
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be A Part of the Conversation

Keep up to date on what's happening at St. Luke's. Sign up for our weekly e-blasts and quarterly Gazette on our website: www.stlukeinthefields.org. And don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook!

Sunday School Today at 10:15am

Age 2-3 Kindergarten Classroom
Age 4-5 Laughlin Hall
Grades 1-3 Parish House
Grades 4-6 School Gym
Grades 7-12 School Library

New to St. Luke's?

Today

We're glad you're here! Please join us at coffee hours after the 9:15am and 11:15am services on the first Sundays of the month for conversation, to ask questions, and an opportunity to meet some clergy and vestry members.

Future Newcomer Welcome Sundays are: March 5, April 2, May 7 & June 4.

Baptisms

Please contact Mo. Emily to arrange baptism for your children: 212.633.2099 or elloyd@stlukeinthefields.org. Future baptism dates are:

Saturday, April 15, 2017 at 8pm (Easter Vigil)

Sunday, June 4, 2017 (Feast of Pentecost)

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

February 28 School Dining Room 7pm

Join us for a last bit of indulgence before the solemn season of Lent begins. Come watch the burning of last year's palms (this is how we make ashes for Ash Wednesday) at 6pm, which will be followed by the 6:15 mass in the chapel. And then come and celebrate. Volunteers are needed for set-up and clean-up. If you can help, please contact Fr. William at wogburn@stlukeinthefields.org or at the parish office.

Ash Wednesday, March 1

7:30am : Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes

12:15pm: Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes

6:30pm : Choral Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes

Conversations that Matter

Building Bridges | A Christian-Muslim Interfaith Dialogue

Sunday, March 26 1:30pm in the Church

With recent political decisions to attempt to ban Muslims and refugees from entering this nation for a better life or even for safety, what is our role in responding as people of faith? As a nation founded upon principles of religious freedom and enshrined in our Constitution, what are the duties of a Christian majority in defending the freedom of religious minorities? Fear is a highly controlling force that plays a major role in the narrative around Muslims - and a lack of common understanding about Islam as a religion often fuels the fire of fear. At this moment in time, this a vital "Conversation" for us to share.

Building Bridges: A Christian-Muslim Interfaith Dialogue is an opportunity for us to learn more about Islam and our Muslim brothers and sisters. *What do our faiths share in common? What are our faiths working towards in this world? What do Muslims want us to know about them? What is it like to be a Muslim in this country today? How are Imams leading their faith communities? What can the Church and the Mosque do together to partner for peace, justice, and reconciliation? What do we teach our children about other faiths? What are the resources for embarking upon and continuing this important and reconciling work?* These are just some of the questions that will shape this "Conversation."

Please join us on Sunday 26th March at 12:45 (following the 11:15 am mass) for a light lunch, then join us at 1:30 pm for **Conversations that Matter**. To reserve your lunch, RSVP to Amina Syedullah at 212-924-0521 or asydullah@stlukeinthefields.org

Parish Announcements (cont.)

Congregational Survey

We are conducting a new survey to explore how we can best expand our missional programming in ways that will serve the needs of the neighborhood and the interests of the congregation. Please watch your email to take the survey online. Paper copies of the survey will be available at church starting Sunday, February 19 and also will be sent to those already on our Gazette hardcopy mailing list. Please fill out the survey online or on paper once only by Sunday March 5. Outcomes will be shared at the next congregational gatherings facilitated by Wellspring Consulting on Sundays April 30 and May 7. Thank you very much for your participation.

Appreciation and Thanks

The Parish Life Committee offers deep gratitude and many thanks to all the people who worked so hard to make the Annual Meeting lunch come together last Sunday: Ara and Jon Peters (who baked and donated the delicious lasagnas), event co-captains Leila Ghotbi and Robert White, and all of our wonderful volunteers: Savannah Stevenson, Ben Jenkins, T.J. Houlihan, William Robertson, Bruce Goerlich, Gypsy Snider, Julia Alberino, Deborah Emin, Suzanne Pynch and Dan Connelly.

Ones & Twos Group at St Luke in the Fields

Fridays, 10:30am in Laughlin Hall

This ministry is a support and information group for young children and their parents and caregivers. The Ones & Twos group will meet every Friday from 10:30-12pm. It is a chance to drink coffee and connect with other parents of very young children. For more information, please contact Mo. Krakowsky at pkrakosky@stlukeinthefield-s.org.

