It is the Lord God who helps me.

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MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 15
5:00pm (O) Kathleen Walling
Sunday, September 16
8:00am (S) Robert Edward
10:30am (O) Eleanore Santos (4th Anniversary Remembrance and 100th Birthday)
Maria DeLurdes
5:00pm (O) Larry and Mary Nunes (Anniversary Remembrance)
Monday, September 17
9:00am John and Isabelle Going
Tuesday, September 18
9:00am Jean Calise
Wednesday, September 19
9:00am Frank T. Pirri, Jr.
Opening of ASA School year Mass
Thursday, September 20
9:00am Communion Service
Friday, September 21
9:00am (S) Paula Sheahan Karlson
5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany to Mary
7:50pm Benediction
Saturday, September 22
2:30pm Marriage of Lauren Morgado and Daniel Jacob
5:00pm (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners
Sunday, September 23
8:00am (S) Robert and Catherine Edward
10:30am (O) Michelle Cole
5:00pm (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners

In the above celebrations:
O = Rev. John O'Brien
S = Rev. Saji Joseph

The Children's Homily is offered for our young Parishioners during the 10:30 Mass on the following Sundays: 9/16, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, and 10/21. At the start of the Liturgy of the Word, the children are called forward to the Altar to receive a blessing, after which they proceed to the Parish Center where they learn about the Sunday Scriptures with their Catechist. The children rejoin their families to worship together.

LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)
Today in our world-wide Church we celebrate Catechetical Sunday, "*Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ*," which recognizes the opening of a new year in Religious Education and those who share their gifts within Catechetical Ministry. The word of God, through catechesis, evangelization, and sharing of faith and experiences, nourishes both the Catechist and student so that each one may continue to grow in his or her Christian life. We at St. Lucy's are tremendously grateful for and wish to THANK our Catechists who serve in Children's Liturgy of the Word, **LIFE**, Sacramental Preparation classes, and RCIA. By virtue of their Baptism, these catechists have been commissioned to hand on the faith and bear witness to the Gospel - serving as *witnesses for Jesus Christ*. Thank you for the "yes" that your parents and sponsors spoke for you at your baptism, but especially for the "yes" that each of you continues to make every time you gather to pass on our Catholic teachings and faith. We are appreciative not only of those who serve in a formal Catechetical Ministry at St. Lucy's, but we also would like to recognize you parents, grandparents, and other important adults in the lives of our young Parishioners who catechize and pass along the truths of our faith in the Domestic Church of our homes. While on the topic of Religious Education/Faith Formation…**LIFE** celebrations begin next week! Yes, you read correctly – next week – September 23 (11:30-2pm) and Monday, September 24 (5:30-8pm)! If you haven't yet heard about **LIFE**, it's our on-going Faith Formation (learning and sharing) offered to everyone in the Parish and held once/month with our focus this year on "***How can we live out the Catholic Social Teachings***?" Register today so you don't miss out! **LIFE** Brochures and Registration Forms are on the table in the Narthex or may be found online at www.stlucy.org
Written by: Colette Savaria, (**LIFE** Coordinator)

A Catechist's Prayer

Father of all families, you have called me to serve the family
in truth and love as a catechist. May I be faithful to this call,
rooted in your Word, and open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit.
May I use these gifts, especially the gifts of faith, hope, and
love, to serve families as a witness to you, who are love, life
and the source and destiny of all families.
Let your Spirit enlighten my mind and strengthen my
heart so that I can be a path of Christ's love to families,
especially those in need, the homebound and aged,
the disabled and disheartened.
Through the intercession of Mary and Joseph,
I pray for the Church whose mission to
build a civilization of love passes through the family.
Amen.

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Formed: Catholic Faith on Demand.. If you are not yet registered for Formed, you can do so at any time at formed.org using the parish code **B84KHM**. It's open to all and it is free.

Soup Kitchen Needs
Tuesday, September 18
Assorted finger desserts (cupcakes, cookies, brownies, etc.)
2 bags oranges 2 boxes salt
2 bottles salad dressing (Italian or Ranch)
If you would like to help with any of the above, please call Sylvia Bunker at 683-0320. You may drop off your donations at the Rectory anytime before 3pm on Tuesday, Sept. 18. Thank you all for your support. We served 97 meals in August.

