#### FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. TOSI ---

At all the Masses this weekend (November 12 & 13) we will complete our formal preparation for the implementation of the newly revised Roman Missal - Third Typical Edition. We will continue to practice the new musical settings for the Mass parts and take a look at more of the new translations to be used at Mass. The "Pew Cards" we have been using will remain in the church for your use until the new missalettes/hymnals arrive and put into the church for use on the First Sunday of Advent. As already noted, the new books will contain all the new translations of the Mass texts. Again, thank you for your cooperation and willingness to receive the New Roman Missal.

The Capital Campaign: *Serving the Present; Building the Future* continues toward reaching our goal of \$3,000,000 and beyond. The generosity of so many parishioners has been outstanding - a true testimony to your love for the faith and for the parish. It is our hope to personally contact every parishioner with a request for a pledge to the campaign. Rather than a one time gift, we are asking your consideration of a pledge of a set amount over a five year period. So for example; if you can see yourself able to make a \$1,000 donation this year, could you agree to \$1,000 a year for the next five years for a total gift of \$5,000? This would be a great help to the success of the campaign.

You may soon be receiving a phone call from one of the campaign volunteers who will be calling in my name to set up an appointment to meet with you about your participation in the campaign. I know you will be gracious to them and receive them as you would receive me. They are parishioners who like yourselves love the parish and want to see us preserve our buildings for present service and future ministry. Please listen to their request and prayerfully consider your pledge.

Next Sunday - November 20 - is the Solemnity of Christ the King. Our annual food collection will take place at all the Masses next weekend November 19 and 20. Please continue your generous support of this food collection organized by the parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society and supported by a number of parish organizations. This year the food will be shared with the parishes of St. Barbara and St. John the Baptist of Brooklyn, St. Leo and St. Pius V of Queens, and Queen of Peace Residence. What better way to express our thanks than to share our blessings with those who have less.

Finally, mark your calendar for two Thanksgiving celebrations:



#### THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Thursday, November 24 at 9:30am All are invited





#### ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING PRAYER SERVICE

Will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 22nd at 7:30pm at Grace Episcopal Church. Join with other Christian Congregations of Whitestone in offering a prayer of thanksgiving to God for our many blessings.



God bless.

Let us pray for one another,



# SERVING THE PRESENT; BUILDING THE FUTURE THE CAMPAIGN FOR ST. LUKE CHURCH

For over 140 years the faithful of St. Luke have been blessed with a beautiful church in which to gather together in to pray, to celebrate, and to console each other as one family.

St. Luke Church is the spiritual center of our lives and the home that we share.

November 12 & 13, 2011

The campaign pledges to restore St. Luke are growing each day, and the goal is getting closer!

<u>Your pledge</u> is very important to the success of the campaign. It will help us obtain the loan we need from the Diocese so that restoration work can begin in the spring. With God's guidance, and your help we'll be able to make the external and internal repairs our church, school and rectory, and make all area safe and usable again.

Our dedicated volunteer committee members are working tirelessly to reach out to everyone, but they need your help in setting up appointments to bring you news from the campaign. Please try and find some time in your schedule to meet with them.

Campaign Statistics

Goal: \$3,000,000

Percent Reached: 60%

Current Amount Raised: \$1,809,400

Number of Gifts: 122

Average Gift: \$14,831

We thank everyone who has already come forward to make a pledge, and we especially thank our campaign volunteers. Please continue to pray for the success of the campaign and to make your pledge if you haven't done so already. The help of all our family of parishioners is needed. We can still use additional volunteers, if you would like to meet new people and work to help make this campaign a success, come join us. Please contact Steve Kimmons at the Rectory, and he will be happy to get you involved!

Together we are strong - and can preserve this beautiful church for generations to come!

Our Mission - "A community of believers in Jesus Christ 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."

#### 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.

#### WELCOME

#### THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

The Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting our Parish this weekend. Many of you know the Little Sisters of the Poor in their ministry with the elderly poor. The Sisters depend on your generosity to help them provide a safe and comfortable home for the elderly men and women in the Queen of Peace Residence in Queens Village. There the residents are surrounded with love, respect, peace and security until their death. The sisters will be at the doors of the church as you leave Mass to receive your donations. Please be as generous as your means allow. Thank you!

