



# 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*

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday, August 7, 2016**

## PASTORAL STAFF

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## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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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. 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.  
2nd Saturday— 3:00pm  
Monday - —10:30 a.m.

Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.  
Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.  
Friday - —8:00 a.m.  
1st Friday - —7:00 p.m.  
Saturday —3:30 pm

Cameroon Mass  
Legion of Mary (French)  
Miraculous Medal Novena  
Senior Bible Study Group  
Novena to St. Joseph  
Bible Study  
Prayer for Vocations  
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 6th	4:00pm	Sunday Mass Vigil	For a Successful 2016 Vacation Bible School	Parish Family
Sunday 7th	8:30am 11:00am	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass	For Peace and Security in our Neighborhood For a Successful 2016 Vacation Bible School	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 8th	10:00am	St. Dominic OBL	Deacon Joseph Conrad++	Family
Tuesday 9th	8:00am	St. Teresa OPT	Donald Wines	Family
Wednesday 10th	8:00am	St. Lawrence FEAST	Fr. Joe Calamari SSJ	Fr. Cornelius
Thursday 11TH	10:00am	St. Clare OBL	Agnes Ejiogu	Fr. Cornelius
Friday 12th	8:00am	St. Jane OPT	Mattie Chesley++	Louise Washington

### REFLECTIONS FOR THE 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." The only thing we really know about when Jesus will come again is that we won't be expecting it. As Jesus instructs us today, the best plan of action is thus to be prepared at all times. We need to be ready and waiting to meet Jesus so that when he does return, it won't catch us off guard.

A little thought experiment might be helpful here. Let's imagine that the doorbell rings this evening after dinner. We open the door and find Jesus standing there. He asks to come in. Are we ready for this honored guest? What will he find when he steps in unannounced? Is everyone at peace around the house? Is everyone speaking with love and acting with generosity? Is there anything in our home that, in his presence, we might be ashamed of--books, shows, movies, or music that aren't appropriate? Pictures, Facebook posts, or a record of Internet history that we hope he won't discover?

Now, imagine that he came unannounced into our HEARTS this evening. What would he find there? Are our hearts ready to welcome Jesus? In truth, we need not wait for the second coming to have Jesus in our hearts. He wants to live there already today!

So regardless of the timing of the second coming of Christ, we would do well to follow the traditional spiritual practice of a daily examination of conscience to see where we are doing well and where we need to make changes. Taking such a deliberate spiritual inventory is an excellent way to help us be ready for Jesus like those servants "who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks."

### PASTOR'S CORNER

#### Treasure In Heaven - by John Godfrey Saxe

Every coin of earthly treasure  
We have lavished, upon earth,  
For our simple worldly pleasure,  
May be reckoned something worth;  
For the spending was not losing,  
Though the purchase were but small;  
It has perished with the using;  
We have had it- that is all!

#### II

All the gold we leave behind us  
When we turn to dust again  
(Though our avarice may blind us),  
We have gathered quite in vain;  
Since we neither can direct it,  
By the winds of fortune tossed,  
Nor in other worlds expect it;  
What we hoarded, we have lost.

#### III

But each merciful oblation-  
(Seed of pity wisely sown),  
What we gave in self-negation,  
We may safely call our own;  
For the treasure freely given  
Is the treasure that we hoard,  
Since the angels keep in Heaven  
What is lent unto the Lord!

## Pray for the Sick &amp; 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 Grear  
Florence Hall  
Michael Harkins  
Chris Hawkins  
Charlene Haywood  
Brenda Henson  
Michael Holland  
James Holley  
Rudolph Holley  
James Hughes  
Charles Jamison  
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, Jr.  
Matthew Thompson  
Barbara B. Tyler  
Jerome J. Wallace  
Wayne A. Wallace  
Shiela Washington  
Cecelia Williams  
Wellington Waters



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

## Readings for the Week of August 7, 2016

**Sunday:** Wisdom 18:6-9/Psalms 33:1, 12, 18-22/Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

**Monday:** Ezekiel 1:2-5, 24-28c/Psalms 148:1-2, 11-14/Matthew 17:22-27

**Tuesday:** Ezekiel 2:8--3:4/Psalms 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**Wednesday:** 2 Corinthians 9:6-10/Psalms 112:1-2, 5-9/Jonah 12:24-26

**Thursday:** Ezekiel 12:1-12/Psalms 78:56-59, 61-62/Matthew 18:21--19:1

**Friday:** Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-6/Matthew 19:3-12

**Saturday:** Ezekiel 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Psalms 51:12-15, 18-19/Matthew 19:13-15

**Next Sunday:** Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10/Psalms 40:2-4, 18/Hebrew 12:1-4 / Luke 12:49-53

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Lois Jameson, Vonda Gale, James E. Nelson III, and Laurent Ndombe.

