

Bulletin for September 6, 2026: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time!

Mass	Time	Intentions	Requested By
Mon. September 7	8:30 AM	For the Intentions of the celebrant	--
Tue. September 8	--	No Mass	--
Wed. September 9	5:00 PM	For the staff & students of St. Luke's School, starting a new academic year	--
Thu. September 10	8:30 AM	For the sick of the parish	--
Fri. September 11	8:30 AM	For the intentions of the celebrant	--
Sat. September 12	5:00 PM	Missa Pro Populo (For the People)	--
Sun. September 13	9:00 AM	For the Catholic community	--

We are honoured to hold your loved ones and special intentions in prayer through the offering of a Mass, a meaningful gift of remembrance. Request a Mass on our website, by email or visit the office.

MINISTRY - SEPTEMBER 12 & 13

Lectors	Saturday MA O'Connell	Eucharist	John Lajeunesse
	Sunday Adam Ranger	Greeters	Helen Scott
Altar Servers	Sunday Chelsea & Lana O'Neill and Dottie Carroll		
Counters	Susanne Whiteside & Janice Herlihey	Sep 6 Cafe	TBC

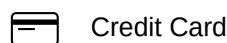
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Prayers for the Sick of the Parish

Phil Archer, Jason Bell, Sr. Lillian Ferguson, Andy Lepage, Fr. Ron Meyer, Joe O'Neill, Fr. Christopher Reynolds, Msg. Jim Scott, Angela Staples, Tawny Young. Please also pray for St. Luke's parishioners who are ill, lonely, shut-in, in nursing or retirement homes. We also pray for our recently departed loved ones: Christopher Pereira, Gerry Scott Sr., Paul Scott, Marg (Tangney) Wansbrough



PRAYER TO ST. LUKE

O glorious St. Luke, holy evangelist and beloved physician, you faithfully recorded the mysteries of our Lord's life and His boundless mercy. Intercede for us, that we may persevere in the true faith, serve the poor and afflicted with charity, and one day behold the face of Christ in glory. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

LITURGY LEADERS

Parish Council	Cathie Morrissey	705-344-9345
Finance Committee	Bob Connell	705-740-6754
Music	Joan Herlihey	705-799-7346
Counters	Rose Hartin	705-799-5980
Children's Liturgy	Jaclyn Giffen	705-799-6943
Eucharistic Ministers	Cathie Morrissey	705-799-6943
Lectors	Margret Ann O'Connell	705-799-5320

SUNDAY REFLECTION
BY FATHER ROY VILLAS



My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today's readings remind us that we have a responsibility for one another.

In the Gospel, Jesus says, **"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone."** Jesus teaches us that when someone we love is doing something wrong, we should not immediately gossip, condemn, or turn away. Instead, we should approach that person with love, humility, and compassion.

The first reading gives us the image of a watchman. A watchman has the responsibility to warn people when danger is coming. In the same way, as Christians, we are called to care about the spiritual well-being of others. But there is an important question we must ask ourselves: Why am I correcting someone? If it is because I am angry, proud, or want to prove that I am right, then my correction will probably hurt rather than heal. But if I speak because I truly love the person and want what is best for them, then my words can become an instrument of God's grace. And we must also be willing to accept correction. Sometimes God uses another person to help us see something in ourselves that we cannot see. St. Paul reminds us today that **"love does no evil to the neighbor."** Everything we do as Christians must ultimately come from love.

So this week, let us ask ourselves: Is there someone I need to forgive? Is there someone I need to approach with love? Or is there something I need to humbly accept and change in myself?

Let us pray for the courage to speak the truth with love, the humility to accept correction, and the grace to seek reconciliation. And let us remember the beautiful promise of Jesus: **"Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."** May Christ be present in our families, our friendships, and our parish community, helping us to love, forgive, and lead one another closer to Him. Amen.