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#### **CONGRATULATIONS ---**

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

Saturday, November 12 at 3pm ERIC FRANTINO & KARLA BENINATI

#### ATTENTION --- ALL LECTORS

The new edition of the Workbook for Lectors which begins with the First Sunday of Advent, November 27 is now available in the sacristy. Please be sure to pick up your copy as soon as possible.

Thank you for your generous ministry to the parish.

#### FAMILY MASS ---

Please join us for the next Family Mass on **Sunday, November 20 at 11:45am**. We welcome all families - large or small. So come with your child or bring along the extended family; we have room for everyone!

We are always looking for families to volunteer their time and talents to various responsibilities within the Family Mass.

If you are interested please email apetro 621@verizon.net for more information.

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Please join us after all the Masses this Sunday - November 13 - for some light refreshments in the school hall. ALL are invited to this monthly Hospitality Sunday - both new and old time parishioners.

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#### <u>The Campaign Prayer</u> <u>Memorare</u>

Remember, O most compassionate Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your assistance, or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins, our Mother; to you we come; before you we kneel sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in your clemency hear and answer them.

Amen.

#### **SUNDAY COLLECTION**

November 6 \$13,019 Amount Needed \$13,425 Envelopes Mailed 1883 Envelopes Received 768

## **2011 Annual Catholic Appeal** Thank you --- Thank you ---

As of November 7th a total of \$144,037 has already been given by 507 donors with \$137,283 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.

#### PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM ---

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

<b>Baptism Sunday</b>	<b>Baptism Class</b>
Nov. 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.



Thank you very much for the generous World Mission Sunday contribution of \$2,684.00 from the people of St. Luke Parish.

Your generosity, as always, is greatly appreciated.

## CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT ---

Fight poverty in America. Defend Human Dignity.

In 2009, 43.6 million Americans lived at or below the poverty line, the highest number in the 51 years for which data is available. With many families living one paycheck away from financial instability, there is little hope that more Americans won't face poverty in the years to come.

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) funds programs in communities across the United States where people living in poverty join together to identify problems, make decisions, and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods.

Please visit www.uscch.org to read more details about CCHD's efforts to bring good news to the poor by helping to break the circle of poverty.

In the Diocese of Brooklyn, seven community based organizations received grants totaling \$220,000. These organizations are Brooklyn Congregations United, Bushwick Housing Independence Project, Desis Rising Up and Moving, East River Development Alliance, Housing Here and Now, NYC AIDS Housing Network, and Queens Congregations United for Action.

Next weekend, November 19 & 20, there will be two collections. The first collection is for the support of the parish. The second collection is for the support of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Please be generous to both collections.

Thank you and God bless.

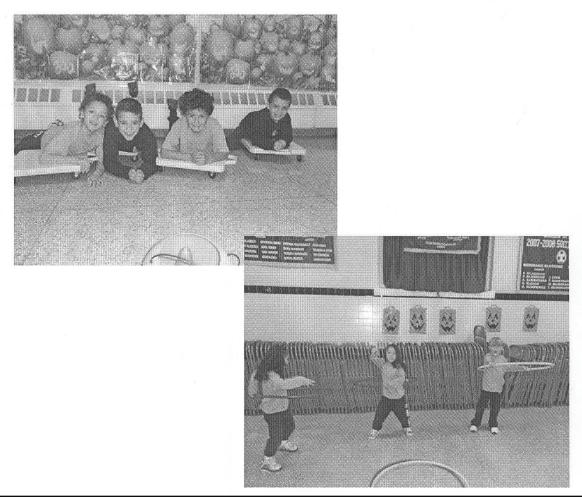


# ST. LUKE SCHOOL WHERE FAITH AND KNOWLEDGE MEET 718-746-3833 www.slswhitestone.org

## Celebrating 100 Years of Excellence in Catholic Education 1910—2010

#### HALLOWEEN FUN IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS!

Student's in grades PK – 3<sup>rd</sup> participated in the annual "Halloween Stations" to celebrate Halloween in Mrs. Thomas' P.E. class. Students actively enjoyed themselves while participating with their classmates in the "Scooter Pumpkin Patch", "Spider Web", "Pumpkin Bowling", "Witches Stew Bean Bag Toss", "Halloween Hula Hoop", and "Spooky Skeleton Bowling".







## THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



In order to make the food available to those in need on Thanksgiving Day, we are collecting non-perishable food items the weekend before Thanksgiving. On Thanksgiving Day bring only the food to be blessed for your table.

