

St. Luke

Catholic Church
4925 East Capitol Street, SE
Washington, DC 20019

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and Brothers



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Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 30, 2014

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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. He is the center of our joy. Together we celebrate the Holy Eucharist which is the source and summit of our Christian life. So come join us and become part of a loving, caring, and spiritually motivated parish.

Parish Devotions

3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m.

Cameroon Mass

Monday - ---10:30 a.m.

Miraculous Medal Novena

Senior Bible Study Group

Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.

Novena to St. Joseph

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Bible Study

Friday - ----8:00 a.m.

Prayer for Vocations

1st Friday - ---7:00 p.m.

Holy Hour

Saturday --- 3:00 p.m.

Rosary

Mass Schedule



VIGIL MASS

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday: 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: 10:00 a.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m. **Stations of the Cross- Friday** 7:00pm

Adoration

Every 1st Friday of the Month 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm Sunday: 7:30am-8:15am

Sunday: 10:00am- 10:45am Or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal registration takes place at the Parish Office prior to baptism preparation class. Parents and God-parents preparation is held on the First Sunday of each month after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Baptisms will take place on the Third Sunday of each month.

<u>WEEKENDS</u>		<u>TIME</u>	<u>FEAST OF THE DAY</u>	<u>MASS INTENTION</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
SATURDAY	29th	4:00 PM	VIGIL MASS	LOIS THOMPSON++	MARY WILLIAMS
SUNDAY	30th	8:30AM 11:00AM	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT	SICK AND SHUT-IN JULIUS, PAULINE, SON- JOHN BATISTE++	FR. CORNELIUS HILDA MCDOUGALD
MONDAY	31st	10:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	MARY FRAZIER++ & CUR- TIS WASHINGTON++	HILDA MCDOUGALD
TUESDAY	1st	8:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	EBERE EJIOGU	FR. CORNELIUS
WEDNESDAY	2nd	8:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	ELSIE WILLIS	PARISH FAMILY
THURSDAY	3rd	10:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	KARIS FELTON	FAMILY
FRIDAY	4th	8:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS	SUSIE & FRANK MCDOUGALD++	HILDA MCDOUGALD

REFLECTION FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"So he went and washed, and came back able to see." The man born blind was healed by the power of Christ. But the man played his part as well. First, he let Jesus spread the clay on his eyes, which was probably just as strange as it sounds. This wasn't a typical practice for curing blindness! In fact, there was no such practice; as the blind man said, "It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind."

Yet the man trusted Jesus enough to submit to this odd therapy. Then, still caked in mud, the man followed Christ's direction to wash in the Pool of Siloam. Only after this washing was the healing complete. If the man had doubted Jesus, if he had been too skeptical to participate in this unusual ritual, he would not have been cured.

But he believed. He took Jesus at his word and obeyed his command. Ironically, this man without physical vision "saw" what those around him did not. He recognized that Jesus was a prophet. The Pharisees, on the other hand, were "blinded" by Jesus' boldness in curing the man on a Sabbath day. They thought they were looking at a sinner.

Jesus tells us he came, "so that those who do not see might see." Where do we fall on this spectrum of spiritual vision? Are we like the man who followed Christ without question? Like him, do we respond to Jesus with obedience, even when it doesn't "appear" to make sense at the time? Or do we struggle to see Christ in the trials of life? During this season of Lent may we identify any areas where doubt has created a blind spot in our hearts. Let us pray that our eyes may be opened to recognize, even amidst struggles, the One who is "the light of the world."

ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

JOY IN THE JOURNEY

By Michael Card

**There is a joy in the journey
There's a light we can love on the way
There is a wonder and wildness to life
And freedom for those who obey.**

**And all those who seek it shall find it
A pardon for all who believe
Hope for the hopeless and sight for
the blind.**

**To all who've been born in the Spirit
And who share incarnation with Him
Who belong to eternity stranded in time
And weary of struggling with sin.**

**Forget not the hope that's before you
And never stop counting the cost
Remember the hopelessness when
you were lost.**

**There is a joy in the journey
There's a light we can love on the way
There is a wonder and wildness to life
And freedom for those who obey
And freedom for those who obey...**

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Batts
Beatrice Carroll
Edna Coates
Deacon Joe Conrad
Edith Cornish
Alvera Dance
Mary E. Davis
Bertha Dearing
Irena Fields
Theodosia Fitch
Gwendolyn Fortune
Tina Garvin

Oceacie Gray, Jr.
Joseph Grear
Florence Hall
Michael Harkins
Mary Harris
Chris Hawkins
Charlene Haywood
Brenda Henson
James Holley
Rudolph Holley
James Hughes
Charles Jamison

Fred Jones
Mary A. Lewis
Rose Luck
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Clement Martin
Regina Neal
Vincent Neal
Annibelle Nelson
Betty Payne
Lillian Pharms
Joseph Queen

Bernadette Redmond
Michael Smith
Anna E. Smith
Betty Smith
Ruth Stokes
Anna Strother
Kayla Tatum
Gloria Thompson
Matthew Thompson
Jerome J. Wallace
Wayne A. Wallace
Mary P.G. Washington



Shiela Washington
Wellington Waters
Dolores Woodard, Jr.

