

ST. LUKE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY HOLY MASSES Saturday Vigil 5pm | Sunday 7:30am, 9am (Italian), 10:30am,12 Noon, 5pm

DAILY MASSES Monday to Friday 12 Noon + Saturday 8:30am School Days: Tuesday + Thursday 8:30am

THE PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor Rev. John J. Costello Parochial Vicar Fr. Chin Nguyen Permanent Deacon Deacon John P. Kramer Pastoral Year Seminarian Callistus Ibeh In Residence Most Rev. Raymond F. Chappetto, DD Weekend Assistant Rev. Msgr. John J. Strynkowski Weekend Assistant Fr. JunHee Lee Director of Religious Education Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J. Pastoral Associate Sister Theresa Agliardi, R.S.M. Principal Mrs. Jan Brunswick Director of Music Jessica Tranzillo-Smith Secretary Maureen Ottoson Confessions Saturday 3:30PM - 4:30PM; and by appointment

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The Rectory is the home of our Priests as well as the site of the parish offices. Please call ahead before coming with parish business in order that your inquiry will be assisted by a knowledgeable staff person.

DEVOTIONS

8:30 AM School Mass when school is in session First Friday Adoration after noon Mass with Benediction at 2:00PM

The Holy Rosary precedes the noon Mass Monday and the 8:30AM on Saturday

The Miraculous Medal Novena follows Noon Mass every Monday.

The Charismatic Prayer Group meets Tuesdays at 7:30PM. The Italian Charismatic Prayer Group meets Thursdays at 7:30PM.

The Padre Pio Prayer Group meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM.

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism of Infants Please call Sister Theresa at 718-746-8531 to schedule a baptism interview.

Weddings Please contact one of the priests *prior to making plans with a wedding hall.* The Bishop requires, in all cases, that weddings be set no later than six months prior to the date. **Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.)** Interested in becoming a Catholic? Need to receive Communion and Confirmation? Call Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J. at (718) 746-3409.

Ministry to the Sick

If anyone is confined to home and unable to come to Mass, please call the Rectory to arrange to have the sacraments brought. If you foresee hospitalization, please call the Rectory and arrange to be anointed.

SAINT LUKE SCHOOL www.slswhitestone.org

16-01 Msgr. Dillon Place, (150 Place) Whitestone, NY 718-746-3833 | Mrs. Jan Brunswick, Principal Our school serves the community with classes from Nursery through Eighth Grade. 718-344-7620.

School of Religion Offering Religious Education classes to our young people attending public school. Our Director of Religious Education, Sister Katherine Burke, C.S.J., can be reached in her rectory office at 718-746-3409.

Volunteers are always welcome.

Music Office Jessica Tranzillo-Smith is our parish Director of Music. She can be reached at the Music Office at 718-746-8102 Ext.30

ANNOUNCED MASSES December 31, 2022-January 08

Saturday, December 31 8:30 Bruno Celso 5:00 Raymond Arel

Sunday, January 01
7:30 For the People of the Parish
9:00 Rosa Romano
10:30 Purgatorial Society Mass
12:00 The Beretin & Colak Families
5:00 NO MASS

Monday, January 02 9:30 Frank Varlese

Tuesday, January 03 8:30 Frank Varlese 12:00 Angelina D'Amato & The Pepe Family

Wednesday, January 04 12:00 Steven Demetriou

Thursday, January 05 8:30 John Zuckerman 12:00 Pietra & Giuseppe Biundo

Friday, January 06 8:30 Joan Marie Hammer 12:00 Leonarda Asaro

Saturday, January 078:30 Marie & Louis Gilio5:00 For the People of the Parish

Sunday, January 08

7:30 Franica Rucando
9:00 Maria & Nicola DiSarro Alessandro Matonte For the People of the Parish
10:30 Lina Spina
12:00 Purgatorial Society Mass

5:00 Thomas & Joseph Turrissi

MEMORIALS For the week of January 01-January 07



The Altar Bread is given in memory of *Michael Colasuonno* Requested by His Mom, Dad, Joseph & Sabrina