We will be collecting food for the poor on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19 AT THE 5PM MASS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 AT ALL THE MASSES

We are hoping to collect non-perishable Thanksgiving meal fixings, but all non-perishable foods are welcome. We appreciate your support and generosity.

#### Sponsored by:



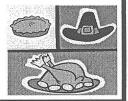
The St. Vincent de Paul Society St. Luke Athletic Association St. Luke Girl & Boy Scout Troops The Knights of Columbus St. Luke School St. Luke School of Religion



St. Vincent de Paul
"Love is the art of caring.
Caring is the art of sharing.
Sharing is the art of living.
Living is the art of loving."



Our next Clothing Drive will be June 24, 2012 from 8am to 1pm.





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#### SAINT LUKE HOLY NIGHT - BRIGHT STAR CELEBRATION 2011



Help make our community radiant with the Light of Christ. Holy Night-Bright Star offers all our parishioners, friends and neighbors the opportunity to light up a tree by remembering or honoring the people that have touched our lives.

For a donation of \$250 you can dedicate a Tree of Lights in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Your donation will include:

- One fresh cut 5 foot Christmas tree decorated with lights.
- A sign containing the name of your loved one on each tree.
- Assist with the lights and star for the Parish Tree.
- A Mass for all our loved ones will be celebrated at 5:00PM on the night of the lighting Saturday, December 10, 2011.

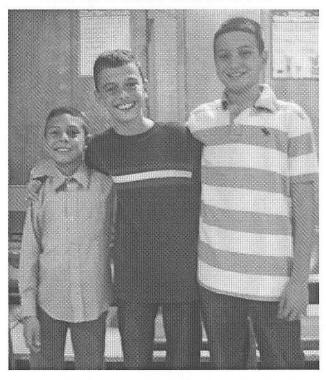
If you would like to donate a Tree of Lights for a loved one, please complete, sign and return the Sponsored Tree form below with a check for \$250 payable to Saint Luke Church. Any questions, please call the Rectory at 718-746-8102.

All are invited to sponsor a tree as a special way of saying: "I'm thinking about you at Christmas!"

We ask for your earliest response since there will be a limited number of trees available. This year's Holy Night-Bright Star display will run from December 10, 2011 to January 8, 2012.

Please cut below the line			
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## Congratulations to the Winners of the St. Luke School Intermediate Math Bee.



Justin Ali

Frank D'Elia

Anthony Colak

St. Luke School held the annual intermediate Math Bee on October 27, 2011. Once again, our long reigning champ, Frank D'Elia, held his title. Frank faced a challenging opponent—Justin Ali, grade 4. Frank and Justin squared off for the final question during round 19. The audience gasped as the opponents battled for the title. Justin proved to be an extremely worthy opponent, as the speed at which he delivered his answers to some very complex mathematical problems bore a striking resemblance to Frank's manner of answering such questions. In case you haven't been to a Math Bee in which Frank was a contestant—I'll fill you in. Frank answers the questions seemingly before the question is completely asked. As always, Frank was calm (even though the rest of us were on the edge of our seats). Frank will go on to compete in the Diocesan Math Bee to be held at Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament in Bayside on November 15, 2011.

Congratulations to the winners!

Frank D'Elia	Grade 6	First Place
Justin Ali	Grade 4	Second Place
Anthony Colak	Grade 5	Third Place

Please join us for our next

# Holy Hour and Fellowship

Date: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Time: 7:30 to 10:30 PM (confessions available at 7 PM)

Place: Immaculate Conception Center

7200 Douglaston Parkway; Douglaston, NY 11362

Theme: GIVE WITHOUT COUNTING THE COST:

a spirituality of Thanksgiving

Guest Speaker: DR. PHILIP FRANCO

Principal, Saint Margaret's Catholic School Adjunct Professor of Theology, St. John's University

Former Director, Office of Faith Formation for the Diocese of Brooklyn

Guest Religious: Congregation of the Sisters of St. John the Baptist and the

Sisters of Christian Charity

#### The evening will include:

Praise and Worship,
Adoration, Reconciliation,
Volleyball, Food, Fun,
and Fellowship!

