

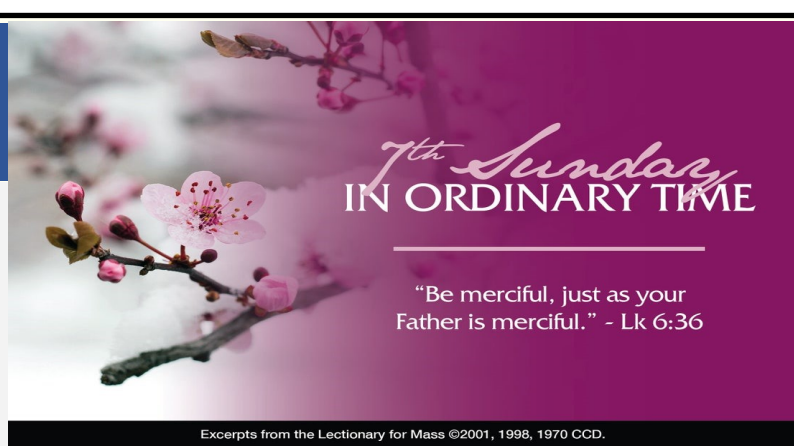
**Sunday, February 20, 2022**

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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

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**CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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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 St. Luke Church**

**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

### 2021 ANNUAL APPEAL Year in Review

The Annual Appeal of The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington has been for 52 years a blessed expression of our faith in action. Wherever the need for charity and mercy has been great, the people of our Church have united as one Body of Christ giving generously in service to others. In establishing a unified appeal to all the faithful in 1969, Cardinal Patrick O'Boyle said that "it enables us to imitate in some small measure the sacrifice our Savior made."

Through that first campaign, supporters throughout the region contributed over \$527,000 to support the charitable works of the Archdiocese, which that year included many programs to aid the disadvantaged, provide foster care for infants and children, assist the elderly, support educational programs and more. Pledges in subsequent years grew significantly as people responded to the call to help others and build up the Church.

Since that remarkable beginning, the Annual Appeal has delivered hundreds of millions of dollars to provide loving care, nurturing support, education and leadership to people throughout our family of faith and the greater community. Every year, the faithful of The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington generously put their faith, hope and love into action by supporting this cause, which sustains and improves people's lives and strengthens the ministries and mission of our local Church.

**Giving Week for the 2022 Annual Appeal is Feb. 12 to 20. Make your 2022 Annual Appeal gift today by visiting [give.adw.org](http://give.adw.org)**

**Thank you for your support!**

### REFLECTION FOR 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sometimes, Jesus' teachings don't seem to make practical sense. When we hear things like love your enemies and do good to them, turn the other cheek when struck, give to anyone who asks, do to others as you would have them do to you, be merciful, stop judging, forgive, and give to others, we get a bit unsettled. After all, it's okay for God to do all of these things, but does He really want us to do them, too?

Many good-hearted Christians really draw the line with some of these ideals and say, "No way!" They even remark that if someone did something hurtful to someone they loved, they would have no reservations seeking severe retribution. There is still this persistent thinking, even among those who consider themselves Christian, that a violent action deserves a violent response. Somehow, we continue to justify this.

Yet, it is most clearly against the very grain of the Gospel. Part of our difficulty has more to do with understanding God's love. We wrongly think that sinful or hurtful actions and evil people somehow are seen as lesser in God's eyes. They are not. God loves the sinner as much as He does the saint. And, both of these inclinations exist in every human being, even those who consider themselves holy.

Both the capacity for good and the disposition toward evil exist in every one of us. Viktor Frankl has this to say when reflecting on the Holocaust: "Our generation is a realistic generation because we have learned what a human being really is. When all is said and done, man is that same creature who invented the gas-chambers of Auschwitz; but he is also that being who walked upright into those chambers with the prayer 'Shema Yisrael' on his lips."

If we believe in God, we have to act like God. Whether we like that idea is another issue. If we don't then perhaps, we need to reconsider our faith and whether we really believe in Jesus Christ. We are made in the image of God, not the image of ourselves. The Christian must, at all costs, leave resentment and the need for retaliation behind, lose defensiveness and bring into the mind and heart the realization of who we represent in this world.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Louise Washington, Alonzo O. Wallace, Sr., Mary Williams, Kooper Brisbon, Jean Banks, Christian Quinones and Robert Thompson.

