

St. Luke

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

Staffed by The Josephite Fathers
and Brothers



Serving Washington DC (Far S.E.), N.E. and Prince Georges County Since 1957

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 28, 2014

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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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.	

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.

Weekday	Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday 27h	4:00pm	St. Vincent de Paul	Chikelue & Chijioke Onianwah	Charmanine Onianwah
Sunday 28th	8:30 am 11:00am	26th Sunday Mass 26th Sunday Mass	Sick and Shut in Unemployed Family Members	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 29th	10:00am	SS. Michael, Gabriel and Rachael	Curtis Wilson++	Barbara Wilson
Tuesday 30th	10:00am	St. Jerome	Ernest J. Taylor, Jr.++	Doris Lucas
Wednesday 1st	8:00am	St. Theresa	Peace in Nigeria	Fr. Cornelius
Thursday 2nd	10:00am	The Holy Guardian Angels	Joyce Thomas	Family
Friday 3rd	8:00am	Week Day Mass	Susie & Frank McDougald++	Family

REFLECTION FOR THE

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you.” Ouch. If Jesus weren’t speaking the truth, this would seem like a nasty insult. To the ears of the chief priests and elders to whom he was speaking, it was as good as saying, “You’re bigger sinners than the biggest sinners around.” Jesus had a way of cutting to the heart of matters. In this case, he was calling out these religious leaders for their stubborn resistance to the revelation of God.

At least the “sinners” heard and heeded John the Baptist’s message of repentance. But those who considered themselves too righteous to repent were missing the opportunity to experience the healing power of mercy.

As we know, God the Father wants to extend mercy to his children. Just as any good parents want what’s best for their children, God wants us to see the truth and follow it. But he won’t force our hand. God always respects our freedom. He invites, encourages, assists, and persists in drawing us in, but ultimately the choice is ours.

One way God invites us to spiritual healing is through the sacrament of reconciliation. This is a perfect example of God’s desire to extend forgiveness. But if we don’t take advantage of this gift, we miss the grace that it offers us.

Let us beware of thinking that we aren’t the kinds of sinners that really need to repent. If we don’t acknowledge our need for God’s forgiveness we, become like the chief priests who closed themselves off to God’s healing. It doesn’t matter how far we may have fallen— this is why Jesus specifies that even “big” sinners can enter the kingdom of God—rather, what matters is that we have hearts open to recognizing and responding to God’s love.

ADMINISTRATOR’S CORNER

“Strength and Courage”

By Sylvia Kelly

It takes strength to be certain,
It takes courage to have doubts.
It takes strength to fit in,
It takes courage to stand out.

It takes strength to share a friend's pain,
It takes courage to feel your own pain.
It takes strength to hide your own pain,
It takes courage to show it and deal with it.

It takes strength to stand guard,
It takes courage to let down your guard.
It takes strength to conquer,
It takes courage to surrender.

It takes strength to endure abuse,
It takes courage to stop it.
It takes strength to stand alone,
It takes courage to lean on a friend.

It takes strength to love,
It takes courage to beloved.
It takes strength to survive,
It takes courage to live.

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Batts
Beatrice Carroll
Edna Coates
Edith Cornish
Alvera Dance
Mary E. Davis
Bertha Dearing
Irena Fields
Gwendolyn Fortune
Tina Garvin
Oceacie Gray, Jr.
Joseph Grear

Florence Hall
Michael Harkins
Chris Hawkins
Charlene Haywood
Brenda Henson
James Holley
Rudolph Holley
James Hughes
Charles Jamison
Fred Jones
Mary A. Lewis
Rose Luck

Bernadette Mahoney
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Martyn Montague
Veronica Murray
Marie Neal
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
Barbara B. Tyler
Jerome J. Wallace
Wayne A. Wallace



Mary P.G. Washington
Shiela Washington
Wellington Waters
Dolores Woodard, Jr.
And all St Luke
Parishioners & families
who served in the
military.

Readings for the Week of September 28, 2014

Sunday: Ezekiel 18:25-28/Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Matthew 21:28-32

Monday: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12a/Jonah 1:47-51

Tuesday: Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Luke 9:51-56

Wednesday: Job 9:1-12, 14-16/Luke 9:57-62

Thursday: Job 19:21-27/Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Friday: Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Luke 10:13-16

Saturday: Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Luke 10:17-24

Church Support

Sunday Collection:

Thank you for supporting our parish.
May God reward you abundantly
\$4,369.72

ATTENDANCE:

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Lectors Schedule for Next Week

10/4—4:00pm Mass—Audre Colvon

10/5—8:30am Mass—Debora Savoy & Christine Tolson

10/5--11:00am Mass—Bernard Robinson & Violet Tinsley



PARISHIONERS CELEBRATION

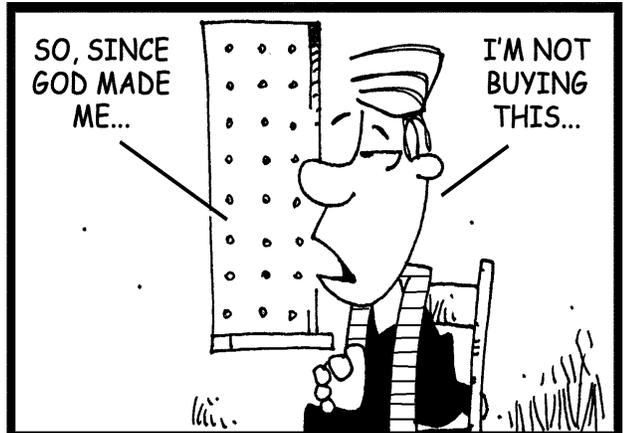
HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY



We would like to wish Michael Holland, and Joyce Thomas a very wonderful birthday..
Congratulations to Mr. Robert and Mrs. Beverly Stewart on their wedding anniversary.

May the joy of the Lord be your strength!!!

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





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 northwest corner of the church (East Capitol St. side) There are 38 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.

HOLY HOUR will be held on Friday, October 3, 2014 at 7:00pm.

PLEASE JOIN IN THE FESTIVITIES at St. Luke's Music Fest Dinner fundraiser to be held on Saturday, October 4th in the St. Luke Center from 5:00pm-9:00pm. Tickets will be on sell in the back of church after each Mass. Donation is \$35.00. For more information contact Gloria Washington at 301-505-2850.

EAST OF THE RIVER REVIVAL, 2014: Please mark your calendars now! The 25th Annual East of the River Fall Revival will be held on **Monday through Thursday, Oct. 6-9, 2014**. The theme for this year is "***Jesus Show Us the Way.***" As always, the Revival will begin **each night at 7:00pm** with praise and worship. St. Luke will co-host on Monday, Oct. 6, 2014. The schedule is as follows: Monday, Oct. 6: The Church of the Incarnation (Opening Night); Tuesday, Oct. 7: St. Joseph of Largo (Youth Night); Wednesday, Oct. 8: Mt. Calvary (Reconciliation Night); Thursday, Oct. 9: St. Thomas More (Closing Mass).

ANNUAL PRAY FOR THE CURE MASS: We walk for the cure, run for the cure now let us come together and pray for the cure with Most Rev. John Ricard, S.S.J. Ph.D., celebrant and homilist on October 12, 2014 at the 11:00 am Mass.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Those who have not yet contacted the rectory with their wedding anniversary dates for the year 2014, in order for your anniversary to be recognized, contact the rectory at 202-584-8322 (or leave a message on ext. 24) by October 2nd.