

FROM THE DESK OF JESSICA TRANZILLO-SMITH



*“Music does what words alone cannot do...
The role of music is to serve the needs of the Liturgy
and not dominate it, seek to entertain, or draw attention
to itself or the musicians.”*

Sing to the Lord

Did you realize that you sang in excess of 100 different hymns and songs this past year? That is quite an accomplishment. I am so grateful for all your hearty sung participation in the Mass and other liturgical celebrations throughout the year.

Music Ministers are often asked why they pick certain hymns or why they don't pick favorite hymns. You may have noticed that each Sunday's liturgy has a central idea or theme which comes from the readings. This theme is also reflected in the prayers and homily of the Mass. So too, when music is selected, attention is paid to the "theme" of the liturgy. Are we speaking about forgiveness or love of God? Are we hearing about healing or hope in the readings? This is the basis for choosing hymns.

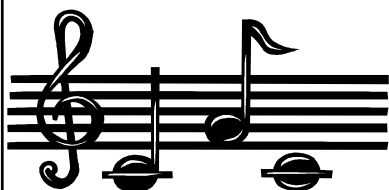
It is often not an easy task and sometimes it is only possible to find one or two hymns in our worship aid which relate to the Liturgy. In that case we choose hymns which are general praise or Eucharistic in nature.

Sometimes someone in the congregation will tell me that they can't hear me during the hymns. Very often, if the singing is very good, I will hold back so that you can hear your communal voice. I often wish that you could stand where I am and listen. It's a beautiful thing.

This fall will bring a new period of learning music as we approach the implementation of the New Roman Missal on the First Sunday of Advent. It will require patience and concentration on all our parts as some of our sung responses are only slightly changed while others are dramatically altered. It promises to be an exciting musical time of preparation during which I'm sure you will all rise to the challenge.

And yes, that is me that you may see/hear singing at the noon Mass from St. James Cathedral on The Net. Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Jessica Tranzillo-Smith
Director of Music



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.



PRE-JORDAN PROGRAM ---

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

Baptism Sunday	Baptism Class
Aug. 28	Aug. 15
Sept. 11 & 25	Sept. 19
Oct. 9 & 23	Oct. 17
Nov. 13 & 27	Nov. 21

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



**Become
Part of
Our
Church
Family**

Are you a Registered Parishioner?

If you would like to register as a parishioner of St. Luke Church you may do so by coming to the Rectory Office and filling out a census card. You may return the card by mail, in person at the Rectory Office or in the Sunday collection basket. You will then be registered in the parish and will receive weekly offering envelopes.

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS UPDATE



Installation of the new stained glass windows continues with the placement of two windows - one depicts the Parable of the Good Samaritan; the other rose window depicts St. Joseph the carpenter in his workshop along with Mary and the boy Jesus. These windows complete the south windows in the transept (Rectory side) of the church.

Work has already begun on the outside of the windows on the north transept (convent side).

We are grateful to the following for the south transept windows:

Miraculous Catch of Fish -

A gift of Mrs. Diane O'Connell

In Loving Memory of

William F. O'Connell

Prodigal Son -

A gift of Mr. & Mrs. Carmine Polito

In Memory of the Polito Family

In Memory of the Napolitano Family

Good Samaritan -

A gift of Mrs. Natalie Blatt

In Loving Memory of

Charles E. Blatt

St. Joseph the Carpenter

A gift of Mr. & Mrs. John Pappalardo

In Loving Memory of

Ignazio Pappalardo

SUNDAY COLLECTION

July 10	\$12,824
Amount Needed	\$13,425
Envelopes Mailed	1883
Envelopes Received	653



GOLDEN AGE SENIOR FESTIVAL ---
PLATZL'S BRAUHAUS (POMONA, N.Y.)