The Altar Wine is given in memory of *Michael Colasuonno* Requested by His Mom, Dad, Joseph & Sabrina

The Altar Flowers are given for the intentions of *Olivia* Requested by an Anonymous Parishioner

The Sanctuary Lamp is given in memory of *Michael Colasuonno* Requested by His Mom, Dad, Joseph & Sabrina

The Altar Candles are given in memory of *Michael Colasuonno* Requested by His Mom, Dad, Joseph & Sabrina

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

JERRY BARRY SEAN BRETT ROSANNE CAPUTO PHYLLIS DI NATALE NOREEN DONOHER CAROLLYNN FREDA JACKSON HAMILTON JOAN HIGGINS PATRICIA NULTY WILLIAM OTTOSON VICKY SALAND ANNE SMITH-THOMPSON EILEEN WOOD

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Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, The Octave Day of The Nativity of The Lord

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year!

As we bring the Christmas Octave to a close this weekend, the Church has us celebrate Mary, Mother of God. What a beautiful way to begin the New Year! We turn to Mary for her intercession as we bid farewell to 2022 and look ahead to 2023. There are countless images of Mary cradling Baby Jesus in her arms. Perhaps you have a favorite image of the Madonna and Child that brings you great comfort at Christmas or at any time during the year. Those of you who are parents know the tenderness of holding your baby close to your heart. In the midst of all your hopes and dreams, you can't help but also acknowledge your worries and concerns as you bring new life into the world. As people of faith, we look to Mary to show us the way. Traditionally, she was a young girl when she was chosen by God to be the Mother of Jesus. She was always confident that God would help her through the joys and the sorrows that she would experience as she cared for her Beloved Son. Not only is Mary Mother of God, but she is also Mother of the Church, so we rest our heads by her heart as she cradles us in her arms and brings us closer to Jesus.

On this New Year's Day, it is also appropriate to pray for peace. During his General Audience before Christmas, our Holy Father, Pope Francis, said, "Let us think of the Ukrainian people this Christmas: without light, without heating, without the things needed to survive, and let us pray to the Lord to bring them peace as soon as possible." Of course, there are other hotspots around the world that are seeking peace on this New Year's Day. We also seek peace in our nation, in our states, and in our cities. Families seek peace among their neighbors, and even in their own homes. The world lacks patience, mercy, and charity, and so do we in our families and in our own hearts. *Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me!*

It is clear that COVID, the flu, and other illnesses are on the rise. I remind parishioners to please be prudent when it comes to Mass attendance. If you are sick, please stay home. If you are vulnerable because of age or chronic illness, please wash your hands regularly and be careful to limit your encounters with others. The winter has just begun, so be prudent about your health and the health of others in the weeks ahead, and follow the advice of medical professionals to ward off winter illnesses.

Tomorrow is the federal holiday for New Year's Day, so we get an extra day off before students return to school and parish life returns to normal. Once again, the daily Mass will be at 9:30 AM and not at noon tomorrow. Next weekend we will have our Epiphany party to thank our parish ministers and volunteers. I look forward to seeing everyone next Saturday, and I pray that more parishioners will come forward to help enhance community life and serve their brothers and sisters here at St. Luke.

With love and prayers, Fr. John Costello

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ST. LUKE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

community of believers s Christ and in Communion h the Universal Church, we strive to follow the d's command to love God and one another. ed in word and sacraments grow together a Eucharistic munity inviting all to the Good News of Jesus. hurch is open for private ayer from 8:00am until 00pm each weekday. ake advantage of the opportunity to spend ne quiet time in prayer and reflection.

> At 11:15 AM from Monday to Friday, parishioners pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass. All are welcome, especially as they pray for peace in Ukraine at this time. If you cannot join in person, please join them spiritually.

