr. Tosi on Saturday, October 22nd from 9:30am until 1:00pm in the School Hall. All are encouraged to attend this valuable session.



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YOU ARE INVITED
TO JOIN THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF
SAINT LUKE
FOR THE BLESSING
OF OUR NEW STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

Sunday, October 23, 2011 1:00pm Solemn Mass to be celebrated by the Most Reverend Frank Caggiano, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn.



A light reception will follow Mass in the school auditorium.
All are most welcome to attend.

A traffic light has been installed on Clintonville Street and Locke Avenue in front of the church. The light remains red in both directions until the person wishing to cross pushes the button. Then the light turns green in both directions allowing the person to cross. If the button is NOT pushed, the light will NOT turn from red to green!



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.

MASS BOOK 2012 ---

The Mass Book for 2012 will open on Wednesday,
October 26. Announced
Masses will be available from
9:00am until 5:00pm in the rectory
basement. Please enter on Clintonville
Street. There is a limit of 5 Masses per
family. The offering for each Mass is \$15
which may be paid for by check or cash. In
order to make things run more smoothly,
please remember to bring the exact amount
for the number of Masses you wish to
arrange. Your cooperation is greatly
appreciated.



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Saturday, October 22nd at 7:30pm in St. Luke's School Hall. All are invited for a night of fun, culture and friendship sponsored by St. Luke Church and the Church of St. Mel.

SECONDA SERATA ANNUALE DEDICATA AI VARI DIALETTI ---

Sabato 22 Ottobre alle 7:30pm siete tutti calorosamente invitati a partecipare. Portate un dolce, un amico e tanto entusiasmo. Per ulterior informazioni, chiamare Damiana Testa (St. Luke's) 718-746-6269 Gerardo Pinto (St. Mel's) 718-767-0411.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ---

Thank you for your generous response toward our Annual Charitable & Benevolent (C&B) chance book drive. We sold 110 books and collected over \$1,290 last weekend. Your generosity is always greatly appreciated!

45th Anniversary Dinner Party

Come join the Monsignor Francis J. Dillon Council for a dinner party as we celebrate our 45th Anniversary on Saturday, November 5, 2011 from 7:00pm-11:00pm. There will be a buffet dinner, beer, wine, soda, dessert, DJ, door prizes, raffle prizes, 50/50, children's face-painter and Autumn craft making, and a fun time to be had by all! Adult tickets are \$30 per person, children from 7-12 years of age are \$10 per child, and children under 6 are free. For tickets, please contact any of the following:

| Eddie Weisenburger | 917-667-2835 |
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| Peter & Deirdre | |
| Zuccarello | 917-681-2404 |
| Charlie Mangiaracina | 718-746-1872 |
| Damian & Lisa | |
| Scardamaglia | 516-375-2766 |

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

NIGHT ---

On Monday, October **24, 2011**, St. Luke School will get PINK ON PURPOSE! St. Luke Auditorium - 7:30pm. For more information and to reserve your seat, call Cookie Kurtz at 917-915-0756 or email cookiekurtz@gmail.com. Admission \$5.00. Program will include informational lectures, video presentation, music, refreshments, raffle baskets and more. This is our opportunity to honor breast cancer patients, survivors and remember people we have lost, and is open to anyone interested in finding out more about early detection, breast health and surviving breast cancer.



PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM ---

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

| Baptism Sunday | Baptism Class |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Oct. 23 | Oct. 17 |
| Nov. 13 & 27 | Nov. 21 |
| Dec. 4 & 11 | Dec. 19 |
| Jan. 8 & 22 | Jan. 9 |
| Feb. 12 & 26 | Feb. 13 |

For more information, please call Sister Catherine T. Reilly at (718) 746-8531.



CONGRATULATIONS ---

Please keep these couples in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Marriage here in our parish.

Saturday, October 22 at 3pm

ROBERT ANDERSON &
MICHAELA GIRAGOSIAN



To Cub Scout Pack #235 for hosting Hospitality Sunday on October 9th.