Thursday, July 28, 2011

Cost: \$55 Time: 8:15am *SHARP!!*

On arrival - Danish & Coffee

12 Noon: Franks, Burgers, Sausage & Peppers, Corn on the Cob, Salads, Watermelon, Beer & Soda all day.

4pm Sit-Down Dinner - Roast Beef or Chicken, Salad, Vegetable, Dessert, Coffee, Tea. *Call Eileen at (718) 352-3902*



DON'T TAKE A

VACATION

FROM CHURCH

THANK YOU ---

To all those who supported the mission collection last weekend. It was our pleasure to have Father Joseph Huong speak at all the Masses.

Through your generosity a total of \$4,746 was collected for the mission of the Diocese of Xuan-Loc in Vietnam.

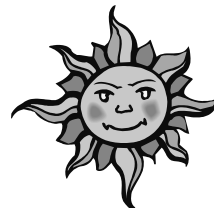
Thank you and God bless.



SUMMER IS JUST

AROUND THE CORNER ---

And with the coming of summer comes vacation and a change of pace here at the parish. **During July and August there are NO meetings for all groups, societies or organizations which meet in the parish.** All involved are asked to make plans now to schedule no meetings in July and August. The summer schedule will begin on July 1st. The fall schedule will resume on Tuesday, September 6th.

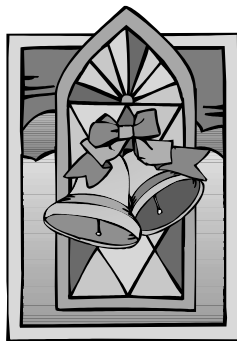


JUST A REMINDER---

Now that the warm weather is back with the arrival of summer, please remember to come to church properly attired.

Again, how we dress for church shows our love, respect and reverence for the house of God and the sacred rites being celebrated.

And the church is air-conditioned! What may be appropriate for other places is often not appropriate for church.

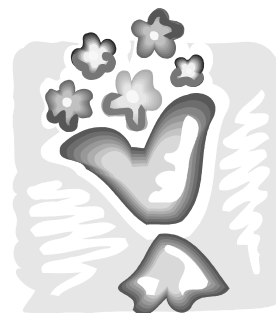


CONGRATULATIONS ---

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

Sunday, July 17 at 3:00pm

**BALDASSARE SCIALLA
&
LAURA LUPO**



Saturday, July 23 at 1:00pm

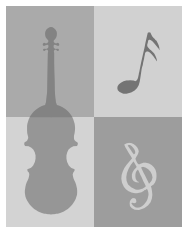
**NICOLA MUCCIACCIARO
&
DIANNA COLAGIACOMO**



PLANNING WEDDING MUSIC AT ST. LUKE CHURCH ---

Among her responsibilities, Jessica Tranzillo-Smith, Director of Music of Saint Luke Church, will assist engaged couples with all music arrangements for their wedding at the church. As Music Director she acts as cantor/soloist for all weddings and she will help choose vocal and organ music appropriate for weddings. Consultation with Jessica is required before any musicians and/or soloists are hired from outside the St. Luke Music Staff. Jessica will answer questions or discuss wedding music by appointment.

Please call the Music Office at (718) 746-3862.



2011 Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you --- Thank you --- Thank you

As of July 12th a total of \$119,047 has been given by 449 donors with \$94,712 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.

Remember: Having now reached our parish goal - all gifts to the Appeal will come back to the parish to be used to cover the cost of the restoration of our beautiful stained glass windows in the church.

So please continue to fulfill your gifts - and make your donation today.
God bless.

*One Bread --- One Body
One Vibrant Church*



WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011 - MADRID, SPAIN

Thank you to those who have generously donated to the cost involved in sending the young people to World Youth Day 2011. Donations are still being accepted. Please return the tear-off below to the rectory no later than July 21st with your check made payable to Saint Luke Church. For more information, please call Fr. Vincent at (718) 746-8102.

