

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25, 2021

Liturgy Schedule for St. Luke & Ascension Parishes

Saturday, July 24th

5:00 pm - St. Luke:
Herman Cross by Michael Cross & Faith Cross
Aaron Heyer by Jason & Kim Heyer

Sunday, July 25th Seventeenth Sunday

8:00 am - 8:25 am – Confessions at Ascension
8:30 am – Ascension:
Monique Martin by Art and Sue Renaud
David Bachand by Heather Nielsen and Jeremy Bachand
Hans Hahr by Bernard and Susan Rainville

10:00 am – 10:25 am Confessions at St. Luke (time permitting)

10:30 am - St. Luke:
Josephine Jerz by Steve & Pauline Ratte

Monday, July 26th SS Anne & Joachim

9:00 am – NO MASS

Tuesday, July 27th

4:00 pm – 4:55 pm – Adoration w/ Confessions at St. Luke

5:00 pm - St. Luke:
Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Redding family

Wednesday, July 28th

9:00 am – Ascension:
Diane Berthiaume by the family

Thursday, July 29th St. Martha

9:00 am - St. Luke:
Theresa Raymond by William and Betty Jane Anderson

Friday, July 30th St. Peter Chrysologus

9:00 am – Ascension:
Concha Furnborough by Wayne and Elizabeth Parker
For the People

Saturday, July 31st St. Ignatius of Loyola

5:00 pm - St. Luke:
Beulah Cross (anniversary of death) by Michael Cross & Faith Cross
For the People

Sunday, August 1st Eighteenth Sunday

8:00 am - 8:25 am – Confessions at Ascension
8:30 am – Ascension:
Paul Cadieux by Donna Deslaurier
10:00 am – 10:25 am Confessions at St. Luke (time permitting)
10:30 am - St. Luke:
Jim Cutting by Deb Irish and Sandy Cutting
For the People

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TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE
The Knights of Columbus, Counsel 297 will be having a tootsie roll drive after the 8:30 Mass on August 1st.

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PARISH EVENTS

July 25th: Luncheon at Ascension @ 12:30pm

FINANCIAL REPORT

Collections for the Weekend of July 18, 2021
St Luke: \$2,560.21 votive candles \$111.76
Ascension: \$1,960.50

Please consider using the Online Giving tool for your weekly donations. Visit our website at: www.stlukevt.org and click "Online Giving" tab in upper righthand corner to sign up!

Parish	Parish Goal	Amount Pledged	% of Goal
Ascension	\$16,371.00	\$5,700.00	35%
Saint Luke	\$18,973.00	\$4,748.00	25%

Luncheon Welcome Fr. Hahr / Farewell Anthony Rosselli

12:30pm Sunday, July 25th at Ascension

Please Join us with welcoming Fr. Hahr and a fond Farewell to Anthony Roselli

If you would like to help or have any questions, please call Alice Sturgeon at 524-3330 All Are Welcome!

SINGERS NEEDED @ ST LUKE'S: We could use a couple more singers in our group as we restart singing more choral hymns. The only real qualifications you need are enthusiasm in using song to praise our Lord. You don't need to be a great singer. Enthusiasm beats ability. You don't need to be able to read music. You can learn by listening and just following the ups and downs of the notes. If you don't feel comfortable singing alone, that's OK too, because we always try to have a singing buddy to share your part with you. We provide all the training materials you need to learn a choral part by yourself in private. If you are interested, contact Duane Becker at 849-6325. We would greatly welcome you.

Religious Education Enrollment

Do you have a child entering Kindergarten or 1st grade that you would like to enroll in our Religious Education program? Are you new to town or our parish and would like to enroll your child(ren)? We'd love to have you join us! We expect our program to begin in early September, and we would like to figure out headcount now so we can be sure to have the right amount of materials for everyone. For more information, including enrollment information, go to our website at stlukevt.org, under Apostolates, and look for Religious Education - Ascension. Or you can email Heather Nielsen at nielsen628@gmail.com.

AMDG "Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam", or "For the Greater Glory of God", is the belief that our actions give glory to God, and that, even indifferent or neutral acts can reflect God if done with the intent of giving glory. It is the motto of the Jesuit order begun by St. Ignatius of Loyola, whose Feast Day is July 31st.

Saint Luke Yard Sale

Saturday, September 4th

St. Luke Church will be having our second annual Yard Sale on **Saturday, Sept. 4th from 8:00am - 3:00pm.**

Do you have things from cleaning out your house during quarantine this past year? We want your stuff. You can drop off your donations on Friday, Sept. 3rd to St. Luke's parking lot.

*** We cannot accept hats, helmets, shoes, boots, clothing, stuffed animals, car seats, televisions, vcrrs, computers or printers.**

Please call Jackie Becker at 603-978-1074 if you have any questions or would like to help.

