

## St. Luke

#### Catholic Church

4925 East Capitol Street, SE Washington, DC 20019



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#### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<Happy Independence Day>

Sunday, July 3, 2016

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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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Website: www.stlukechurchssj.org

## Welcome

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 2016 is "Blessed are the merciful for they will receive Mercy from God." Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

#### **Parish Devotions**

3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m. **Cameroon Mass** Last Sunday- 1:00pm **Congolese Mass** Monday - -- 10:30 a.m. Miraculous Medal Novena

**Senior Bible Study Group** 

Rosary

Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. Novena to St. Joseph **Bible Study** 

Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.

Friday - ----8:00 a.m.

1st Friday - —7:00 p.m. Saturday --- 3:30 pm

**Prayer for Vocations Holy Hour** 

## Mass Schedule



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.

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Weekday		Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday	2nd	4:00pm	Sunday Mass (Vigil)	Ana Strother++	Hilda McDougald
Sunday	3rd	8:30am 11:00am	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass	God's Protection on Expectant Mothers God's Protection on Expectant Mothers	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday	4th	10:00am	Happy Independence Day	Peace, Security and Justice in our Nation	Parish Family
Tuesday	5th	8:00am	SS. Anthony & Elizabeth OPT	Onyekachukwu Gertrude Enyi	In Thanksgiving for God's Protection & Kindness
Wednesda	y 6th	8:00am	St. Maria OPT	Billy Dixon++	Family
Thursday	7th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Joyce Young++	Elsie Young
Friday	8th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Rev. Ed Chiffriller	Louise Washington

## REFLECTIONS FOR THE 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Can we be counted among the laborers? Are we ready and willing to work for the sake of our faith, or are we looking for the easy way out?

Our faith is more than a personal experience. It's more than a routine that fits into our weekly schedule. Our faith is meant to be shared with others, even when that requires a bit of work on our part. In today's Gospel, Jesus calls his followers to "Go on your way," to prepare people for the Lord. And we are called to do the same. We are meant to go on our way—out of our homes, and even out of our churches—to share the good news of the Gospel and to serve those in need.

It can be tempting to think, "I believe, I go to church, isn't that enough?" But Jesus tells us that there is an abundant harvest out there—countless people who may just need to know that Jesus loves them or that someone is willing to help. If we don't step up to the task then those people will miss out on that word of encouragement, that personal invitation to Mass, that act of kindness that might have made all the difference in their life. God may be calling some of us to an even deeper commitment—to be a lay minister in a parish or to discern a religious vocation, for example—but there is no doubt that God is calling all of us to labor for his kingdom in some way.

This mission isn't for someone else. It's for us to carry out the work of the disciples because we are today's disciples. When we accept this mission, we will not only enjoy seeing the benefits that others receive, we will also rejoice with those whose "names are written in heaven."

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### PASTOR'S CORNER

Sunday, July 3, 2016

# A Nation's Strength Ralph Waldo Emerson (1904)

What makes a nation's pillars high And its foundations strong? What makes it mighty to defy The foes that round it throng?

It is not gold. Its kingdoms grand Go down in battle shock; Its shafts are laid on sinking sand, Not on abiding rock.

Is it the sword? Ask the red dust
Of empires passed away;
The blood has turned their stones to rust,
Their glory to decay.

And is it pride? Ah, that bright crown
Has seemed to nations sweet;
But God has struck its luster down
In ashes at his feet.

Not gold but only men can make A people great and strong; Men who for truth and honor's sake Stand fast and suffer long.

Brave men who work while others sleep,
Who dare while others fly...
They build a nation's pillars deep
And lift them to the sky.
http://poetry.about.com/od/poems/l/blemersonnationsstrength.htm

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

Lester Allen Barbara Barnes Barbara Batts Ruth Bundy Beatrice Carroll **Edna Coates** Sophie Coleman Melinda Conrad Brown Edith Cornish Alvera Dance Lamont Diggs, Sr. Irena Fields Florence M. Fields Gwendolyn Fortune Tina Garvin

Oceacie Gray, Jr. Joseph Grean Florence Hall Michael Harkins Chris Hawkins Charlene Haywood Brenda Henson Michael Holland James Holley Rudolph Holley James Hughes Charles lamison David & Keisha Jones Lawrence Lee Rose Luck

Bernadette Mahoney Doreene Mahoney Barbara Mallory Michael Mason Doris McCann Alice L. Montague Martyn Montague Veronica Murray Vincent Neal Marlene Patterson Silvia Perry Lillian Pharms Alfred Price **Irving Proctor** Joseph Queen

Doreene Redd Leroy Sandifer Anna E. Smith **Betty Smith Ruth Stokes** Kayla Tatum Gloria Thompson James F. Thompson, Ir. Matthew Thompson Barbara B. Tyler Jerome J. Wallace Wayne A. Wallace Shiela Washington Cecelia Williams Wellington Waters



Terrell Wilson Dolores Woodard, Ir. Harold Woodard, Sr. Beatrice Wright St Luke military families.

