

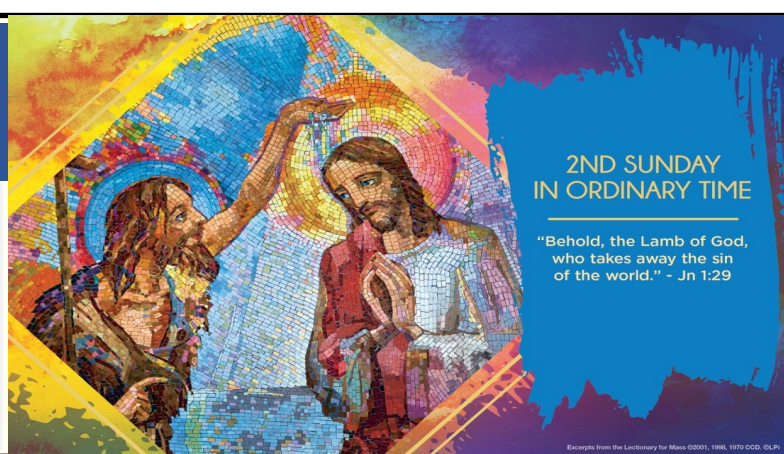
Sunday, January 15, 2023

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 2022 is "You, O Lord, protect us always; preserve us from this generation." [Psalm 12:8] 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

'I Have a Dream,' Aug. 28, 1963,
in Washington:

"I say to you today, my friends, so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.'

"I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood. I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character. I have a dream today! I have a dream that one day, down in Alabama, with its vicious racists, with its governor having his lips dripping with the words of interposition and nullification, one day right there in Alabama, little black boys and little black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and little white girls as sisters and brothers. ...

"So let freedom ring from the prodigious hilltops of New Hampshire; let freedom ring from the mighty mountains of New York; let freedom ring from the heights of the Alleghenies of Pennsylvania; let freedom ring from the snow-capped Rockies of Colorado; let freedom ring from the curvaceous slopes of California. But not only that, let freedom ring from Lookout Mountain of Tennessee; let freedom ring from every hill and molehill in Mississippi — from every mountainside, let freedom ring.

And when this happens, when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual: 'Free at last. Free at last. Thank God Almighty, we are free at last.'

Excerpt from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. I have a Dream Speech

REFLECTION FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When I was a kid, I remember the priest at Mass announcing, "The Lamb of God!" Frankly, it struck me as nonsense. I thought: Why in the world does God have a lamb? And where is this lamb?

John the Baptist sees Jesus coming toward him and announces, "**Behold the lamb of God.**" His Jewish listeners knew what he meant. God's lamb is the thing that is sacrificed at the Jewish Passover and consumed by the participants. For almost a thousand years, lambs were ritually slaughtered and eaten in Jerusalem at Passover. The lamb meant sacrifice, freedom from sin, and communion with God. The Baptist is saying in effect, "This man will be ritually sacrificed and consumed so that God's people may be free from sin and united to God."

It's crucial to relate to Jesus as a friend, brother, teacher, and Lord of our lives. But we should also learn to interact with Him as our lamb of God. That means we intentionally place on him our sins, sadnesses, and hopes, and offer him to God. Then we consume him to make us free. This is what we do at every Mass. That's why he is the Lamb of God.

— *Father John Muir*

Liturgical Publications 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to

Westley Douglas II,
Otis Mahoney, Sr.,
Chikelue Onianwah,
Nobel Cheuwa Ziwe, &
Noah Bennett

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

Readings for the week of January 15, 2023

Sunday: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6/Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Corinthians 1:1-3/John 1:29-34

Monday: Hebrews 5:1-10/Psalms 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday: Hebrews 6:10-20/Psalms 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c/Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday: Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17/Psalms 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mark 3:1-6

Thursday: Hebrews 7:25—8:6/Psalms 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Mark 3:7-12

Friday: Hebrews 8:6-13/Psalms 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mark 3:13-19

Saturday: Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14/Psalms 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9/Mark 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Isaiah 8:23—9:3/Psalms 27:1,4, 13-14 (1a)/1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17/Matthew 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

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 1/16
Heavenly Birthday
Blessings for Deacon Joseph Conrad+++ by Conrad Family

Thursday 1/19
Eternal repose of the soul of Yvonne L. Cummings +++ by Bernadine Conrad

Tuesday 1/17
St. Anthony

Friday 1/20
SS. Fabian & Sebastian

Wednesday 1/18
Weekday

Saturday 1/21
St. Agnes

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 Easely
Marita C. Edelin
Joshua M. Faison
Kimbolyn Flowers
Anthony Flowers
Betty Gale
Tina Garvin
Katrina Griffin
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
Barbara Mallory
Sadie Mason
Doris McCannon
Alice L. Montague
Veronica Murray
Kathy Ndouga
David Neal
Martha Neal
Florence Patterson
Marlene Patterson

Silvia Perry
Doreene Redd
Corley Redd
Regina Rivers
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
Charles Watson, Jr.

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

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Offertory Contributions for : 1/8/2023

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Quote of the Day

Those who are looking for happiness are the most likely to find it because those who are searching forget that the surest way to be happy is to seek happiness for others. -Martin Luther King, Jr.

PARISH NEWS

2023 OFFERING BOOKS are in the back of the church in alphabetical order.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: This year Bishop Roy E. Campbell will celebrate the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass to Celebrate the Vocation of Marriage on Saturday, February 11, 2023, 10:00 a.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. This celebration is to highlight the witness to the Catholic vocation of marriage and the beauty of God's plan for married life. Couples must register with the parish office to attend the Mass and/or receive a certificate from Cardinal Wilton Gregory in honor of their anniversary year by January 20, 2023.

CATHOLIC INFORMATION ON CREMATION The Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese has thoughtful information for Catholics considering cremation of the body. "The Church earnestly recommends the pious custom of burying the bodies of the dead be observed, it does not however, forbid cremation unless it has been chosen for reasons which are contrary to Christian teaching" (Canon 1176). The Church allows for cremation of the body, providing that those making that decision are not doing so because they fear the body is lost forever and has no future together again with the immortal soul. As the Catechism proclaims with joyful hope: "we shall rise like Christ, with him, and through him" (CCC 995). The interment of cremated remains in sacred ground is a *corporal work of mercy* for the one who awaits the resurrection of the body in Christ. The Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington have burial sections, columbariums and mausoleum niches. For information on the Catholic way of death and burial and the decision to cremate, visit ccaw.org.