If you wish to register as a parishioner of St. Luke Church, please stop by the Rectory Office during regular office hours, where you can pick up a census card which can be filled out or returned by mail or in the Sunday Collection Basket. You can even download the Census card online. Please check our website: **stlukewhitestone.org** Kindly let us know if you would like to receive weekly offering envelopes. or if you would prefer to donate online. **Come and join us!**

Upcoming Parish Events

Friday, January 06th. - *The Flushing First Friday Club Meeting & Mass*Mass will be at 12 Noon in Verdi's of Whitestone, 149-58 Cross Island Parkway, Whitestone, NY, 11357. Lunch immediately following. Cost is \$42 for a four course meal, coffee and dessert. Our Speaker will be Fr. John Costello, Pastor of St. Luke's Parish in Whitestone.
Please email Jean Sessa at: jeanmarymargaret@gmail.com for more info.

Saturday, January 07th. - *Epiphany Raffle Drawing* \$3,000.00 in cash prizes to ring in the new year!! First Prize \$1,500.00, Second Prize \$1,000.00 & Third Prize \$500.00. \$10.00 per chance/3 chances for \$25.00. For raffle tickets, please fill out the attached flyer on page 7.

Saturday, January 07th. - <u>Epiphany Parish Volunteer Party</u> Following the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, January 7th., 2023. All liturgical ministers, committee members & those who volunteer in any way are invited to this party as a thank you for your service to our community. Please RSVP by Friday, December 30th., 22, within attached flyer on page 9.

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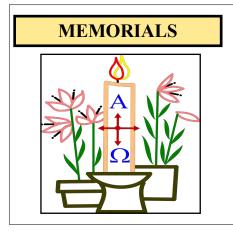
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COLLECTIVE INTENTIONS MASS

The names below will be remembered at the Collective Intentions Mass, Saturday, January 14th at 12:00 noon.

Maryann McTeague Keifer

If you would like to have a loved one remembered at this Mass, please call the Rectory.



Please call or visit the Rectory if you would like to arrange for a memorial in memory or in honor of a loved one.

The following memorials are available weekly: *ALTAR BREAD, ALTAR WINE, SANCTUARY LAMP, ALTAR CANDLES* The offering is \$50 for the above mentioned memorials. In addition, *ALTAR FLOWERS* are available weekly. The offering is \$100 for a fresh arrangement of flowers at the Altar.

The name of the person remembered will be printed in the bulletin. Gift acknowledgement cards are available in the rectory.

MEMORIALS

Memorials for 2023 are available. Please call the rectory at 718-746-8102 for requests.

> Available Memorials January - March 2023

Altar Bread	February 5, 12, 19, 26 March 5, 19, 26
Altar Wine	January 29; February 12, 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26
Altar Flowers	January 29; February 12
Sanctuary Lamp	February 12, 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26
Altar Candles	January 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26

ANNOUNCED MASSES 2023

There are many available dates in 2023 for the Announced Masses, Including in JANUARY.

