



ST. LUKE

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



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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 9, 2017

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MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

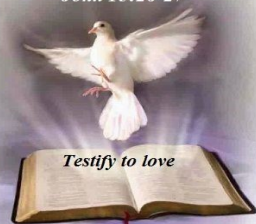
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He will testify of Me. And you
also will bear witness,
John 15:26-27



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.
Fridays ----6:00pm
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
Stations of the Cross
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 8th	4:00pm	14th Sunday (Vigil) Mass O.T	Birthday Blessings for Christine Tolson	Mercer & Elizabeth Patterson
Sunday 9th	8:30am 11:00am	15th Sunday Mass O.T 15th Sunday Mass O.T	Journey Mercies for all travelers Journey Mercies for all travelers	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 10th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	God's Blessings for Inocencio Quinones	Parish Family
Tuesday 11th	8:00am	St. Benedict OBL	God's Blessings JoAnn Coules	Parish Family
Wednesday 12th	8:00 am	Weekday Mass	In loving memory of Joseph Smith Jr. +++	Family
Thursday 13th	10:00 am	St. Henry OPT VR	God's Blessings for Precious Chukwugorzini	Getrude
Friday 14th	8:00 am	St. Kateri OBL SR	Birthday Blessing for Haydee Patterson, Jr.	Paterson Family

REFLECTION FOR THE 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Is there anyone to whom this doesn't apply? Don't we all have to labor at something, whether it be work, school, relationships, household affairs, or personal, emotional, or mental battles? Aren't we all burdened in some way at some time?

Jesus offers us powerful words of consolation in today's Gospel. He promises us rest. He calls all of us to himself, along with the baggage and burdens that we carry, and assures us that we will find relief. Thank God! What a gift for our tired, weary souls.

The strange part about the passage, however, is when Jesus suggests that in order to find this wonderful rest, we have to take a "yoke" upon our shoulders. This of course is a reference to the animal harness of old that would join two oxen together to share the weight of the load they carried. He tells us, *"Take my yoke upon you and learn from me... For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."*

Somehow, joining Jesus in his work is supposed to bring us rest! Contrary to the standard belief that *not* working is the source of relief, Jesus urges us to join him in his mission in order to find peace. But what is this mission? To be *"meek and humble of heart."* Jesus' work is to do whatever God the Father wants him to do.

As he says elsewhere, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work" (Jn 4:34). So, it seems that if we also humbly submit to doing God's work—with Jesus right alongside us as our partner in the task—we will *"find rest"* for ourselves. So as we labor through the trials of the day, may we bear this in mind, and pray that we may handle them according to the will of God.

PASTOR'S CORNER

LET'S COME TO JESUS TOGETHER

Jesus's great invitation for us to come to him, exchange yokes, and find rest is not intended for us to do in isolation. He intends for us to come to him in community, to come together. That's one massive reason the church exists.

We all bear burdens and become weary, but in different ways, for different reasons, and often at different times. When we are weary, we are easily discouraged and can be given to cynical unbelief. In those moments we are often not the best preachers for our souls. We need others to speak truth to us and help us believe in Jesus.

That's why we are not to neglect "to meet together, as is the habit of some, but [to keep on] encouraging one another" (Hebrews 10:25). We are to "exhort one another every day, as long as it is called 'today,' that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin" (Hebrews 3:13).

So if you are weary, for whatever reason, however complex, Jesus invites you to come. Come, take his light yoke of believing in him. And if it's hard, don't come alone. Come to Jesus with and through a believing friend. Believe, abide, and follow Jesus's example. And you will find rest for your soul.

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Lester Allen
Barbara Barnes
Blanche Bourm
Barbara Batts
Tammy Berry
Ruth Bundy
Beatrice Carroll
Edna Coates
Melinda Conrad Brown
Edith Cornish
Aniceto Charles
Joyce Cristwell
Alvera Dance
Lamont Diggs, Sr.
Irena Fields

Florence M. Fields
Gwendolyn Fortune
Tina Garvin
Elizabeth Gillem
Joseph Grear
Florence Hall
Steve Halle
Dawn Lattimer Handen
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
Monica Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Michael Mason
Doris McCannon
Hilda McDougald
Alice L. Montague
Martyn Montague

Veronica Murray
Marlene Patterson
Silvia Perry
Lillian Pharms
Alfred Price
Joseph Queen
James Ratiff
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.

