

**Sunday, May 28, 2023**

Pentecost Sunday

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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

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**PENTECOST  
SUNDAY**

Jesus said to them again,  
"Peace be with you. As  
the Father has sent me, so  
I send you." - Jn 20:21

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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 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

### HOLY SPIRIT MEMORY

By Pope Francis

The Holy Spirit reminds us; he reminds us of all that Jesus said. He is the living memory of the Church, and when he reminds us, he helps us understand the words of the Lord. This remembrance in the Spirit and by virtue of the Spirit . . . is an essential aspect of Christ's presence within us and within his Church. The Spirit of truth and charity reminds us of all that Christ said and helps us enter ever more fully into the meaning of his words.

We all have this experience: one moment, in any situation, there is an idea and then another connects with a passage from Scripture. . . . It is the Spirit who leads us to take this path: the path of the living memory of the Church. And he asks us for a response: the more generous our response, the more Jesus' words become life within us, becoming attitudes, choices, actions, testimony. In essence the Spirit reminds us of the commandment of love and calls us to live it.

A Christian without memory is not a true Christian but only halfway there: a man or woman, a prisoner of the moment, who doesn't know how to treasure his or her history, doesn't know how to read it and live it as salvation history. With the help of the Holy Spirit, however, we are able to interpret interior inspirations and life events in light of Jesus' words. And thus within us grows the knowledge of memory, knowledge of the heart, which is a gift of the Spirit. May the Holy Spirit rekindle the Christian memory within all of us! And there, that day with the apostles, was Our Lady of Memory, who from the beginning meditated on all those things in her heart. Mary, our Mother, was there. May she help us on this path of memory.

#### Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.  
And kindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.  
And you will renew the face of the earth.

Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit  
you have taught the hearts of your faithful.  
In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right  
and always rejoice in your consolation.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Excerpt from <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/prayer/traditional-catholic-prayers/prayers-every-catholic-should-know/prayer-to-the-holy-spirit/>

### REFLECTION FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY

I hope you'll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it's not normal to have tongues of fire "part and come to rest" on people. It is actually pretty strange. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives?

Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women.

So, it's no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.

How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech.

Imagine if you spoke of the mighty deeds of God in a way that everyone could understand. That's precisely what the Holy Spirit descends upon us to do. Ask Him to come as a tongue of fire to you once again, and He will. Then speak!

Father John Muir  
Liturgical 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to

**Mildred S. Roots, Chijioke  
Onianwah, Byron A.  
Wilson, Jr., Z'mire Egypt,  
Angela Enwezor**

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

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

Readings for the week of May 28, 2023

**Sunday:** Vigil: Genesis 11:1-9 or Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ezra 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5/Psalms 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Romans 8:22-27/John 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Genesis 11:1-9/Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ezra 37:1-14/Joel 3:1-5/Psalms 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Romans 8:22-27/John 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Psalms 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13/John 20:19-23

**Monday:** Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Psalms 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/John 19:25-34

**Tuesday:** Sirach 35:1-12/Psalms 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mark 10:28-31

**Wednesday:** Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16/Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Luke 1:39-56

**Thursday:** Sirach 42:15-25/Psalms 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mark 10:46-52

**Friday:** Sirach 44:1, 9-13/Psalms 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mark 11:11-26

**Saturday:** Sirach 51:12cd-20/Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mark 11:27-33 Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9/Deuteronomy 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b)/2 Corinthians 13:11-13/John 3:16-18

WEEKLY MASS

**Monday 5/29**

Eternal repose of the souls of Marlene J. Patterson+++ by Bernadine Conrad

Pray for the cured for those with cancer, cancer survivors & life threatening diseases By Bernadine Conrad

**Tuesday 5/30  
Weekday**

**Wednesday 5/31**  
The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Thursday 6/1**  
Birthday Blessings for Angela Enwezor by Angela

God's blessings and protection for Mildred Stubbs by Sandra & John Stubbs

**Friday 6/2**  
SS Marcellinus & Peter

**Saturday 6/3**  
St. Charles & Companions

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

Lamont Diggs, Sr.  
Crawley Easley  
Marita C. Edelin  
Joshua M. Faison  
Kimbolyn Flowers  
Anthony Flowers  
Betty Gale  
Tina Garvin  
Katrina Griffin  
Steve Halle  
Chris Hawkins  
Faye L. Hawkins  
Brenda Henson  
Carolyn Holland  
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  
Silvia Perry  
Gertrude Quarles  
John Quarles

Doreene Redd  
Corley Redd  
Regina Rivers  
Leroy Sandifer  
Betty Smith  
Helen Smith  
Kayla Tatum  
Rolland Taylor  
Gloria Thompson-Price  
James F. Thompson, Jr.  
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

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 5/21/2023 \$1,435.48

Donation for Maintenance: \$3,816.00

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

## Quote of the Day

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

- Romans 5:5-6

## PARISH NEWS

**JOSEPHITE ORDINATION:** The Josephites are inviting all to the Ordination celebration of Dn Henry Ihuoma, Ifiok Umanna, George Agwu on **Saturday June 3rd**. Mass begins at 10am and reception follows after Mass at the center. .

**ALL ORGANIZATIONS** and those others who want to reserve a date on the Parish calendar from July through December 2023 please have your dates to the Rectory by the second week in June. You may call the Rectory on 202-584-8322 or email the Rectory at [stluke.dc@adw.org](mailto:stluke.dc@adw.org). Thank you.

**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 used/created to access the scholarship application. Please visit the following website to apply: <http://shorturl.at/pyOV2>

**2023 SUMMER PROGRAMMING & ENRICHMENT** June 28th—August 4th at St. Luke's Center. Registration opens late April/early May. Registration forms are in the back of the church.

**TOILETRY DRIVE FOR WOMEN'S SHELTER** during the summer months beginning in June. Please place your items in the boxes located in the front of the church and in the back of the church. This drive is being sponsored by the Sodality.

**SODALITY MEETING** will be held on June 4, 2023 after 8:30 am Mass. For those who cannot attend in person you may dial in for meeting at 10:00am or shortly thereafter. The dial-in number is 425-436-6339 and the code is 269615#