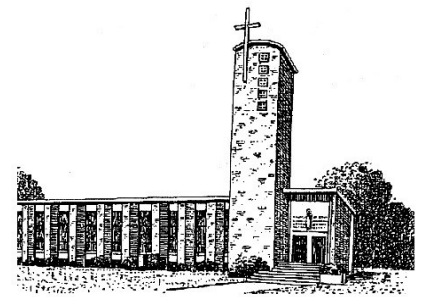


ST. LUKE

CATHOLIC CHURCH
4925 EAST CAPITOL STREET, SE
WASHINGTON, DC 20019



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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 2, 2018

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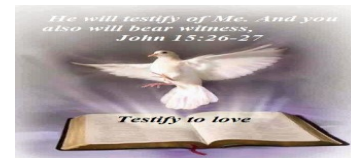


Welcome

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. Come join us to celebrate the Holy Eucharist which is the source and summit of our Christian life. Our theme for 2017 is **"Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."** [Psalm 90:12] Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

Parish Devotions

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| 3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m. | Cameroon Community |
| 3rd Saturday - 3:00pm | Mass & Fellowship |
| Monday - ---10:30 a.m. | Prayer Meeting |
| Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. | Miraculous Medal Novena |
| Wednesday - 5:00pm | Seniors Bible Study Group |
| Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. | Novena to St. Joseph |
| Friday - ----8:00 a.m. | Adoration/Confession |
| 1st Friday - --6:00 p.m. | Bible Study |
| Fridays ---6:00pm | Prayer for Vocations |
| Saturday --- 3:30 pm | Holy Hour |
| 1st & 3rd Sunday 11am/12:30 | Stations of the Cross |
| | Rosary |
| | O/L of Guadalupe CWA |



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

In the Martin De Pores Chapel

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 6:00 p.m.. - 7:00 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 Godparents 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. Please call parish office for more information.

Weekday	Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention For the Week	Requested By
Saturday 1st	4:00pm	22nd Sunday in O T (Vigil)	Eternal repose of the soul of Penny Jackson+++	Hilda McDougald
Sunday 2nd	8:30am 11:00am	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	In thanksgiving for the children returning to school. In thanksgiving for the children returning to school.	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 3rd	10:00am	St. Gregory the Grest OBL	Eternal repose of the soul of Paul B. Batiste+++	Louise Washington
Tuesday 4th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	God's Blessings and Protection on Ms. Theresa Johnson	Parish Family
Wednesday 5th	8:00am	St. Teresa OPT	Eternal repose of the soul of Joyce C. Young+++ (BB)	Elsie Young
Thursday 6th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal repose of the soul of Leonard Calvin Hyater +++	Hilda McDougald
Friday 7th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal repose of the soul of Susie & Frank McDougald+++	Family

PASTOR'S CORNER

DO YOU HONOR GOD WITH YOUR LIPS OR WITH YOUR HEART?

By Christi Given

Many times people worship in church every Sunday, yet live a lifestyle completely different than the one they proclaim as a believer. Granted, we all have weaknesses and no one is perfect, but this is not an excuse to sin. God knows our hearts, intentions, thoughts and motives. We all need each other and help in the body of Christ and in the church.

My question and challenge for you is: Do you personally honor God within and outside of church, or do you change into another person once you leave the gathering of believers? Do you live out what you believe?

I challenge you to pray about this, ask God to show you the areas you may need help in, and pray for others in your life who are on your heart. God loves when you come to church, but your life should also reflect your beliefs by the fruit you bear which could be in fellowship, your lifestyle, reading the Word, prayer and other ways that are an outcome of being a believer

Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples (John 15:4-8).

When we honor God by living a life of worship, it blesses Him and honors Him! Not only that, but we are shining lights for Him and living a life we were designed to live! For those who don't do this, it is scary because they will answer to the Lord for their behaviors and if they cause another person to stumble, they will be held accountable. The scripture I mentioned in the beginning of the article talks about motives, thoughts and intentions. God knows the depths of every person's heart because He created us and knows every detail of our lives. This scripture is found several times in the Bible. *These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me (Matthew 15:8).*

<https://www.projectinspired.com/honor-god-with-lips-or-heart/>

REFLECTION FOR 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Judgment tends to have a bad reputation. We often associate it with condemnation, and in the Gospels, we associate it with the Pharisees. Today's Gospel features the Pharisees doing exactly what we expect. *"They observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands."*

The Jewish people had strict purification laws that applied to all areas of life. The Pharisees attempt to accuse Jesus of not following the ancestral traditions. Jesus doesn't take offense at their judgments per se. He instead points out the hypocrisy of their words. *"You hypocrites ... this people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."*

From there, Jesus turns his attention to the concerns of the heart. *"The things that come from within are what defile."* He lists off a number of sins, including some the Pharisees were likely struggling with, including evil thoughts, envy, and arrogance.

When we examine the list, perhaps we're reminded of our own trips to the confessional! As we strive to follow Jesus and live with integrity, we must be aware of our hearts. We must judge our own actions. Are they leading us closer to God or away from Him? Are we growing in love of our neighbor, or are we becoming more closed in on ourselves?

As we move into this week, consider the state of our own heart. Perhaps you are overly scrupulous in less important areas. Perhaps there are large areas of overlooked sin that you've excused for too long. Whatever it is, the judgment of God need not cripple us. He offers us a share in His mercy as soon as we turn to Him. This week, allow your heart to be transformed!

