

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

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 26, 2014

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

FRIDAY & OTHER DAYS: By Appointment

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Welcome

ST. Luke is a warm and embracing parish. As part of our embracement, we extend an opportunity for all to come worship and follow our Lord, Jesus Christ. He is the center of our joy. As part of this enjoyment, we celebrate the Holy Eucharist, which is an essential part of our belief. In essence, all are welcome to become part of a loving, caring, and spiritually motivated parish.

Parish Devotions

3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m.	Cameroon Mass
Monday - ---10:30 a.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena
	Senior Bible Study Group
Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.	Novena to St. Joseph
Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Friday - ----8:00 a.m.	Prayer for Vocations
1st Friday - ---7:00 p.m.	Holy Hour
Saturday - --- 3:00 p.m.	Rosary

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

Begins 1 hour before each Mass - Ends 15 minutes before Mass or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents and God-parents preparation is held on the 1st Sunday of each month after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Baptisms will take place on the 3rd Sunday of each month. *Baptismal registration takes place at the Parish Office prior to baptism preparation class.*

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FEAST OF THE DAY</u>	<u>INTENTIONS</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
Saturday 25th	4:00 p.m.	VIGIL MASS	MARY P.G. WASHINGTON	HILDA MCDUGALD
Sunday 26th	8:30 a.m. 11:00a.m.	SUNDAY MASS SUNDAY MASS	ELSIE THOMPSON + MATTHEW LUCAS	HILDA MCDUGALD FR. CORNELIUS
Monday 27th	1 0:00a.m.	ST. ANGELA	CLINTON BROWN+	MERCER PATTERSON
Tuesday 28th	8:00 a.m.	ST. THOMAS	HAYDEE PATTERSON+	MERCER PATTERSON
Wednesday 29th	8:00a.m.	WEEKDAY MASS	AU DREY E. BROWN+ (BB)	JACQUELINE WILSON
Thursday 30th	10:00a.m.	WEEKDAY MASS	VIOLA V. TAYLOR+	DORIS LUCAS & FAMILY
Friday 31st	8:00a.m.	ST. JOHN	RICHARD & ALBERTA DENT+	FRANCES DENT

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“He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him.” James and his brother John dropped everything to follow Christ. In Leaving their boat, they also left their livelihood. In leaving their father, they said farewell to the comforts of home and family.

They embarked on this unknown journey with Jesus, traveling “around all of Galilee,” with neither stability nor security. All they had was trust. How remarkable this is! They had such great faith in this man who “called them” on the seashore. Clearly, their encounter with Christ was life-changing, even before they knew the full truth of who Jesus was.

We, on the other hand, already know. We have the benefit of being on the other side of Christ’s life. We know about his miracles, his resurrection, and the whole history of Christian faith. In a sense, it should be easier for us to “leave our nets” than it was for the sets of brothers in today’s Gospel.

We have so many reasons to believe that Jesus was truly the Son of God. But yet how often do we resist the call to surrender our lives to Christ? How attached we are to our regular routines and our predictable plans.

Yet, where would we be today if the apostles had tried to part-time it with the Lord? What if they had only followed him on the weekends? Would the Christian message have spread at all? So much was accomplished through the sincere faith of these humble fishermen. What could we accomplish if we trusted in Jesus as they did?

Administrator’s Corner

FOLLOW ME AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF PEOPLE

A man was once invited to go on a fishing expedition by his friends. He hesitated initially because he felt he did not have the necessary skills to be successful. Eventually, his wife convinced him to give it a trial and “boy” did he make the right decision. He came back savoring an experience of a lifetime after catching a 10 inch barracuda. Those who have had the opportunity of going fishing, can testify to the joys and gratification that one gets when we make a catch (especially if we are not professional fishermen). The fact that we are willing to make an effort is itself a necessary motivating factor for us to succeed in any life endeavors.

Jesus invites us to get out of our comfort zone so that we can experience the world differently. He promised to help us overcome our personal limitations so that we can become true fishers of people. He reminds us that we (Christians) are saddled with the responsibility of bringing back those who have strayed away from the presence of God. Sadly, some of us have not considered becoming the fishers of our brothers and sisters who have been away from church. Many of us do not feel compelled to extend our nets in order to attract relatives and friends who have lost faith in God and humanity. Someone even told me that Jesus’ invitation is meant for priests and preachers but not him. How quickly we conjure excuses to keep us away from carrying out our mission as Christ’s ambassadors.

We have a wonderful example of one who truly followed Christ and won so many followers for him. Martin Luther King Jr (whose day we celebrated last Monday) was indeed that model “fisher of men” for our generation. He brought people to God without being judgmental or condescending. He was willing to haul in anyone (black, white, men women) who is willing to join the fight against segregation and inhumanity. He heard the voice of Jesus calling and did not harden his heart. . May Christ the light of the world, make us joyful laborers in his vineyard.

