

# WELCOME ALL TO GOD'S HOUSE

Hospitality is a well known and most welcome quality of our lives. There is nothing as good as feeling welcomed, nurtured and cared for by others--except perhaps for offering such qualities to another. Such may be part of the substance of Christian life and certainly is a focus of this weekend's Gospel offered by Saint Luke.

Most of us have been welcomed guests in the homes of others. That experience is one in which we are so often offered "hospitality." Recall the once common notion of offering your guests the very best you had--putting out the "good china", sacrificing to get the best cuts of meat for dinner or making the family recipe for

spaghetti sauce?

There was a great ritual of welcoming guests into your home. Perhaps in our time that ritual has changed for some--but some traditions of hospitality should not be lost.

Truly welcoming a person into your home is an act of care, concern and joy! It should always be a cause for offering ones best.

Indeed that is what God seeks to offer all of us as He will welcome us into His eternal home--the Kingdom of Heaven!

A person should not expect to be welcomed into the House of God in any less fashion. Even in Church we should be manifesting signs of the hospitality of the Lord.

Part of that means that we greet those around us, join in the singing and responding to prayer, help others when necessary, and to be part of the truly "praying" community. We cannot praise God while distaining those around us!

The Lord reminded Martha in this weekend's scripture

that Mary has "chosen the better portion" and that should not be rejected by anyone. The better portion is to embrace God and all others in a most positive manner.

Our Faith very often asks us--at times demands--that we be fully engaged in the life of others and our community --working forcefully for openness, inclusion and justice as hallmarks of a healing , forgiving and loving faith.



**BE THE POCONO IDOL--Persons of all ages welcome to compete for the Grand Title as well as for additional prizes. Applications are available in our Church office, stop by to fill one out. Sing your hearts out!**

**YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS** can help you get additional funds--as well as the parish. Please return your book of tickets sent to you and be a winner!

**Our Saturday Soup Kitchen is being sponsored this weekend in Remembrance of Deceased Family & Friends By James & Maureen Vecchione**

## FESTIVAL DROP OFF

Items for our Grand Flea Market are needed from your homes, garages and safe deposit boxes! Usable items of any kind are a great help--from toys to treasures! Items can be dropped off Monday thru Friday, until Wednesday, July 21st, **(THE LAST DAY FOR FESTIVAL DROP OFF!!)** from 9:30 am until 3:30 pm.

**OFF TO THE NOVENA.** Father Perry will lead a group from the Parish this week to Scranton. The occasion is the annual Novena at St. Ann's Monestary.

**IN A NURSING HOME?** If so, make sure that your family members are on our visitation list. At times people change states and forget to notify us. Visits for communion are made weekly. Call our office at 421-9097 to include those for whom you care.

**PARISH NOTES**

**HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME** is arranged by contacting the parish offices at 421-9097. We encourage those who are in need to call for this Sacramental service.

**IN YOUR WILL** and Estate planning, a gift to the Church can establish a special memorial forever in your memory. A simple bequest of even \$2,500.00 can help! Many will donate 10% or more to the church. Recently one parish member donated one third of their estate to the church. At the same time you can save thousands of dollars in taxes! If you wish to consider such a gift we will arrange for the writing of a basic will at no cost to you. Please call us.

**NOT MARRIED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?** Many times persons marry as we say "Outside the Church". For Catholics, the Sacrament is celebrated in a Catholic Church before a priest and witnesses. Those not married with the blessing of the Church, should inquire about this blessing and the Sacrament of Marriage--Call our Offices.

**CHURCH ANNULMENTS** are a means by which to be in full communion with the church in cases of a second marriage. Please contact us for all of the FACTS!

**THE ROSARY FOR LIFE** is held each Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. in the Church. All are encouraged to participate and pray that we may respect all life.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP** is illuminated in one's honor or memory. Call our offices to arrange this service. The donation is \$25.00 for the week.

**MISA EN ESPANOL** is held each Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. All are most welcome.

**THE SUMMER FESTIVAL**  
**July 24th and 25th**

*Under The Big Top*  
**Games-Prizes-Raffles**  
**Giant Flea Market**  
**Childrens' Area**



**THE POCONO IDOL CONTEST**  
**Huge Clothing Area for Everyone**  
**Call to Volunteer 421-9097**

**BAKED GOODS NEEDED FOR THE SWEET BOOTH**

Please bring baked goods and sweet treats to the Sweet Booth located in the Church Hall beginning Sat. July 24th and Sun. July 25th.