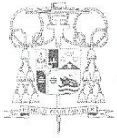
WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011

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2011 Annual Catholic Appeal
DIOCESE of BROOKLYN

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



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

July 7th, 2011

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

Dear Monsignor Tosi,

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

We still have a long way to go to match the Appeal of 2010 but as of June 30th, 40,831 parishioners of the diocese have responded positively to the invitation to participate in this year's appeal. The faithful of Brooklyn and Queens have made pledges in excess of \$8.7 million. Over \$5.9 million has been received thus far. It is also through this congratulatory note that we distribute your initial parish share - the fruits of your collective labors.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$2,643, this is based on receipts over goal as of June 30th. As in the past, we will have two subsequent distributions, depending on the activity of your parish from this point forward. If you have any new pledges or pledge payments we ask that you forward them to us so we may accurately credit your parish and parishioners accordingly.


On behalf of Bishop DiMarzio, the Pastors Advisory Committee and everyone involved with the endeavor, I THANK YOU!!!! **Thank you** for working the plan that best suits your parish. **Thank you** for coordinating your appeal teams, the receptions, the showing of the video and request for support. **Thank you** for your prompt handling and forwarding of all ACA responses to our office. We are truly appreciative for all that you share with this important endeavor in addition to the ever-growing responsibilities that you have at your parish and beyond.

We look forward to continued success with the ACA and all Church efforts whether they are diocesan or parish. Please continue your advocacy for the Appeal and encourage participation.

Please communicate our gratitude with your staff and the parishioners of St. Luke, for it is through their selfless sacrifice and example that Christ Jesus, our hope, is made present in the lives of the people of Brooklyn and Queens and we are *One Bread.....One Body.....One Vibrant Church!*

Know that you and your parishioners will be remembered in my prayers – please remember me in yours!

In Christ's Peace,


Reverend Monsignor Jamie J. Gigantiello
Vicar for Development

THIRD IN THE SERIES ---

STRATEGIC PLANNING - OPTIONS AND DECISIONS

Christ Jesus, Our Hope, the diocesan strategic planning process now underway in the diocese and affecting all parishes in Brooklyn and Queens is meant to ensure that all of our parishes are both vibrant and sustainable into the future. In order to achieve this goal of strong and viable institutions, Bishop DiMarzio, along with the 60 member Diocesan Planning Commission are recommending and implementing a variety of strategies.

The strategies that the Bishop can employ to address the challenges of the parishes are limited though. The Bishop and the Commission only seek to employ diocesan level mandates in cases where the parish itself has been unable to address their challenges on their own. The Bishop does not wish to micro-manage parishes, but does bear the responsibility of addressing serious challenges in parishes if parish leaders have been unable to solve their concerns or if the challenges they face are beyond their ability to address.

Considerations such as the number of clergy available to serve in parishes affects all parishes and must be addressed on the diocesan level. Cases of severe debt or overwhelming capital repairs may also be so dire that the parish itself cannot address the challenges. In these cases, the Bishop intervenes, through the planning process, to provide a solution that will enable the communities to continue and address the challenges.

One option open to the Bishop is the merger of two or more parish communities. In these situations, the parishes that are merged come together as one parish. Over the past few years over 40 parishes have been a part of this process. A merger helps to address financial challenges by consolidating parish administration and reducing staff. As two parishes come together, all finances and existing real estate are brought together. Many times merged parishes can lease some of their real estate and create new sources of revenue for the new parish.

The Bishop also has the option to close a church building and redirect the faithful to a neighboring church. This is not a desirable option for anyone, but sometimes it is necessary. The greater good is ensuring a strong and viable Catholic presence in each area of our diocese. Sometimes this will mean that what is required are fewer churches that are more financially secure.

Another option that the Bishop is employing is charging individual parishes with the creation of a tactical action plan. In this option, the Bishop mandates the pastor and parish leaders to create a targeted plan to address very specifically named challenges in a limited time frame. The Bishop will also appoint a facilitator to work with parish leadership to create such focused plans. These plans are a last attempt to rectify specific challenges before moving to a closure or merger.