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

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| Barbara Batts | Gwendolyn Fortune | James Hughes | Annibelle Nelson |
| Beatrice Carroll | Tina Garvin | Charles Jamison | Betty Payne |
| Edna Coates | Oceacie Gray, Jr. | Fred Jones | Lillian Pharms |
| Deacon Joe Conrad | Joseph Grear | Mary A. Lewis | Joseph Queen |
| Edith Cornish | Florence Hall | Mathew Lucas | Bernadette Redmond |
| Alvera Dance | Michael Harkins | Rose Luck | Anna E. Smith |
| Mary E. Davis | Mary Harris | Doreene Mahoney | Betty Smith |
| Bertha Dearrig | Chris Hawkins | Barbara Mallory | Ruth Stokes |
| Carlos Fields, Sr. | Charlene Haywood | Clement Martin | Anna Strother |
| Irena Fields | Brenda Henson | Regina Neal | Kayla Tatum |
| Theodosia Fitch | Rudolph Holley | Vincent Neal | Matthew Thompson |



Readings for the Week of January 26, 2014

Sunday: Isaiah 8:23—9:3/1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17/
Matthew 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday: 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10/Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mark 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Samuel 7:4-17/Mark 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29/Mark 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Samuel 1:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mark 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mark 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Malachi 3:1-4/Hebrews 2:14-18/Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32



Lectors Schedule for Next Week

- 2/1—4:00pm Mass— Kathy Ndouga & Michael Holland
- 2/2--8:00am Mass- Doris Lucas & Christine Tolson
- 2/2—11:00am Mass—Brenyce Sweeney & Violet Tinsley

JOSEPHITE ANNOUNCEMENT:

There will be a "COME AND SEE" program for young men aspiring to become Josephite priest or Brother.

Venue: St Joseph's Seminary, 1200 Varnum Street, NE, Washington DC, 20017.

Date: Friday, February 7th and Saturday February 8th, 2014.

Time: 5-6pm

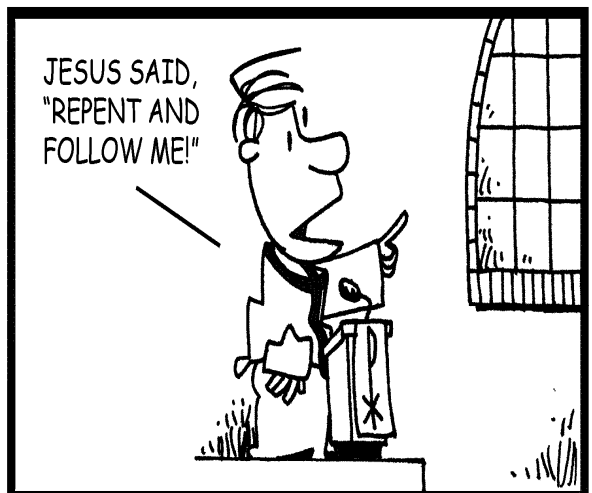
Interested candidates should please call Fr. Cornelius Ejiogu, SSJ -202-584-8322

Church Support

Sunday Collection:
\$2,865.00

ATTENDANCE:
280

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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 59 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.

—Interested in the spiritual growth of St. Luke? Inclined about evangelizing? Join members of the Evangelization Committee in a meeting on February 1, 2014 at 10:00AM in the St. Martin de Porres Room.

—Parishioners are encouraged to take and submit pictures of Eucharistic celebrations, events, themselves and happenings around and within the parish for the St. Luke web page. Friend us and like our postings.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA presents Day of Shopping and Dinner in Colonial Williamsburg on March 29, 2014 leaving St. Luke's 7:45 am. Contact Debbie Baker 202-263-9098, Gloria Washington 301-505-2850 or Joyce Thomas 202-399-0943. Cost \$75.00

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

HELP WANTED: PART-TIME COOK (BETHESDA) Our Lady of Bethesda, a Catholic Retreat Center in Bethesda, MD, has an immediate opening for a cook with experience preparing a wide variety of nutritious meals for groups of up to 100 people. Must be available evenings and weekends, as needed. Compensation: \$9.00 hour. Typical schedule: 4-6 hours a day as needed. Please reply to: kitchen.ourladyofbethesda@gmail.com or call 301-3654-0612.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT OUR LADY OF BETHESDA RETREAT CENTER & CENTER FOR FAMILY DEVELOPMENT:

For Women: Feb.28-Mar 2, Apr. 3-6, Apr.11-13 PLUS 6-Day Retreat for Women: July 10-17

For Men: Feb. 13-16, Mar 14-16

Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center offers silent retreats based on the SPIRITUAL EXERCISES of St. Ignatius of Loyola, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. For more information or to register visit our website WWW.OURLADYOFBETHESDA.ORG. or call 301-365-0612.