Ordination to the Diaconate

Saturday, March 4 10:30am at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine

Join us as we support Michael Horvath and all the candidates for ordination on March 4th. The liturgy begins at 10:30am at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Michael was sponsored by St. Luke's and is a long-time parishioner.

St. Luke's Sunday School

Sunday School is offered at 10:15am on appointed Sunday mornings for young people age two through high school from September to June, see calendar for locations. Pre-kindergarten and elementary classes offer age appropriate engagement with Biblical stories through art,

movement and service. Middle and high school classes create their own curriculum with their priest and teachers. All children are welcome to attend Sunday School on any given Sunday. For more information about programs for children and families please contact Mo. Emily Lloyd at 212.633.2099 or elloyd@stlukeinthefields.org.

Online Donations

We have updated our online donation process for ease of use. SiteOrganic allows secure donations from anywhere, including a church website, mobile device, text-to-give or kiosks. For more information, please go to our website, stlukeinthefields.org.

Donations For Outreach

Currently, the pop up shop is in need of deodorant and other sample size toiletries. Due to storage limitations, we are temporarily not accepting clothing donations; however, we are always in need of R/T (\$5.50) Metrocards to get them safely to their next destination. We also continue to accept non-perishable food items for the St. Clement's Food Pantry. Baskets will be placed in the back of the church to accept your kind donations.

Children's Liturgy and Care

St. Luke's seeks to nurture and support children's participation in liturgy and prayer. Children are always welcome in worship, and childcare is available for infants through age six in the JK classroom. Please ask an usher for directions. *If your child is sick, we ask that you do not bring your child into the nursery.* For more information please call Mo. Emily at 212.633.2099.

Offering Cards

There are small cards available at the rear of the church to place in the offering plate as a symbol of if you customarily pledge online or by mail.

Ushers needed for 9:15 and 11:15 services

The Ushers Guild is seeking additional ushers who can serve at either 9:15 or 11:15 services, beginning in September. You don't have to be a longtime parishioner ~ this is a great way to get involved if you're new to the parish. You only need to commit to ushering once every one to two months, and you get to choose the Sundays you're available. The first few times you're scheduled, you'll be paired with a veteran usher who can help answer your questions and guide you through the service. For more information, or to schedule a 10-minute training, contact Steve Novak at saintlukeushers@gmail.com.

Parish Announcements (cont.)

Sacraments of Healing and Reconciliation

There is a Service of Healing that follows the 11:15am Eucharist Sunday mornings (10:30am during the summer) at the icon and votive of the Blessed Virgin Mary. If you are worshipping at other services and wish to receive prayers and the laying on of hands for yourself or on behalf of a loved one, please know that the sacrament of healing—as with the sacrament of reconciliation—is always available by request from the clergy.

Vestry On-Call

To address any concern or question you may have about St. Luke's parish or ministry, two Vestry members are on call each month. For February, they are Bill Robertson (917.459.3544) and Ben Jenkins (646.415.1372). You can also reach the vestry on call at: Vestry@stlukeinthefields.org

Sermons On Line

Sermons are available on the web at stlukeinthefields.org/sermons; hard copies are available at the rear of the church.

Flower Memorials

Please contact Amina Syedullah at 212.924.0562 or asyedullah@stlukeinthefields.org to request a Flower Memorial in celebration of a special event or in memory of those who have died. Flowers can be given for any Sunday except for the Sundays in Advent and Lent when by tradition no flowers are used. It is possible for more than one commemoration to be observed on any Sunday. The suggested donation is \$200 per memorial to cover costs. Checks should be made payable to the Church of St. Luke in the Fields, with a memorandum "donation for flowers."

20s30s Activities at St. Luke's

St. Luke's has an active group of people in their 20s and 30s who are involved in all areas of parish life. Additionally, there is a 20s30s group that meets on a more or less monthly basis for fun, fellowship, service, and good conversation. This might take the form of one of our Theology on Tap gatherings at a local pub, a group effort to volunteer for one of St. Luke's outreach programs, getting together for a movie, or day trip out of the city. Also, we usually meet up on the last Sunday of the month at coffee hour to head out for brunch. Learn more about what we are up to, to hear about upcoming events, and to join in on an ongoing conversation about new activities, join our email list by contacting Rachel Krause-Hurn at rachelhurn@gmail.com. Please see additional announcements for schedule of activities.