These three options (merger, closure, tactical action plans) are the recommendations and mandates that the Bishop has been employing to address the challenges faced by our parishes. Each of these options require change and action on the part of each parish. The hope is that such actions will, in time, create sustainable parishes that will be able to continue to proclaim the gospel and serve the people of God for generations to come.



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Join in the happiness, Join the Choir
St. Luke Church

Youth Choir

Grades 3-8

Rehearsals Tuesdays 3:30- 4:30 PM

Adult Choir

Rehearsals Wednesdays 7:30-9:00 PM

in the Music Room in the Church

For more information call: 718 746-3862
Director of Music: Jessica Tranzillo-Smith



COLLECTING ITEMS FOR OUR MILITARY

Our Men and Women in the Armed Forces sacrifice much to protect our Freedoms ...

*yet they often lack some basic necessities which
we all take for granted.*

Please help Daniel Sommer in his Troop 235 Eagle Scout Project to collect items for our military.

TOILETRIES:

- BABY WIPES (travel size)
- HAND SANITIZER (travel size)
- Body Wash, Liquid Soap, Facial Cleanser
- Razors (disposable)
- Sunblock
- Band-aids, First Aid Kits
- Vitamins (multi-vitamins are always needed!)
- Toothpaste, floss
- Deodorant
- Etc...

ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS:

- 35 mm disposable cameras
- Electronic handheld games
- Small homemade gifts - *reminders & comforts of "home"*
- Pens & mechanical pencils, small note pads
- Stationery & Envelopes; blank cards to send home
- Double-sided tape, small crafts kits, scrap-booking items
- Yo-Yo's, Dominoes, Playing Cards (**new**), Poker Chips & Mats, Dice, Frisbees / Hackey sacks
- Nerf Footballs / Whiffle bats, balls & Mitts / Sports equipment Nerf Foot

OTHER:

- LAUNDRY DETERGENT & FABRIC SOFTENER SHEETS:
- SOCKS: Black, Olive Green & White (cotton or wool)
- Black or Green duct tape, small tool kits, dust masks, carpentry tools, Fly swatters, fly paper, mosquito netting, bug repellent in plastic pump bottles
- Generic sunglasses (Ballistic, black only. No "mirror" types)
- Religious booklets, small bibles, inspirational readings
- Etc...

**ITEMS WILL BE COLLECTED BEFORE AND AFTER MASS ON THE WEEKEND OF
AUGUST 6 & 7**

A table will be located outside church.

Together we CAN make a difference.



Community News

OPERA UNDER THE STARS ---

13th Annual Great Lawn Summer Concert featuring The Queens Symphony Orchestra in A Salute of Opera. Conducted by Constantine Kitsopoulos of the Queens Symphony Orchestra. Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at 7pm on the Great Lawn of St. John's University, Queens Campus, 8000 Utopia Pkwy. Free parking...come in at Gate #1. Please bring a chair and/or blanket. Refreshments from Coke Cola at mid-point of concert.



NEWS FROM ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY ---

The St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center will be sponsoring free speech and hearing screenings from June 20, 2011 through August 9, 2011. Please call (718) 990-6480 for an appointment and directions. The Speech and Hearing Center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing, N.Y.



FREE SUMMER CONCERTS

POPPEHUSEN INSTITUTE

114-04 Fourteenth Road, College Point, N.Y.

Sunday, July 17, 3pm - Twin Gold - with Louise and Jane - performing the female hits of the 50s and 60s

Sunday, July 24, 3pm - The Something Special Band performing the sounds of the Big Band.

Tours of the Insitute will be offered prior to all concerts. Refreshments will be sold. Also a 50/50 raffle, t-shirts and local history books.

