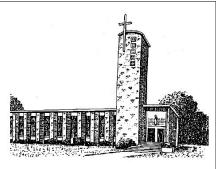


# ST. LUKE

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# 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 29, 2018

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# 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 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. 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.

Fridays———6:00pm Saturday --- 3:30 pm

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

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

**Miraculous Medal Novena Seniors Bible Study Group Prayer for Vocations Holy Hour Stations of the Cross** Rosary O/L of Guadalupe CWA



# 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 Godparents 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.

17th Sunday of Ordinary Sunday, July 29, 2018						
Weekday		Time	Feast of the Day		Mass Intention For the Week	Requested By
Saturday	28th	4:00pm	17th Sunday in O T (Vigil)		In Thanksgiving for the Blessings	Bernadine Conrad
Sunday	29th	8:30am 11:00am			In Thanksgiving to God for the 10th Anniversary of the ordination of Deacon Richard Walker.	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday	30th	10:00am	St. Peter	OPT	God's Blessings for Good Recovery for Anna Washington	Gladys M-Lee-Holley
Tuesday	31st	8:00am	St. Ignatius	OBL	Eternal Repose of the soul of Makiyah Wilson+++	Parish Family

God's healing and Blessings on Katty Ndouga

Eternal Repose of the Souls of Susie & Frank McDougald+++

Eternal Repose of the Soul of Rev. Deacon Joseph Conrad+++

## REFLECTION FOR 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am

10:00 am

8:00am

Wednesday 1st

Thursday

Friday

St. Alphonsus

St. Eusebius

Weekday Mass

OBL

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Have you ever wanted to be part of something bigger? Even the most independent among us likes to make changes and have an impact on others. In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus demonstrates one of his most iconic miracles — the multiplication of the loaves. It is a sign of the institution of the Eucharist, when we are fed not by bread but by the Body of Christ.

In the stories of ancient pagan gods, mighty deeds were done entirely under the gods' own power. Mortals may have offered sacrifices to start the chain of events, but they played little role in the miraculous works themselves. Jesus is entirely different. The multiplication of the loaves is a prime example not only of Jesus' power over nature, but of the way he equips his disciples.

First, Jesus asks Philip a question "to test him." Jesus has seen the crowds and "he himself knew what he was going to do," but he wants his disciples to start thinking about the problem and its solution. Andrew offers a suggestion, though he isn't confident in it.

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus honors Andrew's suggestion, takes the offered loaves, and delegates the Apostles to bring order to the crowd. When the crowd has been fed, the Apostles "gather the fragments left over." In the process, they discover with wonder that bread has been produced in super abundance.

In the sacraments, God works through simple matter to make grace real in our lives. He works in and through us as well. Are you facing problems that could have spiritual solutions? Is there a need in your parish or community that you could meet? Whatever our hesitancies, Jesus honors our simple loaves and fishes. He invites us to participate in his generous work of redemption, just as we are.

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# PASTOR'S CORNER

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# Hidden Symbols in the Loaves and Fish

Yeshua fed a multitude of five thousand with five barley loaves and two small fish. What do the fish and the loaves represent? Why do we associate the fish-symbol with Yeshua?

The Master asked the twelve, "How many loaves do you have?" They had none. He told them, "Go look" (Mark 6:38). Andrew located a young boy with a few wafers of bread and two small fish. He said, "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are these for so many people?" (John 6:9). The Master said, "Bring them here to Me" (Matthew 14:18).

The five loaves did not resemble large loaves of bread such as one might purchase at a bakery today. Rather the unleavened wafers of barley bread resembled small, flat pitas, each one, perhaps sufficient as one or two servings. The course barley bread, less expensive than wheat flour, made a staple for the poor. The two fish were probably dried sardines such as the fisheries from Magdala produced.

