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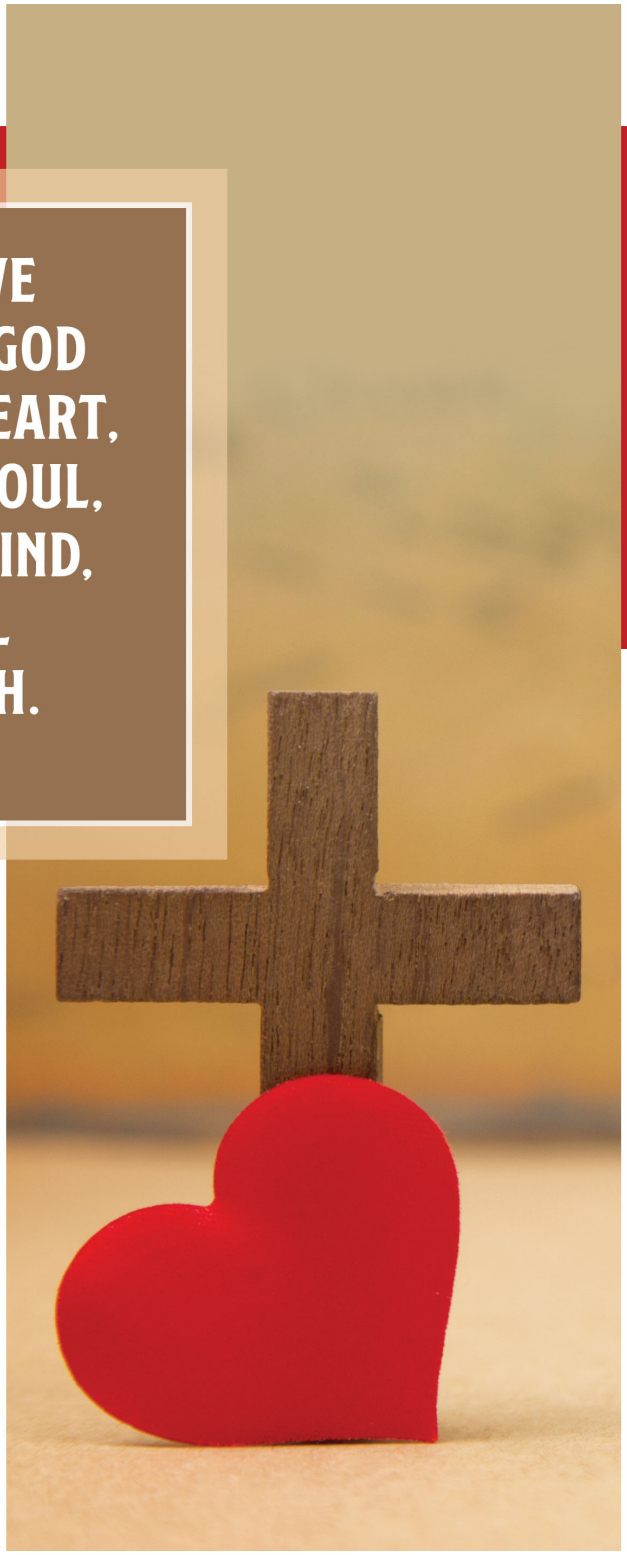

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October 31, 2021

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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

November is a traditional time in the Church to remember and honor those who have gone before us. Tomorrow we will start by celebrating All Saints Day followed by All Souls' Day. All Saints is a celebration of the communion of saints, those people we believe are in heaven. All Souls' Day is a day to pray for all departed souls.

On All Saints Day, Masses will be celebrated in the following order: At St. Luke Church: 6:30 am, 8:30am (school Mass), and 7:00 pm. There will also be a Mass at St. Bernardine Church at 8:30 am. On All Souls Day, Masses will be as follows: 6:30 am at St. Luke Church and 8:30 am at St. Bernardine Church.

In addition, there will be a special Mass of Remembrance at St. Bernardine Church on November 15 at 7:00 pm. At this Mass, we will pray especially for all members of our parish and family members and friends who have died in the past year.

The adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will now take place on Tuesdays at St. Luke Church from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. The decision to move Adoration to Tuesday from Saturday was made because it was frequently cancelled or shortened due to wake services that preceded funeral Masses. This new time will give us a chance to stop for a while and pray in the presence of the Lord.

Save the date! On November 21, the St. Bernardine campus will play host to our annual Game Day. This year's event will feature the Bears vs. the Baltimore Ravens, which will be displayed on seven 60-inch televisions throughout Fearon Hall. The entry fee of $35 includes beer, wine, appetizers, and a food buffet. The doors will open at 11:30 am. Be sure to sign up for the Basket Raffle, Floor Raffles and door prizes! It's one more way we can gather together as a parish and celebrate a good time with each other.

Let the joyful celebration of the feast of All Saints strengthen our faith in the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come, which we profess every Sunday.

God bless you, Fr. Stan

FEAST OF FAITH

Prayer after Communion

The rites following the reception of Communion are very short. It is as if the Church is saying to us that the only way to respond to this great gift is to go forth and live it! But there are some significant rites yet before we are sent forth from the Mass.

After Communion, we pray together in silence or sing a hymn; both are ways to thank God for the gift of the Son. Then the priest prays another collect, the Prayer after Communion. This prayer, usually very short, gathers our prayers into one. It reminds us of what we have already experienced: in receiving the Eucharist, we have received a foretaste of the heavenly banquet; we have eaten the bread of angels. This reality, this knowledge, should transform us, so that we may journey through this life with our hearts set on eternal life, and find in the Eucharist — which is food from heaven and daily bread—the strength and hope we need to work toward God's kingdom of justice here and now.

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Are You Registered?

All Catholics who worship at our parish or who are a part of our parish services are invited to register. In registering, you are becoming an active member of St. Luke and St. Bernardine Parish.

If you have not registered, please complete this form and give it to one of the Church Ministers of Hospitality (ushers), priests, or put it in the collection basket. A registration form will be mailed to you. You can also call 708-435-8912.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email _____

How long have you been coming to St. Bernardine or St. Luke Church? _____

☐ Check here if you would like to receive our parish newsletter via email each week.

Masses for All Saints/All Souls Days

Because it falls on a Monday, the Solemnity of All Saints is not a holy day of obligation this year. Nevertheless, we will have additional Masses that day, and all are invited to join us for this special celebration of all the saints great and small who are models of faith for us to emulate:

6:30 am – St. Luke
8:30 am – St. Bernardine
8:30 am – St. Luke
7:00 pm – St. Luke

For the feast of The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, the day popularly known as All Souls Day, when we remember all of our loved ones who have gone before us, we will be back to our regular Mass schedule:

6:30 am – St. Luke
8:30 am – St. Bernardine

Remember the faithful departed of our parish family

Everyone is invited to our annual **Mass of Remembrance** at 7:00 pm on Monday, **November 15,** at St. Bernardine Church to pray for friends and family members who passed away since last November. If you lost a loved one not buried from here, please contact Carol at 708-435-8912 to RSVP. Even if you didn't lose someone close, you are encouraged to come and add your prayers, comfort, and solidarity to those in our parish who have suffered a loss.

Confirmation retreat this week

Holy Fire, the archdiocese's spirit-filled multi-media retreat for Confirmation candidates will take place on November 5-6 this year. St Luke School's 7th and 8th graders will participate on the first day at St. Bernardine's Fearon Hall from 9:00-11:30 am. The virtual retreat with an MC half-live and half-pre-recorded segments.

Students in the parish Religious Education Program will gather at Fearon Hall the following day from 9:00-11:30 am for a repeat of the two-and-a-half hour program. Confirmation candidates from St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Edmund parishes also will be joining us for the Saturday presentation.

High school students who are interested in attending the popular event also are welcome to attend on November 6. Please contact Michelle Dal Pino, Director of Religious Education, at **mdalpino@stlukeparish.org** to register or for any other questions.

