

# St. Luke

Catholic Church  
4925 East Capitol Street, SE  
Washington, DC 20019

Staffed by The Josephite Fathers  
and Brothers



*Serving Washington DC (Far S.E.), N.E. and Prince Georges County Since 1957*

**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday, July 12, 2015**

### PASTORAL STAFF

**PASTOR:** Rev. Cornelius K. Ejiogu, SSJ (202) 584-8322 Ext. 11     **IN RESIDENCE:** Rev. Denis Mandamuna (202) 584-8322  
Sister Anne Marie Schreiner, DC (205) 919-0010—**Email** [annemarie.schreiner@doc.org](mailto:annemarie.schreiner@doc.org)

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

**SECRETARY:** Ms. Michele Peters (202) 584-8322 Ext. 24     **DIRECTOR OF CENTER:** Mr. John Quarles (202) 584-1400  
**D.R.E.:** Mrs. Shirley Williams     **MAINTENANCE/MANAGER:** Mr. Eugene Russell (202),584-4098

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**MONDAY-THURSDAY:** 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY & WEEKENDS:** By Appointment

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## Welcome

**S**T. Luke is a warm and embracing parish family. We gladly extend our love and warmth to all those who desire to worship and follow our Lord,

Jesus Christ. Come join us to celebrate the Holy Eucharist which is the source and summit of our Christian life. Our theme for 2015 is **“Grant to us oh Lord a heart renewed. Recreate in us your own Spirit Lord”** Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

### Parish Devotions

<b>3rd Sunday</b> - 1:00 p.m.	Cameroon Mass
<b>Monday</b> - ---10:30 a.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena
	Senior Bible Study Group
<b>Wednesday</b> - 8:00 a.m.	Novena to St. Joseph
<b>Wednesday</b> - 7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
<b>Friday</b> - ---8:00 a.m.	Prayer for Vocations
<b>1st Friday</b> - ---7:00 p.m.	Holy Hour
<b>Fridays of Lent</b> —7:00pm	Stations of the Cross

## Mass Schedule



### VIGIL MASS

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

### Sunday Masses

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

### Weekday Masses

**Monday:** 10:00 a.m.     **Tuesday:** 8:00 a.m.

**Wednesday:** 8:00 a.m.     **Thursday:** 10:00 a.m.

**Friday** 8:00 a.m.

### Adoration

Every 1st Friday of the Month     7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm     Sunday: 7:30am-8:15am

Sunday: 10:00am— 10:45am Or by appointment

### Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal registration takes place at the Parish Office prior to baptism preparation class. Parents and God-parents preparation is held on the First Sunday of each month after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Baptisms will take place on the Third Sunday of each month.

Weekday	Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday 11th	4:00pm	St. Benedict (VIGIL)	Jacqueline Wilson	Family
Sunday 12th	8:30am 11:00am	Fifteenth Sunday of O T Fifteenth Sunday of O T	For the Sick and Elderly For the Sick and Elderly	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 13th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Mama Octavie++ & Aunty Elizabeth++	Beatrice Kouemou
Tuesday 14th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Ingrid Manuela++	Beatrice Kouemou
Wednesday 15th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Mama Octavie++ & Aunty Elizabeth++	Beatrice Kouemou
Thursday 16th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Ingrid Manuela++	Beatrice Kouemou
Friday 17th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	All The Souls In Pergatory	Beatrice Kouemou

**Reflection For  
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts.”* Jesus gave the Twelve Apostles a remarkable mission. He sent them out two by two to preach repentance, to cast out evil spirits, and to heal the sick. And he made them do it in a spirit of complete dependence upon God. They were not allowed to take anything along that would have given them material comfort or security. These men—who did not even have the witness of other apostles or saints to inspire or give them courage, and who had not yet beheld the Resurrection of the Lord—stepped out into the world with literally nothing but their faith in this man named Jesus. And look what happened! *“The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.”*

The apostles’ trust in God’s power to work these miracles through their hands began with trust in God’s power to provide for their own needs. Because they didn’t have food, shelter, or money, every time they received food or shelter or had their needs met, the apostles were able to see that God was at work in their midst. This experience bolstered their faith and encouraged them in their mission.

When we find ourselves questioning whether we really have the “power” to do what God wants us to do, then we ought to step back and try to depend a little more directly upon God’s providence. Tithing is one way to accomplish this. When we set aside a portion of our income for the sake of others, we make an act of trust in God’s power to provide for us. Surrendering this element of care for ourselves allows God to meet our needs himself. And when he does our faith will flourish too.

