

St. Luke

Catholic Church

4925 East Capitol Street, SE
Washington, DC 20019



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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 12, 2017

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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

3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m.

3rd 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 - ---6:00 p.m.

Saturday --- 3:30 pm

Cameroon Mass

Prayer Meeting

Miraculous Medal Novena

Seniors 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

In the Martin De Porres 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 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 For the Week	Requested By
Saturday 11th	4:00pm	6th Sunday Mass Vigil	Praying for a Successful 2017 Cardinal's Appeal	Parish Family
Sunday 12th	8:30am 11:00am	6th Sunday of O/Time 6th Sunday of O/Time	Praying for a Successful 2017 Cardinal's Appeal Praying for a Successful 2017 Cardinal's Appeal	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 13th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	God's healing on Carl Stein & Betty Dalton	Parish Family
Tuesday 14th	8:00am	SS. Cyril & Methodius	Happy Valentines Day Mom++	Wilson Family
Wednesday 15th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	God's Healing on Fr. Joe Del Vecchio SSJ	Parish Family
Thursday 16th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	God's Blessings for Karis Felton	Family
Friday 17th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	In Memory of Beatrice Wallace-Wright++	Jacqueline Wilson

REFLECTIONS FOR

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven." Jesus presents two paths for us today: we can break his commandments or obey them. And the result corresponds to our choice. If we decide not to follow God's guidelines, we will not enjoy the fullness of the kingdom of heaven. But if we choose otherwise, eternity will look much brighter for us!

Of course, it's easy to know in our minds what the right choice is. But putting this into practice is another matter. The commandments Jesus gives in today's Gospel are not easy to follow. He takes the ancient Ten Commandments to a deeper level of commitment. He says more than do not kill. Rather, do not even harbor anger in our hearts. He says more than do not commit adultery. Rather, do not even indulge in lustful thoughts. He says more than do not lie. Rather, do not even swear.

Undoubtedly, Jesus is asking us to chart a challenging course. But he would not expect us to follow these directives if it were impossible to do so. And it's important to bear in mind that Jesus doesn't set high standards to test or punish us. His love for us is at the root of everything he teaches us. Following these commandments, challenging though they may be, will *in fact* make us happier people, both now and in eternity! As with so many good things in life, committed effort on our part is necessary—whether it be maintaining good health, accomplishing a certain skill, or earning a sought-after award. So too with a soul that is truly free. We need to exercise a life of virtue by taking the advice of Jesus Christ, the best life coach we could ever hope to have.

PASTOR'S CORNER

**BE GENEROUS IN PROSPERITY,
AND THANKFUL IN ADVERSITY**

Be generous in prosperity,
and thankful in adversity.

Be worthy of the trust of thy neighbor, and look upon him with a bright and friendly face.

Be a treasure to the poor, an admonisher to the rich,
an answerer of the cry of the needy,
a preserver of the sanctity of thy pledge.

Be fair in thy judgment, and guarded in thy speech.

Be unjust to no man,
and show all meekness to all men.

Be as a lamp unto them that walk in darkness,
a joy to the sorrowful, a sea for the thirsty, a haven
for the distressed, an upholder and defender
of the victim of oppression. Let integrity and
uprightness distinguish all thine acts.

Be a home for the stranger, a balm to the suffering,
a tower of strength for the fugitive.

Be eyes to the blind, and a guiding light
unto the feet of the erring.

Be an ornament to the countenance of truth,
a crown to the brow of fidelity, a pillar of the temple
of righteousness, a breath of life to the body of man-
kind, an ensign of the hosts of justice, a luminary
above the horizon of virtue, a dew to the soil of the
human heart, an ark on the ocean of knowledge,
a sun in the heaven of bounty, a gem on the diadem
of wisdom, a shining light in the firmament
of thy generation,
a fruit upon the tree of humility.



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Dear Parishioners, our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of 1 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.

YOUTH MINISTRY CAREER EXPO at St. Luke's Community Center, 4923 East Capitol Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20019 on Saturday, February 18, 2017 from 11:00am to 2:00pm. For additional information please contact: Terrenthia Sweeney (202) 582-8219 or Dennita Ferrell at dennitaferrell@gmail.com.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION: St. Luke's Black History Month Celebration will conclude with our annual Unity Mass. This will be held on Sunday, February 26, 2017 beginning with the 11:00am Mass. Luncheon and Exhibition will follow immediately in St. Luke Center. There will be a limited number of tables available for family history displays. There are two sign up sheet at the back of the church to reserve a table. Names must be in by Sunday, February 19, 2017. THERE WILL BE NO 8:30AM MASS ON THAT DAY.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Calling on St. Luke men/Women to help set up tables in the Center for the Black History Month Celebration. This also includes any other VOLUNTEERS who may be able to assist in this project. Also, there are two sign up sheets for VOLUNTEERS at the back of the church or you may call Gloria Washington (301) 505-2850 or Joyce Thomas (202) 399-0943.

