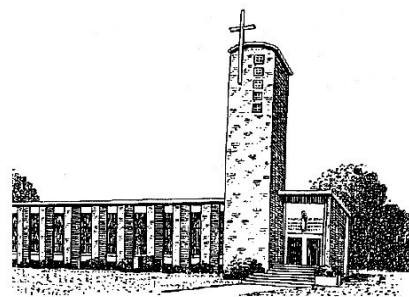


# ST. LUKE

CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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WASHINGTON, DC 20019



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**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

**Sunday, March 25, 2018**

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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 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.**

Cameroon Community  
Mass & Fellowship

**3rd Saturday- 3:00pm**

Prayer Meeting

**Monday - ---10:30 a.m.**

Miraculous Medal Novena  
Seniors Bible Study Group

**Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.**

Novena to St. Joseph

**Wednesday- 5:00pm**

Adoration/Confession

**Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.**

Bible Study

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

Prayer for Vocations

**1st Friday - --6:00 p.m.**

Holy Hour

**Fridays----6:00pm**

Stations of the Cross

**Saturday --- 3:30 pm**

Rosary

**1st & 3rd Sunday 11am/12:30**

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## Mass Schedule

**Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.**

**Sunday Masses 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**

## Weekday Masses

### In the Martin De Pores 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. Please call parish office for more information.

Weekday	Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention For the Week	Requested By
Saturday 24h	4:00pm	Palm Sunday( Vigil)	For the Repose of the Souls of Evangeline & Edward Faison+++	Faison Family
Sunday 25th	8:30am 11:00am	Palm Sunday Palm Sunday	God's Protection and Travelling Mercy on students and supporters who participated at the March for our lives	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 26th	10:00am	Monday of Holy Week	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Pa Lauren Ebendeng +++	Members of Ablaze
Tuesday 27th	8:00am	Tuesday of Holy Week	God's healing blessings on Lenny Jones & Michael Mallet	Parish Family
Wednesday 28th	6:00pm	Wednesday of Holy Week	CELEBRATION OF SEDER MEAL & EVENING PRAYERS	NO MASS
Thursday 29th	10:00 am	Holy Thursday	God's Blessing on all Priest on this Feast Day	Parish Family
Friday 30th	3:00 pm	Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Harry Washington+++ (BB)	Louise Washington

### REFLECTION FOR PALM SUNDAY

Our humanity bleeds through today's Gospel passages in more ways than one. We see both elation and fall, hope in the midst of the darker sides of our natures. If we allow it, these Gospels hold a mirror to our own fickle hearts. The crowds cry "*Hosanna*" and the Apostles profess allegiance unto death. In a manner of days – even hours – Jesus is betrayed, abandoned, denied, condemned, tortured, and executed. As God, he could have stopped this horrific narrative from unfolding, but he doesn't. He allows free will to play itself out. There are nearly two millennia between this spectacle and us. We can stand safely removed, if we choose. But Lent invites us to return to this story. Lent invites us to find ourselves in the people we encounter there.

Are we the repentant woman at Bethany? Are we naysayers of such lavish piety? Have we acted in a way that betrays those we love or denies what we know to be good and true? Have we fallen asleep in our faith? Have we unfairly accused others of a crime or immorality we imagine, though perhaps they didn't commit? Do we help others carry their burdens? Do we stand in solidarity with those who suffer? Do we care for the dying? This week, take up today's Gospel again. Look carefully at the Passion narrative and sit with it in silence. Find yourself in the story and ponder its meaning for your own life. Journey with Jesus to the foot of the Cross so that you too may say, along with the faithful centurion, "*truly this man was the Son of God!*"

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### PASTOR'S CORNER

#### PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified. Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage.

This was a customary practice for people of great respect. Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday. The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war.

A week later, Christ would rise from the dead on the first Easter. During Palm Sunday Mass, palms are distributed to parishioners who carry them in a ritual procession into church. The palms are blessed and many people will fashion them into small crosses or other items of personal devotion. These may be returned to the church, or kept for the year.

