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Bible Study continues on Tuesday mornings after the 9am Mass in the Parish Center. This week: New Testament Saints and Apostles. All are welcome!

I will be away for two weeks (Sept. 7-18 inclusive). Other priests will attend to the spiritual needs of St. Lucy’s Parish in my absence. Please pray for me as I will certainly be praying for you. Fr. John

**CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL 2020**

The in-pew solicitation of the Catholic Charity Appeal will be held next week on the weekend of Sept. 12-13. At that time Parishioners will have the opportunity to make a pledge or a one-time donation.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic the Catholic Charity Appeal has been extended from June 30, 2020 to October 31, 2020. Even in the midst of this pandemic St. Lucy Parishioners have been very generous with donations/pledges of $37,430 towards our Parish goal of $62,500. Your generosity supports many ministries throughout the Diocese of Providence including St. Claire Home, All Saints Academy, Marriage Preparation Programs, and many more.

There are two ways to give: from home to the Catholic Charity Drive as follows:

1. Go to on-line giving site (www.capprefer.org/2020CCA)  
2. Text the word “Appeal” to 401-496-9889 (to reach a secure giving link).
3. Contact Rich Popovic at 401-277-2115 (for gifts of stock, IRA’s, mutual funds, etc.).

Thank you immensely for your prayerful and financial support of the 2020 Catholic Charity Appeal.

During the 2020 Catholic Charity Appeal, you can make your pledge or one-time gift at the front door of St. Lucy or by calling the parish office at 847-6153.

**Helping Hearts**

We lift our prayers for those parishioners and friends who have passed away in the month of August and for all those who mourn the passing of their loved ones.

May God continue to offer strength, courage and peace. Parishioners and friends of St. Lucy’s Faith Community who have gone to live in Eternal Life: Dorothy Arruda, Stephen Brady, Philip Curtis, John Farrell, Paul Gawalt, Helen Lappin, Fr. Robert Perron, Mary VanDeusen, and William Walker.

**Support for the Parish...**

Those who have been making donations and maintaining their budgets during this time have been a godsend. Thank you!!! There are basically 4 ways for all to do so.

**Attend Mass and put your donation in the collection basket.**

**Mail your envelopes to the Parish Office: 909 West Main Rd., Middletown, RI 02842**

**Drop your envelopes and donations off by putting them in the black lockbox at the front door of the Rectorcy**

**Go On-line to our Website stlucy.org, click the Giving link, then click on Parish Giving, and follow the prompts to make a one-time gift or a recurring donation.**

And don’t forget our Parish YouTube Channel for our live-streamed Sunday Mass. Subscribe at YouTube videos St. Lucy’s Catholic Church, Middletown, RI. The Sunday Mass.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE**

- **Saturday, September 5**
  - 5:00pm (O) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
- **Sunday, September 6**
  - 8:00am (O) George and Helen Leboer
  - 10:30am (O) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
  - 7:00pm (O) Mary K. Connerton and Eva B. Mello
- **Monday, September 7**
  - 9:00am (O) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
- **Tuesday, September 8**
  - 9:00am (O’N) Alice Wallace
- **Wednesday, September 9**
  - 9:00am (M) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
- **Thursday, September 10**
  - 9:00am Communion Service
- **Friday, September 11**
  - 9:00am (M) Paul Brown
  - 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
  - 7:00pm Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany to Mary
- **Saturday, September 12**
  - 7:00pm Benediction
- **Sunday, September 13**
  - 5:00pm (O’N) St. Lucy’s Parishioners
- **Sunday, September 13**
  - 8:00am (O’N) Robert Edward
  - 10:30am (M) Martin Curtis (1st Anniversary)
- **Saturday, September 12**
  - Noon Baptisms
- **5:00pm (O’N) St. Lucy’s Parishioners**

**A Prayer for Labor Day (Bread for the World)**

Almighty God, Creator of the world, we give you thanks for the gift of stewardship and work. Deliver us, in our various occupations that we may do our work in truth and beauty for the common good. God of justice, we pray for all workers, that they receive fair compensation and treatment for their labor.

For those who seek work, provide jobs – for both citizen and immigrant alike.

For those who cannot work, provide sustenance.

Make those who lead the industries and commerce of this country responsive to your will.

Build up in the leaders of our country a respect for all labors.

Lord Jesus, may we lead lives of holiness in service to you and our neighbors.

We ask all these things for your good and your glory. Amen!

**Religious Education/Faith Formation**

Registrations for LIFE, along with the Sacrament Preparation Classes for First Reconciliation/First Eucharist and Confirmation for the 2020-2021 year, will take place shortly. Watch for the mailing!

Hello out there!! Responses to our request for parishioners to update their household information is still coming in (THANK YOU!), but we hope for a greater response. Possible changes and/or updates may include:

- *School, grade, age of each child (for 2020-21 year) *
- *Phone number, cell phone, landline, or add cell phone*’s

- *Email address:

- *Recent additions to your household, i.e., births, adoptions, relative(s) living with you*’s

- *Change in marital status*

Please email updates to stlucyoffice@gmail.com or call 847-6153 ext. 201

**CHURCH SUPPORT**

**August 29-30, 2020**

**Weekly Collection** $4424.00

**Electronic Giving** $ 830.00

The second collection weekend will be for the Building and Maintenance Fund.

Thank you for your generosity!!

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- **Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11
- **Tuesday:** Mt 5:1-14/Am 1:1-16, 18-23
- **Wednesday:** Jer 7:25-27
- **Thursday:** 1 Cor 8:1-8, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38
- **Friday:** 1 Cor 9:1-9, 18-22/7:34-39
- **Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49
- **Sunday:** Rom 14:7-20/Mt 21:20-35

**St. Lucy’s is once again accepting Food Donations!**

Your generosity supports 

- Religious Education/Faith Formation Programs
- Parish Maintenance Fund.
- Electronic Giving

**Sistercopy@gmail.com.**

**Prouts’s cause for beatification has begun and it is hoped that the National Conference will meet in LA late this month.**

**The Sisters of the Cross and Passion continue to celebrate their 150th Anniversary.**

**In the above celebrations:**

- **September:** 6th, 7th, 8th
- **October:** 1st, 6th
- **November:** 1st, 2nd, 5th
- **December:** 1st, 2nd

**In LA** (Monica Brown and Jo Cepeda);

**On Our Way to** (Michell O’Neill, Colette Savaria)

**The Story of Dolores Huerta and Cesar Chavez**

**- What could be timelier than looking at this weekend,**

**- In the midst of the pandemic and the work of the Church,**

**- Both citizen and church are in need of support of the**

**IRA’s, mutual funds, etc.**

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