

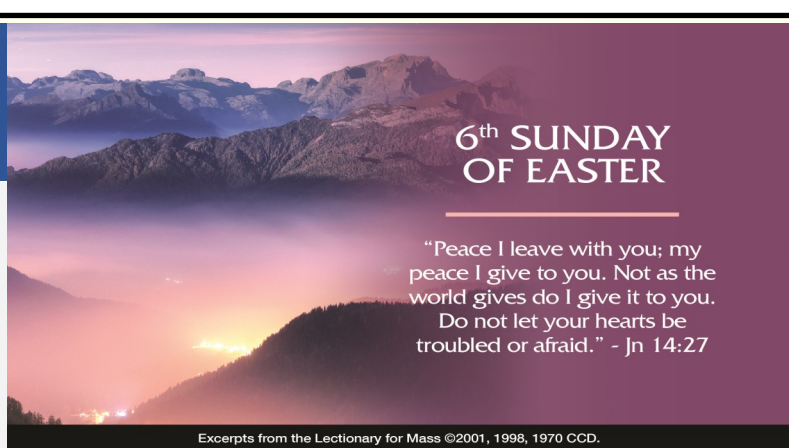
Sunday, May 22, 2022

Sixth Sunday of Easter

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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**6th SUNDAY
OF EASTER**

“Peace I leave with you; my
peace I give to you. Not as the
world gives do I give it to you.
Do not let your hearts be
troubled or afraid.” - Jn 14:27

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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

THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.

—Colossians 3:15

What does it mean to trust God? To have a trusting heart means allowing our confidence in God's character to govern our inward emotions and our outward behavior. Think about the life of Jesus Christ. Jesus obeyed God completely because He trusted God completely. His life was absent of any inward turmoil, regardless of what was happening on the outside, because He trusted in the wisdom and the goodness of God's plan for Him. And Jesus wants us to experience that same peace in our life as well. That's why, in Colossians 3:15, Paul says, "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts."

Now, there are two significant phrases in that verse. First, the phrase *the peace of Christ* not only means the peace that comes from Christ, but it also means the same peace that characterized the life of Jesus Christ. Did Jesus go around with inner turmoil? Was He threatened whenever people were against Him? Did He allow outward circumstances to destroy His confidence in God? Not at all. He had complete trust in God's power, God's love, and God's wisdom. Therefore, He obeyed God completely. Paul is saying, "I want the same peace that was in Christ's life to be in your life."

The second important phrase in Colossians 3:15 is *rule in your hearts*. This is key. The Greek word translated *rule* in this verse is an athletic term. It could be translated "to umpire, to officiate at a game." So Paul is saying, "Let the peace of Christ have the final say, make the final call, in your life." I remember reading long ago about an umpires' convention. Umpires were there to learn how to be better athletic officials. And one night some of the umpires got together in a hotel room and had a late-night bull session. They were talking about how they made their calls in a difficult game. One umpire said, "I call them the way I see them." The second umpire said, "I call them the way they are." The third umpire said, "They're not anything until I call them."

You know what? Life's circumstances are just like that. We can't control the circumstances that get thrown at us. Likewise, we cannot control the temptations inwardly that entice us. But the fact is, both of these—turmoil from the outside and temptation from the inside—are nothing until we call them. So what Paul is saying is this: Let the peace of Christ—the confidence that Christ had in God's character—have the final say when these difficult things come into your life. Don't allow your inner turmoil to have the final say in your life. We can trust God completely when we let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

<https://ptv.org/devotional/the-peace-of-christ/>

REFLECTION FOR SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus tells his disciples, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you." The peace that Jesus gives is far different than the kind that comes from the absence of war, conflict, or affliction. The peace that God offers is found alongside suffering and hardship, not necessarily in their absence. St. Teresa of Avila offers us a bit of wisdom regarding peace: "*May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise, and love. It is there for each and every one of us.*"

In order for us to experience the divine peace that Jesus offers, we have to allow God's presence to settle into our bones! It is only when this happens that we can be truly taught by the Holy Spirit to discern the true path to peace and find ourselves with untroubled hearts. The world and our lives are so unpredictable and changeable. If we look for a source of lasting and real peace only there, our search will never be satisfied. Something will always unsettle and disturb us. The Jewish disciples could really relate to what Jesus was saying about peace (*shalom*). They already knew that it was more a matter of achieving wholeness and wellbeing than anything else.