## Readings for the Week of July 3rd, 2016

**Sunday:** Isaiah 66:10-14c/Psalms 66:1-7, 16, 20/Galatians 6:14-18/Luke 10:1 -12. 17-20 or 10:1-9

**Monday:** Hosea 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Psalms 145:2-9/Matthew 9:18-26 **Tuesday:** Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13/Psalms 115:3-10/Matthew 9:32-38 **Wednesday:** Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Psalms 105:2-7/Matthew 10:1-7

**Thursday:** Hosea 11:1-4, 8c-9/Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16/Matthew 10:7-15 **Friday:** Hosea 14:2-10/Psalms 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17/Matthew 10:16-23

**Saturday:** Isaiah 6:1-8/Psalms 93:1-2, 5/Matthew 10:24-33

**Next Sunday:** Deuteronomy 30:10-14/Psalms 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37

or Psalms 19:8-11/Col 1:15-20/Luke 10:25-37

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Ethel Holt, Tracy Tatum, Christine Tolson & Wardell Washington and we would also like to wish a wonderful happy wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Earnest & Sunday Glover- Cox.

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

#### LECTORS SCHEDULE

7/9/2016- 4:00pm Mass M. Holland

7/10/2016-8:30am Mass P. Nixon & A. Miles

7/10//2016- 11:00 am Mass V. Tinsley & C. Ndeumeni

### E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

7/9/2016- 4:00pmMass

P. Hamlin, R. Watson & V. Watson

7/10/2016- 8:30am Mass D. Savoy, C. Tolson & C. Holland

7/10/2016- 11:00am Mass J. Williams, E. Young & C. Young



## Church Support

## **Sunday Collection:**

Thank you for supporting our parish. May God reward you abundantly

\$3258.93

**ATTENDANCE:** 250

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY God of Mercy and Compassion, Look with pity upon me, Father, let me call Thee Father, 'Tis Thy child returns to Thee. Jesus, Lord, I ask for Mercy; Let me not implore in vain: All my sins, I now detest them, Never will I sin again.

Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, "The kingdom of God is at hand for you." - Lk 10:8-9

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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 decease 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 improve-

ment of our beautiful church. Please contact Kathy Harris Ndouga if you would like more details at (202) 575-8732.

ST. LUKE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL August 1st through 5th. Registration Blanks for Vacation Bible School are available at the exit doors of the church. Please complete them and place them in the designated basket at the rear of the church. Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the Vacation Bible School please sign up on the list in the back of the church. Talent is not a requirement.! Leave name, number and email address. Also we are looking for donations of water, juice, cookies, potato chips and snacks. Please no Peanuts or peanut butter products.

**DRESSES FOR LITTLE GIRLS IN AFRICA:** The Sodality is collecting new pillow cases of all sizes to be used for making dresses for little girls in Africa. There is a box in the back of the church to put your new pillowcases.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING will be held Saturday, July 9, 2016 at 10:00am in the St. Martin de Porres room. Please email any incomplete organizational calendars to stluke.dc@adwparish.org.

#### ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

YEAR OF MERCY: 14th Sunday In Ordinary Time: "What does the face of "mercy" look like? If you wanted to paint eyes, ears, nose, and a mouth on it, whose face would we be able to see? For examples, each of us can run to his favorite saint. I'll mention St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. She didn't end up with the life she thought was mapped out for her. Widowed at a relatively young age, she entered the Catholic Church and decided to organize a group of women to serve the poor, first of all in the Maryland area, and later in the whole country. Remember that the saints of mercy are not statues, and they're not pictures. They are flesh-and-blood people like you and me. There is no one blueprint for becoming the face of mercy and no one pattern for becoming a saint." Listen to the rest of this reflection from Fr. Frank Wright at mercy.adw.org.

**CALENDAR**