Readings for the Week of March 30, 2014

Sunday: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ephesians 5:8-14/Jonah 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Isaiah 65:17-21/Jonah 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12/Jonah 5:1-16

Wednesday: Isaiah 49:8-15/Jonah 5:17-30

Thursday: Exodus 32:7-14/Jonah 5:31-47

Friday: Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22/Jonah 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jeremiah 11:18-20/Jonah 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Ezekiel 37:12-14/Romans 8:8-11/Jonah 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Lectors Schedule for Next Week

4/5—4:00pm Mass— Audrey Colvon & John Rookard, Sr.

4/6--8:30am Mass— Debora Savoy & Jasmine Wilson

4/6—11:00am Mass— Terrenthia Sweeney & Shirley Williams

PARISHIONERS CELEBRATIONS
HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

We would like to wish Hilda McDougald and Mary Whisonant a very wonderful birthday celebration. May the joy of the Lord be your strength.



Church Support

Sunday Collection:

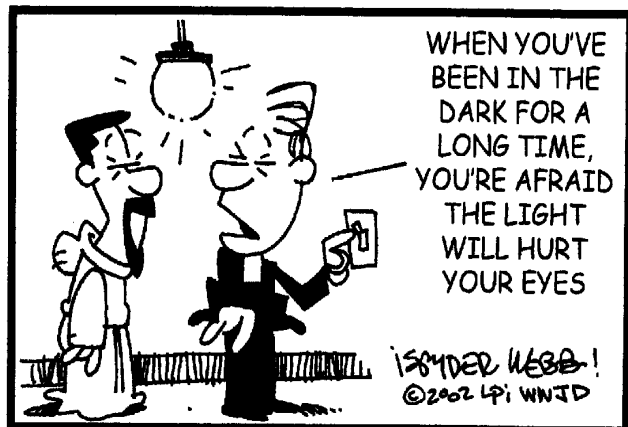
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May God reward you abundantly

ATTENDANCE:

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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT





PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Dear Parishioners,

Our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of leaves for our Tree located in the north-west corner of the church (East Capitol St. side) There are 46 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The season of Lent is a great time to reflect on our Lord's Suffering, Passion and Death. He showed his love for us as he endured a great deal of anguish while carrying his cross along Calvary's way. This Friday, April 4th (**at exactly 7:00pm**), we will have the opportunity to walk that long and treacherous journey with him as we pray the Stations of the Cross. All Parishioners are invited to be part of this Spirit filled expression of our Lenten observance.

THE LIGHT IS ON: Exposition of the Blessed Eucharist and Confessions will be held during the Season of Lent every Wednesday from 5:00pm to 6:30pm beginning in the Church. Please stop by for some moment of silent prayer, reflection and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

ANNUAL ST. LUKE FISH FRY: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the fish fry on Friday, April 4th from 11:00am to 3:00pm. Forms are at all three exits of the church or please call the Rectory to place your orders beginning Tuesdays of each week between 9:00 and 4:00pm.

HOLY HOUR : Our first Friday Holy hour will be combined with stations of the Cross at 7:00pm on April 4th. in the Church.

LENTEN FOOD FAST: Youth group food fast takes place on Friday April 4th at 6:00pm to Saturday, April 5th.

ST. MARY'S CAR RAFFLE: Tickets for the raffle will be sold in the back of Church by the Knights of Columbus. The cost is \$5.00 per ticket.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

CRS RICE BOWL REFLECTION: MALAWI This week, CRS Rice Bowl invites us to enter into solidarity with the people of the Malawi. We are encouraged to reflect on the Catholic social teaching principle, *Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers*, and reminded that, just as He labored to create the universe, God sanctifies and calls us to work. Let us pray this week for our brothers and sisters in Malawi and all around the world, that we work with joy for God's greater glory.

BINGO FOR A CAUSE: On Sunday April 6, join Catholic Charities for an afternoon of basket bingo to support their Mt. Camel House Housing Program for homeless women. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door — held at the Knight of Columbus/Rosensteel Council near the Forest Glen Metro. For more information or to book your basket, call 301-577-4534. Mt. Carmel House helps women who may be fleeing abuse or addiction to restart their lives and get back to living independently.

SOME (So Others Might Eat) SUMMER CAMP: This program is designed especially for seniors (65 + yrs) who are in need of a vacation. This five day experience is filled with excellent accommodations and meals, arts and crafts, fun activities and time to relax. It takes place on July 14-18, 2014 or July 21-25, 2014 in rural West Virginia. The source of transportation is a bus. The departure and arrival point will be from the Shrine of Immaculate Conception. Applications are available from St. Luke's Rectory. Included in the application is a health form which must be signed by a doctor who gives approval of participation.