If you have any questions, please call the parish office @ 421-9097.

**THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR HELPING TO MAKE OUR PARISH FESTIVAL A "SWEET" SUCCESS!**

**YOUR SUGGESTIONS** for our parish are welcome. Do you have an idea for ministry, or a special activity or project? Drop us an E-Mail, letter or call us.



**Parish Financial Notes**

The Parish Council and Finance Committees have asked that we post our weekly collection and need each week.

**July 11, 2010**  
**\$11,814.50**  
**Weekly Need**  
**\$16,200.00**

**TEXTING AND CALLING**-It is disturbing to see so many absorbed in texting and viewing their cell phones during mass. Perhaps a review of what a "sacred space and time" are all about may help .



**IN THE FALL OF 2010**

**Cruise from Rome - Athens - Israel - Egypt and Sicily - Papal Audience in Rome**

Includes land tour in Israel with Mass

Estimated Cost: \$6, 000.00 per person Balcony Cabins  
\$ 2, 500.00 per person deposit

**ESTUDIO BIBLICO EN ESPANOL.** Todos los Jueves en San Lucas a las 7:00 p.m. en la aula.

**GRUPO DE ORACION.** Se reune en el centro parroquial de San Lucas los dias viernes de 7:45 p.m. a 9:00 p.m.

**LA COMUNIDAD HISPANA.** La misa en espanol se celebra cada sabado en la iglesia de San Juan, en Marshalls Creek, a las 5:30 p.m. Los domingos en Sta. Ana, Tobyhanna a las 12:45 p.m. Y en St. Mateo, East Stroudsburg a las 3:30 p.m. Tambien todos los martes aqui en San Lucas a las 7:00 p.m. Las confesiones pueden hacerse antes de la misa.

**DO NOT MISS THESE DEALS**

**FOR SALE:** 2 crypts inside Prospect Cem Mt View Masoleum Chapel, intombment included, valued @ \$15,000. Will sell for \$8,000. or best offer. Call 421-4593

**FOR RENT:** Two 3 bdrm apts, North 5th St, includes heat & water, washer & dryer. Call 1-347-698-6818

**FOR RENT:** OCEANFRONT condo in Myrtle Beach, 3 bdrms, 2 baths, still some July & Aug. wks. avail. Call 420-9474 or email honjo@ptd.net for rates & availability.

**FOR RENT:** 3 bedroom, 1 full bath, downtown Stbg., easy access to Rt. 80. Call 421-0587

**FOR RENT:** Condo/apt unit in LaBar Village, an over 55 community in Stbg., available mid July. Call 460-4726

**FREE** upright piano with bench. Call 610-588-0650

**BOOTHBAY HARBOR, MAINE,** one bedroom waterfront rental, head of harbor, walk to town, shops, restaurants, reasonable and clean, water view from all rooms. Call 476-3022

**WANTED:** Scout pants, long & short, size 16 or 29 waist. Call 977-7998

**LANDSCAPING,** small to medium jobs. Call 421-7412

**ELECTRICAL,** painting, wallpapering, quality work at reasonable rates, insured, 25 yrs experience. Call 422-1051 or 730-5917

**NEED HELP** with home improvements or repairs, no job too big or small, affordable, experienced, professional carpenter. Call 424-1709

**LOOKING** for a reliable, responsible babysitter, look no further! Call 801-0181

**FOR SALE:** Panasonic 47" HDTV, remote & operating manual, purchased 10/2002, Asking \$350.00. Call 422-1014

**FOR SALE:** Prom Dresses & Semi Formals, 16 dresses in different sizes & styles, \$40 each. Call 992-0492

**LANDSCAPE/LAWN CARE:** package deal, clean up, fertilization, \$5.00 off first cut of lawn. Call 656-1765

**ADS ARE FREE FOR MEMBERS OF SAINT LUKE'S. PLACED AS SPACE AVAILABLE**

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES**



**REMINDER**

**Anyone who has not yet registered for Religious Education Classes for the fall of 2010-2011**

**PLEASE DO SO NOW!!!**

**CALL THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

**@ 421-9097 X 114**



**Invitation to all teens &**

**high school students!**

**Your help is needed at our annual summer festival!!**

**Call Scott @ 421-9097 x 115 to get involved!!!!**



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Confirmation Class of 2010**