Location: The Garden of the Landmark Poppenhusen Institute



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon. - Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42
Tues. - Ex 14:21-15:1; Mt 12:46-50
Wed. - Ex 16:1-5,9-15; Mt 13:1-9
Thurs. - Ex 19:1-2,9-11,16-20b;
Mt 13:10-17
Fri. - Ex 20:1-17; Jn 20:1-2,11-18
Sat. - Ex 24:3-8; Mt 13:24-30

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

MARIA C. LATA
GINA AURISICCIO
THOMAS ALMOND
JOSETTE TANZOLA
MAKAYLA MAGUILES
JOSEPHINE MADDI
ROBERT SODERQUEST
WILLIAM BARRY
MAUREEN O'RIORDAN
KAY SEIDA
HAYES IRONS
GRACE GAMBY
GIUSEPPE FEDELE
RAYMOND SICKLES

AND FOR THE DECEASED:

MARGARET T. CUTTLE
NARDINA FERRO
MARGARET STRONSKI

MEMORIALS

The Altar Breads are given in memory of **GIUSEPPE DILLUVIO** requested by Thomas and Madeline Bullaro.



The Eucharist

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 18, 2011

Monday, July 18
7:00 Marie DeBello
12:00 Carlo & Gilda Bonetti

Tuesday, July 19
8:30 Susan & Ralph Abruzzese & Family
12:00 Cosmo J. DiTucci

Wednesday, July 20
7:00 Angelo Gelo
12:00 Antonella Mattina (Anniversary)

Thursday, July 21
8:30 Mary Morelli (Anniversary)
12:00 Bambina & Antonio DiRe

Friday, July 22
7:00 Vincenza Neglia
12:00 John Boglioli

Saturday, July 23
8:30 Vincenzina Salvio

Collective Intentions Mass ---

The next Collective Intentions Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, July 24 at 11:45am.

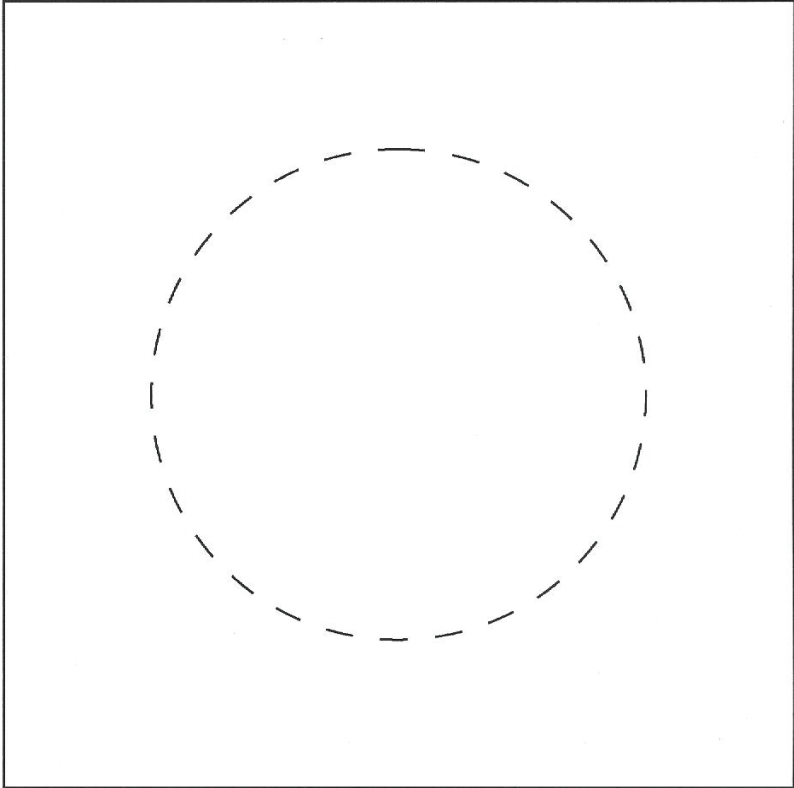
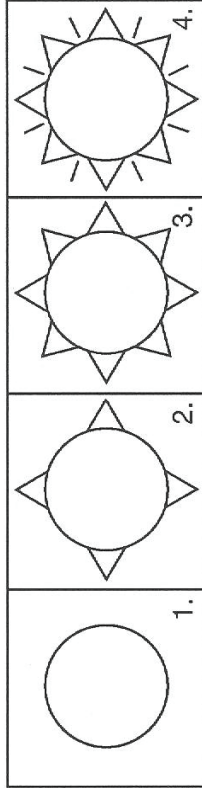
At this Mass we pray for:

