The First Sunday of Lent 26 February 2012 Saint Luke Church, Whitestone, New York

FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. TOSI ---

Repent and Believe the Gospel

With these words the church began the Season of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Once again the faith of so many people was clearly visible as they came forward to receive the Sign of the Cross in Ashes on their forehead.



What is the goal of our yearly observance of Lent? The answer it seems to me was given by Archbishop Dolan in Rome to become a cardinal. In answer to a reporter's question about the honor of receiving the title Cardinal, Archbishop Dolan stated his gratitude for the Pope's selection, but said what he really wanted was to be - a saint!

While those reporters laughed at the answer, the response really stated quite clearly the goal for every Christian and the purpose of Lent! God has called us for nothing less than the dignity of sainthood. Holiness is not for a select few but is a universal call to all. God's plan for us is to be HOLY.

How then do we become holy, a saint? The answer: Repent and Believe. Repent of our sins through conversion and change of heart to embrace the good. Saints are sinners just like us - but they trust in the mercy and love of God to make of them a new creation. Do we trust enough that God can help us to be saints? Believe in the Good News by fulfilling the Lord's command in order to gain eternal life: LOVE GOD; Love our neighbor as we love ourselves.

The goal of Lent: Not a red hat but a crown of everlasting glory won for us in the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord.

We are sinners - but we're called to be saints. May the discipline of Lent enable us to see ourselves for what we are - saints in the making!

God bless.

Let us pray for one another,

Mag. Ton

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.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

\$10,917 February 19 **Amount Needed** \$13,425

Envelopes Mailed 1.883 **Envelopes Received** 632

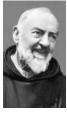
SECOND COLLECTION ---

This weekend, February 25 & 26 there will be two collections. The first collection is for the support of the parish. The second collection is for the Black and Indian Missions. Your generosity to both collections is greatly appreciated.



Padre Pio Prayer Group ---

The next meeting of the Padre Pio Prayer Group will take place on Tuesday, February 28th in the church. All are welcome to attend



Bereavement Group ---

The next meeting of the Bereavement Group will take place on **Tuesday**, **March 6th** at 7:30pm in the rectory. Through prayer, scripture and faith filled sharing this ministry seeks to bring healing to those left behind. If you are interested in joining us once a month, please call Father Vincent Chirichella at the rectory at (718) 746-8102.





CONGRATULATIONS ---

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

> Saturday, March 3, 2012 3*pm*

JAMES HEALI **DANIELLE McKENNA**

CONGRATULATIONS ---

To Father Kevin J. Sweeney of our parish who is being formally installed as pastor of Saint Michael Parish, 4th Avenue in Sunset Park, Brooklyn by Bishop DiMarzio on Sunday, March 4th. Please keep Father Sweeney in your prayers for the success of his ministry. Congratulations also to his mother. Agnes who still lives in our parish.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ---

All are invited to spend some time in prayer with the Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament on the First Friday of each month. The Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament follows the 8:30am Mass until 9:00pm when it will close with Benediction.

The next Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be on Friday, March 2, 2012.

And don't forget...during Lent Exposition will take place every Tuesday from 1:00pm until 5:00pm.

CAMPAIGN

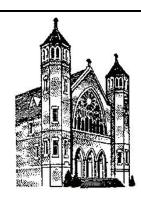
0

R

N

E

R



GREAT NEWS ---

We have reached our goal!

Due to the generosity of many parishioners, I am pleased to announce that as of February 22nd a total of

\$3,005,226

has been pledge to the campaign for Saint Luke.

Due to such a fantastic response, we can now work to reach our goal of \$4,000,000 which provides us with two advantages:

1. One never knows what added costs might be involved once work begins especially with buildings as old as ours. The new goal will provide a little extra "security" if needed.

and

2. We can begin planning for the new Parish Center so needed and important for the future growth and viability of the parish.

So... your pledge is still important. Don't wait any longer. AND thank you to all who have already given.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Q: When will work begin?

A: We hope to begin work on the church in the near future. Right now we are reviewing bids on firms to prepare scope of work paperwork so that work can go out for bids. Hopefully, a decision will be made in the next few weeks.

Q: What about the Convent?

A: The demolition of the convent is now planned to begin in the summer months of July and August. Bids for this project have been received and are now being reviewed by both the Diocese and the parish.

