Saint Luke Church, Whitestone, N.Y.





Happy Easter! The church continues her celebration of Christ's Death and Resurrection - the Paschal Mystery of our salvation in Christ - for fifty days. The Easter Season will end on Pentecost Sunday - May 23rd - having given us time to reflect on the Mystery we have celebrated as baptized members of Christ's Body, the Church. We are filled with joy yet again in today's Gospel as Jesus appears to His disciples on the shore of the lake. Take time to reflect on this post-Resurrection appearance of Jesus: it is a story of trust in spite of discouragement ("Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something"); of reconciliation and commissioning ("Simon, Son of John, do you love me more than these?"). What does the Gospel mean to you and me and to the church today!

In the joy of Easter and thankful for the new life it brings, the parish is busy with preparation for the celebration of the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation in May. It is an exciting time of the year to celebrate our faith in Christ Jesus. So many wonderful events are planned. I would call your attention to the following:

- 1. <u>Picnic-Barbeque</u> sponsored by the Msgr. Dillon Council Knights of Columbus in observance of the Year for Priests and scheduled for Saturday, April 24 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM here on the Great Lawn of Saint Luke Parish. A wonderful opportunity to give thanks for the gift of priesthood to the church and to show our love for those priests who have enriched our lives. A great day is planned of good food, good company and lots of fun all at a great price! Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for a great idea so come out and support both the priesthood and Knights of Columbus. See the flyer in the bulletin for details.
- 2. <u>Mass of Anointing</u> a special Mass and Anointing of the Sick will take place on Saturday, May 8th at 2:00PM in the church. A moment of grace and blessing for those among us who are in need of God's strength and healing in Christ for mind, body and spirit. Please join us in praying for the sick. If you wish to be anointed or know someone who does, please fill out the registration form or call the rectory. A reception will follow in the lower church meeting room.

Two special events among many others in the parish. Thank you to all who make these moments possible. We are truly blessed to be together as a parish family. God bless.

Let us pray for one another,

	Msgr. Tosi	
Dear Msgr. Tosi,		
I request that I be given the May 8th praying for the special	he Sacrament of the Anointing at the Mass on Saturday, help of God's grace.	
Name	Address	
Phone	Signature	

Envelopes Mailed 1,750

Envelopes Received 665

SIGN OF NEW LIFE - EASTER EGGS -

Many people wonder where the tradition of coloring eggs on Easter originated. The egg is seen as symbolic of the grave and life renewed or resurrected by breaking out of it. The red symbolizes the blood of Christ redeeming the world and human redemption through the blood shed in the sacrifice of the cross. The egg itself is a symbol of Jesus' tomb and resurrection: while seeming to be a closed container, it contains a new life sealed within it. While the origin of Easter eggs can be explained in these symbolic terms, a story told among followers of Orthodox Christianity says that St. Mary Magdalene was bringing cooked eggs to share with the other women at the tomb of Jesus, and the eggs in her basket miraculously turned brilliant red when she saw the risen Christ. A different, but not necessarily conflicting legend concerns Mary Magdalene's efforts to spread the good news of Jesus. According to this tradition, after Jesus rose and ascended to heaven, Mary went to the Emperor of Rome and greeted him with "Christ has risen," whereupon he pointed to an egg on his table and stated, "Christ has no more risen than that egg is red." After making this statement it is said the egg immediately turned blood red. When we see our brightly colored eggs this Easter, we remember that they symbolize our joy. Will you share your eggs this Easter? Will you share your faith throughout this Season of hope and love?



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!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR ---

Next 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. Matrullo, 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.



GATHERINE OF PARISH LEADERS

All are invited to join the Parish Leaders for a night of reflection and discussion on Tuesday, April 20 at 7:30pm in the school hall.

This is an important part of the Strategic Planning Process mandated by Bishop DiMarzio.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION ---

IMPORTANT MEETING EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION ---

The meeting scheduled for Monday, April 26 will begin at 8:00pm instead of 7:30pm in the rectory as stated in the letter sent to members last week.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR ---

Annual Outdoor Mass and Crowning with the students and faculty of St. Luke Grammar School will be celebrated on **Friday, May 28th at 10:00am**. Please join us for Mass as we honor Mary, our Blessed Mother and BRING A CHAIR!

BEREAVEMENT GROUP ---

The Bereavement Group Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 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



day will not be celebrated. However, at the 11:45am Mass on Sunday, June 13 a special prayer will be said in honor of St. Anthony.

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 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29 Tues.- Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35 Wed. - Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40 Thurs.- Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51 Fri. - Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59 Sat. - Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

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

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

AND FOR THE DECEASED:

AMBROSE McKEON SAL FELIX ANDREW P. MONTESANO

Collective Intentions Mass ---

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 19, 2010

Monday, April 19

7:00 Petronilla & Costantino Ingravallo 12:00 John Boyko (birthday)

Tuesday, April 20

8:30 Ella & Eddie Egan (anniversary) 12:00 Fiamma, DeMarco, Tamborello & Costanzo families

Wednesday, April 21

7:00 Eugene Taheny 12:00 Diana O'Connell (birthday)

Thursday, April 22

8:30 Anthony & Josephine Farish 12:00 Luigi, Ida & Salvatore Mangione

Friday, April 23

7:00 Bruno & Clotilda Fernandes 12:00 Mary Brienza

Saturday, April 24

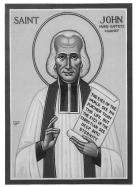
8:30 Mario Nardella

MEMORIALS

The Altar Candles are in memory of *CHARLES E. BLATT (1st Anniversary)* at the request of his wife, Natalie.

