

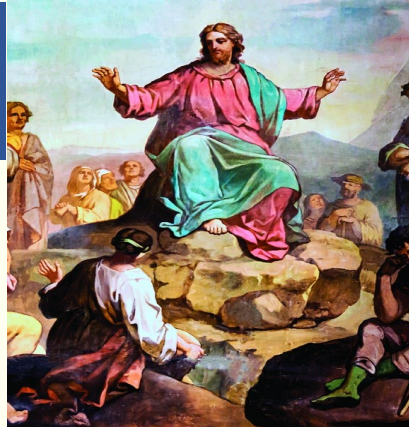
**Sunday, February 5, 2023**

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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

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**5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

*"You are the light of  
the world. A city set  
on a mountain  
cannot be hidden."  
- Mt 5:14*

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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

### The origins of Black History Month

“If a race has no history, if it has no worthwhile tradition, it becomes a negligible factor in the thought of the world, and it stands in danger of being exterminated.” — Carter G. Woodson

The inspiration for Black History Month came in 1915, fifty years after abolishing slavery and the passing of the Thirteenth Amendment in the United States. Frustrated by the omission and misrepresentation of Black people in both American and diasporic history, Harvard-educated historian Carter G. Woodson (along with four of his contemporaries) founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (ASNLH). Together, they aimed to research and promote the previously ignored achievements of Black Americans and peoples of African descent. Later that same year, Woodson established *The Journal of Negro History*, a quarterly journal to chronicle African-American life and history, to broadly amplify the ASNLH's efforts in academic circles.

For ten years, Woodson and the ASNLH worked to grow scholarly interest. Compelled to recognize Black contributions with even greater significance, in 1926, he and the organization would institute Negro History Week. Launched during the second week of February to coincide with the birthdays of U.S. President Abraham Lincoln and American abolitionist Frederick Douglass, the precursor to today's Black History Month would spark public appreciation and celebration of Black accomplishment for decades to come.

By the late 1960s, following the increased awareness of Black identity and the civil rights movement, Negro History Week evolved into Black History Month. Lectures, seminars, assemblies, sermons, performances, and parades took place to commemorate the month throughout the U.S. As Woodson intended, Black history became accessible to everyone. In 1976, U.S. President Gerald Ford officially recognized February as Black History Month. He encouraged the public to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.”

Most recently, U.S. President Joe Biden proclaimed that “National Black History Month serves as both a celebration and a powerful reminder that Black history is American history, Black culture is American culture, and Black stories are essential to the ongoing story of America — our faults, our struggles, our progress, and our aspirations. Shining a light on Black history today is as important to understanding ourselves and growing stronger as a Nation as it has ever been.”

Excerpt culled from <https://impact.com/partnerships/reflections-on-black-history-month/>

### Reflection for The fifth Sunday in ordinary time

I recently decided to learn to cook. As I sit at the feet of various YouTube cooking masters, I notice how much of cooking is adding ingredients that don't provide any more nourishment, like herbs and other seasonings. But man! They make all the difference because they make the meal delightful to eat and share.

Jesus calls his disciples “salt of the world.” No one eats just salt. So, Christians are not meant to replace or do away with the world. They are meant to be agents of preservation and glorification. Notice how often these days the Church seeks to preserve what is threatened: the goodness of marital and family love, the desires of young people for greatness, the value of honest work, healthy economics, and altruistic political engagement, the dignity of the poor and vulnerable.

Over and over, we say to a world who wants to throw things out, “It's worth saving! We'll preserve it! We'll show you it's wonderful.” If we can't engage the world like that, Jesus says *we* are the ones who get thrown out, because salt alone is worthless.

Jesus only asks us to do for others what he does for us. He is the “salt” of everything in our lives. Is there something in your life starting to rot a bit? Something tasting bland and boring? Let Jesus salt it and see if you like it better.

Father John Muir  
Liturgical Publications 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to

Joseph Thomas,

Catrina Glover,

Alonzo Jones,

Elizabeth Patterson

**MAY THE JOY OF THE LORD**

**BE YOUR STRENGTH!!!**

## Readings for the week of February 5, 2023

**Sunday:** Isaiah 58:7-10/Psalms 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
(4a)/1 Corinthians 2:1-5/Matthew 5:13-16

**Monday:** Genesis 1:1-19/Psalms 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24  
and 35c/Mark 6:53-56

**Tuesday:** Genesis 1:20—2:4a/Psalms 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mark 7:1-13

**Wednesday:** Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17/Psalms 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mark 7:14-23

**Thursday:** Genesis 2:18-25/Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/  
Mark 7:24-30

**Friday:** Genesis 3:1-8/Psalms 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mark 7:31-37

**Saturday:** Genesis 3:9-24/Psalms 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mark 8:1-10

**Next Sunday:** Sirach 15:15-20/Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 (1b)/1 Corinthians 2:6-10/Matthew 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Church Support

Please consider making a donation to support our parish during these 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 2/6**  
St. Paul Miki

**Tuesday 2/7**  
Weekday

**Wednesday 2/8**  
SS. Jerome,  
Josephine

**Thursday 2/9**  
God's blessings and  
protection for Doreen  
Redd-Mahoney by Janice  
Williams

**Friday 2/10**  
St. Scholastica

**Saturday 2/11**  
World Day of the  
Sick

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 com-  
munity.

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

\$ 1,239.50

Offertory Contributions for : 1/29/2023

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

## Black History Quote of the Day

A man who drives his father's car is not entitled to speak in a council of men who own bicycles. -Source UGC

## PARISH NEWS

**2022 TAX STATEMENTS** are available in the back of the church. Those of you who do not see theirs please call the Rectory (202)-584-8322.

**LENTEN FISH FRY:** St. Luke's Lenten Fish Fry will begin on Friday, February 24, 2023. More information will come later.

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH:** There will be a reception honoring Black History Month on Sunday, February 26, 2023 in St. Luke Center. Donations are welcome.

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**2023 ANNUAL APPEAL MANY MINISTRIES, ONE CHURCH:** This Weekend we have been asked prayerfully to consider asking a gift to the 2023 Annual Appeal. Please complete or take a commitment form at Mass this weekend, or make your gift at [give.adw.org](http://give.adw.org). Visit [appeal.adw.org](http://appeal.adw.org) to learn more about how the Annual Appeal benefits our parish and serves people in need throughout the archdiocese. It is our goal that every parish family will participate this year. All gifts will be credited towards our parish goal. Thank you in advance for your generous response to the 2023 Annual Appeal.

**WOMEN'S MINI RETREAT— February 22, 2023 6pm-8pm:** Sponsored by Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center in Bethesda, MD. —301-365-0612 We will enjoy a meditation, a practical talk, and fellowship as we break bread together. Plus, more time for prayer will be included as we add Eucharistic Adoration to the schedule. Dinner is included. This retreat can help anyone to focus on important aspects of growth in the spiritual life, such as deeper self-knowledge, discernment of God's will, and finding a way to follow Christ more closely.