St. Luke Church

COMMITMENT WEEKEND PLEDGE CARD

Name:	I am/We are pleased to make a gift to
	Serving the Present; Building the Future
Address:	☐Yes! I/We agree to pledge today or increase my/our pledge.
	□Amen! I/We have already made a pledge.
City:State:Zip:	□ Praying! I am/We are thinking about my/our decision.
Phone:	Please call me/us at on
[] Not registered, but would like to be!	Phone # Date
[] Not registered, but would like to be! Total Pledge Amount □ \$25,000 □ \$18,000 □ \$12,000	Phone # Date □ \$6,000 □ \$2,500 □ \$1,200
Total Pledge Amount □ \$25,000 □ \$18,000 □ \$12,000 Payable: □Monthly □ Quarterly □ Semi-Annua	

To help determine your sacrificial pledge, gift amounts can be structured as follows:

Total Pledge	Annually	Semi- Annually	Quarterly	Monthly	Daily
\$25,000	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$1,250	\$417	\$13.70
\$18,000	\$3,600	\$1,800	\$900	\$300	\$9.86
\$12,000	\$2,400	\$1,200	\$600	\$200	\$6.57
\$6,000	\$1,200	\$600	\$300	\$100	\$3.29
\$2,500	\$500	\$250	\$125	\$42	\$1.48
\$1,200	\$240	\$120	\$60	\$20	\$0.66

Page 4

LENT 2012 AT ST. LUKE CHURCH

1. Stations of the Cross

Monday Evenings at 7:30pm in Italian Wednesday Afternoons at 1:00pm

Friday Evenings at 7:30pm

Friday, February 24 - Parish

Friday, March 2 - Family

Friday, March 9 - Disciples in Mission

Friday, March 16 - Liturgical Ministers

Friday, March 23 - Prayer Groups

Friday, March 30 - Family

2. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Tuesday during Lent beginning February 28th from 1:00pm to 5:00pm.

3. Forty Hours Devotion

Beginning Sunday, March 4th at the 1:00pm Mass and continuing through Tuesday, March 6th at the 7:30pm Closing Mass.

4. Scripture Classes

Every Tuesday evening beginning Tuesday, February 28th at **7:00pm** in the school hall through Tuesday, March 27th. Registration is required. Please look for more details and registration form in this bulletin.

5. Disciples in Mission

Are you Joy Full? Do you know the joy of the Resurrected Lord?

Jesus said, "These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full." (John 15:11)

St. Luke Disciples in Mission invites you to join with us in our Lenten faith sharing program. It is an opportunity to know the Lord your God in a deeper way and to come together with your fellow parishioners in small groups to prayerfully read and reflect on the Sunday scripture readings and share in their meaning and application in our everyday life. We meet once a week for about one hour at a Group Leader's home beginning the first week of Lent and extending throughout the six week of Lent. You may leave your name and phone number at the rectory and a member of the Disciples in Mission team will get back to you.



6. An Introduction to the Bible

On the five Tuesdays of Lent, Fr. Dettmer will offer the course "An Introduction to the Bible."

This course will present an overview of the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures, which will be presented within the context of their historical, cultural, and literary development. The material will be presented by emphasizing the major themes found throughout the Scriptures: Creation, Sin, Covenant, Prophesy, Salvation, and Redemption.

The hours will count toward the continuing education requirements for St. Luke's School and St. Luke's Religious Education Teachers. The course will also be open to all parishioners.

When: 7pm-9pm Tuesday February 28

March 6, 13, 20 & 27

Where: St. Luke's School

Registration is required. Please return the tear-off below to the Rectory.

An Introduction to the Bible NAME______ ADDRESS_____ PHONE_____

Page 6

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER PARTY ---

Come join the Msgr. Francis J. Dillon Council Knights of Columbus for the second annual St. Patrick's Dinner Party on **Saturday, March 3** from 7pm to 11pm in the St. Luke's School Hall. Event features a delicious Irish meal - Corned beef, cabbage and potatoes with Irish soda bread (feel free to bring your own soda bread it you wish). There will be plenty of raffle prizes, a 50/50, DJ, Irish Step Dancing, games for the kids and a good time for all! Admission: \$25 per adult, \$10 for children 11-15, and children 10 and under are FREE. For tickets, please call any of the following people:



Sam Neglia - 646-515-7890 Damian/Lisa Scardamaglia 516-375-2766 Tim/Shannon Kiley 718-746-0165 Eddie Weisenburger 917-667-2835

ST. LUKE'S ANNUAL ITALIAN DINNER-DANCE IN HONOR OF SAINT JOSEPH ---

Join us on **Saturday, March 17th** for our annual Dinner Dance in Honor of Saint Joseph. This event will take place in St. Luke's School Hall from 7:00pm until Midnight. Great food, great music, raffles and fun! Tickets are \$55 per person.

