

St. Luke

Catholic Church
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Washington, DC 20019

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and Brothers



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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sunday, April 13, 2014

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FRIDAY & WEEKENDS: By Appointment

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Welcome

ST. 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. He is the center of our joy. Together we celebrate the Holy Eucharist which is the source and summit of our Christian life. So come join us and 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	12th	4:00 PM	PALM SUNDAY—VIGIL	NICHOLAS SCOPELLITE, SR.++	FRIENDS
SUNDAY	13th	8:30AM 11:00AM	PALM SUNDAY PALM SUNDAY	JANNIE GOUVERA-SELLENA++	CHARMAINE ONIANUAH
MONDAY	14th	11:00AM	HOLY MONDAY MASS	MARY HARRIS++	PARISHIONERS
TUESDAY	15th	8:00AM	HOLY TUESDAY MASS	ETHEL I. WILLIAMS++ (BB)	THE WILSON FAMILY
WEDNESDAY	16th	7:00PM	HOLY WEDNESDAY MASS	MADLINE JACKSON	MARY CHANG
THURSDAY	17th	7:00PM	HOLY THURSDAY MASS	KARIS FELTON	FAMILY
FRIDAY	18th	3:00PM	GOOD FRIDAY	MAUREEN DUNNE	MARY CHANG
SATURDAY	19th	7:30PM	EASTER VIGIL MASS	BOB FOR CATECHUMEN	MARY CHANG PARISHIONERS

**REFLECTION FOR PALM SUNDAY
OF THE
PASSION OF THE LORD**

“Then Peter remembered the word that Jesus had spoken: ‘Before the cock crows you will deny me three times.’ He went out and began to weep bitterly.” Today’s Gospel traces two tales of betrayal and remorse. At the Last Supper, Peter pledges his fidelity to Christ. He sincerely cannot imagine himself denying Jesus. Judas, on the other hand, is a liar who professes loyalty while knowing that he has already betrayed the Lord.

Both men come to regret their actions. But their responses are different. Peter recognizes his failure, feels the bitterness of his actions, and weeps over them. Judas, however, does not weep. He tries to undo his action, and when he can’t, he gives up hope.

Although Peter felt the weight of his sins, he did not give up. He got up after he fell and moved forward, remaining a loyal disciple, if an imperfect one. He learned from his mistake and, through his eventual martyrdom, fulfilled his promise to die for Christ. Judas of course could have reconciled with the Lord as well. Even at the moment of betrayal, Jesus extended his mercy by calling Judas, “Friend.” And he does the same for us.

Even when we declare, “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord” one day and, “I do not know the man!” the next, Jesus still forgives us. Although we may waver when the Gospel challenges us to change, when our Christian witness means social stigma, or when our faith is tested by trial or temptation, nonetheless Jesus’ offer of friendship never expires.

During this Holy Week, let us pray for the grace to be good friends in return. May we be willing to accompany Christ on his path to Calvary, and remain steadfast with him all the way to the foot of the cross.

ADMINISTRATOR’S CORNER

THEN AND NOW

I am a follower of Christ then and now
I walk with Him through the dusty roads of the world
I am in awe of His miracles
and his words, and His love
Through His Holy words
I can be there with Him
to see the person He was — and is

I am Peter, who could walk on water for a moment
And then fell from his own fear
I am afraid my own boat in this world will sink
Even though He is in it with me
I am Mary, who washed His feet with my tears
And I am with them when He washed my feet
with His love

I am John who stands beneath the cross
and sees His ultimate gift of love
And runs with Him to the tomb
which is empty of all death Always

I have had Him explain great mysteries
of another way of life, another world to me
And I have seen that we can once again
dwell with God — in love
It is a new world when He is in it
And only a taste of being with Him for all times
I walk with Him who is with us Always

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

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



Dolores Woodard, Jr.

