

Sunday, June 21, 2020

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 4pm
Fridays & Weekend: By Appointment

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**A Blessed
Father's
Day**



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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 2019 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.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30am & 11:00am

2nd Sunday 1:15pm (Igbo) 3rd Sunday 1:15pm (French)

Weekday Masses

In the Martin De Pores Chapel

Monday: 10:00am

Tuesday: 8:00am

Wednesday: 8:00am Thursday: 10:00am Friday: 8:00 am

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday 6:00pm . -7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm Sunday: 7:30am-8:15am

Sunday: 10:00am-10:45am Or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant Baptism registration takes place at the Parish Office prior to baptism preparation class which is held on the First Saturday of each month. Baptism takes place every First Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please call parish office for more information.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Life as a Father

This life is a wonderful gift .. accept it,
embrace it.

It starts with a new day .. wake up
and greet it.

Life is a challenge .. take it head on
and meet it.

Full of opportunity .. use it, don't waste it.

This life is a mystery .. unfold it, solve it.

It starts with meaning .. wake up
and understand it.

Life is a goal .. take it head on
and achieve it.

Full of promise .. fulfill it but keep it.

This life is a tragedy .. face it, accept it.

It starts with pain .. wake up
and help numb it.

Life is a struggle .. take it head on
and fight it.

Full of sorrow .. sorry, just overcome it.

This life is precious .. hold it, treasure it,

It starts with hope .. wake up and feel it.

Life is a choice .. take it head on
and make it.

Full of knowledge .. use it, don't abuse it.

This life is adventurous .. enjoy it, explore it.

It starts with a duty .. wake up and perform it.

Life is love .. take it full on and love it.

Full of beauty .. praise it and behold it.

That life is life .. live it, learn and grow Life is
good .. be good with all that you know.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Culled from SIS general meeting June 2020

REFLECTION FOR THE 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There are many things of which we can be afraid: being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. For some, identifying and overcoming their fears is a daunting task. Regardless of how much they may want to break the cycle of fear, they find that they remain close friends with old and dysfunctional behavioral habits and norms. Maybe what they really fear is change. There are many who gravitate to the familiar and comfortable, and find safety and security in doing so, even if they remain mired in mediocrity. Human beings have to learn that there is life beyond the “what has always been” and that happiness and depth are possible when old structures and systems have to be left behind.

Can you leave the near and dear, the comfortable and familiar, the safe and secure, and discover new opportunities? The sheer thought of doing so can bring on feelings of apprehension, intense anger, resentment, defensiveness, reluctance, resistance, and even apathy. If we have to be responsible for making the change, cowardice can creep in. If someone else is to blame for making the change, any number of possible negative reactions are possible. In the end, only one thing is required and that is God. If I can rely on and deepen my relationship with God, especially in the Eucharist along with a community of believers, then little else is of great concern. We have to figure out what is really important. It is not always what we think.

The Gospel calls us to stretch ourselves and try new things, not to remain stuck and stagnant in familiar ways. We are asked to live life more deliberately, radically, and intentionally. We are asked to leave the familiar behind and learn to live with changing, and often limiting, human structures. We cannot get too caught up in the physical, ideological, or structural systems we are used to. The Holy Spirit always leads and guides us. If we trust this, we will find ourselves doing things we never thought we could do. Always seek the path to joy and love. They keep us from falling victim to our fears and from seeking the nostalgic crutches we think we need to achieve a sense of well-being and happiness.

Liturgical Publications 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy
birthday to

Brenyce Sweeney & Lucy Johnson
and

a wonderful wedding anniversary to

Mr. & Mrs. Anthony & Kimbolyn Flowers.

**MAY THE JOY OF THE LORD BE
YOUR STRENGTH!!!**

Church Support

Please consider making a donation to support our parish during this trying times. You may Drop off or mail your gifts to the parish. You may give online through our website: <http://www.stlukechurchssj.org/> And clicking on the donate button.

You may also TEXT: 202-335-3116

God bless and keep you safe.

Readings for week of June 21, 2020

Sunday: Jeremiah 20:10-13/Psalms 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 [14c]/Romans 5:12-15/Matthew 10:26-33

Monday: 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Psalms 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Matthew 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Psalms 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: *Vigil:* Jeremiah 1:4-10/Psalms 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Peter 1:8-12/Luke 1:5-17. *Day:* Isaiah 49:1-6/Psalms 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Thursday: 2 Kings 24:8-17/Psalms 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Matthew 7:21-29

Friday: 2 Kings 25:1-12/Psalms 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Matthew 8:1-4

Saturday: Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Psalms 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Matthew 8:5-17

Next Sunday: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a/Psalms 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 [2a]/Romans 6:3-4, 8-11/Matthew 10:37-42