For more information, please call Damiana Testa at (718) 746-6269.





PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM ---

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

Baptism Sunday
March 11 & 25
April 29
May 20 & 27
June 10 & 24
Baptism Class
March 19
April 16
May 21
June 18

For more information, please call the rectory at 718-746-8102.



SPECIAL SAINT JOSEPH MASS IN ITALIAN ---

Monday, March 19th is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In addition to the regular parish Masses in English at 7:00am and 12:00 noon there will be a Mass in Italian in Honor of Saint Joseph at 7:00pm.

Before the Mass at 6:30pm there will be the blessing of a new statue of Saint Joseph and the child Jesus to be located in the parking lot across from the church. We wish to thank Luigi Romano for the donation of the statue in memory of his son Giuseppe and his loving wife Rosa.

Join us for both the blessing of the statue and the celebration of Mass in honor of Saint Joseph and start a new parish tradition.

Speaking of Traditions ---

If any parishioner is setting up a Saint Joseph altar in their house and would like it blessed by one of the parish priests, please call the rectory.

MESSA SPECIALE DI SAN GIUSEPPE IN ITALIANO ---

Lunedi 19 Marzo e la ricorrenza della Solennita di San Giuseppe, Sposo della Beata Vergine Maria. Oltre alla Messa regolare delle 7:00 del mattino e di mexxogiorno ci sara anche una Messa in Italiano in onore di San Giuseppe alle 7:00 della sera.

Prima della Messa, alle 6:30, ci sara la Benedizione della statua di San Giuseppe e del Bambino Gesu che sara, dopo, posta nel parcheggio di fronte alla Chiesa.

Vogliamo ringraziare Luigi Romano per la donazione della statua in memoria del figlio Giuseppe e della moglie Rosa.

Unitevi a noi per la Benedizione della statua ed a celebrare l'Eucarestia in Onore di San Giuseppe cominciando così una nuova tradizione della nostra parrocchia.

Parlando di Tradizione ---

Se qualche parrocchiano di San Luca prepara l'Altare di San Giuseppe in casa, e vorrebbe farlo Benedire da uno dei Sacerdoti, e pregato di chiamare la Rettoria.



Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn

Respect for Rights of Conscience Act:

On January 20, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) reaffirmed a rule that virtually all private health care plans must cover sterilization, abortifacients, and contraception. The rule is set to take effect August 1, 2012. Non-profit religious employers that do not now provide such coverage, and are not exempt under the rule's extremely narrow definition of religious employer, will be given one year until August 1, 2013 to comply.

To correct the threats to religious liberty and rights of the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act has been introduced in Congress S. 1467. This measure will ensure that those who participate in the health care system "retain the right to provide, purchase, or enroll in health coverage that is consistent with their religious beliefs and moral convictions." It is more important than ever that Members of Congress be urged to co-sponsor S. 1467.

- ACTION: Contact Senator Charles Schumer, and Senator Kristen Gillibrand and tell them to support S. 1467.
- Call Senator Schumer at 212-486-4430

and

Senator Gillibrand at 212-688-6262.

Go to www.usceb.org/conscience for additional information.

BULLETIN INSERT

Sweeping HHS M andate <u>Stands</u>, Violating Conscience Rights and Religious Liberty Congress Must Act to Fix the Problem

On January 20, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) reaffirmed a rule that virtually all private health care plans must cover sterilization, abortifacients, and contraception. The exemption provided for "religious employers" was so narrow that it failed to cover the vast majority of faith-based organizations—including Catholic hospitals, universities, and charities—that help millions every year. Ironically, not even Jesus and his disciples would have qualified for the exemption, because it excludes those who mainly serve people of another faith.

On February 10, the Obama Administration made this rule final "without change"; delayed enforcement for a year against religious nonprofits that were still not exempted (our charities, hospitals, and colleges); and promised to develop more regulations to "accommodate" them by the end of that additional year. But, as explained below, that promised "accommodation" still forces them to pay for "services" that violate their religious convictions.

