Saint Luke Church, Whitestone, N.Y.



O happy fault, o necessary sin of Adam, which gained for us so great a Redeemer!



(Easter Proclamation-Easter Vigil)

Jesus Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! The joy of Easter fills the church as we celebrate the Good News of Easter - Jesus Christ - crucified and buried - is Risen from the dead. So great is the joy of the church that at the Easter Vigil we even can rejoice in the Sin of Adam - that necessary sin, that happy fault that gained for us so great a redeemer!

Easter is truly a feast of hope. The hope to be found in Christ who brings light and life to the darkness and death we so often experience. Perhaps nothing speaks so clearly and beautifully of this hope than the service of light at the beginning of the Vigil. After blessing the fire and preparing the Paschal Candle, the priest lights the candle saying:

"May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds." The candle enters the church with a triple acclamation: Christ our Light! Soon the whole church is transformed from darkness to light by the Light of Christ.

This symbolic action eloquently reminds us of the true Easter Message in Christ is our salvation! May that Good News fill us with light and hope throughout the year.

Allow me to express my thanks to all who made our celebration of Holy Week and Easter so very prayerful and beautiful. A word of thanks to all the liturgical ministers; to those active in our music ministries; to the Boy Scouts for lighting the Easter fire; to the sacristans; to our parish custodians and rectory staff - to all who shared their time and talents to praise God and serve our parish. A special word of thanks to Fathers Dettmer and Chirichella for all their efforts and devotion especially in light of my recuperation.

Happy Easter!

Let us pray for one another,

Mage. Tosi

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY --- AT SAINT LUKE

Today, April 11, has been designated "Divine Mercy Sunday" by the church to remember and celebrate the gift of God's divine mercy present for us in Christ. God's mercy is the gift - let us pray to be open to receive the gift God so generously wants to give us.

Join us today beginning at 2:30pm for an hour and a half of Adoration with reflections from St. Faustina's diary, praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00pm and Benediction at 4:00pm

All are welcome to attend.



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.

Easter Sunday Collection - \$24,300

Amount Needed - \$13,000

Easter Gift to the Church - \$7,829

Envelopes Mailed 1,750

Easter Sunday Envelopes Received 970

THANK YOU ---

For your generous "Easter Offering" taken up at all the Masses on Easter Sunday. A total of \$24,300 was given; in addition \$7,829 was given to the "Easter Gift to the Church" for a combined gift of \$23,822. Your generosity to the parish is most appreciated. May God reward your goodness.

THANK YOU ---

For your support of the retired priests of the diocese with a total of \$4,721.00 given in the special collection on Easter Sunday. Your concern for the senior priests is greatly appreciated.

PARKING LOT PROGRESS ---

I am pleased to inform you that we have received the necessary approval of the Supreme Court of New York State for the sale and transfer of a small parcel of the parking lot. This will allow us to fund the much needed repairs and upgrading of the church parking lot. Work should begin shortly.

FAMILY MASS ---SUNDAY, APRIL 18TH ---

Next week, April 18th, at the 11:45am Mass join us for the monthly Family Mass. This month the Mass will celebrate the joy of Easter with an Easter tradition - Easter Eggs. Come and find out the true meaning of this tradition; join with other families for this Mass and the reception which will follow Mass.

<u>REMINDER</u> ---

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Monday, April 12th at 7:15pm in the Rectory.

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES ---

Want something fun to do on a Friday night during the Easter Season? Join Father Vincent for five consecutive Fridays at 7:30pm in the rectory study room (rectory basement). Father will be covering Saint Luke's account of the work of the Holy Spirit in the early Church in the Acts of the Apostles. As Jesus tells us in this Easter Season, "Do not be afraid". Join us!

Friday, April 23rd at 7:30pm Friday, April 30th at 7:30pm Friday, May 7th at 7:30pm Friday, May 14th at 7:30pm Friday, May 21st at 7:30pm

<u>ADULT CONFIRMATION</u> <u>CLASSES</u> ---

For baptized Catholics who have received First Communion but have not received Confirmation will begin on April 12. Call Sister Katherine Burke at 718-746-3409 for additional information.



I am deeply thankful for the assurance of prayers along with cards and notes of support and gifts from so many parishioners and friends. They mean a great deal to me.

Please keep me in your prayers. God bless.

