



# 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*

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday, October 5, 2014**

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### 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. 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

<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>Saturday</b> --- 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

<b>Monday:</b> 10:00 a.m.	<b>Tuesday:</b> 8:00 a.m.
<b>Wednesday:</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>Thursday:</b> 10:00 a.m.
<b>Friday</b> 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 4h	4:00pm	St. Francis of Assisi	Chikelue & Chijioke Onianwah	Charmanine Onianwah
Sunday 5th	8:30 am 11:00am	27th Sunday Mass 27th Sunday Mass	Fr. John Bosco Tchape++ Parishioners born in October	Beatrice Kouemou Parish Family
Monday 6th	10:00am	St. Bruno, Blessed Maries Rose Durocher	Regina Rivers & Family	Morning Mass Group
Tuesday 7th	10:00am	Our Lady of the Rosary	James "Duke" Simpson++	Marquerite Simpson
Wednesday 8th	8:00am	Week Day Mass	Brenyce Sweeney	Parish Family
Thursday 9th	10:00am	St. Denis & Companions, St. John	Sylvester Mode BB	Family
Friday 10th	8:00am	Week Day Mass	Frances Bomberger++	Fr. Cornelius

**REFLECTION FOR THE**

**27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.” The tenants in today’s parable murdered because of their greed. They had no respect for either the servants or the son of their landlord. Motivated only by their desire to own the property they cultivated, they did whatever was necessary to further their cause. But they were fools. They only thing they inherited was a death sentence in return for their wickedness.

Greed can act like poison to an otherwise healthy mind. Instead of allowing one to think clearly, an obsession with having “more” can cloud a person’s judgment. Certainly it won’t always lead to murder, but more often than not it leads to using people for our own ends or dismissing those who cannot help us get what we want. Treating others this way is never acceptable.

It is an offense to human dignity and to God who made us in his own image. Greed can also have a blinding influence, preventing us from seeing the blessings that surround us. When our focus is on what we want instead of what we have, the tendency is to forget that we have anything at all. The only thing we can see is that which we don’t yet possess.

Ultimately, greed makes us miserable. It fosters discontent for our life and disrespect for the lives of others. It is certainly not a fruit of the kingdom of God. Belonging to this heavenly realm means living a life of generosity instead of greediness. It means looking for ways to share what we have to improve the lives of others instead of hoarding more to “improve” our own lives. Jesus tells us that his kingdom belongs to those who produce its fruit. May we root out the weed of greed and instead cultivate generosity in the vineyard of our hearts.

**ADMINISTRATOR’S CORNER**

**THE HOLY ROSARY**

The rosary probably began as a practice by the laity to imitate the monastic Divine Office (Breviary or Liturgy of the Hours), during the course of which the monks daily prayed the 150 Psalms. The laity, many of whom could not read, substituted 50, or even 150, Ave Marias (Hail Marys) for the Psalms. This prayer, at least the first half of it so directly biblically, seems to date from as early as the 2nd century, as ancient graffiti at Christian sites has suggested. Sometimes a cord with knots on it was used to keep an accurate count of the Aves.

The first clear historical reference to the rosary, however, is from the life of St. Dominic (died in 1221), the founder of the Order of Preachers or Dominicans. He preached a form of the rosary in France at the time that the Albigensian heresy was devastating the Faith there. Tradition has it that the Blessed Mother herself asked for the practice as an antidote for heresy and sin.

One of Dominic's future disciples, Alain de Roche, began to establish Rosary Confraternities to promote the praying of the rosary. The form of the rosary we have today is believed to date from his time. Over the centuries the saints and popes have highly recommended the rosary, the greatest prayer in the Church after the Mass and Liturgy of the Hours. Not surprisingly, it's most active promoters have been Dominicans.

Rosary means a *crown of roses*, a spiritual bouquet given to the Blessed Mother. It is sometimes called the Dominican Rosary, to distinguish it from other rosary-like prayers (e.g. the Franciscan Rosary of the Seven Joys or Franciscan Crown, the Servite Rosary of the Seven Sorrows). It is also, in a general sense, a form of chaplet or corona (crown), of which there are many varieties in the Church. Finally, in English it has been called "Our Lady's Psalter" or "the beads." This last derives from an Old English word for prayers (bede) and to request (biddan or bid).

The rosary has been called *the* preparation for contemplation and *the* prayer of saints. While the hands and lips are occupied with the prayers (it can and should be prayed silently when necessary so as not to disturb others), the mind meditates on the mysteries of the Incarnation and Redemption represented by the decades. Meditation is the form of prayer by which the one who prays uses the mind and imagination to consider a truth and uses the will to love it and form resolutions to live it.

In this way the heart, mind, and soul of the Christian is formed according to the Gospel examples of the Savior and His First Disciple, His Mother. In God's own time, when this purification of the heart, mind, and soul has advanced sufficiently the Lord may give the grace of contemplative prayer, that special divine insight into the truth which human effort cannot achieve on its own.