Because the palms are blessed, they may not be discarded as trash. Instead, they are appropriately gathered at the church and incinerated to create the ashes that will be used in the follow year's Ash Wednesday observance. The colors of the Mass on Palm Sunday are red and white, symbolizing the redemption in blood that Christ paid for the world.

Culled <https://www.catholic.org/lent/palmsunday.php>

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord****Sunday, March 25, 2018****Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish**

Barbara Barnes	Irena Fields	Melvin Jamison	Regina Neal	James F. Thompson, Jr.
Blanche Bourm	Florence M. Fields	Mary Ann Johnson	Florence Patterson	Matthew Thompson
Barbara Batts	Tina Garvin	David & Keisha Jones	Marlene Patterson	Barbara B. Tyler
Tanisha Bennett	Elizabeth Gillem	Lawrence Lee	Silvia Perry	Jerome J. Wallace
Tammy Berry	Joseph Grear	Fred Lewis	Lillian Pharms	Wayne A. Wallace
Ruth Bundy	Florence Hall	Maria A. Logan	Alfred Price	Shiela Washington
Beatrice Carroll	Steve Halle	Rose Luck	Joseph Queen	Cecelia Williams
Edna Coates	Dawn Lattimer	Bernadette Mahoney	James Ratiff	Wellington Waters
Melinda Conrad Brown	Michael Harkins	Doreene Mahoney	Doreene Redd	Terrell Wilson
Edith Cornish	Chris Hawkins	Monica Mahoney	Leroy Sandifer	Dolores Woodard, Jr.
Aniceto Charles	Charlene Haywood	Barbara Mallory	Betty Smith	Harold Woodard, Sr.
Joyce Cristwell	Brenda Henson	Michael Mason	Ruth Stokes	St Luke military fami- lies.
Alvera Dance	James Holley	Doris McCannon	Kayla Tatum	
Lamont Diggs, Sr.	Rudolph Holley	Alice L. Montague	Rolland Taylor	
Marita C. Edelin	James Hughes	Veronica Murray	Gloria Thompson	

**Readings for the Week of March 25, 2018**

Sunday: Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16/Isaiah 50:4-7/Psalms 22:8-9, 17- 18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/  
Philippians 2:6-11/Mark 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

Monday: Isaiah 42:1-7/Psalms 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/John 12:1-11

Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6/Psalms 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Isaiah 50:4-9a/Psalms 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/ Matthew 26:14-25

Thursday: *Chrim Mass*: Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Psalms 89:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6[2a]/Revelations 1:5-8/  
Luke 4:16-21

*Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper*: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14/Psalms 116:12- 13, 15-16bc, 17-18  
[cf. 1 Corinthians 10:16]/1 Corinthians 11:23- 26/John 13:1-15

Friday: Isaiah 52:13—53:12/Psalms 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Luke 23:46]/Hebrew 4:14-16;  
5:7-9/John 18:1—19:42

Saturday: *Vigil*: Genesis 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Psalms 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or  
Psalms 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Genesis 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Psalms  
16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Exodus 14:15—15:1/Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Isaiah 54:5  
-14/Psalms 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Isaiah 55:1-11/Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Baruch 3:9-  
15, 32—4:4/Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [John 6:68c]/Ezra 36:16-17a, 18-28/Psalms 42:3, 5;  
43:3, 4 [42:2] or Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Psalms 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/  
Romans 6:3-11/Psalms 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mark 16:1-7

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Psalms 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians  
5:6b-8/John 20:1-9 or Mark 16:1-7 or Luke 24:13-35

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY**

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Mary Whisonant, Shirley Williams, Barbara Roberts, Gertrude Quarles, Keyanna M. Taylor, James F. Thompson, Jr., Edwinna Taylor, Paulette Hamlin, Barbara Nipper, and Annie Harris.

