

St. Luke

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

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and Brothers



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

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 23, 2014

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

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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

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.

<u>WEEKENDS</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FEAST OF THE DAY</u>	<u>MASS INTENTION</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
SATURDAY	22ND 4:00 PM 8:30AM	VIGIL MASS SUNDAY MASS SUNDAY MASS	JORDAN TURNER (BB) RUTH STOCKES CONFIRMATION CLASS	MERCER PATTERSON FAMILY PARISH FAMILY
SUNDAY	23RD 11:00AM			
MONDAY	24TH 10:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	LUCILLE DIGGS	PARISH FAMILY
TUESDAY	25TH 8:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	NEW BORN BABY	ERNEST & MODESTE
WEDNESDAY	26TH 8:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	RANDY GROVE+	FR. CORNELIUS
THURSDAY	27TH 10:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	UDONNA ZIXTUS	CHIOMA OPARA
FRIDAY	28TH 8:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	SICK AND SHUT-IN	PARISH FAMILY

**REFLECTION FOR THE
7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow.” At first glance, we might think this instruction refers only to money or possessions. Jesus would surely want us to be generous with our finances, and in the spirit of today’s Gospel, to give without seeking to receive. However, the principle also applies to our time and our talents.

Most likely, some of the people God has placed in our lives are “asking” for our time: children in need of care; elderly parents; neighbors or friends experiencing sickness, etcetera. Often, the needs of others do not coincide perfectly with our own plans. Rather, serving our families and communities frequently requires a change in our normal program of life.

When such interruptions occur, do we share our time and attention freely, handing over our “cloak” as well without a grumble or a grudge? And what about the use of our God-given talents? We have all been blessed in different ways with gifts that can strengthen our communities. When our abilities could be useful to others, are we willing to share them without seeking recompense?

Gifts of organization or artistry, culinary or mechanical skills, musical or ministerial talents...what we have received can be a blessing to those in our parish, our workplace, our neighborhood, and our family. Rather than being stingy with the treasures God has given us, may we be willing to follow the Lord’s command to go the extra mile.

Administrator’s Corner

On this final week of Black History Month celebration, I present to you a poem that reminds us of the horror, anguish and brutality our ancestor suffered.

A Far Cry From Africa


by Derek Walcott

A wind is ruffling the tawny pelt of Africa. Kikuyu, quick as flies, batten upon the bloodstreams of the veldt. Corpses are scattered through a paradise. Only the worm, colonel of carrion, cries: "Waste no compassion on these separate dead!" Statistics justify and scholars seize the salients of colonial policy. What is that to the white child hacked in bed? To savages, expendable as Jews?

Threshed out by beaters, the long rushes break In a white dust of ibises whose cries have wheeled since civilization's dawn from the parched river or beast-teeming plain. The violence of beast on beast is read As natural law, but upright man seeks his divinity by inflicting pain. Delirious as these worried beasts, his wars dance to the tight-ened carcass of a drum, while he calls courage still that native dread of the white peace contracted by the dead.

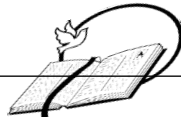
Again brutish necessity wipes its hands upon the napkin of a dirty cause, again a waste of our compassion, as with Spain, The gorilla wrestles with the superman. I who am poisoned with the blood of both, Where shall I turn, divided to the vein? I who have cursed the drunken officer of British rule, how choose between this Africa and the English tongue I love? Betray them both, or give back what they give? How can I face such slaughter and be cool? How can I turn from Africa and live?

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Batts	Theodosia Fitch	Rudolph Holley	Annibelle Nelson	
Beatrice Carroll	Gwendolyn Fortune	James Hughes	Betty Payne	
Edna Coates	Tina Garvin	Charles Jamison	Lillian Pharms	
Deacon Joe Conrad	Oceacie Gray, Jr.	Fred Jones	Joseph Queen	
Edith Cornish	Joseph Grear	Mary A. Lewis	Bernadette Redmond	Jerome J. Wallace
Alvera Dance	Florence Hall	Rose Luck	Anna E. Smith	Wayne A. Wallace
Mary E. Davis	Michael Harkins	Doreene Mahoney	Betty Smith	Mary P.G. Washington
Bertha Dearing	Mary Harris	Barbara Mallory	Ruth Stokes	Shiela Washington
Lucille Diggs	Chris Hawkins	Clement Martin	Anna Strother	Wellington Waters
Carlos Fields, Sr.	Charlene Haywood	Regina Neal	Kayla Tatum	Dolores Woodard, Jr.
Irena Fields	Brenda Henson	Vincent Neal	Gloria Thompson	Beatrice Wright

