

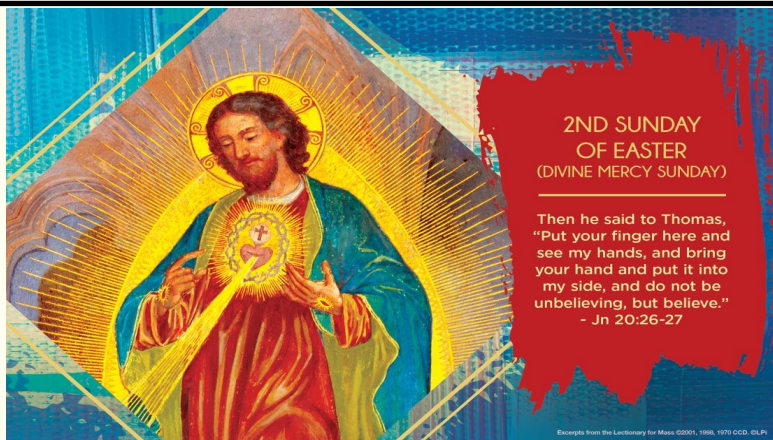
Sunday, April 16, 2023

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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2ND SUNDAY
OF EASTER
(DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

Then he said to Thomas,
"Put your finger here and
see my hands, and bring
your hand and put it into
my side, and do not be
unbelieving, but believe."
- Jn 20:26-27

Excerpt from the Lectio for Mass 0201, 1998, 1979 CCD, SLP

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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 2023 is "You are my inheritance O Lord, you have made my destiny secure." [Psalm 12:8] Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Easter Vigil Mass: 7:00pm

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

Consecration to the Divine Mercy

Jesus, the Divine Mercy, I consecrate my entire life, from this day on, to You without reserve. Into Your hands, I abandon my past, my present, and my future. From this day forward, make me a true follower of Your teaching. Let Your Divine Mercy Image protect my home and my family from all the powers of evil in this world today. May all who venerate it never perish, may it be their joy in life, their hope in death, and their glory in eternity. Amen.

God, merciful Father, in your Son, Jesus Christ, You have revealed your love and poured it out upon us in the Holy Spirit, the Comforter. We entrust to You today the destiny of the world and of every man and woman. Bend down to us sinners, heal our weakness, conquer all evil, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may experience Your mercy. In You, the Triune God, may they ever find the source of hope. Eternal Father, by the Passion and Resurrection of Your Son, have mercy on us and upon the whole world!
Amen.

Prayer of Entrustment to Divine Mercy

O Lord, our God.

We place our trust in You,
Because you are mercy itself.

We repent of our sins and turn to You for mercy.

We trust You to provide for our every need,
according to Your will.

Help us to forgive others as You forgive us.

We promise to be merciful by our deeds,
words and prayers.

Though we have fears because of human weakness,
we rely on Your infinite goodness and mercy.

We entrust to You the future of our planet,
our Church, our nations, our families and all our needs.

With loud cries we implore your mercy on us
and on the whole world.

Look upon us, created in your image and likeness.
Form us in the Heart of Mary by the power of the Holy
Spirit into the living images of mercy.

May all come to know the depth of Your mercy
and sing the praises of Your mercy forever.

Amen!

REFLECTION FOR 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

A young, engaged couple sat on the couch in front of me as we chatted about their upcoming marriage. The young lady was struggling to trust her future husband. She told me her father had been unfaithful to her mother. She said of her fiancé, “I want him to prove to me that he won’t cheat on me.” The young man looked at me helplessly, raised his eyebrows and shrugged his shoulders. What evidence could he possibly give to validate such a proof? Nothing. All he could do was invite her to trust him.

We all are wounded by experiences of imperfect love. We also are tempted to demand from God proof of His fidelity and goodness. We are like St. Thomas the Apostle who, on that second Sunday of Easter, demands proof of the Lord’s resurrection. **“Unless I see the mark of the nail ... I will not believe.”** Our science, technology and mathematics can indeed prove a great deal. But there are some things that require trusting another person. We prove promises of love only by trusting.

St. Thomas indeed saw the wounds of Jesus and believed. But there is an even greater blessing for us who simply trust Him — and all the truths the Church proclaims — because of the trustworthiness of the Risen One who speaks. This week let’s trust Jesus without seeing him.