WE HAVE TO BE READY FOR SORROW, FOR DIFFICULTIES AND OBSTACLES

Nobody can expect to go through life without sorrow, pain or worry. A Christian cannot make the mistake which Saint Gregory the Great described as follows: *There are some who wish to be humble, but without being despised, who wish to be happy with their lot, but without being needy, who wish to be chaste, without mortifying the body, to be patient without suffering. They want both to acquire virtues and to avoid the sacrifices those virtues involve: they are like soldiers who flee the battlefield and try to win the war from the comfort of the city.* Virtues cannot be had without efforts and trials.

There will always be problems, worries and sorrows. Sometimes they will seem easy and other times hard to bear; but if we keep close to Our Lord, we will always manage.

Prayer of Saint Anselm

O my God, teach my heart where and how to seek You, where and how to find You. You are my God and You are my all and I have never seen You. You have made me and remade me, You have bestowed on me all the good things I possess, Still I do not know You. I have not yet done that for which I was made. Teach me to seek You. I cannot seek You unless You teach me or find You unless You show Yourself to me. Let me seek You in my desire, let me desire You in my seeking. Let me find You by loving You, let me love You when I find You. Amen.

The words of the glorious Virgin to Saint Bridget: "I am Mary who gave birth to the Son of God, true God and true man. I am the Queen of Angels. My Son loves you with all of His heart. Therefore, you should love Him."

Military News: Please pray for the safety and well-being of our military personnel, especially those who have been deployed: Sgt. Brian Houston, MAJ Christopher H. Stafford

Companions with the suffering Christ: Please remember in your prayers all who are ill or confined, and all who are in need of healing: James Austin, Brenda Barkyoumb, Linda Barrows, Tonia Barbin, George Bilodeau, Clem Cardinal, Joanne Carey, Alice Collins, Barbara Cobiere, Charlotte, Sandy Cutting, Jim Godin, Jean Gregoire, James Kendall, Jo Ann Kendall, Jinny Bogni-LeMay, Jillian Mathieu, Lisa Ouimette, David Parisi, Kristy Pigeon, L Q., Joseph Q., Fr. Donald Ravey, Eleanore Sawyer, Mary St. Arnold, Dan Valley, Delaney Werneke, Sam Wilbur, Inmates of the Northwest Correctional Facility

THE DEW FROM HEAVEN

Daily Communion is a daily wellspring or source of love, of strength, of light, of joy, of courage, of every virtue and every good. "If anyone thirst, let him come to Me and drink," Jesus said (Jn 7:37). He alone is the "Fountain of water springing up unto life everlasting" (Jn 4:14). How can there be anyone in the state of sanctifying grace who does not want, or who finds it hard, to go to this divine "table of the Lord" (1 Cor 10:21)?

The great Lord Chancellor of England, Thomas More, who died a martyr because of his resistance to schism, used to attend Mass every morning and receive Holy Communion. Some friends tried to persuade him that this was not suitable for a layman heavily engaged in so many affairs of state. "You present all your reasons, and they rather convince me the more that I should receive Holy Communion every day" he said. "My distractions are numerous, and with Jesus I learn to recollect myself. The occasions of offending God are frequent, and I receive strength every day from Him to flee from them. I need light and prudence to manage very difficult affairs, and every day I can consult Jesus in Holy Communion. He is my great teacher."

May the Lord grant us a greater appreciation for the gift of weekday Masses.

July 26th: Feast of Saints Joachim & Anne

Saints Anne and Joachim are the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. St. Anne is one of the patron Saints of Brittany and Canada and of women in labor. As the grandparents of Jesus, Saints Anne and Joachim are also considered the patron saints of grandparents. Information concerning their lives is found in the 2nd-century *Protevangelium of James* and the 3rd-century *Evangelium de nativitate Mariae*. According to these noncanonical sources, Anne was born in Bethlehem in Judaea. She married Joachim, and, although they shared a wealthy and devout life at Nazareth, they eventually lamented their childlessness. Joachim, reproached at the Temple for his sterility, retreated into the countryside to pray, while Anne, grieved by his disappearance and by her barrenness, solemnly promised God that, if given a child, she would dedicate it to the Lord's service. Both received the vision of an angel, who announced that Anne would conceive and bear a most wondrous child. The couple rejoiced at the birth of their daughter, whom Anne named Mary. When the child was three years old, Joachim and Anne, in fulfillment of her divine promise, brought Mary to the Temple of Jerusalem, where they left her to be brought up.

In Holy Communion Jesus gives Himself to me and becomes mine, all mine, in His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. Thus, one day, St. Gemma Galgani said candidly to Jesus, "I am Your master." With Communion, Jesus enters my heart and remains corporally present in me as long as the species (the appearance) of bread lasts; that is, for about 15 minutes. During this time, the Holy Fathers teach that the Angels surround me to continue to adore Jesus and love Him without interruption. "When Jesus is corporally present within us, the Angels surround us as a guard of love," wrote St. Bernard. Perhaps we think too little about the sublimity of every Holy Communion, and yet, St. Pius X said that "If the Angels could envy, they would envy us for Holy Communion." And St. Madeleine Sophie Barat defined Holy Communion as "Paradise on earth."