2022 Mass Book is open now

We are accepting requests for 2022 Mass intentions. Request forms are available in church, on the parish websites, and at the parish offices for Masses at St. Bernardine and St. Luke Churches. The suggested offering remains $10 for each Mass and payment is requested along with the request form.

New this year, there may be two or more intentions for each Mass to make our limited number of Masses accessible to more parishioners.

Please note that we ask everyone to list up to 10 Masses in order of priority. Everyone's first five choices will be scheduled in the order they are received until everyone's first requests are entered into the Mass Book. Then the next five dates will be entered for everyone.

If the date of your request is already filled, we will try to assign another date as close as possible. Everyone will be notified of the scheduled (or unscheduled) dates by email or mail.

If you have any questions, contact Carol at the St. Luke office at 708-435-8912.

Game Day!

Baltimore Ravens vs Chicago Bears!!

Sunday, November 21, 2021

St. Luke and St. Bernardine Parish

St. Bernardine Campus Hall

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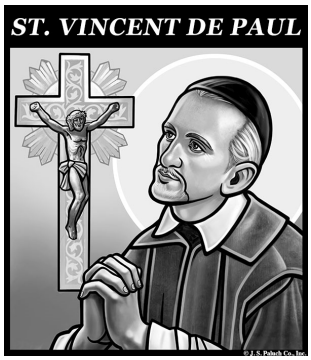
708-435-8912 (Business Office) for more information.

Our parish's St. Vincent de Paul Chapter lives out the Beatitudes

The St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Bernardine Parish held its first meeting in 1931. Since that time the group has met every week without ever missing one session. Incredibly, that means that the Society meetings have been going for 90 years and 32, 850 consecutive weeks. All of the meetings were in person until COVID-19 struck. Since then, they have all been on Zoom.



The St. Vincent de Paul Society was founded in 1833 in the slums of Paris, France by Fredic Ozanam and named for Vincent de Paul. It is now a worldwide organization that is dedicated to assisting the poor and needy.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Bernardine currently has eight members and several volunteers.

The Food Pantry is located in the rectory basement to provide non-perishable food to all who request it. The food is provided by generous donations from parishioners and friends, and is staffed by SVDP members and volunteers. Three times each week food from the Pantry is also delivered to the Little Pantry at the Forest Park Public Library where it is available to anyone who wishes to take it, some of whom have taken the Blue Line to the end and turn up at our door hungry and broke.

The Society also helps needy people pay their rent, utility bills, car repairs, medical bills, and other necessary expenses.

Recently, we have added a Food Recovery Program (Project 22-Nine) where we accept unneeded prepared meals that would otherwise be put in the garbage. We re-distribute the food to 15 different charitable organizations. Thus far this year, we have distributed over 60,000 meals. This is a labor intensive project for which able bodied volunteers are always needed.

The SVDP Society of St. Bernardine is very happy to be working with the Peace and Justice Committee that originated at St. Luke to continue the Lord's work of service to the poor and needy, and to let everyone know we will be assuming the role previously played by the Needy Persons Fund.

If you wish to volunteer or have any questions about the St. Vincent de Paul Society, call Jim Murray at 708-366-8427.

Preparing for college — a conference for high school seniors and juniors

You've been told that you need to go away to college ... leave home, get an education, and begin "adulting." The Bible actually is one big story of leaving home in order to find it (along with the hazards and holy moments along the way). It's inspired countless Christians to take this journey, including St. Anthony the Great, who decided to leave home and go to the desert simply by listening to the Gospel.

Don't make a decision about where you'll go or who you'll be in college without considering the conference presented by the Lumen Christi Institute's Newman Forum for High School Students on Saturday, November 13, 9:00 am to 2:30 pm at the University of Chicago.

The cost is $20. Learn more about the program and register at **newmanforum.org.**

Get an early start on your holiday shopping this week at Trinity High

Trinity High School's Mothers Club is thrilled to announce the return of its annual shopping extravaganza, the "Blazer Boutique," this Thursday, November 4, from 5:30-9:00 pm.

