

# 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*

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, January 18, 2015

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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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**" Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

### Parish Devotions

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

Weekday		Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday	17th	4:00pm	St. Anthony (v)	Mathew Lucas, Jr.++ (BB)	Mom & Family
Sunday	18th	8:30 am 11:00am	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass	Sick and Shut in Sick and Shut in	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday	19th	10:00am	Weekday Mass		
Tuesday	20th	8:00am	SS Fabian & Sebastian		
Wednesday	21st	8:00am	St. Agnex	Edna Erikpara (BB)	The Family
Thursday	22nd	10:00am	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children		
Friday	23rd	8:00am	SS. Vincent & Marianne		

## REFLECTION FOR THE 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"What are you looking for?" When Jesus asked the two disciples this question, they didn't give an answer. Instead, they asked another question: "Where are you staying?" Obviously these men were interested in learning more about Jesus. They wanted to accompany him and be in his presence. They decided to spend the whole day with him. But they were not quite ready to reveal what they were really looking for.

Remember that at the time, these men were disciples of John the Baptist. They had heard John announce the coming of the Christ, but they didn't know yet who he was. John's followers were certainly looking for something: the Messiah. Most likely, these men were interested in seeing for themselves whether or not this Jesus was the one they had been waiting for.

Apparently, he was. Andrew was convinced by that daylong encounter with Jesus. In the verse that follows today's Gospel, we learn that "He first found his own brother Simon and told him, 'We have found the Messiah'" (Jn 1:41). What a joy this must have been for Andrew! He found what he was looking for. Indeed, the joy was so great that he couldn't wait to share the good news.

When we, like Andrew, take time to "spend the day" with Jesus, getting to know who he really is through our daily prayer, then the happiness we experience will naturally overflow to others. The process may begin with questions about who Jesus is; that's only natural. But once we find what we are looking for, we can do what Andrew did by sharing the joy of the discovery with our own brothers, sisters, neighbors, and friends right here at home.

## PASTOR'S CORNER

### THE NECESSITY OF BAPTISM

The Lord himself affirms that Baptism is necessary for salvation. He also commands his disciples to proclaim the Gospel to all nations and to baptize them. Baptism is necessary for salvation for those to whom the Gospel has been proclaimed and who have had the possibility of asking for this sacrament. The Church does not know of any means other than Baptism that assures entry into eternal beatitude; this is why she takes care not to neglect the mission she has received from the Lord to see that all who can be baptized are "reborn of water and the Spirit." God has bound salvation to the sacrament of Baptism, but he himself is not bound by his sacraments.

The Church has always held the firm conviction that those who suffer death for the sake of the faith without having received Baptism are baptized by their death for and with Christ. This Baptism of blood, like the desire for Baptism, brings about the fruits of Baptism without being a sacrament.

For catechumens who die before their Baptism, their explicit desire to receive it, together with repentance for their sins, and charity, assures them the salvation that they were not able to receive through the sacrament.

"Since Christ died for all, and since all men are in fact called to one and the same destiny, which is divine, we must hold that the Holy Spirit offers to all the possibility of being made partakers, in a way known to God, of the Paschal mystery." Every man who is ignorant of the Gospel of Christ and of his Church, but seeks the truth and does the will of God in accordance with his understanding of it, can be saved. It may be supposed that such persons would have desired Baptism explicitly if they had known its necessity.

As regards children who have died without Baptism, the Church can only entrust them to the mercy of God, as she does in her funeral rites for them. Indeed, the great mercy of God who desires that all men should be saved, and Jesus' tenderness toward children which caused him to say: "Let the children come to me, do not hinder them," allow us to hope that there is a way of salvation for children who have died without Baptism. All the more urgent is the Church's call not to prevent little children coming to Christ through the gift of holy Baptism.

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

Barbara Batts	Florence Hall	Bernadette Mahoney	Joseph Queen
Beatrice Carroll	Michael Harkins	Doreene Mahoney	Doreene Redd
Edna Coates	Chris Hawkins	Barbara Mallory	Bernadette Redmond
Edith Cornish	Charlene Haywood	Martyn Montague	Michael Smith
Alvera Dance	Brenda Henson	Veronica Murray	Anna E. Smith
Mary E. Davis	James Holley	Marie Neal	Betty Smith
Bertha Dearing	Rudolph Holley	Regina Neal	Ruth Stokes
Irena Fields	James Hughes	Vincent Neal	Anna Strother
Gwendolyn Fortune	Charles Jamison	Betty Payne	Kayla Tatum
Tina Garvin	Fred Jones	Silvia Perry	Gloria Thompson
Oceacie Gray, Jr.	Mary A. Lewis	Alfred Price	Matthew Thompson
Joseph Grear	Rose Luck	Lillian Pharms	Barbara B. Tyler
			Jerome J. Wallace Wayne A. Wallace Shiela Washington Wellington Waters Dolores Woodard, Jr. St Luke military families.

