

Sunday, June 13, 2021

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 4pm
Fridays & Weekend: By Appointment

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11th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.”
- Mk 4:30-32b

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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 2019 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.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30am & 11:00am

2nd Sunday 1:15pm (Igbo) 3rd Sunday 1:15pm (French)

Weekday Masses

In the Martin De Pores Chapel

Monday: 10:00am & Thursday: 10:00am

Wednesday Bible Study: 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday 7:00pm . –8:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm Sunday: 7:30am-8:15am

Sunday: 10:00am-10:45am Or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant Baptism registration takes place at the Parish Office prior to baptism preparation class which is held on the First Saturday of each month. Baptism takes place every First Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please call parish office for more information.

PASTOR'S CORNER**REFLECTION FOR
ELEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

A favorite motto of St. Teresa of Calcutta was, "do small things with great love." This is how it works in the kingdom of God. God can do tremendous things with the smallest gesture, especially when it is done in love. We can clearly see that our world is suffering greatly. People are struggling to find peace, navigate through conflicts, earn a sustainable living, find security and enough food to eat, and work through political tensions and conflicts. In the light of the magnitude of the difficulties that exist around us and even within us, we can find ourselves floundering to discover practical, effective solutions. How can something so large be helped by someone as small and seemingly insignificant as me? While whole systems and structures may be out of the league of our personal influence, are we really that helpless in the midst of all of the turmoil, sadness, and suffering?

If we believe that God is with us and that God is still working to bring about the glory of God's kingdom, then the answer is no. We are never helpless or without hope. Armed with a strong life of prayer, we can always flee to God and ask for inspiration, wisdom, and especially love. We are all blessed with unique gifts and talents and it often seems that considering all that the world lacks, love and charity remain at the top of the list. Life can easily become a battleground of hostility. Because life is challenging and difficult, anger is not far away. We see it on people's faces and hear it in their voices. There is a measure of frustration that permeates all avenues of life. It is even felt in the air.

As people of faith, we know that what we see here is not the end but only a part of something far greater to come. We know that God's kingdom is where we are ultimately meant to be, and the Gospel is the way to get there. If love and charity can prevail in us, then God will be able to do what God does best. God will use us to scatter the seeds of his kingdom. Through our small gestures, those seeds can receive the nurturing attention that is necessary for them to bear great fruit. We cannot fall victim to the strife that is around us. We have to keep ourselves refreshed and focused so that even in small ways, we can become part of the solution, not the problem. Love and charity, which come from God, can help to heal the ills of the world. May we bring these simple gifts to the everyday simple tasks of our lives! Watch how big the plant grows!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to
 Gloria Fantroy, Katrina Griffin,
 Beverly Stewart, Patricia Knox,
 Barbara Batiste, Rosden McKissett,
 Milton Harris, Jr., and Belinda Guest.

**MAY THE JOY OF THE LORD
 BE YOUR STRENGTH!!!**

Readings for week of June 13, 2021

Sunday: Ezra 17:22-24/Psalms 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Corinthians 5:6-10/Mark 4:26-34
Monday: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10/Psalms 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Matthew 5:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9/Psalms 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a [1b]/Matthew 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11/Psalms 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 [1b]/Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11/Psalms 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 [7a]/Matthew 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30/Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [cf. 18b]/Matthew 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10/Psalms 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [9a]/Matthew 6:24-34
Next Sunday: Job 38:1, 8-11/Psalms 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Corinthians 5:14-17/Mark 4:35-41

Church Support

Please consider making a donation to support our parish during this trying times. You may Drop off or mail your gifts to the parish. You may give online through our website:

<http://www.stlukechurchssj.org/>
 And clicking on the donate button.
 You may also TEXT: 202-335-3116

WEEKLY MASS

Monday 06/14 Weekday	Thursday 06/17 Weekday
Tuesday 06/15 Weekday	Friday 06/18 Weekday
Wednesday 06/16 Weekday	Saturday 06/19 St. Romuald