28 February, Shrove Tuesday

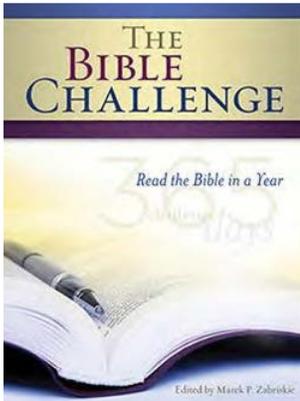
6 pm Burning of the Palms

6:15 Holy Eucharist, Chapel

7 pm Shrove Tuesday Supper, School Dining Room

This year's Shrove Tuesday Supper will be hosted by the 20s30s Group. Traditionally, the day before Ash Wednesday was a time to clean out the cupboards of milk, eggs, and sugar before the beginning of Lent. Thus pancakes are a favourite on this day. However, this year, instead of pancakes, we will celebrate with decadent homemade donuts and fun toppings! Additionally, we will have frittatas and other goodies as well. Entertaining activities are also being planned. To keep up the practice of cleaning out the cupboards in preparation for Lent, we are inviting everyone to bring sprinkles from your kitchen to Church over the next few weeks and we will use them up on Shrove Tuesday. A box for collection will be provided on Sundays at Coffee Hour. For us to properly plan, we need a headcount for the evening. RSVP by Wednesday 22 February using the link below, which may also be found in our electronic media (Facebook, e-Blast, and website). We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Hurn or Fr William Ogburn.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/shrove-tuesday-2017-tickets-31946234046>



The Bible Challenge

Discussion continues today at coffee hours

We began *The Bible Challenge* on January 9, but books are still available and there's still time to sign up. The cost is \$12 (scholarship help is available). *Bible Challenge* discussion groups will form at each Sunday at Coffee Hour at a designated table to discuss the past week's readings. **Join us today!** Pick up your book at the parish house, contact Fr. William Ogburn at wogburn@stlukeinthefields.org, or speak with him today. You may also join in on the conversation on Facebook.

Readings for this week (Monday February 13—Sunday February 19)

Days 32-39 of *The Bible Challenge*.

Adult Education 2017

Monday nights, 7pm in Laughlin Hall January 23– May 22
In this series we will explore a diverse and exciting array of topics, featuring a book study of *Voices of Morebath: Reformation and Rebellion in an English Village*, by Eamon Duffy. Our full schedule is below.

February 13: Honoring Black History | Richard Kigel
Phillis Wheatley the Patriot, presentation by Richard Kigel
How Phillis Wheatley's poems about the Stamp Act Riots, the Boston Massacre, the newly appointed leader of the Continental Army General George Washington celebrated her patriotic vision for a new America as a nation born in freedom, earning her the title of "Poet Laureate of the American Revolution."

February 27: Guest Speaker | Dr. Euan Cameron
Author of *The Coming of the Protestant Reformation*.
The religious culture of Christianity in Western Europe in the years before 1500 was incredibly rich - and incredibly controversial. On one hand it was an age of exquisite music, vibrant and popular preaching, and a creative overflowing of devotions. At this time the Church was also fragmented, accused of institutional corruption and intellectual irrelevance. We shall consider how these different aspects might - or might not - have prepared the way for the Reformation.

February 27–March 20: Book & Bible Study

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It used to be taught that the Reformation occurred in sixteenth-century Europe as a reaction against the flaws, the failings, the corruption in the Church. Historians nowadays are much less sure that this explanation holds up. Martin Luther (1483-1546) belonged to and experienced much that was good in the late medieval church as well as protesting against its dubious practices. The reformers argued that even if the medieval Church were perfectly run, it was still trying to do the wrong things. We shall explore how this was so.

April 3: Book & Bible Study

April 10–17: No Adult Education

April 24: Guest Speaker | Dr. Donald Gerardi
The Reformation in England

May 1–8: Book & Bible Study

May 15: Guest Speaker | Dr. Donald Gerardi
Protestant and Catholic Legacies in the Post-Reformation English Church

May 22: Book & Bible Study

Christian Formation Program 2016-2017

The Formation Program at St. Luke's is designed to prepare adult parishioners for Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, or the Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows at the Easter Vigil. It is a way for people to find their way "home" to St. Luke's, whether from another tradition, no tradition, or a life-time with the Episcopal Church. The program consists of three parts: The Discovery Series is open to anyone interested in the subject matter, and the latter two parts are for those who have completed the Discovery Series and wish to proceed as candidates to be presented to the Bishop at the Easter Vigil on April 15, 2017. All candidates are paired with a sponsor who will introduce them more deeply to the life and ministries of St. Luke's Church. Candidates are expected to attend all four sessions of the Discovery Series and to participate in all subsequent meetings of the program. Full participation in the liturgies of Holy Week is strongly encouraged.