**Readings for the Week of January 18, 2015**

Sunday: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19/1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20/John 1:35-42

Monday: Hebrews 5:1-10/Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday: Hebrews 6:10-20/Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday: Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17/Mark 3:1-6

Thursday: Hebrews 7:25-8:6/Mark 3:7-12

Friday: Hebrews 8:6-13/Mark 3:13-19

Saturday: Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14/Mark 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jonah 3:1-5, 10/1 Corinthians 7:29-31/Mark 1:14-20

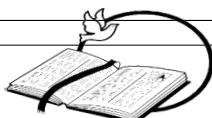
***Church Support*****Sunday Collection:**

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**\$4,696.87**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**328**

**Lectors Schedule for Next Week**

1/24 4:00pm Mass-

1/25 8:30am Mass-

1/25 11:00am Mass-

**PARISHIONERS CELEBRATION****HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY**

We would like to wish Otis Mahoney, Sr., Charles R. Mason, Edna Erikpara and Barbara Mallory a very happy birthday.

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

**2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



## 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.

**ALL LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARISTIC :** there will be a meeting on January 24th at 10:00 am. Venue is St. Martin De Porres Room.

**ST LUKE WILL HOST A VALENTINE DANCE**, featuring DJ music from 70'-80's, clean verse of Hip Hop & R&B. Date is 02/14/2015. The donation tickets is \$15 per person and reserved table specials at \$60 for 4 people. For tickets or special table reservation Please contact John Anthony: 202-556-5321

**MEMORIAL DONATION:** The family of Deacon Joseph Conrad, Jr. whose birthday was January 16 would like to thank all those who have in lieu of flowers made a memorial donation of \$3,120 to the St. Joseph's Society of the Sacred Heart in Baltimore for the . Thank You and God Bless You

**FUNERAL MASS:** for Anniebelle Nelson is on

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**2015 CARDINAL'S APPEAL BEGINS: "SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD" (MATTHEW 6:33):** Many of our parishioners received a mailing from Cardinal Wuerl this week. He has asked that you make a pledge to the 2015 Cardinal's Appeal. This year, the theme of the Appeal is, "Seek First the Kingdom of God." (Matthew 6:33) As we seek first the kingdom of God, we have the capability of helping it to be present in our lives and in the lives of those around us. How does this happen? Through our works of charity, our works of love, our works of love and compassion. Contributions to the Cardinal's Appeal offers each of us the opportunity to respond to the needs of others by enabling ministries and services that touch thousands of lives. Please prayerfully consider a generous pledge to the 2015 Cardinal's Appeal.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK:** Mt. Calvary Catholic School would like to personally invite you to visit their school during Catholic School's Week to learn more about their School's curriculum, organizations and clubs. They will be having an Open House in the School on Sunday, January 25, 2015 12:30noon – 2:00pm and also on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 – 9:00am until 6:00pm. During Catholic School week they will have their Science Fair on display and our Spelling Bee on Wednesday.

**WORKSHOP FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** This workshop will instruct the faithful on how to serve effectively as an EMHC in the parish setting as well as when taking Holy Communion to the sick and shut-ins. It is intended primarily for those who wish to be certified as an EMHC in the Archdiocese of Washington, but it is open to all. The workshop will be held on Saturday, January 31 from 9am – 12noon at Our Lady of Mercy Church (9200 Kentsdale Dr. in Potomac, MD). A \$5 registration fee can be paid at the door. Please RSVP by emailing [liturgy@adw.org](mailto:liturgy@adw.org). If you have additional questions, you may call the Worship Office at 301-853-4594. Please do not call the Worship Office to register.

**2ND MARRIAGE REUNION AT ST. JOSEPH'S, LARGO** on February 7 at 12 noon. Married, engaged and singles are invited to share about the struggles and joys of the Sacrament and discover how to witness to the encounter through living the Sacrament of Matrimony. Mass immediately after the discussion and sharing is the culmination of the day's celebration.