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

**LECTORS SCHEDULE  
3/31/2018– 4:00pm Mass**

T. Sweeney, R. Johnson &  
Christian M.

**4/1/2018-830am Mass**  
D. Savoy & J. Schofield

**4/1/2018– 11:00 am Mass**  
I. Quinones & M. Hyde

**E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE**

**3/31/2018– 4:00pm Mass**  
P. Glover & R. Watson

**4/1/2018-8:30am Mass**  
L. Washington & Y. Tolson

**4/1/2018– 11:00am Mass**  
B. Conrad & E. Young

**Quote of the Week**

I have learned over the years  
that when one's mind is made  
up, this diminishes fear; know-  
ing what must be done does  
away with fear.  
— **Rosa Parks**

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

Thank you for supporting  
our parish.

May God reward you abundantly  
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**ATTENDANCE:**

Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out:  
“Hosanna!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!  
Hosanna in the highest!”

— Mk 11:9-10



## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Dear Parishioners, our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of leaves at the northwest corner of the inside 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.

### SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Holy Monday Chrism Mass at St. Matthew's Cathedral 7:00pm  
 Holy Wednesday Sacrificial Meal and Evening Prayer at 6:00pm (No 8:00am Mass)  
 Holy Thursday Lord's Supper and Washing of the Feet 7:00pm  
 Good Friday Lord's Passion 3:00pm  
 Saturday Easter Vigil: 7:30pm  
 Easter Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am. (English) 1:30pm (French Mass)

**2018 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS:** The annual Jubilarian Celebration of marriage honoring couples married 25,30,35,40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 17, 2018 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Cardinal Donald Wuerl will preside at the Mass. Please call the rectory office to sign up. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Monday, April 16.

**SPECIAL THANKS:** To all of you who made this year's Lenten Fish Fry a huge success, I thank you...this Parish is indeed grateful for your generosity. To you our **CCD TEACHERS AND VOLUNTEERS**, thank you for putting together a wonderful Youth Career EXPO last Saturday. May God reward all your efforts. Never be tired of doing good.

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**UNITE TO END RACISM:** On April 3rd through 5th the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA and partners will gather together in Washington D.C. for ecumenical prayer services and a rally, April 3 through 5th a historical event to launch its Truth and Racial Justice Initiative. As we mark 50 years since the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King on April 4th 1968 we will commit to do our part to eradicate the entrenched racism that grips the United States and paralyzes our ability to see every human being as equal. For more information you may contact 202-544-2350 or [www.nationalcouncilofchurches.us](http://www.nationalcouncilofchurches.us).

**THE ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (ACCA)** is offering their monthly Rosary call on April 4 at 8:00pm. They can pray for you specifically, you may call Carol Monico spirituality Commission Chair at [archdiocesecw@gmail.com](mailto:archdiocesecw@gmail.com) or call or text her at (301)651-8-90.

**WINE & CHEESE DATE NIGHT FOR NEWLY WEDS & ENGAGED COUPLES** on April 7 from 7:30 to 9:30pm. Our Lady of Bethesda offers events for newly married couples (3 years or less); engaged couples are also welcome! The program is a fun and informative series that offers practical & spiritual tools to help couples make their marriage GREAT! Cost to attend is \$20 per couples. Please register in advance to help them prepare [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org) or call 301-365-0612. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd, Bethesda, MD. Please meet us in the Stone House located behind the retreat center.

24th Annual Archdiocesan Vocation Mass for 8th Graders will be held on Tuesday April 24th at 10:30 am in the upper church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C. Mass will include a homily by the archdiocesan priest and a talk by a religious sister. After Mass the students will be given the opportunity to visit and speak with seminarians, priests, and consecrated religious men and women. For more information please contact the Office of Priests Vocations at [vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org) or 202-636-9020.

**SOME (SO OTHERS MIGHT EAT) Senior Summer Camp for Seniors 65 years and older.** The dates are July 16-20, 2018 or July 23-27, 2018 in Kearneysville, West Virginia. Buses pick you up and bring you back! Call 202-797-8806 ext, 1034 or ext. 1018 for details.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**START YOUR CAREER TODAY—ENROLL IN JOBS CORP.** There will be an informational session on April 5th and 16th at 2:00pm at the Dorothy I. Heights /Benning Neighborhood Library, 3935 Benning Road N.E., D.C.