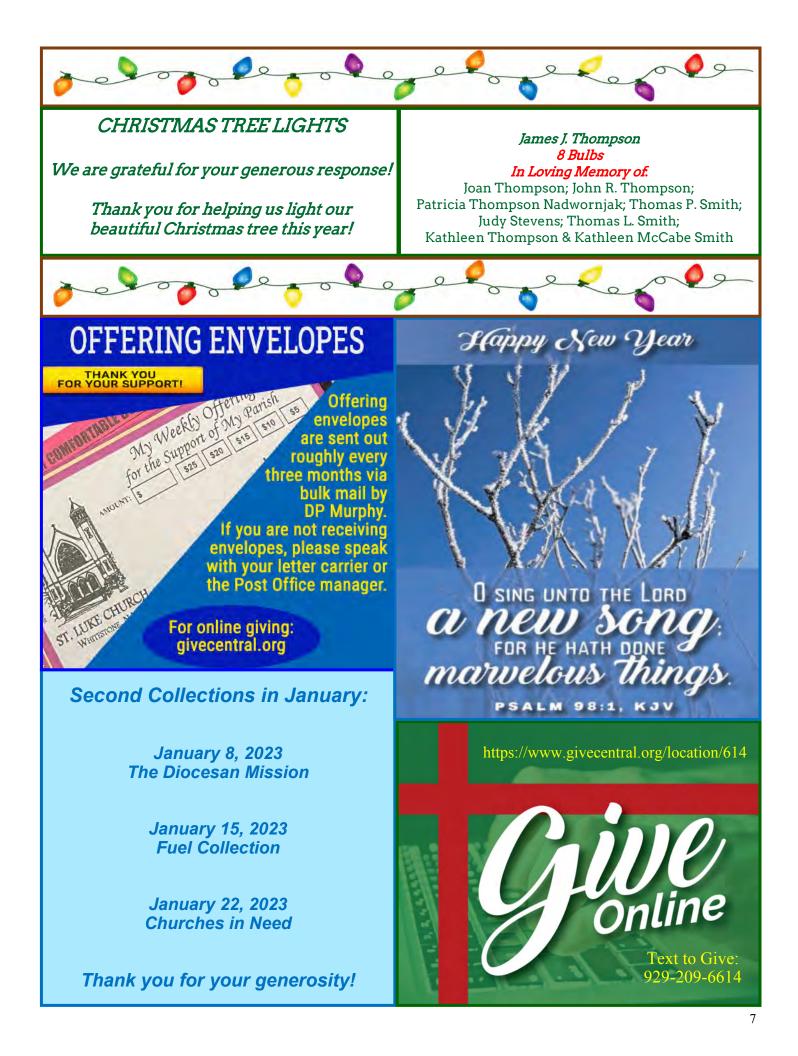
COLLECTIVE INTENTIONS MASSES

Once a month Saint Luke Church offers a Collective Intentions Mass at 12:00 Noon on Saturdays. This Mass is a special Mass where families can celebrate and remember their loved ones. Family can be invited to attend. Jessica, our cantor and Loneda, our organist are always present.

Collective Intentions Mass Dates:

January 14, 2023 February 18, 2023 March 11, 2023

If you would like to remember a loved one to celebrate their anniversary or birthday month, please call the Rectory to include their names at any of the Masses listed above. The requested offering is \$50.



SAINT LUKE'S PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

Enrollment Mass cards for your deceased relatives and friends may be purchased in the Rectory Office and at Gleason Funeral Home.
The enrollment is for one year from the date of enrollment.
Mass is celebrated at one of our Sunday Masses for those enrolled in the Society. The offering for enrollment is \$20.
Each month the names of the deceased who were enrolled in the Society (from the previous month) will be published in the bulletin.

The following deceased were enrolled in the Purgatorial Society during the month of December.

Leonarda Asaro Palma Bellantoni Prainito Benedetta Ellen Blythe Kitty Bowers Dorothy Byrne Michael John Connell Geraldine Fleming

Robert Harlow David Jelovcic Ivan Jurman Donald LaPolla Thomas Maguire Eva Rodoslovich Edward Romanelli, Jr. Mike Ruggiero Bro. Joseph P. Scanlon, FMS Alexander Smircich Albina Sudulich Bro. Joseph Teston Carmelo Trdoslavic William Ward

Sacramental Celebrations in December

In addition to the many Masses celebrated and the many other acts of prayer and worship to our God, we **celebrated** as a parish community: 3 Baptisms, 1 Wedding & 10 Funerals. We rejoice with those who rejoice and share the sorrow of those who mourn for were one Body in Christ.

Congratulations to the **couple** who received the Sacrament of Marriage in our Parish in the month of December:

Zara Adam & Matthew Water



Please keep this couple in your prayers as they begin their life together.



Congratulations to the parents of the following children that were received into the parish family through the Sacrament of Baptism in the month of December.

Robert William Adler Joshua Eugenio Espinal Gia Isabelle Barzola Salas

May God bless them abundantly as they begin to guide their children in the ways of Faith.



Week of January 01, 2023



God's Doorkeeper: St. André of Montreal

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble doorkeeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



How to Pray

Whether you are a veteran in the spiritual life or are just beginning, start this year off right by recommitting yourself to prayer! Join Drs. Tim Gray and Elizabeth Klein as they discuss ways to kickstart your prayer life this year!



