

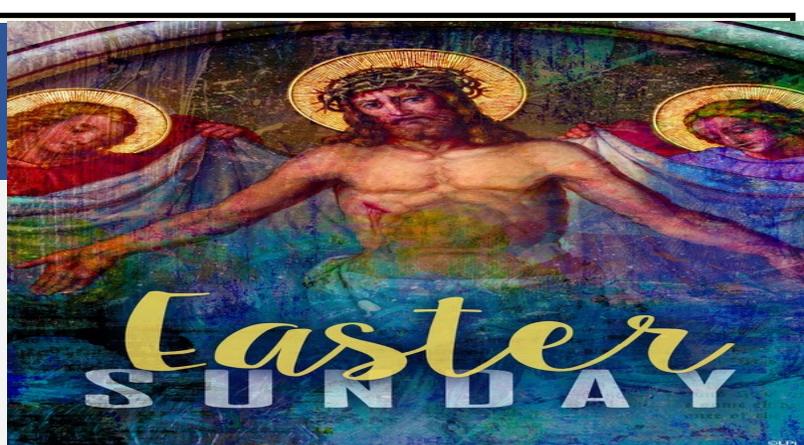
Sunday, April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday Of The Resurrection of the Lord

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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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

Holy Hour/ Adoration

Every First Friday 6:00pm . -7:00pm

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

WHAT IS EASTER?

The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East, bringing light, warmth, and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world. **The Paschal Candle** used during the Easter Vigil is a central symbol of this divine light, which is Christ. It is kept near the ambo throughout Easter Time and lit for all liturgical celebrations.

The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils" and Easter Sunday is the greatest of all Sundays. The season of Easter is the most important of all liturgical times, which Catholics celebrate as the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. The octave of Easter comprises the eight days which stretch from the first to the second Sunday. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. There are 50 days of Easter from the first Sunday to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14)

"What you sow is not brought to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body that is to be, but a bare kernel of wheat, perhaps, or of some other kind;...So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown corruptible; it is raised incorruptible. It is sown dishonorable; it is raised glorious. It is sown weak; it is raised powerful. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual one. So, too, it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being," the last Adam a life-giving spirit. But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven. As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly. Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one." (1 Cor 15:36-37, 42-49)

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-worship/liturgical-year/easter>

REFLECTION FOR EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

There are many stones in our paths that keep us from truly living and being free. Some of these boulders have been there for a very long time. They have been there so long that they have even settled into the soil of our lives with other weeds, vines, and compacted soil keeping them firmly in place. We find them hard to move and trying to do so can be exhausting. What are these suffocating albatrosses that keep us so tethered and immobile? They are many things.

They are past childhood wounds and hurts that stem from disappointment, rejection, or abuse. People may have told us we were unwanted, that the world is frightening, that there are only some acceptable feelings you can have and others you cannot. We may have tried to love someone or struggled to figure out how and were met with rejection. Maybe we trusted someone completely and were betrayed. We come to life collecting barnacles that begin to attach to other barnacles and before you know it, we have a mass of solid matter blocking our vision and keeping us from moving. We live in fear. We are afraid of losing what we have, afraid that the future will be empty, afraid that we won't succeed and even more afraid that we will not be loved. There is so much fear. Didn't Jesus tell us not to worry and to not be afraid? Either we believe in the message of Easter, or we don't!

Go confidently into the night. Walking with God you will find the light and strength you need. Often without even knowing, God will move those boulders and stumbling blocks that bind us and, with putting one foot in front of the other and looking forward, we will move. The resurrection of Christ is really all about receiving the gifts of trust and faith and doing new things. The rocks that bind us keep us spinning the same wheels and doing the same things. When was the last time you threw caution to the wind and actually did something totally out of character and different? This is where we find God, in the spontaneous, the adventurous, the fun, and the creative choices we make! God is not boring and stuck. God is exciting and engaging. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! Find a way to trust that this is true and live.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Linda Harried, Anthony Wilson, & Francis Austin, and a wonderful wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Eugene F. Jr. & Beverly P. Russell .

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

Readings for the week of April 17, 2022

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 Luke 24:1-12 or, Luke 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Psalms 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/John 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Psalms 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Luke 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Psalms 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Luke 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Psalms 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/John 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Psalms 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mark 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Psalms 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Revelations 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/John 20:19-31

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 4/18
Birthday Blessings for Anthony Wilson by Wilson Family

Thursday 4/21
Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Tuesday 4/19
Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Friday 4/22
Friday within the Octave of Easter

Wednesday 4/20
Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Saturday 4/23
Eternal repose of the soul of William Liqouri Le+++ by Barbara Batts

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 Easely
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 Adoration @ 6:00pm

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

Easter 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 4/10/2022:

\$7,509.75

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Quote of the Day

They said to them,
“Why do you seek the living one among the dead?
He is not here, but he has been raised. Luke 24:5

FR. CHARLES COUGHLIN SCHOLARSHIP 2022: Our goal is to present Scholarship Awards of at least \$500.00 to each awardee. The applicants must be St. Luke parishioners and community members. The Scholarship Link is <https://forms.gle/JW4KnXcDq8PioWfD6>. Contact information is St. Luke Rectory 202-584-8322.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

PAINT & SIP FUNDRAISER sponsored by Holy Family Catholic Church on Friday, May 20th at 7pm. Adults only, 21 & over. There will be art, food and fellowship. Tickets cost \$50.00. Wine, food and refreshments will be served. For tickets contact Cynthia Washington at (303) 818-4442. Cost is \$50.00. You may pay by cash or tax deductible check made out to Holy Family Church.

NORMAL AGING & THE BRAIN: A free zoom seminar sponsored by St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church and the Sibley Senior Association. The date is April 21 from 6pm to 7pm. Guest speaker is Jihan Starr, community dementia program manager, Sibley Senior Association. Register before April 18 at <https://smhmemberclicks.net/04-21-2022-normal-aging---the-brain---st-benedict-the-moor---the-ssa>, by emailing jsmit470@jhmi.edu or calling 202-364-7602.

HOPE BLOSSOMS 2022 benefiting St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families. Honorees: Judy and John Ritz And Steve Heidenberger Date: **Wednesday, May 11, 2022: 6pm to 8pm**, Location: Columbia Country Club: 7900 Connecticut Ave., Chevy Chase, MD 20815 To purchase tickets please visit: www.stanns.org/eventsQuestions? Please contact: Carolyn Boyle: 301.559.5500 or: cboyle@stanns.org

FIND THE RIGHT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR YOU! 2022 Catholic High School Fair on Saturday, April 23, 2022 at Catholic University of America, Caldwell Hall 11:00am to 2:00pm. They will be featuring exhibits for all Catholic high schools in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington. Come and learn more about the admissions process, scholarships and financial aid. Visit adwcatholicsschools.org to register.