The fish and loaves might intend no symbolism at all. Those living near Lake Galilee relied on bread and fish as the staples of their diet. Or perhaps they imply some cryptic, Messianic meaning. Interpreters have attempted to find symbolic meaning in the five loaves and the two fish and make a wide variety of proposals. Most Christian commentaries are quick to make a connection to sacramental gestures in connection with the Last Seder, but the symbolism is then incomplete. The Master did not serve wine to the five thousand, nor did He serve fish at the Seder.

From a Jewish perspective, five loaves might represent five books of Torah. Rabbinic symbolism often represents Torah with bread. In view of this symbolism, the feeding of the five thousand represents the teaching of the Master—the *torah* (teaching) of the prophet like Moses—going out to the masses. The fish might represent the Leviathan on which (according to Jewish eschatology) the righteous will dine at the Messianic banquet in the kingdom.

The fish icon became a natural icon of the early believers: the Master's earliest disciples were fishermen; He made them into "fishers of men"; the gospels contain several fish stories. One scholar suggests that the fish symbol relates to Yehoshua ben Nun (Joshua son of Nun). The name Yeshua is the Aramaic version of the Hebrew name Yehoshua. Moreover, in Aramaic, the word nun means "fish." Rebbe Nachman of Breslov adds that one of the names of Messiah is dag, "fish." An early Jewish teaching about Joshua says, "And the son of him whose name was as the name of a fish would lead them into the land" (*Genesis Rabbah* 97:4).

Excerpt culled from https://torahportions.ffoz.org/disciples/synoptic-gospels/hidden-symbols-in-the-loaves.html

# 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 29, 2018

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

**Barbara Barnes Blanche Bourm Barbara Batts** Tanisha Bennett Tammy Berry **Ruth Bundy** Valene Chemoo **Beatrice Carroll Edna Coates** Melinda Conrad Brown Charlene Haywood **Edith Cornish Aniceto Charles** Joyce Cristwell **Alvera Dance** Lamont Diggs, Sr.

Marita C. Edelin Irena Fields Florence M. Fields Tina Garvin Elizabeth Gillem Florence Hall Steve Halle **Michael Harkins Chris Hawkins Brenda Henson James Holley Rudolph Holley James Hughes Melvin Jamison** 

Mary Ann Johnson **David & Keisha Iones Dawn Lattimer Lawrence Lee Fred Lewis** Maria A. Logan Rose Luck **Bernadette Mahoney Doreene Mahoney Barbara Mallory** Michael Mason **Doris McCannon** Alice L. Montague Veronica Murray Regina Neal

Florence Patterson **Marlene Patterson** Silvia Perry **Lillian Pharms Alfred Price James Ratiff Doreene Redd Leroy Sandifer Betty Smith** Kayla Tatum **Rolland Taylor** Gloria Thompson James F. Thompson, Jr. **Matthew Thompson** Barbara B. Tyler

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 July 29th 2018

Sunday: 2 Kings 4:42-44/Psalms 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Ephesians

4:1-6/ John 6:1-15

Jeremiah 13:1-11/Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Matthew Monday:

13:31-35

Jeremiah 14:17-22/Psalms 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [9]/Matthew 13:36-43 Tuesday:

Wednesday: Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21/Psalms 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18 [17d]/

Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday: Jeremiah 18:1-6/Psalms 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [5a]/Matthew 13:47-

Jeremiah 26:1-9/Psalms 69:5, 8-10, 14 [14c]/Matthew 13:54-58 Friday: Saturday: Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24/Psalms 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 [14c]/

Matthew14:1-12

Next Sunday: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15/Psalms 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Ephesians

4:17, 20-24/John 6:24-35

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Beverly P. Russell, Brenna Ratiff, and a wonderful wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Wardell E. and Gloria C. Washington.

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

## LECTORS SCHEDULE

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

8/4/2018- 4:00pm Mass P. Wines & M. Holland

8/4/2018- 4:00pm Mass S.G. Cox & R. Watson

8/5/2018-830am Mass C. Tolson & A. Miles

8/5/2018-8:30am Mass D. Lucas & Y. Tolson

8/5/2018- 11:00 am Mass

8/5/2018-11:00am Mass

B. Robinson & S. Williams

R. Brooks & M. Harris

"If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other."