Mary of Nazareth

What would it have been like to have known the Mother of God? Watch this beautiful film portraying the life of Mary in order to contemplate Mary's profound faith and the mysteries of her life.

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Parish Collection \$11,187 Christmas Flowers \$571 Christmas Gifts to Church \$8,305

INFANT BAPTISM

Call Sr.Theresa 718-746-8531 Call when you have received the birth certificate to schedule a baptism interview.

- Upcoming dates: January 7 & 21 February 4

There will be no Baptisms during Lent.

 Instruction class is usually held on the 3rd Monday of the month.



Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 10 at 7:00 PM Asgr. Tosi Pastoral Cente

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, please join us.

This group provides emotional assistance for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. If you are planning to attend for the first time, please call Sister Theresa. She can also offer individual bereavement counseling sessions when needed.

Pray for those who have last laved ones. May they rest in peace.

Sr. Theresa 718-746-8531

The Rectory Office is Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Mass at 9:30 AM

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Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

January 16, 2023



Prayer for

Vocations

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen 2011, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

AUTO DONATIONS



The Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn will take any car, truck, or van, running or not, and donate \$75 to \$200 per vehicle to St. Luke Church. Any condition, free towing and IRS tax deduction. Call (718) 491-2525.

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NY Chapter Meeting (Online)

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Goretti NY Event - A Microbiologist's View of the Sexual Revolution

January 6th., 2023 at St. Agnes Church, 143 East 43rd. Street, NYC, NY, 10017. Talk by Dr. Gerard Nadal-A Microbiologist's View of the Sexual Revolution. Adoration all day in the Church/5:10 pm: Mass/Confession/5:45 pm: Holy Hour/6:30 pm: Food/Fellowship/7:00 pm: Talk. *Contact: nyc@mgoretti.org for the Zoom link or visit www.mgoretti.org for more information.*

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH - Special Needs Parents Group 2023

Church is located at 215-35 38th Ave, Bayside, NY, 11361. Three meetings will be held on Wednesday, January 11th. @ 10:00 am, Thursday February 16th. @ 10:00 am & Tuesday, March 14th. @ 10:00 am. We invite parents/guardians with children/adults with all special needs or IEP's to join us to share & exchange ideas in an informal setting. For information, please call Georgette Lyons @ (718) 631-1307.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS - Pilgrimage to Fatima/Lourdes/Santiago de Compostela & Barcelona

March 13-25, 2023 - \$4,299 per person (includes airfare, all sightseeing, daily Mass with breakfast & dinner daily). For more information, please call Mike Milano at (800) 773-2660.

ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY - Spring Courses

Earn degrees & certificates in Theology through St. Joseph's Seminary Spring Classes at 201 Seminary Ave., Yonkers, NY, 10704. Take classes in person or 100% online. Affordable tuition. Conveniently scheduled classes. *For more information please go to: www.dunwoodie.edu/ma-in-theology*

LOST and FOUND in St. Luke Church

Any items that may have been forgotten in church (glasses, Rosary Beads, etc.) and turned in will be found in the Sacristy; that can be visited before or after Masses.



HELP WANTED

Saint Luke School is looking for a pool of certified teachers/paraprofessionals to fill in as needed for substitute teachers and aide positions in all grades.