We would also like to wish a wonderful wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Xavier, Sr. & Mildred Roots

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

## LECTORS SCHEDULE

**8/13/2016– 4:00pm Mass**

Kathy H. Ndouga

**8/14/2016– 8:30am Mass**

N. Douglas & D. Savoy

**8/14/2016– 11:00 am Mass**

V. Tinsley & J. Williams

## E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

**8/13/2016– 4:00pm Mass**

K.H.Ndouga, SGCox, & P.Glover

**8/14/2016– 8:30am Mass**

C.Tolson, L.Washington & M.Harris

**8/14/2016– 11:00am Mass**

D. Baker, S.Williams & J.Thomas

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

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

**\$4,026.16**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**257**

**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.

“Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.” — Lk 12:39-40



## **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 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.

**FEAST OF ASSUMPTION Masses** will take place on Monday, August 15, 2016 at 10:00am and 7:00pm in the church.

**SHARE** St. Luke's SHARE program takes place every month. For the month of August money is due in on August 15th. Share accepts money orders and EBT cards, no cash and no personal checks. Pick-up will be Saturday, August 27th.

**ANNUAL CRAB FEAST** sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, August 20, 2016 at St. Luke Center. Tickets cost \$50 per person. August 14 is the Contact Ray (202) 438-7298, Milton (202) 412-0465 or Lenny (202) 907-9942.

**THANK YOU** St. Luke family for your generous contributions of water, snacks and juices. You are a vital part of the success of St. Luke's Vacation Bible School 2016. May Christ reward you abundantly for your generosity. Special thanks to all volunteers for their service to our children at our parish.

## **ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON**

**YEAR OF MERCY: 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** : "It is obvious that today's world is in need of mercy and compassion. We are accustomed to bad news, cruel news and the worst atrocities that offend the name and the life of God. The world needs to discover that God is the Father, that there is mercy... This is the time for mercy. We are all sinners, all of us carry inner burdens. I felt that Jesus wanted to open the door to His heart, that the Father wants to show us his innate mercy, and for this reason he sends us the Spirit." (Pope Francis on why he called for a Year of Mercy). *Celebrate on God's mercy with us this year at [mercy.adw.org](http://mercy.adw.org).*

**CATHOLIC SINGLES OF GREATER WASHINGTON** is an organization for single Catholics, ages 21 to 65-plus, enjoying each others' company in a variety of social, religious, and cultural settings. Upcoming special event: Picnic on August 13 in Falls Church, Virginia. \$15 onsite or \$13 online. Find out more about this and other events at <http://dcsinglecatholicpro.org> or call Tricia at 301-460-9195.

**4 STAGES OF MARRIAGE**: The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery, please contact Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i). Our next weekend is September 9-11. All calls and inquiries are confidential. To register or obtain more information visit our website at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com), call 443-400-7017, or email [3015@retrovaille.org](mailto:3015@retrovaille.org) <http://dcsinglecatholicpro.org> or call Tricia at 301-460-9195.

**ASSUMPTION CHURCH IN WASHINGTON, DC CELEBRATES 100 YEARS**: On Sunday, August 14, Assumption Church in Washington, DC (3411 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., SE) will celebrate its 100th Anniversary at the 10am Mass, followed by a reception at the Town Hall Education Arts Recreation Campus (THEARC) at 1901 Mississippi Ave., SE. Please come to reconnect and celebrate the historical legacy of Assumption as we start our next 100 years. For more information, contact the parish at 202-561-4178 or [info@assumptiondc.org](mailto:info@assumptiondc.org).

## **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

**DEEP RIVER GOSPEL WORKSHOP AND SHOWCASE**: Saturday, August 13, 2016 from 10:00 AM to 7:30 PM at THEARC: Town Hall Education Arts Recreation Campus, 1901 Mississippi Avenue Southeast, Washington, DC 20020. Washington Performing Arts' Mars Urban Arts Initiative invites you to come and learn the essentials of gospel music and expand your music presentations through an indepth workshop, panel discussion, and gospel showcase. This event is open and free to the public.