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Batts  
Beatrice Carroll  
Edna Coates  
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  
James Holley  
Rudolph Holley  
James Hughes  
Charles Jamison  
Fred Jones  
Mary A. Lewis  
Rose Luck

Bernadette Mahoney  
Doreene Mahoney  
Barbara Mallory  
Martyn Montague  
Veronica Murray  
Marie Neal  
Regina Neal  
Vincent Neal  
Annibelle Nelson  
Betty Payne  
Lillian Pharms  
Joseph Queen

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



Mary P.G. Washington  
Shiela Washington  
Wellington Waters  
Dolores Woodard, Jr.  
And all St Luke  
Parishioners & families  
who served in the  
military.

Readings for the Week of October 5, 2014

Sunday: Isaiah 5:1-7/Philippians 4:6-9/Matthew 21:33-43

Monday: Galatians 1:6-12/Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday: Galatians 1:13-24/Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday: Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14/Luke 11:1-4

Thursday: Galatians 3:1-5/Luke 11:5-13

Friday: Galatians 3:7-14/Luke 11:15-26

Saturday: Galatians 3:22-29/Luke 11:27-28

Next Sunday: Isaiah 25:6-10a/Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20/  
Matthew 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Church Support

Sunday Collection:

Thank you for supporting our parish.  
May God reward you abundantly  
\$4,700.60

ATTENDANCE:

215

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Lectors Schedule for Next Week



10/11—4:00pm Mass— Michael Holland

10/12—8:30am Mass— John Faxio & Jasmine Wilson

10/12--11:00am Mass—Brenyce Sweeney & Shirley Williams

PARISHIONERS CELEBRATION



HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish Sylvester Mode, Jekwon Jones, Joan C. Lee, Doretha Allen and Shannon Harris a very wonderful birthday.

Congratulations to Mrs. Natoshka and Mr. Westley Douglas on their wedding anniversary.

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





## 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.

**ANNUAL PRAY FOR THE CURE MASS:** We walk for the cure, run for the cure now let us come together and pray for the cure with Most Rev. John Ricard, S.S.J. Ph.D., celebrant and homilist on October 12, 2014 at the 11:00 am Mass.

**DANCING! DANCING! DANCING!** Get ready everybody because St. Luke will now have *line dancing for beginners* on Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 pm beginning Monday, October 13th in the hall. For more information contact Joseph & Rita Smith at 202-390-9386.

**YOGA AT ST. LUKES:** Welcome to a session for increasing flexibility and reducing stress. Yoga at St. Luke delivers an opportunity, free of charge, to reconnect with your personal vitality. All ages and experience levels are welcome. Seated options to advanced postures are available. Yoga your way is guided by Elaine Williams, certified instructor. Bring a mat if you have one and wear loose fitting clothes. If you have questions call the rectory and leave your contact information. Where: St. Luke's Hall — When: Every Thursday — Time: 6:30pm—8:00pm. Classes will be held thru October 27th.

**FRIENDS OF CCD** scheduled trip to Harrington Casino on October 15th has been cancelled.

**ARCHDIOCESAN 75TH ANNIVERSARY & ST LUKE 57TH ANNIVERSARY:** There will be a celebration in honor of the 75th anniversary of the Archdiocese and our own parish 57th anniversary on Sunday, October 19th 2014, during the 11:am Mass. The Celebrant will be Very Rev. William Norvel S.S.J., Superior General of the Josephites. Reception and Award Gala will follow immediately after Mass at the Church Hall.

**ST LUKE CHOIRS CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** The parish choirs will host a concert on the 7th of December 2014 @ St Luke. Time is 4:00pm-6:00pm. Donation is \$10. Come, Let us Make A Joyful Noise to the Lord.

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY —Essential Components in Caring for the Terminally Ill and Their Loved Ones:** You are invited to a free two-hour program focused on how hospice can support the ministry of faith communities on Tuesday, October 14, 2014, 9:30 am — 11:30 am at Sixth & I Synagogue located at 600 I Street, N. W. Breakfast will be provided. You may call 202-895-2674 for more information or to register.

**WORKERS OF ST. JOSEPH** is having their 30th Annual “50 State Rosary for Peace”, near the southeast side of the Washington Monument, at the Sylvan Theater, on Sunday, October 12, 2013 at 7:45 in the evening.

**PRAYER BREAKFAST:** The Holy Comforter Saint Cyprian Women's Ministry is hosting a Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, October 18, 2014 from 9:00am to 12:00 noon at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church (Imperial Room) 320 C Street N.E. (Parking behind the church) The theme is “Be Encouraged, Take Care of Self” ... Breast Cancer Awareness. Cost is \$25 and tickets will be sold at the door. The keynote speaker will be Andrea Roane, Co-anchor WUSA 9 News. You can contact Holy Comforter St. Cyprian Rectory Office (202)546-1885 for tickets.

**WORKSHOP FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** Saturday., October 11 at Ascension Church in Bowie, MD and Saturday, December 6 at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center from 9:00 –12:00 pm. It cost \$5 to register. For additional questions you may call the Worship Office at 301-853-4594/. Please RSVP.