Sip and shop as you get a jump start on holiday gifts! Over 40 local vendors and artisans will be offering a wide array of items, including: all-natural, hand-crafted candles, bath products and skincare items; unique, fair-trade jewelry; flavorful olive oils, giardiniera and appetizer preps; beautiful home décor items, stationery gift sets…and so much more!

The Boutique features free admission and appetizers, and a cash bar. Plus, a huge raffle of items from our vendors! Join the fun in the Sister Michelle Germanson Athletic Facility, 7574 W. Division Street in River Forest (enter through the parking lot on Jackson).

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK 2021

November 7–13

As we celebrate National Vocation Awareness Week, we ask our Lord for more dedicated holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation.

Please partake in the daily prayer events virtually with your family. To learn how, visit **chicagopriest.com/resources/national-vocation-awareness-week**.

If you have questions regarding your vocation, please contact **Fr. Tim Monahan** at **312.534.8298** or **tmonahan@archchicago.org**.

HOLY SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION:
Saturday: 9:00 pam. at St. Luke
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. at St. Bernardine

WEDDINGS:
Please call 708-435-8912 to make arrangements with a priest at least six months in advance.

BAPTISM:
Baptisms are held on the second Sunday of each month during or after the 8:00 am. Mass. A mandatory meeting for parents and godparents is offered the first Wednesday of the month in the Convent Dining Room at 7:30 p.m. Call 366-0839 to sign up.

CARE OF THE SICK:
Please inform rectory of anyone confined at home or hospitalized.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:
Wednesdays at St. Luke School
Grades 1-4 meet 3:30-4:30 pm
Grades 5-8, 6:30-8 pm.
For more information, contact Michelle at mdalpino@stlukeparish.org.

Pray For Our Sick

Michael Cobleigh, Joe Burgio, James Froelich, Matthew Swan, Grace Martini, Carlotta Martini, Paul Johnson, Fr. Stan Kuca, Donald Rice, Frank Kurr, Adam Tiagonce, Brittany Billington, Virgilio Bungubung, Julie Doloszycki, Fran Darley, Betty Cunningham, Sr. Colleen Nolan, OP, Al Ronan, Stephanie Salerno, Gary Gould, Jelyn Vargas, Eugene Scheuring, Dr. Patricia O'Brien, Dan O'Brien, Patty Marino, Pat McKinley, Janet Berka, Christine Jumaoas, Paula Coonen, Claire Coonen, Doris Keating, Manza Fiori, Isaac Beal, Martin & Eileen Hudik, Ann Stauffer, Frank Martone, Ann Messerschmidt, Rita Daniello, Vince Pusateri, Mary Sladek, Rich Murphy Sr., Teresa Meyer, Shirley Hamilton, Helen Kreidermacher, Dan Martone and Betty Maslauskas.

Please call the parish office (708-435-8912) to add or delete names on the list. Names will automatically be removed after three months unless renewed.

Weekly Readings

Monday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Tuesday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from No. 668 or the Masses for the Dead, Nos. 1011-1016

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

Masses for the Week October 31-November 7

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St. Bernardine Church

Sunday, October 31
8:00 am † Betty, Sam, Dominic and James Aiello
† Carolyn Brown

Monday, November 1
8:30 am The People of St. Luke and St. Bernardine Parish

Tuesday, November 2
8:30 am † All Souls

Wednesday, November 3
6:30 am † James Blattner

Thursday, November 4
6:30 am † Addie Metoyer

Saturday, November 6
5:00 pm † Deceased members of the Mader and Pfannes Families;
† Margaret Walsh

Sunday, November 7
8:00 am † Janice Sobieraj; † Carolyn Brown

St. Luke Church

Sunday, October 31
9:30 am The People of St. Luke and St. Bernardine Parish
11:00 am † Jimmy Dooley

Monday, November 1
6:30 am † Joseph J. Dooley
8:30 am School Mass
7:00 pm † All Saints