Father John Muir

Liturgical Publications 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to **Beatrice Carroll, Anthony Wilson, Edward Adjei Prempeh, Francis Austin, Linda W. Harried** and a wonderful wedding anniversary for **Mr. & Mrs. Eugene F., Jr. and Beverly P. Russell.**

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

Readings for the week of April 16, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Psalms 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Peter 1:3-9/John 20:19-31
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Psalms 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/John 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Psalms 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/John 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/John 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Psalms 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/John 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Psalms 27:1, 4,13-14/John 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Psalms 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/John 6:16-21
Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Psalms 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Peter 1:17-21/Luke 24:13-35

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 4/17
 Birthday Blessings for Fr. Cornelius by Tina Akhaine
 Birthday Blessings for Anthony and Tierra Wilson by Wilson Family
Tuesday 4/18
 Easter Weekday
Wednesday 4/19
 Easter Weekday

Thursday 4/20
 Eternal repose of the soul of Ruth Stokes+++ and Birthday Blessings for Cheryl Williams and Cynthia McFarlane
 God's blessings & protection for Jackie Wilson by Wilson Family
Friday 4/21
 St. Anselm
Saturday 4/22
 God's blessing & protection for Tierra & Chosen by the Wilson family

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

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| Barbara Barnes | Joyce Diggs | Melvin Jamison | Gertrude Quarles | celia Williams |
| Blanche Bourm | Lamont Diggs, Sr. | Mary Ann Johnson | John Quarles | Lois Williams |
| Barbara Batts | Crawley Easley | David & Keisha Jones | Doreene Redd | Wellington Waters |
| Tanisha Bennett | Marita C. Edelin | Dawn Lattimer | Corley Redd | Dolores Woodard, Jr. |
| Tammy Berry | Joshua M. Faison | Lawrence Lee | Regina Rivers | Harold Woodard, Sr. |
| William P. Brown | Kimbolyn Flowers | Maria A. Logan | Leroy Sandifer | |
| Ruth Bundy | Anthony Flowers | Bernadette Mahoney | Betty Smith | St Luke military families. |
| Beatrice Carroll | Betty Gale | Barbara Mallory | Helen Smith | |
| Rita Clines | Tina Garvin | Sadie Mason | Kayla Tatum | |
| Melinda Conrad-Brown | Katrina Griffin | Doris McCannon | Rolland Taylor | All the Homeless men and women in our community. |
| Edith Cornish | Steve Halle | Alice L. Montague | Gloria Thompson-Price | |
| Aniceto Charles | Chris Hawkins | Veronica Murray | James F. Thompson, Jr. | |
| Patricia Chase | Faye L. Hawkins | Kathy Ndouga | Barbara B. Tyler | Please pray for all those who are sick but have no one to pray for them |
| Valene Chemoo | Brenda Henson | David Neal | Wayne A. Wallace | |
| Joyce Cristwell | Carolyn Holland | Martha Neal | Marquita Ward | |
| Alvera Dance | James Holley | Florence Patterson | Shiela Washington | |
| Iyana Davage | Rudolph Holley | Marlene Patterson | Steven Washington | |
| | James Hughes | Silvia Perry | Charles Watson, Jr. Ce- | |



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 4/9/2023

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Quote of the Day

“Mercy among the virtues is like the moon among the stars—not so sparkling and vivid as many, but dispensing a calm radiance that hallows the whole.” – Edwin Hubbell Chapin

PARISH NEWS

2023 SCHOLARSHIP: The 2023 online application for the Father Charles T. Coughlin Scholarship is now available. If you are currently enrolled into a college, university or trade school, and require financial assistance, please feel free to apply. The deadline to apply for the scholarship is June 16, 2023. Please note, a gmail (google email) account must be used/created to access the scholarship application. Please visit the following website to apply: <http://shorturl.at/pyOV2>

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

MEMORIAL GARDEN FOR BABIES. Our Lady of the Visitation parish in Darnestown is constructing this special area next to its church where parents, family and friends can remember babies who died in the womb or at birth. Polished brass plaques to memorialize a baby may be purchased for \$450. For more information and to order a plaque, go to: <https://olvp.org/olvp-for-life>

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT St. Michael the Archangel Parish and the Office of Family Life are offering a marriage enrichment retreat for any married couple on Saturday, April 22 from 9:00am – 4:00pm in the Williamsburg Room. Topics will include communication, spirituality of marriage, finances, parenting skills and more. For more information contact John Webster at smacc.marriage@gmail.com or the Office of Family life at flm@adw.org or 301-853-4546.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PASTORAL MUSICIANS : Are you a church musician, director, or organist? The National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM) is a non-profit organization for professionals, volunteers, and anyone who cares about the liturgical life of the Church. The local DC Chapter is actively looking for members who want to know about upcoming workshops, concerts, or job opportunities! Please join us! For more information, go to: <https://npm.org/> Questions, contact Katie at music@ccjgs.org