The original rule that violated our religious liberty so severely has not been changed, but finalized.

After touting meaningful changes in the mandate, HHS instead finalized the original rule that was first issued in August 2011 "without change." So the offensive definition of "religious employer"—which excludes our charities, hospitals, and colleges because they serve people of other faiths—is <u>still</u> in place, and those institutions are still subject to the mandate.

HHS has promised some kind of "accommodation," but only after the election.

HHS said it would take an additional year to develop more regulations to "accommodate" religiously-affiliated charities, schools, and hospitals that still fall outside the "religious employer" exemption. The impact of these additional rules will not be felt until after the election, the only point of public accountability for the Executive Branch. This eliminates an important incentive for HHS to provide the best protection for religious liberty

The promised "accommodation"—even at its best—would still force our institutions to violate their beliefs

Under the proposed "accommodation," if an employee of these religious institutions wants coverage of contraception or sterilization directly from the insurer, the objecting employer is still <u>forced</u> to pay for it as a part of the employer's insurance plan. Since there is no other source, the funds to pay for that coverage must come from the premiums of the employer and fellow employees, even those who object in conscience.

There is no exemption for objecting insurers, secular employers, for-profit religious employers, or individuals.

The U.S. bishops defend religious liberty <u>for all</u>, and so have repeatedly identified <u>all</u> the stakeholders in the process whose religious freedom is threatened by the mandate—<u>all</u> employers, insurers, and individuals, not just religious employers. Now, all insurers, including self-insurers, must provide the coverage to any employee who wants it. In turn, all individuals who pay premiums have no escape from subsidizing that coverage. And only employers that are both non-profit <u>and</u> religious may qualify for the limited "accommodation."

We urgently need legislation to correct the mandate's threats to religious liberty and conscience rights. The Respect for Rights of Conscience Act has been introduced in Congress (H.R. 1179, S. 1467) to ensure that those who participate in the market for health insurance "retain the right to provide, purchase, or enroll in health coverage that is consistent with their religious beliefs and moral convictions."

ACTION: Contact your U.S. Representative by e-mail, phone, or FAX letter:

- Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at: 202-224-3121, or call your Members' local offices.
- Send your email to Congress through www.usccb.org/conscience.
- Additional contact info can be found on Members' web sites at: www.house.gov and www.senate.gov.

MESSAGE: "Please co-sponsor and support the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act (H.R. 1179, S. 1467). The Obama administration's decision to mandate coverage of sterilization and contraceptives, including drugs that can cause an abortion, makes passage of this measure especially urgent. Please ensure that the religious liberty and conscience rights of all participants in our nation's health care system are respected."

WHEN: Now is the time to build co-sponsors and support. Please act today! Thanks!

LENTEN REGULATIONS

As we once again embark on the penitential season of Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22, we are mindful of the invitation to deeper prayer and conversion. Lent prepares us for the grace-filled celebration of our Lord's death and Resurrection at Easter. In order for us to take full advantage of this season, I present to you the following regulations:

ABSTINENCE – all the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

FASTING – All the faithful between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may also be taken on two other occasions during the day.

EASTER DUTY – After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season, unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time of the year. By special indult, in the U.S., the time period for fulfilling this precept has been extended to include the period beginning the First Sunday of Lent (Feb. 26) to Trinity Sunday (June3).

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD: This year the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord falls on Sunday, March 25. Since that is the Fifth Sunday of Lent 2012, the celebration of the Annunciation is transferred to the following day, Monday, March 26.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY: Our diocese will once again celebrate Reconciliation Monday on the Monday of Holy Week, April 2. As in the past, we hope this will be a wonderful opportunity for the faithful to participate in this great Sacrament of Healing.

The following should be noted:

The obligation to observe, as a whole or substantially the penitential days specified, is a serious one. Days of penance are not merely individual exercises – they are observed by the whole Church, as the Body of Christ.

After having reached the age of discretion, members of the faithful are bound to confess once a year grave sins which have not already been absolved.

The faithful are encouraged to celebrate the sacraments of the Eucharist and Penance frequently during Lent. Reading the Scriptures, prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, generosity toward the poor and the needy are additional means of becoming more involved in the Lenten season. Operation Rice Bowl is one example of a specific way to give alms.