2015 Liturgical Publications Inc. Resource Center

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish



Barbara Barnes	Marita C. Edelin	Mary Ann Johnson	Florence Patterson	Barbara B. Tyler
Blanche Bourm	Irena Fields	David & Keisha Jones	Marlene Patterson	Wayne A. Wallace
Barbara Batts	Florence M. Fields	Dawn Lattimer	Silvia Perry	Shiela Washington
Tanisha Bennett	Tina Garvin	Lawrence Lee	Lillian Pharms	Cecelia Williams
Tammy Berry	Elizabeth Gillem	Fred Lewis	Alfred Price	Wellington Waters
Ruth Bundy	Florence Hall	Maria A. Logan	James Ratiff	Terrell Wilson
Valene Chemoo	Steve Halle	Rose Luck	Joyce Ratiff	Dolores Woodard, Jr.
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Lamont Diggs, Sr.	Melvin Jamison	Regina Neal	Matthew Thompson	

Readings for the Week of September 2nd 2018

- Sunday:** Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8/Psalms 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
- Monday:** 1 Corinthians 2:1-5/Psalms 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 [97]/Luke 4:16-30
- Tuesday:** 1 Corinthians 2:10b-16/Psalms 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 [17]/Luke 4:31- 37
- Wednesday:** 1 Corinthians 3:1-9/Psalms 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 [12]/Luke 4:38-44
- Thursday:** 1 Corinthians 3:18-23/Psalms 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [1]/Luke 5:1-11
- Friday:** 1 Corinthians 4:1-5/Psalms 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Luke 5:33-39
- Saturday:** Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30/Psalms 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
- Next Sunday:** Isaiah 35:4-7a/Psalms 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/James 2:1-5/Mark 7:31-37

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Marguerite Simpson, Billy Barnes, Michele Peters.

We would also like to wish a wonderful happy wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Ronald & Victoria Watson, and Mr. & Mrs. John & Gertrude Quarles.

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

LECTORS SCHEDULE

- 9/8/2018- 4:00pm Mass**
K.H. Ndouga & M. Holland
- 9/9/2018-830am Mass**
C. Tolson & M. Greene
- 9/9/2018- 11:00am Mass**
V. Tinsley & B. Pianwi

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

- 9/8/2018- 4:00pm Mass**
K. H. Ndouga & P. Glover
- 9/9/2018-8:30am Mass**
M. Harris & C. Holland
- 9/9/2018-11:00am Mass**
V. Tinsley & E. Young

Quote of the Week

Love yourself.
It is important to stay positive because beauty comes from the inside out.
-Jenn Proske

Church Support

Sunday Collection:
Thank you for supporting our parish.
May God reward you abundantly
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ATTENDANCE:
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He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." — Mk 7:14-15



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Dear Parishioners, our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of leaves the northwest corner of the inside 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.

PLEASE HELP PREVENT SUICIDE: Do you know anyone contemplating suicide? Are you going through a crisis that seems unresolvable? Please contact National Suicide Helpline @ 1800-273-8255 or Text CONNECT to 741741 from any where in the USA, anytime, about any type of crisis. Or you can also call Parish office 202-584-8322 for immediate help. God loves you & so do I.

THANK YOU! The Jackson family would like to sincerely thank you for your support during the loss of our loved one, Penny Christine Jackson. Thank you, Mary Jackson

REGISTRATION FOR CCD, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION will be held on September 9 following the 11:00 Mass in the church hall. First Communion Candidates should have received at least one year of prior CCD classes and be a minimum of 7-years old. Confirmation will be held on June 1, 2019 at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. All teens (12+) currently in grades 7 and above in need of this sacrament should register in CCD on September 9th to begin your preparation.

FLEE MARKET/STREET FESTIVAL: St. Luke Sodality will be hosting its Annual Flee Market/Street Festival on September 8, 2018. Table rental will be \$15.00. For further information contact Joyce Thomas at 202-399-0943.

PRAY FOR THE CURE UMBRELLAS are all sold out. If you like to order one please sign the clip board in the rear of the church or call Mrs. Conrad.

PRAY FOR THE CURE MASS: PINK CANDLE PROCESSION We need 19 people to carry a pink candle. If you are a cancer survivor or survivor of any life threatening diseases, you are welcome to carry a candle at the Pray for the Cure Mass on 10/14/2018. Please sign the clip board in the rear of the church. (19 people only)

THE ARK ENCOUNTER & CREATION MUSEUM is being presented by The Daughters of Isabella. The incredible price includes \$604 for 5 days and 4 nights, May 6– 10, 2019. Includes meals and admission to three museums, your lodging, a visit to a casino and much more. For more information and reservations contact Janice Williams @ (202)263-9098 and Debbie Baker @ (202)584-1130.

DO YOU PREFER AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF OUR WEEKLY BULLETIN? If so, please contact the parish office and provide your email address. Bulletin will be sent to your email every weekend.

ARCHDIOCESE SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection on the weekend of September 9, 2018 for The Catholic University of America. Thank you for your continued generosity..

CATHOLIC SINGLES OF GREATER WASHINGTON is organization for single Catholics enjoying each other's company in a wide variety of social, religious, and cultural settings. Ages 21 to 65-plus; most members are 45 and older. Please find out more about us at <http://CatholicSinglesofGreaterWashington.org> or call Tricia at 301-460-9195.

YOUNG ADULT RETREAT: "Into the Deep" is a retreat for young adults (college-age through 30s) providing practical lessons on prayer, discernment, and how to listen to the voice of God in the depth of your heart. It will be held on Friday, September 28, from 6:30 to 10pm and continuing on Saturday, September 29 from 10am to 7pm. It will feature talks by Fr. Mark Ivany, Director of Priestly Vocations for the Archdiocese of Washington and Megan Philip, Coordinator of Campus/YA Ministry. Cost: \$20. Register at DCCatholic.eventbrite.com. For information on the location please visit DCCatholic.org and see "Young Adult Events." If you have any questions on accommodations requests email Megan at DCCatholic@adw.org.