EASTS FOR THE
WEEK**Monday 06/22**

SS. Paulinus, John & Thomas

Tuesday 06/23

Weekday

Wednesday 06/24

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Thursday 06/25

Weekday

Friday 06/26

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday 06/27

St. Cyril

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Barnes
Blanche Bourm
Barbara Batts
Tanisha Bennett
Tammy Berry
Ruth Bundy
Beatrice Carroll
Melinda Conrad-Brown
Edith Cornish
Aniceto Charles
Patricia Chase
Valene Chemoo
Joyce Cristwell
Alvera Dance
Iyana Davage

Marita C. Edelin
Irena Fields
Florence M. Fields
Tina Garvin
Elizabeth Gillem
Florence Hall
Steve Halle
Chris Hawkins
Charlene Haywood
Brenda Henson
Norma Henson
James Holley
Rudolph Holley
James Hughes
Melvin Jamison
Mary Ann Johnson

David & Keisha Jones
Dawn Lattimer
Lawrence Lee
Fred Lewis
Maria A. Logan
Bernadette Mahoney
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Doris McCannon
Alice L. Montague
Veronica Murray
David Neal
Florence Patterson
Marlene Patterson
Silvia Perry
Lillian Pharms

Kecia Proctor
Doreene Redd
Xavier Roots
Leroy Sandifer
Betty Smith
Kayla Tatum
Rolland Taylor
Gloria Thompson-Price
James F. Thompson, Jr.
Matthew Thompson
Barbara B. Tyler
Wayne A. Wallace
Marquita Ward
Shiela Washington
Steven Washington

Cecelia Williams
Wellington Waters
Dolores Woodard, Jr.
Harold Woodard, Sr.
St Luke military families.

All the Homeless men and women in our community.

Please pray for all those who are sick but have no one to pray for them



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 21 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.

St. Luke Parish Weekly Schedule

Mondays Morning Mass @ 10:00am (will also be livestreamed)
Wednesday Bible Study Live Stream & Voice @ 6:00pm
Thursdays Morning Mass @ 10:00am (will also be livestreamed)
Friday Holy Hour/Adoration Live Stream & Voice @ 7:00pm
Saturday Holy Rosary (Voice call only) @ 6:00pm
Sunday Mass 8:30 am & 11:00am (11am mass will also be livestreamed)

To join our Live Stream, please go to

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stluke.stlukesdc/>

Or Dial: 425-436-6339.

Access code: 269615

To continue assisting St. Luke: You may **DROP OFF** your donation or **MAIL** your check or visit our **WEBSITE** <http://www.stlukechurchssj.org/Donate> or **TEXT**: 202-335-3116.

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Bible Quote for the day: "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell " Matthew 10:28

FATHER CHARLES COUGHLIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND: The 2020 online application for the Father Charles Coughlin Scholarship Fund is now available. If you are currently enrolled into a college, university or trade school, and require financial assistance, please feel free to apply to our online application. You can find the online application on our website www.stlukechurchssj.org or by requesting the link by emailing stluke.dc@adw.org. The deadline to apply is Sunday, July 19, 2020. Please note: There are no paper applications available this year

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2020! Please submit names and phone numbers of our 2020 Graduates to stluke.dc@adw.org as soon as possible. All 2020 Graduates will be recognized with certificates/gifts on Sunday, June 28, 2020 at 11:00am mass. More information will follow.

JULY 2ND VIRTUAL ACTION 6:45PM-8PM ORGANIZING FOR A BELOVED DC 500-1000 PEOPLE

STRONG: Even if we can't be in the same room during the pandemic, we can still stand united and strong to make our demands for racial equity and economic justice a reality in the District of Columbia. WIN developed a proposed Budget for a Beloved DC. We propose the DC Council redirect \$300 million in public funds from gentrification projects, corporate subsidies and the police department (DC has more police per capita in the country). We demand the Council reinvest the \$300 million into affordable housing, good paying jobs, health and community based violence prevention programs. You can read more about the budget demands here: windc-iaf.org/2021budget. On July 2nd we seek to show unity, presence and power so that elected officials and corporate leaders hear the demands of the people. July 2nd we will organize for this budget, and also build power to reimagine the future of the District of Columbia for the months and years to come. **Can we count on you to be one in the numbers to build a beloved DC? RSVP for July 2nd now. Call parish office for details or go to <https://www.windc-iaf.org/> to register.**

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

SHARE FOOD PACKAGE ASSEMBLER: SHARE Food Warehouse has seen an increase in need due to the COVID-19 crisis and needs your help! Volunteers will assemble food packages for our neighbors in need at the SHARE Warehouse, while maintaining social distancing. Join Catholic Charities to care for food insecure families and to support essential workers. **Get information and sign up here:** <http://bttr.im/il25y>

SHARE FOOD DISTRIBUTION: Join Catholic Charities on a Friday or Saturday at the SHARE Warehouse to assist with the distribution of food. Volunteers will assist senior citizens load vehicles with food packages. Some heavy lifting may be required. **Get information and sign up here:** <http://bttr.im/iuidn>