Msgr. Tosi

PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM---

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

Baptism Class	Baptism Sunday
Mon., May 17	May 23
Mon., June 21	June 13 & 27
Mon., July 19	July 11 & 25
Mon., Aug. 16	Aug. 8 & 22

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION ---

If you have a communion call or go to the nursing home and need a burse or a corporal, they are available. If you don't have a communion call and would like one please let Sister Catherine T. Reilly, O.P. know. Please call Sister at 718-746-8531 to pick up your burse or corporal.

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR TO VISIT ST. LUKE SCHOOL ---

Susan Roth, author of the children's book, Listen to the Wind: Dr. Greg and Three Cups of Tea will be visiting our school on Monday, April 12th. This book has inspired the "Let's Hold Hands" campaign. This peace effort revolves around children from around the world exchanging paper dolls created in their likeness. Students from grades Pre-K through 8th have made dolls that will be presented to Ms. Roth during her visit. Our dolls will be sent and displayed to schools and libraries near and far.



BEREAVEMENT GROUP ---

The Bereavement Group Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at 7:30pm in the Rectory. If you are interested in joining us once a month, please call Sister Catherine T. Reilly, O.P. at (718) 746-8531, or Father Vincent Chirichella at (718) 746-8102.

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP ---



The next meeting of the Padre Pio Prayer Group will be held on Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at 7:30pm in the church.

All are welcome to attend.

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA ---

The St. Anthony Novena will begin on Tuesday, April 13 after the 12 noon Mass and continue through Tuesday, June 8. Since June 13th falls on a Sunday this year, the feast



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, April 27, 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.

3 DAYS OF MUSIC & MINISTRY WITH JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT AT HOLY TRINITY PARISH, WHITESTONE

Thurs., 4/29 at 7:30pm, Fri., 4/30 at 7:30pm and Sat., 5/1 at 2pm. No tickets. Free Will Offering. For more information please call 718-746-7730.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon.- Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8 Tues.- Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15 Wed. - Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21 Thurs.- Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36 Fri. - Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15 Sat. - Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

<u>WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:</u>

LESLIE PHILLIPS DEBBIE JOHNSON GRACE GAMBY SARA DARAB CHARLIE DOONAN GARRET THORSEN

AND FOR THE DECEASED:

PATRICK LYNCH GRACE VOSALLO

<u>Collective Intentions Mass</u> ---

The next Collective Intentions Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, May 8 at 12 Noon.

At this Mass we pray for:

VITTORIO MARTINO RUTH WHORLOW ANTHONY DIPASQUALE

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12, 2010

Monday, April 12

7:00 Mario Martinovich 12:00 Simplicio Couto (3rd Anniversary)

Tuesday, April 13

8:30 Frank Vosilla 12:00 Trajbar Family

Wednesday, April 14

7:00 Maria Lucia Brienza 12:00 Franch Family

Thursday, April 15

8:30 Deceased Members of O'Donoghue Family

12:00 Michael & Francesca Allegretta

Friday, April 16

7:00 Anna & Salvatore Graziadei 12:00 Julia & John Boglioli (Anniversary)

Saturday, April 17

8:30 Gerard & Bridget Mirro & Eugene & Barbara Resnikoff

THANK YOU ---

To the children and grandchildren of **SAM & ANNE PARCASE** who donated a leaf on the Tree of Life in memory of them.



OFFICE OF THE BISHOP DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN



March 15, 2010

Dear Monsignor / Father:

As you know from the news reports, the earthquake and tsunami that struck Chile killed over 700 people, followed by a magnitude 6.7 aftershock which rocked south-central Chile. In economic terms, this is the worst catastrophe Chile has suffered inasmuch as these disasters have caused damages of nearly \$30 billion according to the Chilean government.

At this time, I am requesting that our parishes take up a voluntary collection this coming Sunday. The monies collected will be sent to the effected dioceses. As you will remember, this special collection letter was requested by the majority of pastors at the recent pastors' meeting. All monies collected should be sent to the Diocesan Finance Office at 310 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, NY 11215.

It is important that this special voluntary collection not be in conflict with any second collection already announced and not be in conflict with any national collections.

I wish to thank you and your parishioners for their concern for our brothers and sisters in Chile. Please continue to pray for them and please be generous in the help that you give them.

Asking the Lord to extend His blessings upon our brothers and sisters in Chile during this difficult time and thanking the faithful of Brooklyn and Queens for their compassion, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

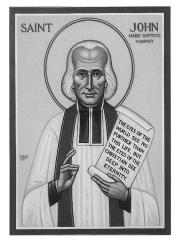
Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio, Ph.D., D.D.