Adoration in Main Chapel Lower level for Volleyball & Fellowship



Check out The Net's coverage of these evenings: www.netny.net/currents/video/stories/vocations-and-volleyball-92911

Join us **EVERY** 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month:

2011: Sep. 23, Oct. 28, Nov. 25 (none in December); 2012: Jan. 27, Feb. 24, Mar. 23, Apr. 27, May 25

### All Are Welcome!

For more info, email vocations@diobrook.org or call 718-827-2454 Check us out on Facebook: www.facebook.com/dobholyhourandfellowship





#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon. - 1Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63; Lk 18:35-43

Tues.- 2Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

Wed. - 2Mc 7:1,20-31; Lk 19:11-28

Thurs. - 1Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44

Fri. - 1Mc 4:36-37,52-59; Lk 19:45-48; Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-33

Sat. - 1Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

## **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
BARBARA SATALINO

#### AND FOR THE DECEASED:

EVELYN M. PEARSON PETER J. SPAGNOLI ANTHONY DeMEO

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#### **MEMORIALS**

The Altar Breads are given in memory of *BENJAMIN MELKUN*, *SR*. at the request of his wife, Elizabeth.

The Altar Wine is given in memory of **DOMENICO URSINO** requested by his family.

## ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 14, 2011

Monday, November 14 7:00 Rocco Michielli & Family 12:00 Frank Latkowski (42nd Ann.)

Tuesday, November 15 8:30 Valerie McDonagh 12:00 Paul E. Paladino (4th Ann.)

November 16 7:00 Mary Cardillo 12:00 Politi Family & Joseph Anthony Rivera

Thursday, November 17
8:30 Joseph Tomasso
12:00 Deceased Members of the
Nicoletta & Varlese Families

Friday, November 18
7:00 Virginia Lee &
Deceased Family Members
12:00 Deceased Members of the
Lauri & O'Connor Families

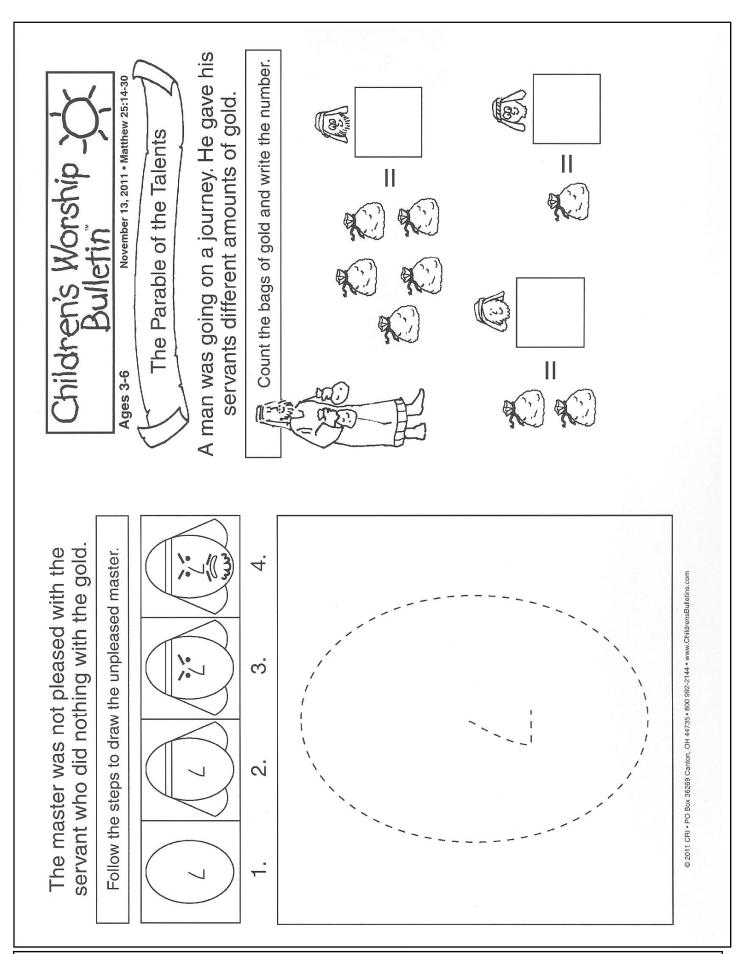
Saturday, November 19 8:30 Dr. Maximo Deysine

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#### Collective Intentions Mass ---

The next Collective
Intentions Mass will be
celebrated on Saturday,
December 10th at 12 noon.
At this Mass we pray for:

SALVATORE TOTINO



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