Readings for the Week of February 23, 2014

Sunday: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Corinthians 3:16-23/
Matthew 5:38-48
Monday: James 3:13-18/Mark 9:14-29
Tuesday: James 4:1-10/Mark 9:30-37
Wednesday: James 4:13-17/Mark 9:38-40
Thursday: James 5:1-6/Mark 9:41-50
Friday: James 5:9-12/Mark 10:1-12
Saturday: James 5:13-20/Mark 10:13-16
Next Sunday: Isaiah 49:14-15/1 Corinthians 4:1-5/
Matthew 6:24-34



Lectors Schedule for Next Week

3/1—4:00pm Mass— Michael Holland & Kathy Ndouga
 3/2--8:30am Mass— Christine Tolson & Jasmine Wilson
 3/2—11:00am Mass— Brenyce Sweeney & Violet Tinsley

PARISHIONERS CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

We would like to wish Audrey Colvon, Robert Thompson, Alonzo Orlando Wallace, Sr. Denes Clay and Janice Williams a very wonderful birthday celebration. May the joy of the Lord be your strength. Wishing you many more grace filled years ahead.



Church Support

Sunday Collection:
\$ 3,853.20

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

ATTENDANCE:
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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.

A NEW WEBSITE FOR ST. LUKE: Our Parish now has a new website that we can truly call our own—www.stlukechurchssj.org. To help us keep our site attractive/effective, we encourage all parishioners to submit pictures of Eucharistic celebrations or other social events, happenings in and around our parish. Leaders of the various ministries in the parish should take advantage of this site to post information as well as advertise up-coming events. Please “Friend us” and “like our postings” in the parish Facebook account— <https://www.facebook.com/stluke.stlukesdc?fref=ts>. For more information please call parish office.

TELL US YOUR ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS: Please notify us about your wedding anniversaries and birthdays so we can say a prayer for you. Please call parish office for further information.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the St. Luke Black History Celebration. Thank You St. Luke Parish.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Please keep in your prayers 12 sons and daughters of our parish who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on the 13th of March 2014. The venue for the Mass is Our Lady Queen of Peace. Time is 7:00pm. Before their confirmation, the candidates will be having a preparatory retreat at Stewart Center in March 1st.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

RAISING WOMEN’S VOICES in the New Evangelization. Join women from around the archdiocese for Mass, reflection and discussion, Adoration, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation on March 8, 2014 at Trinity Washington University. Registration begins at 8:30 am and ends at 3:30pm. The keynote speaker: Dr. Sandra Keating, Associate Professor, Providence College. Member of the USCCB Catholic-Muslim Dialogue Group and Consultor on the Vatican Commission for Religious Relations with Muslims. The cost is \$20 by phone 301-853-5334 or online: <https://adwraisingwomensvoices.eventbrite.com>.

MAN ON A MISSION 2014 Join Men from around the Archdiocese of Washington on Saturday, March 22nd at Bishop McNamara High School. The conference speaker will be Dr. Edward Sri who is a founding leader of FOCUS the Fellowship of Catholic University Students and a theology and Scripture professor at the Augustine Institute. Rediscover your mission this Lent at Man on a Mission beginning with good coffee at 7:30am. The cost is \$20 and includes lunch.

NATIONAL CATHEDRAL EVENT: Pilgrimage: Deeper Into Life: The Spirituality of Aging on April 22 to 28. **Early-bird registration! Save \$450 when you register by February 28, 2014.** Join Cathedral friends from across the country for a one-week pilgrimage to Ghost Ranch in New Mexico. Walk the ancient terrain with heightened awareness of the landscape as teach and explore the question: What is God’s Call for you now? To find out more email Center for Prayer and Pilgrimage coordinator Tiffany Montavon, or call (202) 537-2373.