Pastors and parents are responsible to see that young persons, who are not bound to the above requirements, are educated in an authentic sense of penance.

All Fridays of the year remain as days of penance in prayerful remembrance of the Passion of Jesus Christ. The U.S. Bishops have recommended abstinence from meat as a penance for all Fridays of the year, although each individual may substitute some other practice of voluntary self-denial or personal penance. This may involve acts of mortification, prayer or charity.

In prayerful pilgrimage with the catechumens and candidates for full initiation, let us accompany our Lord on his way to the cross and to the empty tomb. May we use this time of Lent to be more closely united with Christ in His Death and Resurrection.

Msgr. Anthony Hernandez, J.C.L.
Chancellor

As printed in February 18 edition of the Tablet.



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

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION NOW AVAILABLE FOR ST. LUKE SCHOOL FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR

Who can apply for a scholarship?

All families who have a child or children enrolled in a Catholic Elementary school in Brooklyn or Queens (Grades Pre K-8) and are in financial need of tuition assistance.

How to apply?

Step 1: Register your child or children in a Catholic Elementary school in Brooklyn or Queens. Obtain the application and other financial aid information from the school.

Step 2: Fill out the application online or via mail and submit with required supporting documentation. Please note that there is a non-refundable \$21.00 application processing fee, payable by check or money order. Only one application per family is required.

- Online Go to www.psas.org click Online Application, authorization code = BROOK.
- Mail to:

Private School Aid Service

P.O. Box 89434

Cleveland, OH 44101-6434

- · All returned checks will incur an additional fee of \$25.00.
- Please keep a copy of your completed application and supporting documents.

How are scholarships awarded?

- Scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,700 are awarded on a first come-first serve basis. Families are encouraged to apply as early as possible. Applications received after June 30, 2012 may not be considered for the 2012/2013 academic year.
- Families will be considered for either the **D.O.B. Scholarship**, the **Bishop's Scholarship Program or the** *Angel* **Program.** Scholarships will be awarded to eligible students based on:
 - Program eligibility
 - Income level
 - Household size
 - Timing of when application is received
- For additional information about our scholarship programs, please visit www.futuresineducation.org/apply-now
- Notifications will be sent to families starting after March 31, 2012 on a rolling basis. Allow approximately 6 to 8 weeks from the time you submit the application to receive a response.

Please note:

- Only completed applications submitted with all required supporting documents will be considered.
- Please go to www.psas.org for information on how to check the status of your application.
- All information and documentation provided on this form is kept strictly confidential.
- Please make sure all documentation is copied on regular 81/2 x 11 paper.
- If you change your child(ren)'s school after submitting the scholarship application, please go immediately to www.psas.org/Brooklyn.html and complete the school change form.
- For questions please call 866.424.6443 or email twintering@psas.org.

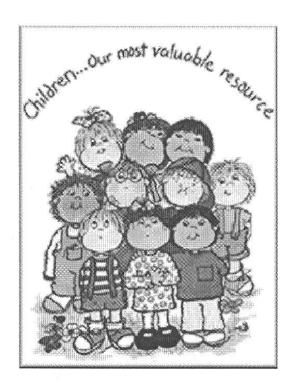
Great News!!

St. Luke School is pleased to announce the opening of a

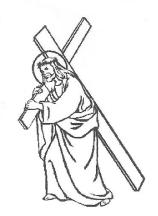
Full Day Nursery Program
(8:15AM—2:15PM)

beginning September 2012.

For more information, please call 718-746-3833



ST. LUKE'S LENTEN SOUP SUPPER & STATIONS OF THE CROSS



The St. Luke Youth Group will be cooking up and serving a variety of delicious soups for the parish Lenten Soup Supper! Dinner will be followed by Stations of the Cross.

Everyone is invited — Come have dinner with your St. Luke Family

Please join your parish family in the school hall on Friday March 9th



Dinner from 6:00 – 7:30 PM Stations of the Cross from 7:30 – 8:30 PM

> Soup ... Bread & Rolls ... Soda ... Coffee & Light Dessert

Only - \$5.00 per person

Please use the tear off below to RSVP by March 4th

All children must have at least one adult with them. Thank you.