Coming Events (Also available on our Events Page on the website)

September 13 - Altar Server Training (after 9am Holy Mass)
September 13 - C.I.A. Youth Ministry - Official First Night (6:30pm-8:00pm)
October 7 - Afternoon Social Card Group (1-4pm, Parish Hall)

PARISH GROUPS

Knights of Columbus	Adam Ranger	519-709-9612
Parish Hall	Jessica Carroll	705-341-1641
Funeral Reception	Mary Jane Connell	705-793-2013
Cemetery Board	Patricia Herlihey	705-799-7301
Hearts & Shamrocks	Office	705-799-6943
Youth Ministry	Mary-Catherine Jilesen	705-344-3941
Prayer Group	Jan Murtha	705-799-5110
Caretaker	Mary Jo Connell	705-799-6389

SCHOOLS

St. Luke Elementary Principal
Rebecca Brady (705) 799-5265

St. Thomas Aquinas Principal
Claire Wilson (705) 878-4117

PVNCC School Board Trustee
Mary Ann Martin (705) 799-1617

PARISH NEWS

Altar Server Training (Sep 13th)! There will be altar server training after the 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass on Sunday, September 13th. This will be for children new to altar serving, as well as for our current altar servers (as a refresher). We'd love to add more children to our altar server schedule so new servers are warmly welcomed. The only prerequisite is that they must have made their First Communion.

CIA Youth Group Kick Off (Sep 13th)! After a fantastic Mission Night with almost 40 youth, CIA (Christians in Action) is ready for a new year! Join us Sunday, September 13, 6:30–8:00PM. All youth are welcome. Bring a friend!

Many Ways to Serve. One Parish Family. Looking for a way to get involved at St. Luke's and live your faith through action? As we kick off 2026–2027, there are many opportunities: Parish Council, Knights of Columbus, Hearts & Shamrocks, youth ministry, choirs, sacramental prep, Community Café, funeral receptions and more. Some commitments are regular; others are just a few hours when needed. There's a place for you! Interested? Talk to Cathie Morrissey, Mary Jo Connell, or contact the parish office.

54 Ways of Showing We Care! Hearts & Shamrocks stayed busy this summer, making 54 community outreaches since June: celebrating births, baptisms, marriages, reaching out during illness and loss, and more. Thank you for helping our parish family feel remembered and cared for!

Community Café Returns to the Hall! Thank you to the volunteers who kept our weekly summer Café going, including a special birthday celebration for Fr. Roy and his brother! Community Café now returns to its regular schedule in the hall after Mass on the first Sunday of each month. Nut-free treats are always welcome!

Rain Couldn't Stop Us! When the rain arrived, our Jamboree and Decoration Sunday teams simply changed plans! Thank you to the organizers & volunteers who kept 2 much-loved St. Luke's summer traditions going, rain or shine.

Save the Date! Afternoon Social Card Group returns (Oct 7th)! Welcome back everyone! We hope everyone is enjoying this beautiful summer! Afternoon Social Card Group will start on Wednesday, October 7th from 1-4pm in the Parish Hall. We hope to see you all there!

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MASS TIMES

Monday	8:30am
Wednesday	5:00pm
Thursday	8:30am
Friday	8:30am
Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday at 4 pm
Any time by appointment

Please contact the office for information about:

- Communion - Hospital/Home
- Anointing of the Sick
- Baptism
- Marriage

CONTACT

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WELCOME

We welcome all who come to worship at St. Luke's. We pray you find peace, hospitality and friendship with us. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, the doors of our Parish and our hearts are open to you.

“Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”
Matthew 11:28



MISSION STATEMENT

The people of St. Luke's Parish strive to love and serve God and humanity through prayers and action, nourished by the sacraments and the Word of God.



**C.I.A. Youth Ministry
Official First Night!**
Calling all Tweens & Teens in Grades 5–12!
St. Luke's C.I.A. (Christians In Action) Youth Ministry is officially kicking off the year on
Sunday, September 13th from 6:30pm–8:00p.m.
Join us at the Rectory (Priest's House) for a great evening of icebreakers, Manhunt, a bonfire, s'mores, faith, friends, and lots of fun!

Bring a friend — everyone is welcome! Whether you've joined us before or this will be your very first night, we would love to have you.

Come kick off the year with us!
Faith. Friends. Fun. Service. 🍷✚

For more information contact
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We hope to see you all there!