A Bereavement Support Group offered through the Diocese of Providence Office of Life and Family continues at St. Lucy Church Parish Center. The next meeting is Sept. 27 from 7:00-8:30pm. The Diocese also offers the *Our Lady of Sorrows* Bereavement Program at St. Thomas More Church, in Narragansett on Wednesday evenings 6:30 to 8:00pm, from Oct. 10 through Dec. 12 (not meeting Oct. 31 and Nov. 21). This Program provides a peaceful place to share and learn about grief with the spiritual comfort of our Catholic faith. It is most appropriate for adults at least three months beyond their loss. Both programs are free. For registration/information about either of these Bereavement programs, contact Peter Magnotta of the Office of Life and Family at 421-7833 (x217).

CHURCH SUPPORT – September 8/9, 2018

Weekly Collection	**$5849.00**
Weekly Electronic Giving	**$1078.00**
Reduction of the Parish Debt	**$3087.00**

Thank you for your support!!

As an adult, **do you want to become Catholic**? Do you know someone who does? Do you want to complete your initiation into the Catholic Church with Confirmation? It's never too late to begin a new journey! For information or to ask questions, contact Jane Parrillo at jjparrillo@yahoo.com.

Please ***pray*** for all the men and women who have served and who currently serve in the armed forces, and the military commanders who lead them. ***Pray*** also for our homebound Parishioners and the sick of the Parish (including those in hospitals and nursing homes). ***Pray*** for the unborn, the premature, and the fragile among us so that we may deepen our respect for life at all stages.

Save the Date: Saturday, November 10, 2018. St. Lucy's Dinner Dance, 6:00-11:00pm in St. Lucy's Parish Center and will include a prime rib dinner, music, dancing, raffles, and surprises. Tickets are available by calling Sr. Sheila Murphy at 847-6153 (x205) or Fely at 849-1692. Don't miss out!

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday:	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday:	1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13
Saturday:	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Lk 8:4-15
Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Interested in Amateur Radio? A Technician License class will be held on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 8:30pm starting on September 18 at St. Lucy's Parish Center. The exam will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 13 (no class on Oct. 9 and Nov. 6). The class is free, but there is a $10 charge for the study guide and a $15 charge for the multiple choice exam. There is no requirement to learn Morse Code. Sign up for the class with the registration link at: http://w1sye.org/?page_id=151.

This week's second collection supports the **Sr. Priest Retirement Fund.** Donations can also be made by visiting www.srpriest.org to make an online donation using a secure server or by mailing your offering to Sr. Priest Retirement Fund, Office of Stewardship & Development, One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI 02903. Thank you for your support of this critical effort to provide for senior priests in their retirement years – years many priests continue to spend very active in ministry.

On Tuesday, Oct. 2 join the St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Lucy's Church for a one-day trip to see **"Heavenly Bodies: Fashion and the Catholic Imagination"** at the Metropolitan Museum, NYC. This exhibit includes over 40 Papal Vestments on public display for the first time. Tickets include admission, transportation, and a donation to St. Lucy's SVdP. The cost is $65 (seniors), $72 (adults), and an option for transportation and donation ($50). Registration and payment deadline is Sept. 22. For more information, please call or email the St. Lucy's SVdP at 847-6153 (x 222) or stlucysvdp@gmail.com.

Visiting the Sick: Please notify Sr. Sheila Murphy at 847-6153 (x205) when a family member is in the hospital.

The Town Howlers Square Dance Club of Portsmouth is holding free "Open House Evenings" of dancing on Sunday, Sept. 16, 23, and 30 from 6pm to 7:30pm. at 110 Bristol Ferry Rd., Portsmouth. For more information go TownHowlers.org as well as Meetup.com or email townhowlers@townhowlers.org or call Don or Marlene at 849-6266.

The Diocese of Providence will host a Mass for Public Safety to honor police, fire and first responders, on Sunday, Sept. 30 at 10am in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Prov. This is an opportunity for everyone to come together to give thanks to the men and women who risk their lives to protect us and to pray for their continued safety.

The SVdP RI 11th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on Sunday, Sept. 30 and will include music, food, and family fun. Registration as a group or an individual starts at 10am in the Gazebo in Garden City Center followed by the walk kick-off at 11am. Mass will be offered at St. Mark, Cranston, at 9:30am. Register online or call 490-822 (x113) for more information.

St. Mark Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, Sept. 22 from 11am to 6:30pm on their grounds at 60 Narragansett Ave., Jamestown. Visit www.stmarkjtn.org/fallfest for details.