GIUSEPPE CHIARELLI
JOSEPHINE TARDUGNO
CALOGERO CICCOTTO



Jesus said, "The righteous will shine like the sun."

Follow the drawing steps.



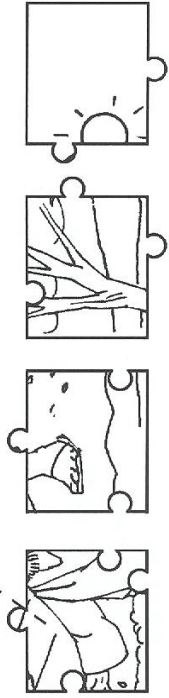
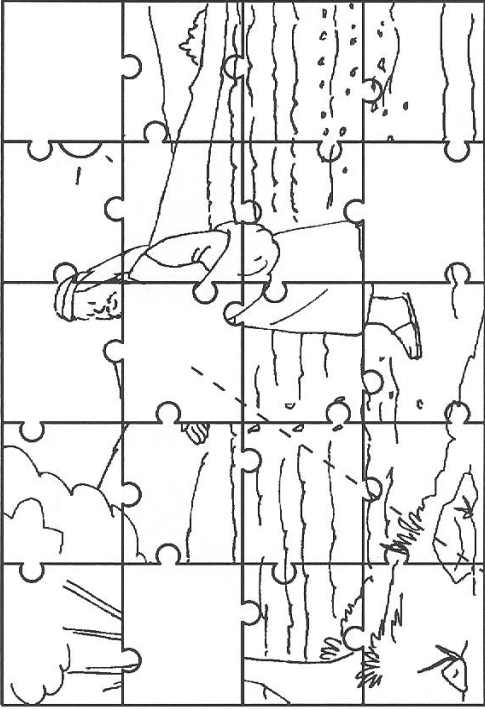
Children's Worship Bulletin

Ages 3-6 July 17, 2011 • Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

The Parable of the Weeds

A man planted good seed in his field.

Match the puzzle pieces.

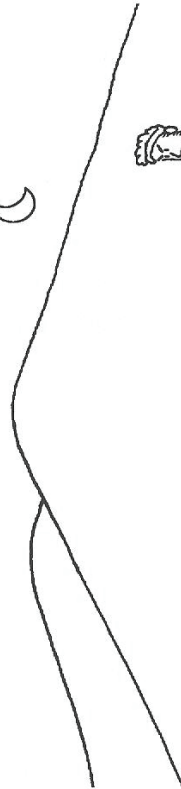


At night his enemy planted
weeds among the wheat.

Write the letters inside the boxes.

enemy weeds
sleeping wheat

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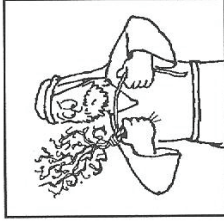


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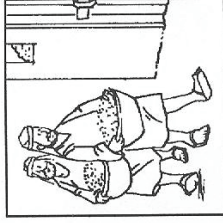
The harvesters collected the weeds.
They bundled and burned the weeds.
They put the wheat in the barn.

Put the pictures in the correct order.

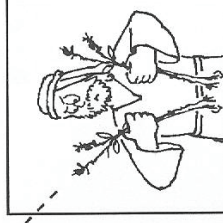
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