Readings for the Week of April 13, 2014

- Sunday:** Matthew 21:1-11/Isaiah 50:4-7/Philippians 2:6-11/Matthew 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54
Monday: Isaiah 42:1-7/John 12:1-11
Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6/John 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday: Isaiah 50:4-9a/Matthew 26:14-25
Thursday: Chrism Mass: Isaiah 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9/Revelation 1:5-8/Luke 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Corinthians 11:23-26/John 13:1-15
Friday: Isaiah 52:13—53:12/Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9/John 18:1—19:42
Saturday: Easter Vigil: Genesis 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Genesis 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Exodus 14:15—15:1/Isaiah 54:5-14/Isaiah 55:1-11/Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ezra 36:16-17a, 18-28/ Romans 6:3-11/Matthew 28:1-10
Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8/John 20:1-9 or Matthew 28:1-10 or Luke 24:13-35

Church Support

Sunday Collection:

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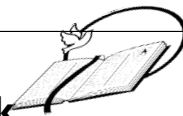
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May God reward you abundantly**

ATTENDANCE:

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Lectors Schedule for Next Week

- 4/19—4:00pm Mass— Audrey Colvon & John Rookard, Sr.**
4/19—7:30pm Easter Vigil: TBA
- 4/20--8:30am Mass—Sylvester Mode & Christine Tolson**
- 4/20—11:00am Mass— Brenyce Sweeney & Terrenthia Sweeney**



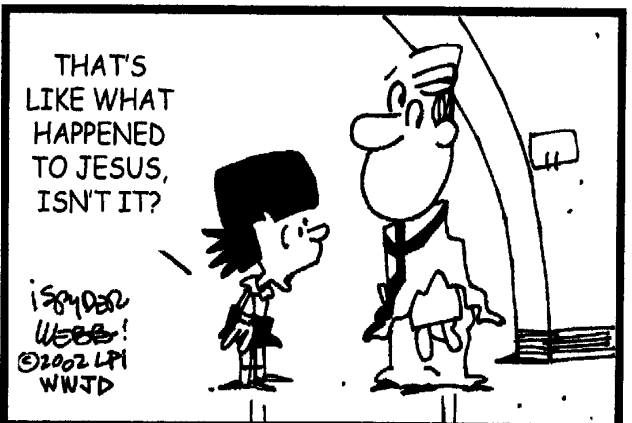
PARISHIONERS CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:



We would like to wish Beatrice Carroll and Franklin Smith, Jr. a very wonderful birthday celebration. May the joy of the Lord be your strength.

PALM SUNDAY





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 north-west corner of the church (East Capitol St. side) There are 46 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The season of Lent is a great time to reflect on our Lord's Suffering, Passion and Death. He showed his love for us as he endured a great deal of anguish while carrying his cross along Calvary's way. This Good Friday, April **18th (at exactly 2:00pm)**, we will have the opportunity to walk that long and treacherous journey with him as we pray the Living Stations of the Cross. All Parishioners are invited to be part of this Spirit filled expression as we complete our Lenten observance.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

SACRIFICIAL MEAL & MASS: Please come and join us on Wednesday, April 16th at 6:00pm for the Sacrificial Meal followed by Mass at 7:00pm. There will be no morning mass on this day.

HOLY THURSDAY: Mass of the Lord's Supper will be held at 7:00pm. There will be no morning mass on Thursday, April 17th.

GOOD FRIDAY: Living Stations will take place at 2:00pm and the Passion of the Lord service will follow at 3:00pm on Friday, April 18th.

EASTER VIGIL Mass will begin at 7:30pm on Saturday, April 19th.

EASTER EGG HUNT after each Mass on Easter Sunday.

ANNUAL ST. LUKE FISH FRYs: Friday, April 11th ended our annual Lenten Fish Fry season. Thanks to all of the organizations and individuals for providing us with delicious meals of fish and vegetables as we practiced our Lenten Friday observance. Also, many thanks to the parishioners and friends who supported these organizations in their efforts.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE: Thank you St. Luke family for participating in the Catholic Charities Lenten Food Drive. We collected 40 bags of food. St. Luke's Food Pantry and the community will really benefit from your kindness.

ANNUAL DAY OF RECOLLECTION; The Holy Name Society is having its' Annual Day of Recollection on Saturday, May 3rd, 2014. They will have the Rosary at 9:30am followed by Mass at 10:00am. The theme is "Am I A Lamb Or A Wolf." The guest speaker will be our own Rev. Cornelius Ejiogu, S.S.J. There will also be a free lunch.

ST. MARY'S CAR RAFFLE: Tickets for the raffle will be sold in the back of Church by the Knights of Columbus. The cost is \$5.00 per ticket.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

CRS RICE BOWL REFLECTION: Assisting our Neighbors: Twenty-five percent of contributions to CRS Rice Bowl remain in our diocese, helping to support local poverty and hunger alleviation programs. To learn more on how the 25 percent is used in the Archdiocese of Washington contact Catherine.albornes@gmail.com. This week we pray for people in our own community who struggle with poverty and hunger. Give to your Rice Bowl to support programs that help the poor in our own community, as well as in communities around the world.