If joining our Lenten Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross please return this tear off to the rectory or in the collection baskets any weekend by Sunday March 4th

(Please Print)		
Name:		
# of Adults:	# of Children	
Phone #	Email	
All childre	en must have at least one adult with them. T	hank you.

GIORNATA DI PREGHIERA PER LA QUARESIMA

Apostolato Italiano Nazionale N.I.A.C. 3 Marzo 2012 Immaculate Conception Center Douglaston, Queens

La giornata comincera alle 9 del mattino e concludera con las celebrazione della S. Messa. Presiede il nostro vescovo, S.E.

Mons. Nicholas DiMarzio.
(tutto in lingua italiana)
Rosario
Via Crucis
Conferenza spiritual
Vendita dei libri
Pranzo caldo incluso
\$15.00 per person

Per pre notare un spazio parlare con Fernando Minchella, Damiana Testa o Angela Masullo o chiamare la chiesa.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR LENT
National Italian Apostolate
N.I.A.C.
March 3, 2012
Immaculate Conception Center
Douglaston, Queens

The day will begin at 9am and conclude with the celebration of Holy Mass.

Our Bishop, His Excellency Nicholas DiMarzio will preside.

(all services will be conducted in Italian)

Rosary Stations of the Cross Spiritual Conference Hot lunch included \$15.00

To reserve a seat, please speak to Fernando Minchella, Damiana Testa or Angela Masullo or call the Rectory.



"Fashion in Bloom"

Saint Luke School Fashion Show Committee Cordially invites you to attend our 6th Annual Ladies Fashion Show

> Friday, April 20, 2012 7:00 P.M. – Midnight

Terrace on the Park Grand Ballroom

52–11 111th Street Flushing Meadows Park, New York

Enjoy an evening of Good Company, Great Food, Music, Dancing, Fabulous Raffle Prizes and Beautiful Fashions Provided by Dress Barn & Carina Boutique

Cocktail Hour, Full Buffet Dinner, Open Bar, Coffee & Desserts

\$70 Admission per Person

"Fashion in Bloom" St. Luke 6th Annual Fashion Show A Response is Requested before March 27, 2012

A Response is Requested before March 27, 2012					
Return this slip and money to St. Luke School Attn: Fashion Show Committee or call 718 746-3833 to arrange for pick up.					
Name and Guests seating at table					
(Make all effort to arrange tables of 10 people) Note: If your party is smaller than 10 persons, you will be seated with other guests. If needed, arrangements can be made for larger tables — kindly call or email Adriana 718 309-4778; email stlukecommittee@aol.com					
Number of Persons Attending, Enclosed is \$, Tel #:					
** No Tickets will be issued. Check in at door is required. Make check payable to St. Luke School. Thank you for your support. **					



HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI REUNION ---

Saturday, March 10, 2012, from 7pm-11:30pm (liturgy at 5:30pm): Holy Cross High School Alumni Homecoming Reunion,

Classes'62,'67,'72,'77,'82,'87,'92,'97,'02,'07.

Tickets are \$65 per person. Contact Jennifer Dullahan at (718) 886-7250, ext. 609; jdulla-

han@holycrosshs.org.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE ---

Join us on a Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ireland and to the 50th International Eucharistic Congress. June 8-18,2012. Chaplains Fr. Brian Dowd & Fr. James Cunningham. Spiritual Director: Bishop Frank Caggiano. For a brochure call: 1-800-225-7662.

THE ITALIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ST. MEL'S ---

Invita tutti alla Gran Festa di San Giuseppe.

Venerdi 16 Marzo 2012 nella Chiesa di St. Mel ore 7:30pm - 26-15 154th St., Flushing. Messa Solenne con il Vescovo Frank Caggiano e distribuzione del pane.

(Seguiranno rinfreschi in Father O'Malley Hall)

37th ANNUAL IRISH CULTURAL DAY on Sunday, March 4th from noon to 5pm at St. Mel's Church (Auditorium) 154th St. & 26th Ave., Flushing Continuous live Irish music, song and dance, exhibits (displaying and selling). Adults \$6, children under 12 free. Free tea/coffee, Irish soda bread/cake. Sponsored by L.A.O.H. Div. 15, Whitestone. For more info call (718) 746-3837.