The next Hospitality Sunday will be on Sunday, November 13th hosted by St. Luke School & St. Luke School of Religion.



There will be a street re-naming for **George J. Regan** on Friday, October 21st at 2pm on the S.E. corner of 149th Street and 8th Avenue. All are invited to attend.



Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio, Ph.D., D.D. Bishop of Brooklyn

One Bread... One Body... One Vibrant Church

October 7, 2011

Rev. Msgr. John C. Tosi St. Luke 16-34 Clintonville St. Whitestone New York 11357-2623

Dear Monsignor Tosi,

CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY THANKS! This correspondence gives me the opportunity to acknowledge you, your staff and your Annual Appeal teams for the time, energy, leadership and example you shared with the 2011 Annual Catholic Appeal. The major action steps of the 2011 ACA are over and we are seeing some truly extraordinary results.

As of October 1st, 45,658 parishioners of the diocese have responded positively to the invitation to participate in this year's appeal. The faithful of Brooklyn and Queens have made pledges of more than \$10.3 million. More than \$8 million has been received thus far. It is also through this congratulatory note that we distribute your parish share the fruits of your collective labors made possible through the generous ways of your parishioners and friends.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$36,001, representing your Parish Share based on receipts over goal as of September 30th, This combined with the distribution received in July brings your total Parish Share total to \$38,644. We will have one final distribution, depending on the activity of your parish from this point forward. This will follow the conclusion of the pledge redemption phase (December 31, 2011) of the ACA effort. If you have any new pledges or pledge payments we ask that you forward them to us so we may accurately credit your parish and parishioners accordingly.

On behalf of Bishop DiMarzio, the Pastors Advisory Committee and everyone involved with the endeavor, I THANK YOU!!!! Thank you for all you have done to add to the success of the Appeal. We are truly appreciative for all that you share with this important endeavor in addition to the ever-growing responsibilities that you have at your parish and beyond.

We look forward to continued success with the ACA and all Church efforts whether they are diocesan or parish.

As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, know that we are truly grateful for you, your staff and the parishioners of St. Luke, for it is through your selfless sacrifice and example that God's Love Shines through us and we can exhibit to others that we are a Priestly People! Know that you and your parishioners will be remembered in my prayers – please remember me in yours!

In God's Peace,

Rev. Monsignor Jamie J. Gigantiello

Vicar for Development

SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 9 \$12,225 Amount Needed \$13,425 Envelopes Mailed 1883 Envelopes Received 681



2011 Annual Catholic Appeal Thank you ---

As of October 11th a total of \$141,522.83 has been given by 491 donors with \$131,798.83 already received. This is truly remarkable and once again shows the generosity of so many parishioners.

Please consider joining your fellow parishioners by making your gift to the Appeal. God bless.



The next meeting of the Padre Pio Prayer Group will be held on Tuesday, October 25 at 7:30 in the church. All are welcome to attend.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP ---

The Bereavement Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm in the Rectory basement. The next meeting will be held on November 1st. For more information, please call Fr. Vincent Chirichella at 718-746-8102 or Sister Catherine T. Reilly, O.P. at 718-746-8531.

VISIT TO THE SHRINE OF MOTHER CABRINI ---

The annual visit to the Shrine of Mother Cabrini will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2011. The bus will leave from St. Luke Church at 10:am. Tickets are \$15 per person. Mass will be celebrated at 11:00am. A short procession follows Mass. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please contact Frank Morelli at (718) 961-7751.

VISITA A SANTA MADRE CABRINI ---

La visita annual a Madre Cabrini Shrine sara' sabato 12, Novembre. Il bus partira' dalla chiesa di Santa Luke alle ore di 10:00am. Il costo e' di \$15 per persona. La Messa sara celebrate alle ore 11:30 dopo la Messa una breve processione e alla fine saranno serviti rinfreschi. Per informazioni dettagliate telefonare Frank Morelli (718) 961-7751.