Bishop of Brooklyn

PLEASE NOTE ---

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In response to this request by BIshop DiMarzio, a special relief collection will be taken up at all the Masses on the weekend of April 17 and 18.



The Year of the Priest June 2009 - 2010

"We can do nothing by ourselves, my children, but we can do everything with the help of God...."

- Sermon on Temptations
- St. John Vianney

MARK YOUR CALENDAR ---

Sunday, April 25 has been designated Good Shepherd Sunday by Pope Paul VI in 1963. The church invites us to honor the vocation of all Christians given at baptism.

In a special way this year the parish will honor all those who have accepted the vocation of priesthood and consecrated life as religious women and men from St. Luke Parish.

A special Mass will be celebrated on Good Shepherd Sunday - April 25th at 11:45AM to which all parish vocations have been invited to attend. Please join us for this Mass as we pray for those who have given their lives in service to God and the church and as we pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

As of this weekend the following will be here for Mass:

Fr. Kevin Sweeney
Fr. Kevin Creagh
Sr. Julie Thompson
Sr. Jeanne E. Matullo, O.P.
Sr. Anne Marie Young, V.H.
Sr. M. Leo Francis Monaghan, O.P.
Sr. Betty Kolb, R.S.H.M.
Sr. Barbara A. Kradick, O.P.





A reception will follow in the lower church meeting area.

STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS ---

As part of the ongoing process of strategic planning (known as "Christ Jesus, Our Hope") we have been asked to publish the following information regarding Diocesan Subsidy and Jubilee Forgiveness as it applies to our parish. As you will see St. Luke has not and does not receive any financial subsidy from the diocese. Thus in the year 2000 when all debts to the diocese were forgiven to honor the Jubilee Year does not apply to the parish. This is good news as it reflects our parish ability to meet our financial obligations - and more - without diocesan assistance.

Parish Financial Information Diocesan Subsidy and Jubilee Forgiveness		
Name	St. Luke	
Parish No.	101115	
Diocesan Subsidy		
2000-2001		
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2005-2006		
2006-2007		
2007-2008		
2008-2009		
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School Loan	-,	
Prior Years Assessment	¥	
Parish Prior Years Self Insurance	-	
School Prior Years Self Insurance	-	
Parish Payment	<u> </u>	
Total for Jubilee		
Total Diocesan Subsidy	-	
Grand Total	-	

THOUGHT YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW ---

Diocesan Assessment (money given by the parish to support the mission and ministries of the diocese)

2005-2010: \$353,700

Annual Catholic Appeal (yearly Appeal throughout the diocese)

2005-2010: \$406,032 (Parish Goal sent to the diocese)

As part of the larger church of the diocese St. Luke generously supports the works of the diocesan church by these yearly activities as well as its support of the various second collections taken up at Mass to assist the works of the church in our country and throughout the world. Thank you for your devotion and goodness.

FAMILY MASS SAVE THE DATES!

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

April 18th

Eggs will be distributed to celebrate the Easter season.



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



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





We hope to see all families there!





Barbecue-Picnic in

Thanksgiving for and Honor of the Priesthood for

THE YEAR OF THE PRIEST 2009-2010

Located at Saint Luke's Parish

(16-34 Clintonville St. Whitestone, NY, 11357)



Date: Saturday, April 24th 2010 Time: 11:00AM – 5:00 PM

Admission Price: \$5.00 per person

Menu:

Hot Dogs: \$1.00 Hamburger: \$2.00

Italian Sausage: \$2.00

Ice Cream: \$1.00 Soda/Water: \$1.00 Events:

Sack Races, Sports Games & Contests, DJ, Inflatables, Face-Painting, Fire & Police

Trucks, Raffles, 50/50, and more!!

Prepaid Reservations are preferred to better prepare for the event!

For tickets, please call any of the following:

Eddie Weisenburger: 1-917-667-2835

Ron Bonelli:

1-718-767-7503

Frank Durkin: 1-718-767-1196

Peter Zuccarello: 1-718-767-9114

Priests, Brothers, Nuns. They NEED us. We NEED them.

Proceeds will go to the K of C, Cathedral Prep HS Seminary, & Bridge to Life

*Tickets can be purchased on-site, but strongly appreciated if pre-paid!