Part II: Becoming a Candidate

Sponsors Meeting Sunday, Feb. 12 at 1:30pm in Parish House

Instructed Eucharist Thursday, March 2 at 6:15pm in the Church

Formation Dinner with Candidates & Sponsors Thursday, March 2 at 7:15pm in Laughlin Hall

Induction of Candidates Sunday, March 5 at 11:15am Eucharist

Part III: Preparing for Deeper Life in the Community

A) Formation Classes Sundays 1:30pm to 3:00pm, Laughlin Hall

Being Human: Blessings and Challenges March 5

Jesus Christ: A New Way of Living March 12

The Church: Following Jesus in Community March 19

Unfinished Business: Working for God's Reign of Justice and Peace

Tuesday, March 28 7pm in the Parish House

B) Theology & Practice of Christian Service Saturday, April 8th (*Lunch/Class/Rehearsal + 1 service project required*)

Option 1: Altar Guild clean-up for Holy Week 10:00am (Sacristy) Lunch, class meeting (Candidates and Sponsors), and rehearsal for Vigil 1:00pm (Laughlin Hall)

Option 2: Service for Outreach programs

Option 3: Service for GO Project 9:00am

C) Easter Vigil and Concluding Meeting Saturday, April 15, 5:00pm

Rehearsal with Bishop; 6:00pm Reception in Rectory; 7:30pm, Gather in Church; 8:00pm, Great Vigil of Easter

Sunday, April 23, 1:30-3:00pm, Final Wrap-Up in Laughlin Hall

For more information, please contact Fr. William Ogburn at 212.924.9327 or wogburn@stlukeinthefields.org

Music & Arts at St. Luke in the Fields

Concert Series 2016-2017

Thursday nights at 8 PM
Pre-Concert Lectures at 7 PM

\$35 general; \$25 students & seniors
Tickets available at: stlukeinthefields.org/store
For more information: music@stlukeinthefields.org,
212-414-9419.

Join Us For Our Next Concert!

March 16, 2017 – Music from the 17th century Salzburg Court.

Heinrich Ignaz Franz Biber died just over three centuries ago, in 1704. Like Mozart, he became closely associated with musical life in Salzburg through appointments for that city's prince archbishop. Best known today for his Mystery Sonatas for the violin, Biber also composed the largest-scale, most advanced and difficult sacred choral music of its era. The concert will feature his Requiem in F Minor and Mass in B Flat Major, along with instrumental music.

Choir of St. Luke in the Fields
with Parthenia Viol Consort and Baroque in the Fields,
an ensemble of period instruments
Lecturer: Dr. Sarah Davies

Future Concerts

April 27, 2017 – Music from the Sistine Chapel.

Built between 1475 and 1483, during the reign of Pope Sixtus IV, the Sistine Chapel is famous above all for its magnificent decorations, in particular the ceiling frescoes by Michelangelo. But just as magnificent was the music composed for and sung by the Papal Choir. Gregorio Allegri gained renown primarily from a single work, the Miserere, and the famous abbellimenti, reserved for use at the Sistine Chapel. We will present the Miserere in a new version, researched by Ben Byram-Wigfield, demonstrating how the piece has evolved over the centuries into the version audiences know and love today. Along with motets by Allegri, the concert will include Palestrina's double-choir Missa Laudate Dominum and motets by Felice Anerio, who preceded Palestrina as Papal composer.

Choir of St. Luke in the Fields
Lecturer: TBA

Outreach

Art & Acceptance at St. Luke's

A Saturday evening drop-in program for LGBTQ youth between the ages of 16 and 24 experiencing homelessness. We offer arts & crafts, basketball, yoga, writing, vogueing, board games, a pop up shop with gently used seasonal clothing, sample size toiletries (deodorant, bar soap, etc.), a nutritious meal, legal services, and HIV/AIDS education and testing.
Saturdays from 7:00 to 9:15 pm.

Currently, the pop up shop is in need of travel size deodorant. Due to storage limitations, we are temporarily not accepting clothing donations; however, we are always in need of R/T (\$5.50) Metrocards to get youth safely to their next destination. If you are in a position to help donate one or more of these items, we would be extremely grateful.

The GO Project At St. Luke's

The GO Project at St. Luke's aims to close the achievement gap for all under-resourced families who have children struggling in New York City public schools. For this academic year, St. Luke's is hosting 60 students; two classes of first graders, three classes of second graders, and one third grade class, over 21 Saturdays from October to April. Instruction is individualized and differentiated for special student needs. Curriculum is aligned to the Common Core Learning Standards in reading, writing, and math.