TRIDUUM IN HONOR OF SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

Come join us in prayer to honor Mother Cabrini. Our Triduum will be held on Thursday, November 10th at 7:30pm, Friday, November 11th at 7:30pm and will end with Mass on Sunday, November 13th at 9:00am. All are welcome!

Venite con noi per tre giorni di preghiera in onore di Madre Cabrini. Incontraimoci Giovedi 10 Novembre alle 7:30pm, Venerdi 11 Novembre alle 7:30pm, e venite per celebrare La Santa Messa a Domenica 13 November alle 9:00am. Invitate un vostro amico a venire con voi!

Second in a five part series presented by the Office of Communications and the Office of Pastoral Planning on the process of Strategic Planning.

How Strategic Planning Relates to Evangelization www.ChristJesusOurHope.org

"Go and Make Disciples of All Nations" - Matthew 28:19

This last charge of Christ in Matthew's Gospel, just at the moment of His Ascension, is the guiding mandate of the Church. We are called to reach out and invite others to be Disciples of Christ. All efforts of Church life are evaluated in light of this primary mission of evangelization.

In our current time, the Diocese is in the midst of a strategic planning process. This process is not a deviation from our primary mission given to us by Christ, but it is the necessary and appropriate conversation that we must now engage for the sake of the future of the Church and evangelization within our diocese.

Christ Jesus, Our Hope seeks to evaluate and address the real challenges of maintaining our parish buildings and fostering the growth of our faith communities at the same time. By its nature, this process does concern finances, revenue, expenses, resources and capital improvements. One might have the sense that this is a business meeting rather than a plan for evangelization. Yet, at the very heart of it is the question, "How are we to continue our primary mission as Catholics?"

In the long run, the maintenance of our parish churches and institutions is only important and necessary to the extent that they assist us in living out the mission given to us.

As the process moves forward, there may be some changes in our structures, a reduction of our buildings, changes in personnel, and a general tightening of our belts, but our essential mission to evangelize never changes.

Evangelization, ministry, service to God's people both now and into the future, is the test of our efforts and the goal of our plans.

For more information, visit our website, www.christjesusourhope.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER ---

Our next meeting on November 12th will be focused on service to the poor and needy. Fr. Vincent will speak about Jesus' call to everyone to "Feed the hungry" and "Give drink to the thirsty". Mr. Michael Genovese will give a presentation on children's needs in Zimbabwae, Africa. The children (young people) of Saint Luke's are bringing food - and making boxes - to bring various food pantries. Some young people will be chosen to actually bring the food to the pantries on November 19th!

Fr. Vincent

Photos are from the first meeting of the Youth Group on Saturday, October 1.





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ST. DAMIEN OF MOLOKAI ---

The relic of St. Damien of Molokai will be in the Diocese of Brooklyn in early November 2011 for public veneration by the Faithful at three sites. The public, prayerful honoring of the heroic virtue and powerful witness of Father Damien's life of Gospel service to the poor and abandoned who suffered from leprosy in Hawaii in the late 19th century will include: Benediction, Presentation of the one-man Aldyth Morris play, *Damien*, by Fr. Jim Sweeney of Holy Name Parish, Brooklyn, individual Veneration of the First Class Relic. Locations and times for this spiritual event in the Diocese of Brooklyn are as follows:

St. James Cathedral Basilica 250 Cathedral Pl., Bklyn, N.Y. 11201 Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio presiding Friday, November 4, 2011 from 7-10pm

St. Nicholas of Tolentine Parish 150-75 Goethals Ave., Jamaica, N.Y.11432 Sunday, Nov. 6, 2011 from 1:30-4:30pm

Queen of Peace Residence Little Sisters of the Poor 110-30 221st Street, Queens Village, N.Y. Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011 from 2:00-5:00pm

If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Ray Roden at 718-728-0880 or by email at frrayroden@verizon.net.





MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES ---

The Adult Choir of St. Luke Church has found extra chairs in the choir room and is looking for some people to fill them. If you are a soprano, alto, tenor or bass, we have a spot for you. Rehearsals are every Wednesday night at 7:30pm and we sing most Sundays at the 11:45am Mass. Come be a part of the song as we praise God together. For information contact the Music Office at 718-746-3862.



CONCERTS AT ST. LUKE ---

On October 30 at 7:30pm Joseph B. Smith and Emanuel Bologna will present an organ recital in the church. Joseph Smith is currently the Director of Music at St. James Cathedral Basilica, Brooklyn but during the 1980's he was Director of Music here at St. Luke Church. Emanuel Bologna is Director of Music at Resurrection-Ascension Church, Rego Park and along with Jessica Tranzillo is Co-Chairperson of the Diocesan Music Commission. The program entitled "Haunting Harmonies" will offer music reflecting the "spirit" of the season including works you will recognize so come and listen. For tickets (\$10.00) contact the Music Office at (718) 746-3862.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon. - Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21

Tues.- 2Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9

Wed. - Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48

Thurs. - Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53

Fri. - Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59

Sat. - Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

MARIA C. LATA
JOSETTE TANZOLA
GRACE GAMBY
GIUSEPPE FEDELE
ANNA BRANDT
SANTINO VINCENT MIGLIACCIO
JENNIE ROMANO
MARYANN (IZZO) GERMINO
SUSANNA WINSHIP
LENNY KALLU

<u>AND FOR THE DECEASED</u>: THEODORE PANTELIS

MEMORIALS

The Altar Breads are given in memory of *SALVATORE BULLARO* at the request of Philip & Josephine Celano.

The Altar Wine is given in memory of *SALVATORE BULLARO* at the request of Philip & Josephine Celano.

The Sanctuary Lamp is given in memory of *SALVATORE BULLARO* at the request of Philip & Josephine Celano.

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 17, 2011

Monday, October 17 7:00 Gelma Daly 12:00 John Boyko

Tuesday, October 18 8:30 For the Parishioners of St. Luke 12:00 For the Parishioners of St. Luke 7:30 In Honor of Saint Luke

Wednesday, October 19
7:00 Matteo Valenti
12:00 Ivana & Anton Peculic

Thursday, October 20 8:30 Phillip J. Breen (23rd Anniversary) 12:00 Mario Nardella

Friday, October 21 7:00 Agnes Sweeney (LIVING) 12:00 Bill O'Connell

Saturday, October 22 8:30 Carmine, Michele & John Colalillo

Collective Intentions Mass ---

The next Collective Intentions Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, November 12th at 12 noon. At this Mass we pray for:

SALVATORE TOTINO





Community News

BLOOD DRIVE ---

Whitestone Ambulance Service is having their semi annual Blood Drive on Saturday, November 12, 2011 at their headquarters located at 12-15 150th Street, Whitestone from 9am to 2pm. Please reserve some time that day and support this worthy cause. All donors will receive a free gift. For more information call (718) 767-1000.

OPEN HOUSES

Xavier High School (30 West 16th St. in Manhattan) will be hosting an Open House on Saturday, October 29th from 1pm to 4pm. 6th, 7th and 8th grade students and their parents are invited to attend. For more information, call (212) 924-7900, Ext. 1442.

The Mary Louis Academy 176-21 Wexford Terrace, Jamaica Estates, NY invites 7th and 8th grade students and their parents/guardians to their Open House on Sunday, October 16, 2011 from 10am to 3pm. Last presentation at 2pm. For more information please call 718-297-2120 or www.tmla@aol.com.