**PASTOR’S CORNER**

**NO- DC -SUICIDE**

Six months ago, legislation was introduced in the DC City Council to legalize assisted suicide - in other words, doctors would be allowed to prescribe a lethal dose of medicine at the request of a patient who has received a terminal diagnosis. Our Catholic faith teaches us that physician-assisted suicide gravely violates the sacred value of all human life, particularly of those who are vulnerable due to illness, age or disability, and undermines the medical profession's healing mission.

Pope Francis has repeatedly called us to resist our “*throwaway culture*” that would “*discard those who are weak in body and mind*,” the elderly, the sick and the disabled. Instead he tells us, “*we need a society which measures its success on how the weak are cared for.*” In contrast, the legislation preys on patients’ fears and invites them to end their lives based upon what is, at best, an educated guess. How many of us have family members or friends who have far outlived a terminal prognosis? Indeed, it’s impossible to reliably and accurately predict the progression of an illness in any particular patient.

Additionally, there is no requirement that patients receive a mental health screening for depression; family members do not need to be notified of their loved one’s intent to end his/her life; and there are no safeguards to ensure that a patient is not coerced at the time of death into ingesting the drug, or to prevent another person from administering the drug, leaving open serious potential for abuse. As you can see, the bill is fatally flawed and will place patients’ lives at risk.

A coalition of disability advocates, patient advocates, medical professionals, and other allies opposes this legislation. However your help is needed too. Our city elected officials must also hear from you - their constituents - that you oppose the bill. Please sign up with the coalition at [NoDCSuicide.org](http://NoDCSuicide.org), and contact council members now.

**Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish**

Lester Allen  
Barbara Barnes  
Barbara Batts  
Mary C. Bennett  
Beatrice Carroll  
Edna Coates  
Sophie Coleman  
Edith Cornish  
Alvera Dance  
Mary E. Davis  
Bertha Dearing  
Irena Fields  
Gwendolyn Fortune

Tina Garvin  
Oceacie Gray, Jr.  
Joseph Grear  
Florence Hall  
Michael Harkins  
Chris Hawkins  
Charlene Haywood  
Brenda Henson  
Michael Holland  
James Holley  
Rudolph Holley  
James Hughes  
Charles Jamison

David & Keisha Jones  
Rose Luck  
Bernadette Mahoney  
Doreene Mahoney  
Barbara Mallory  
Alice L. Montague  
Martyn Montague  
Veronica Murray  
Vincent Neal  
Marlene Patterson  
Silvia Perry  
Alfred Price  
Lillian Pharms

Joseph Queen  
Doreene Redd  
Bernadette Redmond  
Anna E. Smith  
Betty Smith  
Ruth Stokes  
Anna Strother  
Kayla Tatum  
Gloria Thompson  
Matthew Thompson  
Barbara B. Tyler  
Jerome J. Wallace  
Wayne A. Wallace



Shiela Washington  
Wellington Waters  
Lois Williams  
Dolores Woodard, Jr.  
Harold Woodard, Sr.  
St Luke military families.

**Readings for the Week of July 12, 2015**

**Sunday:** Amos 7:12-15/Ephesians 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mark 6:7-13  
**Monday:** Exodus 1:8-14, 22/Matthew 10:34—11:1  
**Tuesday:** Exodus 2:1-15a/Matthew 11:20-24  
**Wednesday:** Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12/Matthew 11:25-27  
**Thursday:** Exodus 3:13-20/Matthew 11:28-30  
**Friday:** Exodus 11:10—12:14/Matthew 12:1-8  
**Saturday:** Exodus 12:37-42/Matthew 12:14-21  
**Next Sunday:** Jeremiah 23:1-6/Ephesians 2:13-18/Mark 6:30-34

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY/  
ANNIVERSARY**

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to Sister Anne Marie Schriener, Regina A. Rivers, Gloria A. Thompson, Betty D. Gale, William Brown, Kelly Tatum, Jewel Martin Leach, Cinque Smith and Sharon M. Lucas-Smith.

May the joy of the Lord be your strength!!!

**LECTORS SCHEDULE**

**7/18– 4:00pm Mass**  
**K. Ndouga & J. Rookard, Sr.**

**7/19– 8:30am Mass**  
**N. Douglas & D. Savoy**

**7/19– 11:00 am Mass**  
**B. Robinson & T. Sweeney**

**E.M.E. SCHEDULE**

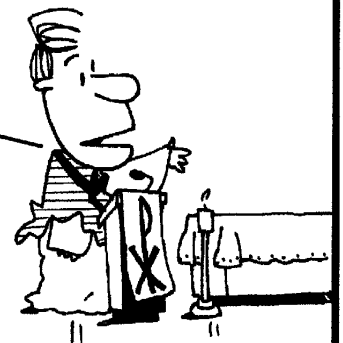
**7/18– 4:00pm Mass**  
**B. Conrad & D. Baker**

**7/19– 8:30am Mass**  
**C. Tolson & L. Washington**

**7/19– 11:00 am Mass**  
**S. Williams & D. Lucas**

**15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

REMEMBER THAT AS YOU GO OUT INTO THE WORLD TO DO GOD'S WORK THEY'RE NOT ALL GOING TO LOVE YOU.