EASTER

SIGNS OF NEW LIFE AT CHURCH ---

In the Church's liturgical year, Easter is far more than just a one day celebration. Easter is actually a seven-week season of the year called Eastertide. It begins at sundown the evening before Easter Sunday (the Easter Vigil) and lasts for six more Sundays until Pentecost. The readings on the Sundays of Easter focus on the Church as witness to the Resurrection. Signs of Christ's new life fill the church during this glorious season!



The color white: Look around at Mass during the Easter season and you will find the color white. White represents Christ's victory over death through His glorious resurrection. The white garment we received at our baptism is a sign that all of the baptized share in the new life of Christ. The white pall that is laid on the coffin of

those who have died reminds us that we, too, share in Christ's eternal and everlasting victory.

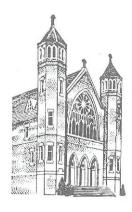


The Paschal Candle: The large white candle in the center of Church is called the Paschal or Easter candle. It is a symbol that Christ is the light of the world and through His crucifixion, death and resurrection (known as the Paschal mystery) we all experience new life.



The Baptismal Font: This sacred font is a symbol that all of the baptized have been "born anew" in Christ. During the Easter season, we are reminded of our baptismal promises and how we are each called to build up the Body of Christ on earth. What are some ways you and your family can witness to the Resurrection this Easter Season?





Saint Luke Church

16-34 CLINTONVILLE STREET WHITESTONE, NEW YORK 11357 TEL: (718) 746-8102 • FAX: (718) 746-3589

March 8, 2010

Dear Friends,

The Athletic Association of St. Luke (S.L.A.A.) is planning its 1st Annual Golf Outing to be held on Friday, June 4, 2010 at the Clearview Golf Course.

I would like to encourage your support of this event as the proceeds will go towards support of both our parish and school.

Much effort is being made to provide an enjoyable day of golf, friendship, good food and lots of fun in the sun (hopefully!). And all for a great cause.

The attached flyer contains all the necessary information for golf registration or sponsorship registration - or both.

Why not get a few friends to join you in what promises to be a great event! I hope to see many of our parishioners, neighbors and friends on the golf course.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. John C. Tosi

Pastor

1st Annual Saint Luke's Golf Outing at Clearview Golf Course

Sponsored by The Saint Luke Athletic Association (SLAA)

Date:

Friday, June 4th, 2010

Lunch:

12:00 PM 1:00 PM

Tee Time: Format:

2-Person Scramble

Entry Fee:

\$200 per golfer or \$350 per team

(Price includes green fees, cart fees, lunch, dinner, trophies and prizes.)

Golf Registration

Name:	Phone:	
Team Registr	ration (2 golfers)	\$350 per team
Single Golfer	Registration	\$200 per golfer
Single go	olfers will be combined to form a team o	on a first to register basis
	Sponsorship Registr	cation
Sponsor Name:		
Inc	elude business card or company lette	rhead if applicable
Tee Box Spo	nsor	\$125 per hole
Closest to the	e Pin Sponsor	\$250 per hole
Longest Driv	e Sponsor	\$250 per hole
	Total Amou	nt Enclosed:
Please Make Che	eck Payable to St. Lukes A	Athletic Association - SLA
Return completed regi	stration form and check made	payable to SLAA to:
	St. Luke's Church Red Attn: Golf Committe 16-34 Clintonville St Whitestone, NY 113	ereet

For more information contact the Saint Luke's Rectory at 718-746-8103

WEEKEND IN THE CATSKILLS!

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> AND MANY MORE!



St. Luke School 4th Annual Fashion Show

"A Red Carpet Event"

Friday, April 23, 2010 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

ELECTRIC MERCEDES!

SPA DAY FOR TWO!

GREAT WOLF LODGE TRIP!

> NY METS TICKETS!

IPOD TOUCH!

NY PHILHARMONIC SEATS!

> AND MANY MORE!