Archbishop Mollov H.S. 83-53 Manton Street, Briarwood, NY (one block from Main St. & Queens Blvd.) invites all 7th and 8th graders and their families to an Open House on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011 from 11am to 4pm. Admissions@molloyhs.org or 718-441-2100

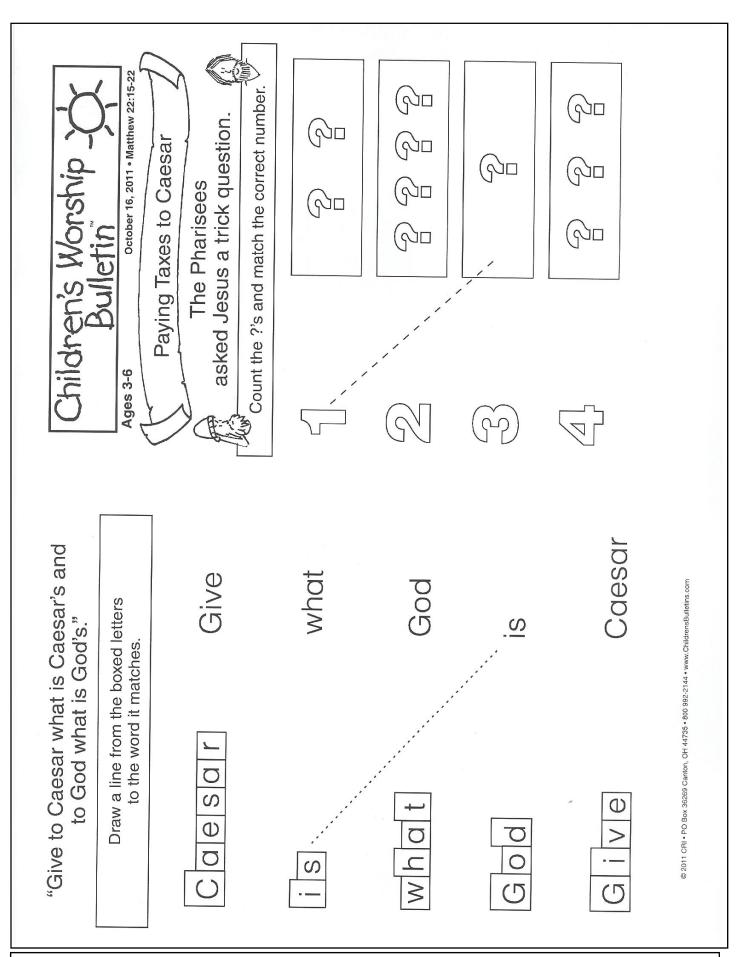
- St. Agnes Academic High School (sponsored by the sisters of St. Dominic) 13-20 124th Street, College Point, NY invites you to attend our Open House on Saturday, October 15, 2011 from 10am to 1pm. Come and visit St. Agnes Academic High School "a small, Catholic college preparatory school for young women". For information please contact the school at (718) 353-6276.
- St. Francis Preparatory School (Grades 9-12) invites you to their Open House on Saturday, October 22nd, from 12pm until 4:30pm Auditorium presentations: 12:15, 1:15, 2:15 and 3:30. For more information please call (718) 423-8810 or visit their website at www.sfponline.org.

Holy Cross High School invites you to their Open House on Sunday, Oct. 16 from 1pm to 4pm. For further information call: Mr. Gilvary at (718) 886-7250, Ext. 525.

The Dominican Academy, 44 East 68th St., New York City invites all 6th, 7th & 8th Grade girls to an Open House on Sat., Oct. 15 from 10:30am to 1pm. For more information please call (212) 744-0195 or www.dominicanacademy.org. You may also contact Mrs. Jo Ann Fannon, Admissions at jfannon@dominicanacademy.org.

St. John's Preparatory School, 21-21 Crescent St., Astoria, invites you to their Open House on Saturday, Oct. 15 from 11am - 3pm. All 7th & 8th Grade students and parents are invited. For more info please call 718-721-7200 or see www.stjohnsprepschool.org.

Cathedral Preparatory Seminary, 56-25 92nd St., Elmhurst, NY invites you to their Open House on Wednesday, November 2nd from 3-6pm.



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Jesus knew they were trying to trick Him. 5 things that are wrong in the picture below. Circle They asked, "Is it right to pay taxes the picture that is different. to Caesar or not?" Circle

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