**St. Luke's Annual**

**Summer Festival**

**Mandatory Community**

**Service Hours**

**July 23rd, 24th & 25th**



**COMING IN AUGUST**

**Drive in Movie**

**&**

**A trip to see the Iron Pigs!**

**WATCH FOR THE DATES**



**PRAYERS FOR THOSE ILL** will be included in the weekly bulletin with a name listing. Please call us by Tuesday of each week to be included. Please pray for

parish members: **MICHAEL LYNCH, ROBERT BENNETT, HOWARD POOLER, JOAN FERRETTI, CLARE PETRIE, JENNIFER MATLOCK, IRENE WOLVERTON, RALPH BUSH, CEIL CROWE, MICHAEL LEONDI, RICHARD CREO, GABRIEL PROCACCINO, MELVIN WEISS, ANTHONY INDIA, JOSEPH GEBHARDT, JANET GILBERT, FRANK Mac KINNEY, ROSEANN LOPIANO, MONICA OATES, JOSEF RUC, ELLEN CONFER, ABIGAIL POSSINGER, CHARLES PETRIE, JIM YOOST, TINA BERWICK, CHARLES CAMPBELL, DANICA CHACON, SARAH STARNADORI, ED ROBL, MARY MOTSON, CLAIRE RUDOLPH, SALLYANN PUGLIESE, JEAN ABBRUZZESE, PAUL CROWE, MARYJANE McCLUSKEY, STEVE NOVAK, SR., also: FRAN PALLOZOLO, MARY LUDLOW, DAVID HART, GERRY TRETOLA, DARREN ACOSTA, CHRISTINE DELEO, BART GRIFFIN, BONNIE HART, MARY KRAYESKI, GIOVANNI ANTONINO TRIMARCHI. and LYDIA ROSE PETERS.**



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE SOMETHING GREAT?** You can at approximately 6:00 p.m. this Friday evening. At that hour scores of volunteers--more than 100 we trust--will engage in setting up our

back yard for the Summer Festival. Workers will be moving tents, carrying tables, forming a long line to pass boxes of items donated to the flea market and more! Not only a great sight, but a great experience of our parish in one of its finer moments. All this effort is for the sake of our Church and its needs. All this effort is to help assist in ministry. You are most welcome to join in the excitement and fun on Friday night, July 23rd beginning at 6:01 p.m.!

**ALTAR FLOWERS** for our church are always a welcome gift, a means of thanksgiving, or a special way to remember an important event of life or death. Flowers for the Altar are arranged by calling the parish office at 421-9097. The donation is \$75.00 for the weekend.

~~Call the office to have a name included~~  
CHURCH EMERGENCY HOUSING FUND  
Donations Welcomed

SPONSOR OUR SATURDAY SOUP KITCHEN \$250.00 per weekend  
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**SANCTUARY LIGHT  
IN MEMORY OF  
Michael Hosko  
By  
Sallie & Bob Hosko**

**OUR LITURGIES FOR**

**MONDAY, JULY 19**

**7:30 A.M.**

William Melchiorre By Pat Grady & Family

**NO NOON MASS**

**TUESDAY, JULY 20**

**7:30 A.M.**

Viron C. Thomas By Nancy Perretta

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 21**

**LAST DAY FOR FESTIVAL DROP OFF!!!!**

**7:30 A.M.**

Suzanne Lepore By St. Luke's Crafters

**NO NOON MASS**

**THURSDAY, JULY 22 - TENTS GO UP!!**

**7:30 A.M.**

Joseph Dodel By Wanda Rylko

**FRIDAY, JULY 23**

**NO MASSES TODAY!**

**FESTIVAL SET-UP @ 6:00 P.M.**

**ALL WELCOME!!!**

**SATURDAY, JULY 24 - FESTIVAL WEEKEND**

**4:00 P.M.**

Michael LaPenna By Anthony Capozzolo

**5:30 P.M.** Valerie Yamulla Hunter

By Dr & Mrs Daniel G. Luongo

**SUNDAY, JULY 25**

**7:30 A.M.**

**FOR THE PARISH**

**9:00 A.M.**

Carmen DeBlass By Bosata Bissol

**10:15 A.M.**

Helenmarie Grady By Anne Kish

**11:30 A.M.**

Margaret Mondell By Mary & Joe Kernaghan