Wholeness and wellbeing are precisely what is uncovered when we begin to really see and know the height, depth, and breadth of God's presence and promise. The elegance of God's Divine life flows through our blood and the marrow in our bones. It is that close and deep. As we breathe in and exhale God's life, peace becomes what we know within and what is exhaled out. This remains in the midst of intense conflict, persecution, suffering, rejection, and even death.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday

to **Judith Travers &
Steven Williams.**

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

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

Readings for the week of May 22, 2022

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Psalms 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/ Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23/John 14:23-29

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Psalms 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/John 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Psalms 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/John 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Psalms 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/John 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Psalms 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 16:16-20 *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/

Psalms 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Ephesians 1:17-23 or Hebrew 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Luke 24:46-53

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/ /Psalms 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/John 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/ Psalms 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/John 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/ Psalms 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Ephesians 1:17-23 or

Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Luke 24:46-53 *Seventh Sunday of Easter:* Acts 7:55-60/ Psalms 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/ Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/John 17:20-26

WEEKLY MASS

Monday 5/23
Eternal repose of the Soul of Vincent Wiggins+++ by Milton Harris

Thursday 5/26
Eternal repose of the Soul of Veronica Glenn +++ by Milton Harris

Tuesday 5/24
Eternal repose of the Soul of Carmen Nickoleeta Cruso+++ by Parish Family

Friday 5/27
St. Augustine

Wednesday 5/25
SS. Bede, Gregory and Mary Magdalene

Saturday 5/28
Easter 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
Rita Clines
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
Katrina Griffin
Florence Hall
Steve Halle
Chris Hawkins
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
Lois 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 5/15/2022:

\$ 4,153.00

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Quote of the Day

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ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Jazz on the Hill sponsored by Our Lady Of Perpetual Help on June 25th and 26th, 2022. They are featuring Marcus Johnson Project Also Shorty Corleone, Ft. D. Flody, Pam Ward and Marcus Young on the 25th. Dinner will also be served. Marcus Johnson Project will also be on June 26 along with brunch. Tickets are \$80 General Admission, VIP Tickets \$95.00, VIP Table Only: \$150. All proceeds will benefit the OLPH's Stewardship Committee. To purchase tickets: <https://jazzonthehill2022.eventrite.com>. For more information contact Kip: 301-346-1369 and Billy: 202-407-6388.

TAKE A PERSONAL “RETREAT” DAY THIS SUMMER! JUL 1 / AUG 12 / SEP 16: Take a break this summer and enjoy your very own personal retreat at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. During your personal retreat, from 8:30am-4pm, an experienced retreat director will guide you to a place of rest with Christ. The retreat schedule allows for one-on-one spiritual direction (optional), quiet reflection, Mass, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration, plus continental breakfast and lunch. Cost is \$120 per person. Advance Registration is required, and registrations will be limited to facilitate appropriate social distancing. Visit their website to register and to find more dates ourladyofbethesda.org. Or call 301-365-0612. They also have monthly Mini-Retreats for women and Evenings of Reflection for men. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

LIGHT THE WORLD! CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY: Since 2016, Light the World! Summer Institute has welcomed over 240 high school age participants to Washington D.C. to explore the interaction between faith and culture. The application is now open for the 2022 program with two available weeks, June 12-18, 2022 and June 26-July 2, 2022. Participants will spend the week on the campus of The Catholic University of America and interact with CatholicU faculty, staff, and students, explore the Nation's Capital, and meet Catholic professionals who live out their faith in their careers. For more information, visit trs.catholic.edu/summer-ltw or contact Brian Rhude, Program Director, at lighttheworld@cua.edu. A \$500 program fee and \$25 application fee apply, financial aid is available.