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

## Readings for the week of February 20, 2022

**Sunday:** 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/  
Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/  
1 Corinthians 15:45-49/Luke 6:27-38

**Monday:** James 3:13-18/Psalms 19:8, 9, 10,  
15/Mark 9:14-29

**Tuesday:** 1 Peter 5:1-4/Psalms 23:1-3a, 4, 5,  
6/Matthew 16:13-19

**Wednesday:** James 4:13-17/Psalms 49:2-3, 6-7, 8  
-10, 11/Mark 9:38-40

**Thursday:** James 5:1-6/Psalms 49:14-15ab,  
15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20/Mark 9:41-50

**Friday:** James 5:9-12/Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4,  
8-9, 11-12/Mark 10:1-12

**Saturday:** James 5:13-20/Psalms 141:1-2, 3  
and 8/Mark 10:13-16

**Next Sunday:** Sirach 27:4-7/Psalms 92:2-3, 13-14,  
15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Corinthians 15:54-58/Luke 6:39-45

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 2/21**  
Eternal repose of the  
soul of Jerome L. Tilgh-  
man+++ by Hilda  
McDougald

**Thursday 2/24**  
Weekday

**Tuesday 2/22**  
St. Peter

**Friday 2/25**  
Weekday

**Wednesday 2/23**  
St. Polycarp

**Saturday 2/26**  
Weekday

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Barnes  
Blanche Bourm  
Barbara Batts  
Tanisha Bennett  
Tammy Berry  
William P. Brown  
Ruth Bundy  
Beatrice Carroll  
Melinda Conrad-  
Brown  
Edith Cornish  
Aniceto Charles  
Patricia Chase  
Valene Chemoo  
Joyce Cristwell  
Alvera Dance

Iyana Davage  
Joyce Diggs  
Lamont Diggs, Sr.  
Crawley Easley  
Marita C. Edelin  
Joshua M. Faison  
Kimbolyn Flowers  
Anthony Flowers  
Tina Garvin  
Florence Hall  
Steve Halle  
Chris Hawkins  
Charlene Haywood  
Brenda Henson  
James Holley  
Rudolph Holley

James Hughes  
Melvin Jamison  
Mary Ann Johnson  
David & Keisha Jones  
Dawn Lattimer  
Lawrence Lee  
Maria A. Logan  
Bernadette Mahoney  
Doreene Mahoney  
Barbara Mallory  
Doris McCannon  
Alice L. Montague  
Veronica Murray  
David Neal  
Florence Patterson  
Marlene Patterson

Silvia Perry  
Doreene Redd  
Corley Redd  
Leroy Sandifer  
Betty Smith  
Kayla Tatum  
Rolland Taylor  
Gloria Thompson-  
Price  
James F. Thompson,  
Jr.  
Matthew Thompson  
Barbara B. Tyler  
Wayne A. Wallace  
Marquita Ward  
Shiela Washington  
Steven Washington

Cecelia Williams  
Wellington Waters  
Dolores Woodard, Jr.  
Harold Woodard, Sr.

St Luke military  
families.

All the Homeless men  
and women in our  
community.

Please pray for all  
those who are sick but  
have no one to pray  
for them



## 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)

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 2/13/2022:

\$ 7,659.25

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

### Quote of the Day

**Jesus said to his disciples: "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. Luke 7:27"**

**BLACK HISTORY CELEBRATION:** St. Luke will be celebrating Black History month at the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, February 27, 2022.

**2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are in the back of the church. If you do not see yours please call the church Rectory.

### ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**THE 2022 ANNUAL APPEAL:** The theme for this annual appeal is From God's Abundance, Our Gifts of Charity for the 2022 Annual Appeal. The Annual Appeal is one way to reach out and support other members of the Body of Christ. It offers help to those who are suffering spiritually and physically. It supports Catholic education from childhood through adulthood and from lay formation to priestly formation. It reaches out to those who are not members of the Body through evangelization and social outreach efforts.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY RETREAT** Join the Holy Comforter –Saint Cyprian Women's Ministry on a Spirit Filled Retreat on April 29 through May 2, 2022 at Claggett Center in Adamstown, MD. 21710. Total Cost \$370, Non-refundable deposit of \$70. Final Payment due by April 1, 2022. For more information, contact Laura Stanton (301)326-9467, Shirley Austin (202)368-7231, or Wanda Ross (301)523-1017.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES –Volunteer Programs:** Commit to service in 2022! Share your talents and time as a mentor, pro bono professional, or in special project support. Catholic Charities is recruiting ongoing volunteers who can make a weekly commitment to service. Involvement in these important roles requires an application, conversation with program staff about expectations, and at least a 75-hour commitment during a year, including orientation and training. See below for some of our volunteer opportunities are: Domestic Violence Awareness Outreach Volunteer-English, Volunteer Medical Clinic (VMC) Clinicians, VMC Patient Guide and Safety Officer (high school), Employment Support Volunteer, Food Program Support Volunteer an Dental Assistant and **apply by March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022!** You may call (202) 702-4300 ext. 125