Mother Teresa

# Church Support

# **Sunday Collection:**

Thank you for supporting our parish. May God reward you abundantly \$3,273.65

> **ATTENDANCE:** 237

**I**here is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, 

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

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

<u>PLEASE HELP PREVENT SUICIDE:</u> Do you know anyone contemplating suicide? Are you going through a crisis that seems unresolvable? Please contact National Suicide Helpline @ 1800-273-8255 or Text CONNECT to 741741 from any where in the USA, anytime, about any type of crisis. Or you can also call Parish office 202-584-8322 for immediate help. God loves you & so do I.

<u>CHICKEN & RIB DINNERS</u> will be sold by the Daughters of Isabella on Sat, Aug. 4th from 11am to 6pm and Sunday, August 5th after both Masses.

<u>ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB FEAST</u> on August 18, 2018 from 5-8pm. Also on the menu: hot dogs, hamburgers, fried chicken seafood salad and plenty more. All you can eat. Tickets are \$55. There is no take out. Contacts: Ray 202-438-7298, Keith 301-785-0315, Ronald 202-485-7456. and Lenny 202-883-2143.

**ARCHDIOCESAN SPECIAL COLLECTION:** On the weekend of August 4/5 there will be a special collection for the Catholic Communication and Human Development. The funds support the various communication initiatives of the church and funds that help the poor and disenfranchised. Please be generous.

**FLEE MARKET/STREET FESTIVAL:** St. Luke Sodality will be hosting its Annual Flee Market/Street Festival on September 8, 2018. Table rental will be \$15.00. For further information contact Joyce Thomas at 202-399-0943.

THE ARK ENCOUNTER & CREATION MUSEUM is being presented by The Daughters of Isabella. The incredible price includes \$604 for 5 days and 4 nights, May 6–10, 2019. Includes meals and admission to three museums, your lodging, a visit to a casino and much more. For more information and reservations contact Janice Williams @ (202)263-9098 and Debbie Baker @ (202)584-1130.

### **ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS**

**YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS WITH ROY PETIFILS:** The archdiocesan office of youth ministry is sponsoring two events featuring counselor, speaker and award winning author Roy Petifils. On Thursday, August 23rd at 7:00pm, a session for parents on "Helping Hurting Teens" will be held at St. Mary of the Mills Church in Laurel, MD (114 St. Mary's Place. On Friday, August 24th from 10am to 2pm, a Youth Minister training will be held at the Pope Francis Center in Landover Hills, MD. (7202 Buchanan Street). Both events are free and the youth ministry training is open to youth ministers, campus ministers, and catechetical leaders. For more information and to register contact Tex Phelps at 301-853-4467.

"HOLY ANGELS CHURCH SEAFOOD DINNER" On Sunday, September 9th from 11:30 to 4:00pm Holy Angels Church in Avenue, MD (21340 Colton Point Road) will be serving a delicious seafood dinner. The menu includes Fried Oysters, steamed spice shrimp and plenty other delicious seafoods, vegetables and deserts. Adults \$28 dollars, children (12 to 6) \$8.00, children 5 and under are free. For more information call the rectory at 301-769-3332.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

A YOUTH PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP: CulturalDC is excited to bring our Mobile Art Gallery to Ward 7 in partnership with Sign of the Times, a youth photography workshop! Throughout July and August, professional photographers will help Ward 7 kids hone their photography skills and take field trips to exhibitions. It will culminate in a youth-curated installation in CulturalDC's Mobile Art Gallery to be located at the East River Park shopping center. The Community Kick-Off will take place on Saturday, August 11th 2-4pm at the East River Park Shopping Center (322 40th Street, N.E.) in celebration of the launch of the youth photography exhibition. They are looking for Community performers of all ages and levels for a performance at the Community Kick-Off. All interested performers should email Caitlin Caplinger, External Engagement Associate at Caitlin@culturaldc.org. Contact Lydia Kimbrough at 404-345-6339.