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.



The Year of the Priest

"This is real faith, when we speak to God as we would converse with a man." - Maxim (T.) St. John Vianney

GOD'S LOVE SHINES THROUGH US - WE ARE A PRIESTLY PEOPLE ---

Your support continues to help us reach (and hopefully) surpass our parish goal of \$93,000. The parishioners of St. Luke who give a gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal support the works of the Diocese in a variety of ministries and missions. Yet all the monies over goal will assist our parish in the repair and maintenance of our church's stained glass windows.



Since it was built in 1898 the stained glass has added to the beauty of the church and brought to life some of the mysteries of the faith. Yet the windows today are in much need of care - just take a look for yourself. Please help in preserving the beautiful stained glass windows. They are a gift to us and we - as good stewards - must hand them on to the next generation.

So - make your gift today to the Annual Catholic Appeal. As of April 6, 2010, a total of \$65,270 has been pledged from 268 donors with \$38,562.50 already received.

Thank you and God bless!

DIOCESAN STRATEGIC PLAN - NEWS UPDATE

Christ Jesus, Our Hope, A Diocesan Plan for Renewal, has begun in the Diocese of Brooklyn. Part of this process invites each parish to consider its own future, but to do so in light of the larger diocesan church. As parishioners and parish leaders engage in a critical reflection on the current and future life of their parish, a broader understanding of the challenges faced by the entire Diocese is also needed.

To this end, the Planning Commission for *Christ Jesus our Hope* will issue a four-part Diocesan Report beginning on Friday, April 16, 2010. Each week will examine a different aspect of diocesan life. Part One presents the overall pastoral life of the diocese, including an examination of sacramental celebrations, Mass attendance and faith formation. Subsequent reports will look at finances, demographics and parish leadership.

If you wish to read the entire text for Part One of the Diocesan Report, please visit www.ChristJesusOurHope.com. A summary of Part One will also appear in this weekend's edition of The Tablet.



FAMILY MASS SAVE THE DATES!

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

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!

Need Based SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

For

St. Luke School
for students currently enrolled
or planning to enroll in Grades Pre-K-8
for the
2010-2011 School Year

Please call the St. Luke School Office 718-746-3833 for more information, an application, or to arrange a school visit.

Scholarships are awarded on a first come-first serve basis. It is strongly recommended to apply as early as possible to insure maximum award.



Scholarships, if awarded, are renewable each year.







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:

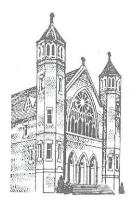
1-718-767-1196

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!



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: Tee Time: 12:00 PM 1:00 PM

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 Registration (2 golfers)		\$350 per team
Single Golfer Registration		\$200 per golfer
Single gol	fers will be combined to form a team o	on a first to register basis
	Sponsorship Registr	cation
Sponsor Name:		
Incl	ade business card or company lette	rhead if applicable
Tee Box Sponsor		\$125 per hole
Closest to the Pin Sponsor		\$250 per hole
Longest Drive Sponsor		\$250 per hole
	Total Amou	nt Enclosed:
Please Make Che	ck Payable to St. Lukes A	Athletic Association - SLA
Return completed regis	tration form and check made j	payable to SLAA to:
	St. Luke's Church Red Attn: Golf Committee 16-34 Clintonville St Whitestone, NY 113	reet

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

WEEKEND IN THE CATSKILLS!

VIP HOUSE SEATS TO WICKED ON BROADWAY!

LANDROVER MEN'S JACKET!

NINTENDO WII SYSTEM!

NY YANKEES TICKETS!

> AND MANY MORE!



St. Luke School 4th Annual Fashion Show

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

"A Red Carpet Event"

NY PHILHARMONIC

AND MANY MORE!

ELECTRIC

MERCEDES!

SPA DAY FOR TWO!

GREAT WOLF

LODGE TRIP!

NY METS

TICKETS!

IPOD TOUCH!

SEATS!

Immaculate Conception Center

7200 Douglaston Parkway Douglaston, New York

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





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.



LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR ---

The Little Sisters of the Poor have two upcoming spring events to benefit the elderly poor at Queen of Peace Residence. The Annual Golf Outing & Dinner will be held on Monday, May 3rd at Hempstead Country Club. Golf Packages & Sponsorships available. For more information call the Development Office at 718-464-1800. A Benefit Concert of Broadway Classics with Gay Willis, soprano is planned for Sunday, May 16th at Kellenberg Memorial H.S. at 2:00pm. Reserved seating \$40 and General Admission \$25. For tickets and info call 718-464-1800 or email: qpdevelopment@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

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.