Tuesday, November 2
6:30 am † The Anderson and Froelich Families

Wednesday, November 3
8:30 am † Jerry Byrnes; † Dana Cesario

Thursday, November 4
8:30 am † Kathryn Ann Froelich

Friday, November 5
8:30 am † Robert Atkinson

Saturday, November 6
8:30 am Raymond Cardinal Leo Burke
5:00 pm † Helen and Raymond Schmid

Sunday, November 7
9:30 am † Sister Ann Sullivan; † Joseph Giustino; Victor Giustino; † Lois Kirchman
11:00 am The People of St. Luke and St. Bernardine Parish

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Liturgical Roles

The Weekend of November 6-7

St. Bernardine Church

Celebrants
5:00 pm Fr. Kris
8:00 am Fr. Ed

Cantors
5:00 pm Peg Baumann
8:00 am Mary Johnson

Lectors
5:00 pm Pamela Dass
8:00 am Krystyn Raza

Eucharistic Ministers
5:00 pm Donna Gawlas
8:00 am Kristin Robbins

St. Luke Church

Celebrants
5:00 pm Fr. Leroy
9:30 am Fr. Kris
11:00 am Fr. Ed

More prayer opportunities this week

Our Rosary Group gathers each day after the 8:30 Mass to offer Our Lady's prayer for the needs of our Church, for our parish and for individual intentions.

In addition, for those who would like to end the day with a quiet time of contemplation, we have our Eucharistic Adoration time on Tuesday evenings now from 5:00 to 6:30 pm in St. Luke Church.

All are welcome to join us whenever you can.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October is Respect Life Month, and it is also the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Pope Leo XIII noted that, "The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer ... It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of all our blessings." Thus the Rosary is a most potent weapon against the "culture of death," which has penetrated our collective attitudes to the point that pro-abortion groups have been successful in proclaiming the deliberate killing of children in the womb as simply essential health care for women.

In current pro-abortion literature, references to abortion "services" have been replaced by the euphemism "abortion care." Abortion supporters seek to marginalize health care providers who disagree with them by insisting their opponents' views do not represent the accepted medical "standard of care."

But this claim is contrary to the facts. Abortion is a marginal practice, neither performed nor accepted by most health care providers; it does not improve (and can even jeopardize) women's life and health; and American law has recognized for decades that it is not "just another medical procedure." Far from being integral to our health care system, abortion is rather something that supporters seek to impose on that system by force of law.

During this final week of October, please pray a daily Rosary for the protection of all life from conception to natural death.

Source: Public Affairs Office, USCCB. "Abortion is not health care…"

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Solemnity of All Saints and the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) fit well at the beginning of November.

The liturgical readings of this final month in the Church year are keyed to the end of time and the fulfillment of Jesus' saving acts. Nowhere is this more fully celebrated than in Mexico, where November 2 is the "Day of the Dead." Missionaries moved an ancient Aztec festival from mid-summer to November, linking the festival to Christian themes.

Today, it is a time for remembering the dead and celebrating the continuity of life, principally by festive picnics in cemeteries. There are special foods and games, and people socialize with other families and tell favorite stories about their dear ones. The sweetness of life is honored by sugary desserts and treats. Flowers, music, lights, and feasting assure that the day is not at all morbid.

Traditionally, the day begins with Mass, a procession to the cemetery, and a morning feast. Most families have a special dinner with the pan de muerto, or "bread of the dead." A toy skeleton is baked into the loaf, and the one who bites into it is considered lucky indeed. The dead are not feared, but deeply loved, and this joyful family feast points both to age-old customs and Resurrection faith.

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NEW MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. LUKE AND ST. BERNARDINE PARISH

Saturday Masses

5:00 PM	St. Luke Campus
5:00 PM	St. Bernardine Campus

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM	St. Bernardine Campus
9:30 AM	St. Luke Campus - Family Mass
11:00 AM	St. Luke Campus

Weekday Masses

6:30 AM Masses

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
St. Luke	St. Luke	St. Bernardine	St. Bernardine	X	X

8:30 AM Masses

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
St. Bernardine	St. Bernardine	St. Luke	St. Luke	St. Luke	St. Luke

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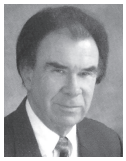

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