Readings for the Week of July 9, 2017

Sunday: Zechariah 9:9-10/Psalms 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14/Romans 8:9, 11-13/Matthew 11:25-30

Monday: Genesis 28:10-22a/Psalms 91:1-4, 14-15ab/Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday: Genesis 32:23-33/Psalms 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15/Matthew 9:32-38

Wednesday: Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Psalms 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/ Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday: Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Psalms 105:16-21/ Matthew 10:7-15

Friday: Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30/Psalms 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/ Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday: Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Psalms 105:1-4, 6-7/Matthew 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Isaiah 55:10-11/Psalms 65:10-14/Romans 8:18-23/ Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Regina A. Rivers, Gloria A. Thompson, Delores Woodard, Betty D. Gale, Christine Tolson, Paul Mahoney, Peggy Wines, Syparia Harris, Jewel Martin Leach, Cinque Smith, Sharon Lucas-Smith, Caitlyn Boatwright & London Warner.

**May the Joy of the Lord
Be your strength!!!**

LECTORS SCHEDULE

07/15/2017- 4:00pm Mass
P Glover & S.G. Cox

07/0162017-830am Mass
D. Savoy & C. Tolson

07/16/2017- 11:00 am Mass
E. Young & G. Abate

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

07/15/2017- 4:00pm Mass
K.H. Ndouga

07/16/2017-8:30am Mass
D. Lucas, & M.G. Wright

07/16/2017- 11:00am Mass
T. Sweeney & S. Williams



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Sunday Collection:

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ATTENDANCE:
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— Mt 11:28-30



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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL staff will meet on Tuesday, July 18 at 6:30pm in the Hall.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP July 31 thru August 4: We would appreciate your donations of small bottle waters, juices, and snacks (Please, no peanut products) for VBC. Our kids appreciate your generosity!

DO YOU: Laugh, dance, pray, read, draw, love children, have patience, sing (out-of-tune)? If you do any or all, or maybe more; then you are ideal for VBC! Contact me, Shirley Williams, at 301/518-5596. Delighted to have you on the team!

ANNUAL CRABFEAST: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the Annual Crab Feast on Saturday, September 9 from 5pm to 9pm in the St. Luke Center. It is all you can eat and there will be other catered food. Tickets are \$50. The contacts are Keith Quarles 301-785-0315, Lenny Jones 202-907-3342 and Ray Crawford 202-438-7298.

SAVE THE DATE for St. Luke's Street Festival on August 19, 2017. More information will come later.

60TH ANNIVERSARY "TEE SHIRTS" can now be pre-ordered for \$10 (\$12 for 2x and above). Please sign up at the back of the church or contact any member or the committee or parish office to place your order.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

MID-MARYLAND MISSION OF MERCY & HEALTH EQUITY FESTIVAL on September 7, 8 & 10th 2017 from 7:00am to 5:00pm at the University of Maryland, College Park Xfinity Center will provide the following dental procedure: Hygiene (Cleaning) Restorative (Fillings) and Oral Surgery (Extractions) for free but it is FIRST COME FIRST SERVED. You do not have to be a Maryland resident. This is a Catholic Charities event. All dentist and volunteers are welcome to assist.

A FAMILY DISCO presented by St. Margaret's Spiritual Stepper on Saturday, July 15 in St. Margaret's Omega Room from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. The cost is \$3 per family member. For tickets and more information contact Lynne Harris @ 301-806-8336 or Cynthia Thomas at @301-728-4829.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARENESS WEEK: The theme for Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week, July 23-29, is "It's time! Say 'Yes' to God's plan for married love!" NFP Awareness Week is a national educational campaign of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to celebrate God's vision for marriage and promote the methods of NFP. These methods reflect the dignity of the human person within the context of marriage and family life, promoting openness to life and the gift of the child. By respecting the love-giving and life-giving nature of marriage, NFP can enrich the bond between husband and wife. For more information about NFP visit, www.adw.org/nfp

ARCHDIOCESAN DAY OF REFLECTION FOR MARRIED COUPLES: The archdiocesan Office of Family Life is hosting a Day of Reflection for Married Couples on Sunday, July 23 from 8:30am-3pm at St. Catherine Labouré in Wheaton, MD. The day will be led by Fr. Ángel Espinoza de Los Monteros from México. He will be talking about communication in marriage and growing deeper in your relationship with your spouse. Talks will be in Spanish but with simultaneous translation into English. Registration: adwdayofreflectionformarriedcouples.eventbrite.com.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH IN BARNESVILLE, MD CORDIALLY INVITES YOU to join in their 142nd annual Chicken Dinner and Jousting Tournament on Saturday, July 29th from Noon to 7 pm. Full course dinners served inside are \$16 for adults, children 12 and under are free. Carryout is \$16 for all ages. There is a Jousting Tournament from 1 —4 pm, which is free to spectators. There will also be a craft booth, games for the children, baked goods, cake-wheel, candy stand, country store, white elephant sand, book store, and other games of chance. Mass will be celebrated in the shrine church at 4pm and 5 pm.