THANK YOU St. Luke parishioners for offering the lovely Mass and reception for myself and family upon the occasion of my retirement. You will forever be in my prayers. Thanks also for the generous gifts and flowers. Eugene F. Russell and Family.

THANK YOU to my St. Luke Family for the beautiful reception, kind words and gifts in celebration of my retirement. My family and I are very touched by your offerings and you will always be a part of our lives. John H. Quarles and family.

ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

CARDINAL'S APPEAL: SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD" (MATTHEW 6:33)

Many of our parishioners have received a mailing from Cardinal Wuerl in early January. He has asked that you make a pledge to the 2017 Cardinal's Appeal. The Cardinal's Appeal not only funds the operations of the archdiocese, it funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish. (For example, Appeal funds support... INSERT SOME OF THE MINISTRIES IN YOUR PARISH THAT RECEIVE TRAINING, OR OTHER FORMS OF SUPPORT. (See the list in the manual or on the Appeal website.)

As in past years, 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 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 2017 Cardinal's Appeal.

2017 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS: Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Monday, April 24.

MARDI GRAS: The Incarnation Sodality is hosting "Around the World" Adult Dance on Saturday, February 18, 2017 from pm-Midnight at the Incarnation Candlelight Room, 880 Eastern Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20019. Proceeds benefit the Church of the Incarnation. Donation: \$25 advance and \$30 door. For tickets call 202-396-0942.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 12, 2017

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Lester Allen
Barbara Barnes
Blanche Bourm
Barbara Batts
Ruth Bundy
Beatrice Carroll
Edna Coates
Sophie Coleman
Melinda Conrad Brown
Edith Cornish
Aniceto Charles
Alvera Dance
Lamont Diggs, Sr.
Irena Fields
Florence M. Fields

Gwendolyn Fortune
Tina Garvin
Elizabeth Gillem
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

Mary Ann Johnson
David & Keisha Jones
Lawrence Lee
Rose Luck
Bernadette Mahoney
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Michael Mason
Doris McCannon
Hilda McDougald
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
Rolland Taylor
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.
St Luke military families.

Readings for the Week of February 12, 2017

Sunday: Sirach 15:15-20/Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1
Corinthians 2:6-10/Matthew 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Monday: Genesis 4:1-15, 25/Psalms 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday: Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Psalms 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10/
Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday: Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22/Psalms 116:12-15, 18-19/Mark 8:22-26

Thursday: Genesis 9:1-13/Psalms 102:16-21, 29, 22-23/Mark 8:27-33

Friday: Genesis 11:1-9/Psalms 33:10-15/Mark 8:34—9:1

Saturday: Hebrew 11:1-7/Psalms 145:2-5, 10-11/Mark 9:2-13

Next Sunday: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18/Psalms 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1
Corinthians 3:16-23/Matthew 5:38-48

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Steven B. Quarles, Bernadine Conrad, Tony Neal, Barbara Batts, Colette Matiki, Denese Clay & Robert Thompson

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

LECTORS SCHEDULE

02/18/2017– 4:00pm Mass

K. H-Ndoug

02/19/2017– 8:30am Mass

A. Miles & F. Cooper

02/19/2017– 11:00 am Mass

B. Sweeney & B. Pianwi

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

02/18/2017– 4:00pm Mass

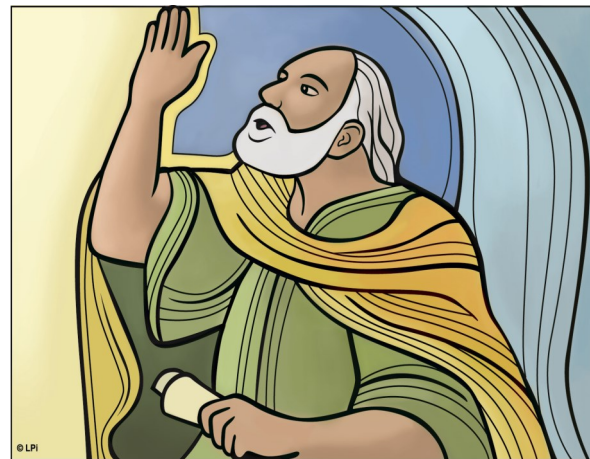
P. Hamlin & R. Watson

02/19/2017– 8:30am Mass

C. Tolson & Y. Tolson

02/19/2017– 11:00am Mass

C. Young & G. Abate



Church Support

Sunday Collection:

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

\$4,807.58

ATTENDANCE:

278

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness: **only light can do that.** Hate cannot drive out hate: **only love can do that.**”
-Martin Luther King Jr.

“Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow. But I say to you, do not swear at all. Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’” — Mt 5:33-34a, 37