***Church Support***

**Sunday Collection:**

Thank you for supporting our parish.  
May God reward you abundantly

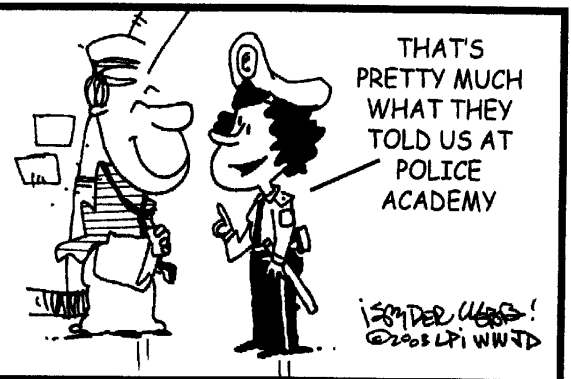
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Parish Office-Rectory Heater/AC fund :

**\$460.00**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**229**





## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Dear Parishioners, our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of leaves for our Tree located in the northwest corner of the church (East Capitol St. side) There are 38 leaves still available for memorializing deceased family members or posting your current family names or beliefs. Each leaf is \$250 and can be paid in monthly installments. All proceeds will be used for the improvement of our beautiful church. Please contact Kathy Harris Ndouga if you would like more details at (202) 575-8732.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING will be held on Thursday, July 16, 2015 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm.

PRAISE, WORSHIP, AND HEALING PRAYER! will be held from 1 -3 p.m. in the St. Martin de Porres Room on Saturday, July 18, 2015. Sister Anne Marie Schreiner, DC will lead praise and worship, followed by individual prayer for healing for those who wish.

VBS REGISTRATION FORMS for St. Luke's Vacation Bible School Camp are available in the rear of the church. The deadline for returning the forms is Sunday July 26th so that we can have an estimate on the number of children to expect.

ST. LUKES VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CAMP: We have started accepting donations of water (small bottles) juices (no huggies) and snacks for Vacation Bible School. Teens wishing to earn Community Service Hours for school are invited to assist with VBS. Must be at least 14-years old! Volunteers to work with VBS please sign-up at the rear of the Church. The Vacation Bible School will be held from Monday, August 3, 2015 to Friday, August 7, 2015. Time: 8:30am to 3:00pm

THE SODALITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION thanks the ladies who submitted membership applications during May, "The Month of Mary". Applications will continue to be accepted until August 16, 2015.

THE ST. MARTIN DE PORRES #9386 ANNUAL CRAB FEAST will be held on Saturday, August 29, 2015 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. Crabs will be served from 5:00pm until 8:00pm at St. Luke's Center. There will be lots of other foods on the menu. The cost is \$50.00 per person and \$25.00 per child (11 and under). Tickets will be sold after each Mass in the back of church.

THANK YOU The family would like to thank Ms. Michele Peters, Mr. John Quarles, Mrs. Brenda Smith, Mrs. Peggy House, Mr. Bernard Robinson, The Ladies of Sodality, parishioners and especially FATHER CORNELIUS for everyone's support kind words, expressions of love during this most difficult time, MAY GOD BLESS YOU. From the family of Mary Ann Lewis—MAY YOU REST IN PEACE. She would have been 92 on July 13.

### ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS 1400 14th Street

26 ANNAUL EAST OF THE RIVER FALL REVIVAL: The Revival will be held on **Monday through Thursday, October 5-8, 2015** at Holy Family Catholic Church, 2210 Callaway Street; Hillcrest Heights, Maryland, beginning at 7:00 pm. Our revivalist or key speaker for the Revival is Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, from Portland, Oregon. He will speak on the overall theme for this year, "*The Joy of the Gospel.*"

#### SCHEDULE

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Focus:</u>
Monday, October 5	Opening Night
Tuesday, October 6	Youth Night
Wednesday, October 7	Reconciliation Night
Thursday, October 8	Closing Mass

For more info, contact Mrs. Carolyn Alston, Chairperson, East of the River Revival Committee at 202-581-2835.