FLUSHING FIRST FRIDAY CLUB ---

Friday, March 2 at 12 noon. Guest speaker: Father Ramon Frias, St. John the Baptist Church, N.Y.C. Verdi's Restaurant. Cost: \$25



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon. - Lv 19:1-2,11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tues.- Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wed. - Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thurs. - Est C:12,14-16,23-25; Mt 7:7-12

Fri. - Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Sat. - Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

JOSETTE TANZOLA
JENNIE ROMANO
BARBARA SATALINO
ARTOURAS JAOUTAKAS
ANTHONY TROTTA
GRACE MARIA TRINDADE
LOUIS FIAMMA
WILLIAM BARRY
ANNA IVERSON

AND FOR THE DECEASED:

ANTHONY CHIANESE MARY P. SOWCHUK GLORIA DESANCTIS JOHN T. KANE LORRAINE GAVIGAN KATHLEEN CROPPER MARILYN SAKIS AGOSTINA BAIO

ROSE STEPHENSON

MEMORIALS

The Altar Candles are burning *FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION*.



ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 27, 2012

Monday, February 27 7:00 For a Special Intention 12:00 Antonina & Antonina Cacioppo

Tuesday, February 28 8:30 Michael Dennehy (Anniversary) 12:00 Dinka & Anton Honovic

Wednesday, February 29 7:00 For a Special Intention 12:00 Gilda & Carlo Bonetti

Thursday, March 1
8:30 Deceased Members of the Downey
& O'Connell families
12:00 Antonija & Josip Trdoslavic

Friday, March 2 7:00 Peter Spagnoli 8:30 Patrick Bruen 12:00 Angela & Paolo Mossa & Family

Saturday, March 3 8:30 Ida Bacchia (Anniversary)

Collective Intentions Mass ---

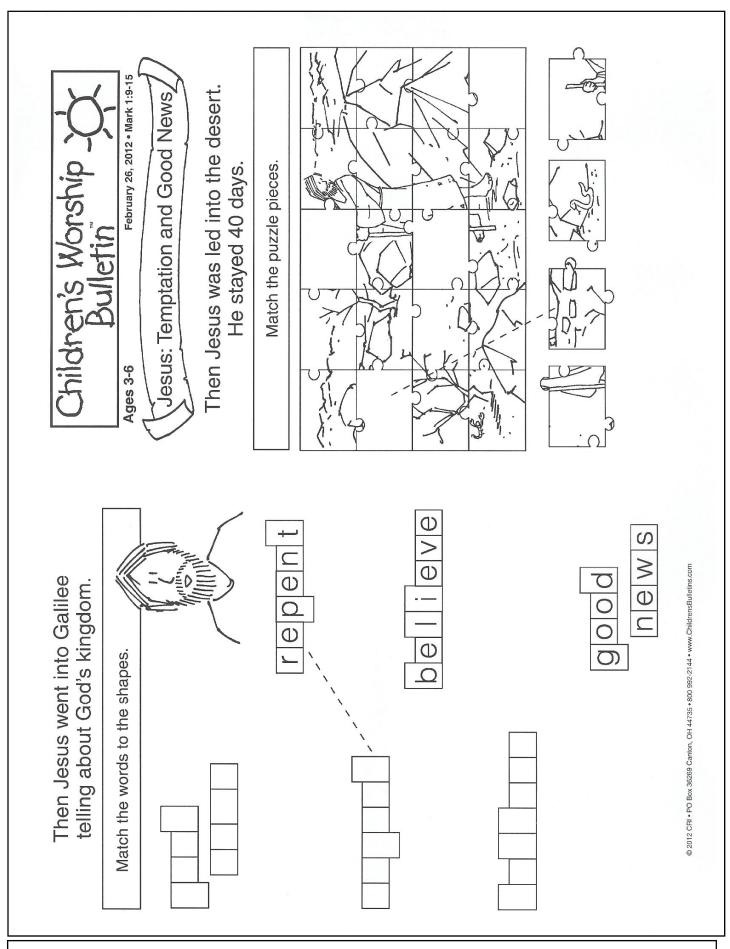
The next Collective Intentions Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, March 10th at 12 noon.

At this Mass we pray for:

SUSAN SODANO

GIUSEPPINA TARDUGNO

MARIA DIGIORGIO



Page 20

Count and (circle) the number of animals and angels. <u>ر</u>. S Jesus was with wild animals. Angels were also with Him. ō o 10 4 0 3 ∞ 2 animals — - angels but He always did what was right. Jesus was tempted to sin, the 1 that is different. Circle