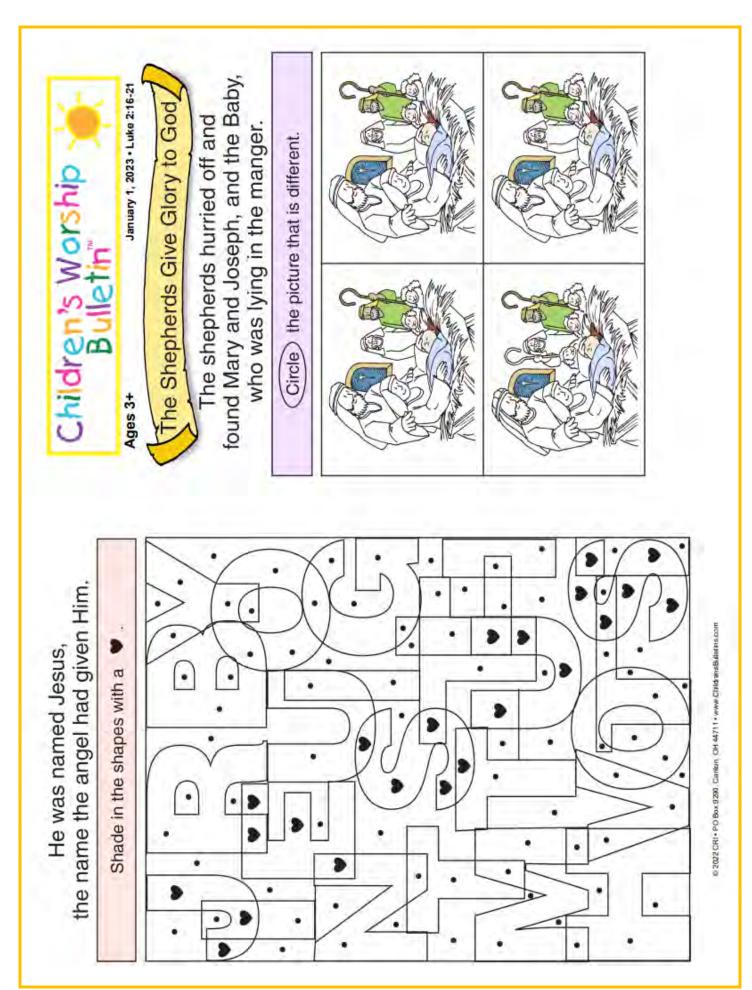
Email resume and cover letter to Principal, Mrs. Brunswick at jbrunswick@slswhitestone.org or call 718-746-3833 for more information. Thank you!

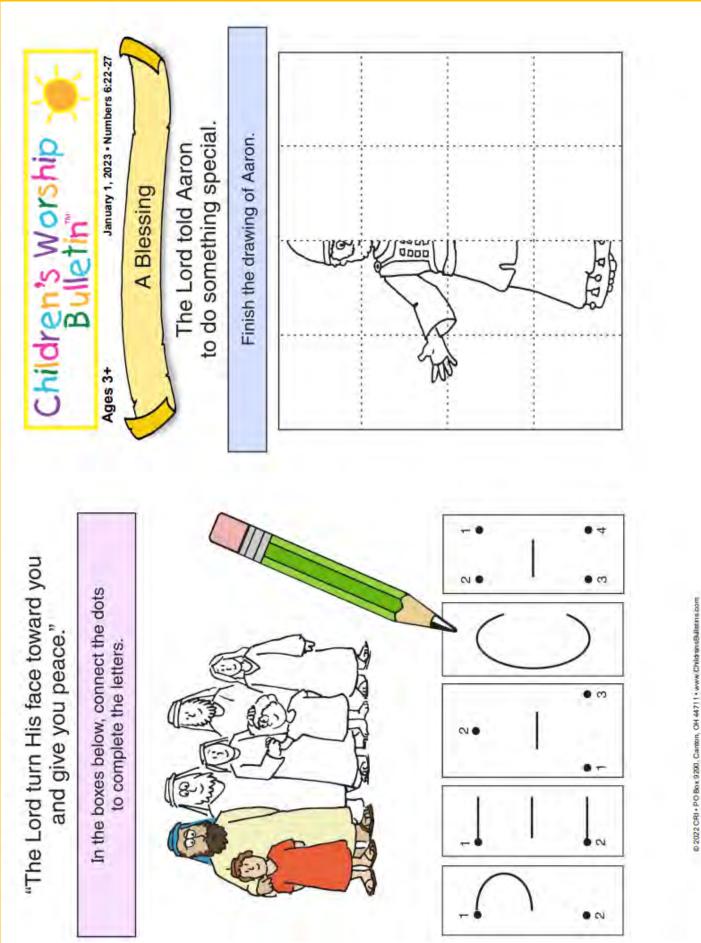


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