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Fashions are provided by "Caché"

Enjoy a fun filled evening of Good Company, Good Food, Raffles Prizes and Beautiful Fashions. Cocktail Hour, Full Buffet Dinner, Open Bar & Dessert will be Served

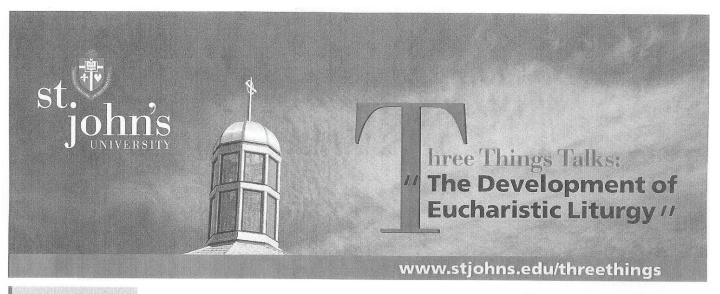
> \$60.00 Admission Per Person Adult Reception

RESERVE YOUR SEAT TODAY

Call St. Luke School 718 746-3833







April 17, 2010

The "Three Things Talks" is a series which addresses issues of Catholic belief and teaching. The talks are primarily intended for adult Catholics who want to know more about their faith, and also for those who are interested in what Catholics believe.



PROJECT ANDREW

is an opportunity for young men to learn more about the priesthood by joining Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio and other priests and seminarians from the Brooklyn Diocese for an evening of prayer, dinner, and conversation.

Our next Project Andrew will be on:

SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2010 6:00 PM

THE POPE JOHN PAUL II HOUSE OF DISCERNMENT

341 HIGHLAND BOULEVARD BROOKLYN, NY 11207



Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, then I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with me.

Revelation 3:20

SCHEDULE

- · 6:00 pm Arrival
- Evening Prayer
- Dinner
- Informal Discussion/ Presentation
- Questions and Answers
- . Closing Prayer

For more information or directions, please contact:

Fr. Kevin Sweeney Vocation Director

Fr. Kevin Abels
Associate Vocation Director

Phone: 718-827-2454 Fax: 718-827-2167

Email:

vocations@diobrook.org

GORNATADI PREGHIERA Aposto ato Nezionala Renano

Al Centro Pastorale "Immacolata Concezione" Douglaston, Queens

Programma della Giornata

Preghiera del Mattino (Lodi) con S. E. Nicholas DiMarzio, Vescovo di Brooklyn

> Presentazioni da Giovanna Piccioli Giuditta Coccia

Celebrazione della S. Messa con omelia

Recitazione meditativa del S. Rosario

Pranzo

Vendita dei libri (in lingua italiana) su temi spirituali e liturgici

\$15 (più autobus)

DATE: SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2010 For more information, please call the Rectory at 718-746-8102.



ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY "YEAR FOR PRIESTS" EVENING REFLECTION ---

Meals in Luke: Lessons on Eucharist, April 28 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm at St. Thomas More Church, Queens Campus. All are welcome. If you are interested in attending this session, or want more information, kindly RSVP to Sue Scacalossi at scacalos@stjohns.edu.

ST. FRANCIS PREP SUMMER ACADEMY 2010 ---

St. Francis Prep will be offering a one week enrichment program this July 26th to 30th from 9:00am-3:00pm. The purpose of the program is to provide students age 10 to 14 an opportunity to more deeply develop and broaden their academic skills in a positive, student-centered learning environment. For additional information and application call 718-423-8810, ext. 210 or visit the school website at www.sfponline.org and click on Summer Academy.

HOLY CROSS H.S. SUMMER INSTITUTE IN BROADCAST MEDIA & ACADEMICS ---

Workshops in Writing & Journalism, Creative Applications in Math, Television Production, Video Editing, Computer Graphics and Recreational Games. Open to 6th & 7th Grade boys with recommendation of teacher or school principal. Tuition \$400 for both weeks - July 12 - July 23, 2010. For further information please call Mr. Paul Gilvary, Director of Admissions at (718) 886-7250, ext. 525.

ST. AGNES BASKETBALL CAMP FOR GIRLS ---

Ages 8-14 July 12-16, 2010 Cost \$180 Early Registration by 4/5/10 Fee \$160 For more information or camp form call 718-353-6276.

HOLY CROSS H.S. 2010 SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMP FOR BOYS AGES 8-16 ---

4 Great Sessions: 6/28-7/2; 7/5-7/9; 7/12-7/16 & 7/19-7/23

For more information and/or to request an application, please call (718) 886-7250, ext. 525 or visit our website at www.holycross.org.

ANNUAL SPRING OUTDOOR FLEA MARKET ---

St. Francis of Assisi School located at 21 Avenue & 46 Street in Astoria will be hosting their annual Spring Outdoor Flea Market on Saturday, April 24th from 10am to 5pm. Tables are available for \$50 each. If you would like to be a vendor, please contact Lucy at (917) 335-2695 or Angie at (917) 841-5219 as soon as possible.