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Barnes	Marita C. Edelin	Maria A. Logan	Kayla Tatum	Innocencio Quinones
Blanche Bourm	Tina Garvin	Bernadette Mahoney	Rolland Taylor	St Luke military families.
Barbara Batts	Elizabeth Gillem	Doreene Mahoney	Gloria Thompson-Price	All the Homeless men and women in our community.
Tanisha Bennett	Florence Hall	Barbara Mallory	James F. Thompson, Jr.	Please pray for all those who are sick but have no one to pray for them
Tammy Berry	Steve Halle	Doris McCannon	Matthew Thompson	
Ruth Bundy	Chris Hawkins	Alice L. Montague	Barbara B. Tyler	
Beatrice Carroll	Charlene Haywood	Veronica Murray	Wayne A. Wallace	
Melinda Conrad-Brown	Brenda Henson	David Neal	Marquita Ward	
Edith Cornish	James Holley	Florence Patterson	Shiela Washington	
Aniceto Charles	Rudolph Holley	Marlene Patterson	Steven Washington	
Patricia Chase	James Hughes	Silvia Perry	Cecelia Williams	
Valene Chemoo	Melvin Jamison	Lillian Pharms	Wellington Waters	
Joyce Cristwell	Mary Ann Johnson	Kecia Proctor	Dolores Woodard, Jr.	
Alvera Dance	David & Keisha Jones	Doreene Redd	Harold Woodard, Sr.	
Iyana Davage	Dawn Lattimer	Leroy Sandifer		
	Lawrence Lee	Betty Smith		



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 21 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.

St. Luke Parish Weekly Schedule

Mondays Morning Mass @ 10:00am (will also be livestreamed)

Wednesday Bible Study Live Stream & Voice @ 6:00pm

Thursdays Morning Mass @ 10:00am (will also be livestreamed)

First Friday & Last Friday Adoration @ 7:00pm

Saturday Holy Rosary (Voice call only) @ 6:00pm

Sunday Mass 8:30 am & 11:00am (11am mass will also be livestreamed)

WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH AND THE EUCHARIST

Dear parishioners, I would like to welcome you back to your home (God's dwelling place). The past year and half have been difficult, challenging and shocking. It has also been a period of blessing; for we are still alive in the land of the living. So we (St. Luke faithful's) are thankful to the Lord for his blessings and protection. Now that many of us have been fully vaccinated (hopefully you have), we are invited back to our church to physically worship together. Truth be told, I miss your presence deeply and we miss seeing each other, praying for one another and supporting others. As you make the decision to return, please call your neighbors and encourage them to do likewise. We promise to keep observing the guidelines and best practices that would help us gather without incidence. I pray that God would protect us all and grant us His grace and mercy.

I am longing to have you back to share your warmth, joy and passion for the Kingdom.

PS: Fr. Cornelius loves you.

To continue assisting St. Luke: You may **DROP OFF** your donation or **MAIL** your check or visit our **WEBSITE** <http://www.stlukechurchssj.org/Donate> OR **TEXT**: 202-335-311621

Offertory Contributions for 06/13 / 2021:

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Quote of the Day:

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL for Mary Peterson-Johnson on Thursday, June 17. Viewing at 10:00am and Funeral Mass at 11:00. Please pray for the family.

COVID VACCINATIONS Anyone who wants a COVID vaccination and does not have the transportation to get to a site please call the Rectory ((202)584-8322) and we will find a way to provide transportation for you.

THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY would like to invite everyone to a socially distant Rosary at 8:00am on Saturdays in front of the statue of Mary.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

MT. OLIVET CEMETERY IS HIRING: The position title is Counselor (Family Assistance, Customer Service). Work hours are 40 hours a week. Minimal educational requirements is a high school diploma or GED; valid driver's license. You may get more information at the St. Luke Rectory (Secretary) 202-584-8322 or Mt. Olivet Cemetery at (202)399-2000.

ARCHDIOCESE SPECIAL COLLECTION: Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which among supporting the Universal Church includes helping Pope Francis with the funds to carry out his works that benefits our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppressions and disasters.