For more information about On the Block Outreach programs at St. Luke's and volunteer opportunities, please contact Joanne Bartosik, Outreach Development and Program Manager at 212.414.7442 or email: jbartosik@stlukeinthefields.org.

Homeless Shelter

The homeless shelter ministry at First Presbyterian Church runs from November through April. 5 nights a week, volunteers prepare and oversee the shelter for guests, including the preparation of simple meals, making beds, serving coffee, staying overnight, and most importantly enjoying fellowship with the guests. For more information, please contact our seminarian, Alex Herasimtschuk at alexander9595@gmail.com.

Food Pantry

St. Luke's collects non-perishable food items for the St. Clement's Food Pantry. Our donations provide food for over 500 people weekly: canned soups, fish, vegetables, beans, cereals, rice, pasta, and peanut butter. We are looking for volunteers to sort and pack the food once a week, after any Sunday service. For more information, contact Tina Johnson at Vatijo@twc.com.

St. Luke's Garden

Monday through Friday from 10:00 am to dusk.

Always dreamed of having a garden? You are invited to join the garden volunteers the 2nd Tuesday of the Month. Please contact Anna Rice-Yaffe, Director of Volunteers at annaluna@rcn.com.

Thrift Shop

The thrift shop is located in the basement of the Parish House. Store hours are Mon–Fri 11am–6pm and Sat 10am–6pm. The store is closed on Sundays. If you would like to volunteer, contact the Business Manager, Maureen Doyle (212.633.7817/ mdoyle@stlukeinthefields.org).

For more information about any of our Outreach programs, please contact Mo. Emily at 212.633.2099/elloyd@stlukeinthefields.org.

Parish Life

Centering Prayer

Tuesdays 7pm Laughlin Hall

All are welcome. Take some time to open your heart to God's voice within for a gentle practice of prayer in silence. "Whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret." *Matthew 6:6*. Contact Richard Kigel at 718.698.7514 | interiorsilence@gmail.com.

Liturgical Service Opportunities

If you are interested in serving on any of our guilds, please contact one of our guild heads.

Acolyte Training

Weiben Wang: weibenw@gmail.com | 646.408.8070.

Youth Acolytes at the 9:15am service

Madeline Pantelena: mvp2115@utsnyc.edu

Altar Guild

Robert McVey: 212.330.7114 | robertmcvey@earthli-nk.net
Sean Scheller: 917.647.9244 | sscheller@cpg.org.

Lectors Guild

Terry DiPaolo: tmdpny@gmail.com | 917.612.7237.

Eucharistic Minister

Weiben Wang: weibenw@gmail.com | 646.408.8070.

Weekday Mass Assistant

Cindy Brome at cindy.brome@gmail.com | 917.723.5314.

Ushers

Steve Novak: saintlukeushers@gmail.com | 646.406.5548.

Flower Guild

Donald Conrad at Donald.Conrad@me.com | 646.884.3145.

Pastoral Ministries

Do You Need Pastoral Care?

Please let a clergy person know if you are having a hard time and need pastoral care. There are a variety of forms this care might take. For example, we can often arrange to visit you in the hospital or at home, we can have a Eucharistic Visitor bring you communion, we can offer a listening ear, and/or we can get you in touch with lay pastoral care givers in the parish. Please contact Fr. Ogburn at wogburn@stlukeinthefields.org or 212.924.9397. For pastoral emergencies on nights and weekends, please call the emergency pastoral beeper at 646.240.5740.

St. Luke's Online Intercessory Prayer Group

Members of the group receive weekly prayer lists online and join a ministry of keeping the concerns, celebrations, and hopes of Parishioners in their prayers. The group also gathers for occasional Quiet Days. To become a member of the group, or for Quiet Day information, please contact Janet Vetter at jev98@verizon.net or 212.924.9327.

Pastoral Care Network Meeting

The Pastoral Care Network provides care for parishioners in need through visiting, prayer, note writing, telephoning, and other forms of reaching out. It also provides a place of mutual support for all care-givers and seeks to empower parishioners to be present and helpful to people who are experiencing difficulty. Monthly meetings consist of 3 parts, each lasting about 20 minutes: 1) a review of pastoral needs in the parish and development of plans to address them; 2) a brief training to help develop participants' pastoral skills; and 3) a supportive check-in, where reflection and discussion on experiences in caregiving are invited. Please contact Fr. William Ogburn at wogburn@stlukeinthefields.org for more information.