

# St. Luke

Catholic Church  
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Washington, DC 20019

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## The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

**Sunday, November 2, 2014**

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

**FRIDAY & WEEKENDS:** By Appointment

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## Welcome

**S**T. 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.  
**Monday** - ---10:30 a.m.

Cameroon Mass  
Miraculous Medal Novena  
Senior Bible Study Group  
Novena to St. Joseph  
Bible Study  
Prayer for Vocations  
Holy Hour  
Rosary

**Wednesday** - 8:00 a.m.  
**Wednesday** - 7:00 p.m.  
**Friday** - ----8:00 a.m.  
**1st Friday** - --7:00 p.m.  
**Saturday** --- 3:00 p.m.

## 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 1st	10:00am 4:00pm	All Saints Day All Souls Day	Chikelue & Chijioke Onianwah Deceased Parishioners++	Charmanine Onianwah Parish Family
Sunday 2nd	8:30 am 11:00am	The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed	Deceased Parishioners++ Deceased Parishioners++	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 3rd	10:00am	St. Martin de Porres	Donald M. Lewis++	Hilda McDougals
Tuesday 4th	8:00am	St. Charles Borromeo	Deacon Joseph Conrad ++	Family
Wednesday 5th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Cornelius U. Ejiogu ++	Fr. Cornelius
Thursday 6th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Deceased Josephites++	Fr. Cornelius
Friday 7th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Susie & Frank McDougald++	Family

**REFLECTION FOR**

**The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**

“I will not reject anyone who comes to me.” Today, as we remember the faithful departed, we can rejoice in these words from Jesus. He promises that he will welcome those who come to him. He is so anxious to embrace us! As the catechism puts it, “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation” (CCC 1030).

Jesus’ whole message here is important. Eternal salvation is available to all, but it does involve a level of participation on our part. “Everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life,” Jesus says in today’s Gospel. When it’s authentic, of course, this belief is more than mere lip service.

*Understanding* that Jesus is our savior and our God is one thing. *Coming* to him is another; it takes belief to the next level of personal commitment. This involves choices, decisions, and actions. Coming to Jesus means being near him through a spiritual life that involves a real relationship with him—as well as being focused on him by charting our life’s course in the light of faith. This is what we strive to do during the ups and downs of this life.

But it isn’t always easy. Even as faithful Christians we often fall short of perfect cooperation with God. But this is not cause for despair! Today we remember that even Christians who die still “imperfectly purified” can ultimately share the blessing of heaven. We pray for these souls in purgatory to come closer and closer to perfect union with the Lord. And meanwhile, we strive to increase our own union with Christ in the hopes of sharing eternity with him and with the whole commun-

**ADMINISTRATOR’S CORNER**

**ALL SAINTS DAY: HOW IT CAME TO BE**

The commemoration of all the faithful departed is celebrated by the Church on 2 November, or, if this be a Sunday or a solemnity, on 3 November. The Office of the Dead must be recited by the clergy and all the Masses are to be of Requiem, except one of the current feast, where this is of obligation.

The theological basis for the feast is the doctrine that the souls which, on departing from the body, are not perfectly cleansed from venial sins, or have not fully atoned for past transgressions, are debarred from the Beatific Vision, and that the faithful on earth can help them by prayers, alms deeds and especially by the sacrifice of the Mass.

In the early days of Christianity the names of the departed brethren were entered in the diptychs. Later, in the sixth century, it was customary in Benedictine monasteries to hold a commemoration of the deceased members at Whitsuntide. In Spain there was such a day on Saturday before Sexagesima or before Pentecost, at the time of St. Isidore (d. 636). In Germany there existed (according to the testimony of Widukind, Abbot of Corvey, c. 980) a time-honoured ceremony of praying to the dead on 1 October.

This was accepted and sanctified by the Church. St. Odilo of Cluny (d. 1048) ordered the commemoration of all the faithful departed to be held annually in the monasteries of his congregation. Thence it spread among the other congregations of the Benedictines and among the Carthusians.

**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 Gear

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  
Alfred Price  
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.  
St Luke military families

**Readings for the Week of November 2, 2014**

**Sunday:** Wisdom 3:1-9/Romans 5:5-11 or Romans 6:3-9/John 6:37-40  
**Monday:** Philippians 2:1-4/Luke 14:12-14  
**Tuesday:** Philippians 2:5-11/Luke 14:15-24  
**Wednesday:** Philippians 2:12-18/Luke 14:25-33  
**Thursday:** Philippians 3:3-8a/Luke 15:1-10  
**Friday:** Philippians 3:17—4:1/Luke 16:1-8  
**Saturday:** Philippians 4:10-19/Luke 16:9-15  
**Next Sunday:** Ezra 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17/John 2:13-22

***Church Support***

**Sunday Collection:**

Thank you for supporting our parish.  
May God reward you abundantly  
**\$ 3,187.61**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**278**

**Lectors Schedule for Next Week**

11/8—4:00pm Mass— Kathy Harris & John Rookard, Sr.  
11/9—8:30am Mass— John Faxio & Doris Lucas  
11/9--11:00am Mass—Brenyce Sweeney & Shirley Williams



**PARISHIONERS CELEBRATION**

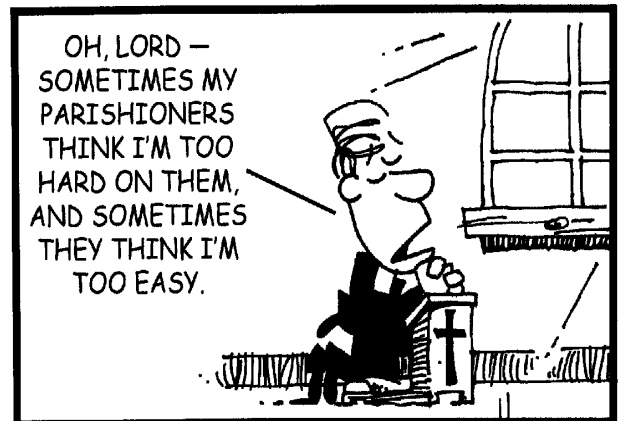
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY**



We would like to wish Barbara Tatum, Gloria G. Wilson and Ronald Watson a very wonderful birthday.

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

**31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



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## **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 Friday, November 7th at 7:00 pm.

**VETERANS MASS & DINNER:** The St. Martin de Porres Council would like to invite you to the veterans appreciation Mass and dinner. The Mass will be held on Saturday, November 8th at the 4:00pm Vigil Mass and dinner will follow at 5:30pm. Sign up for the dinner in the back of church. Also feel free to bring military photos for our display table.

**THANKSGIVING BASKETS:** All parishioners who are interested may come to the church hall from November 3rd through November 6th between 9:00am and 12:00pm to request a Thanksgiving basket. We will be giving out 100 baskets and the first 100 people will get a Thanksgiving basket.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER:** All are invited to Thanksgiving dinner sponsored by Health Ministries on November 24th from 6:00pm to 9:00pm in the Church Hall.

**ST LUKE CHOIRS CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** The parish choirs will host a concert on the 7th of December 2014 @ St Luke. Time is 4:00pm-6:00pm. Donation is \$10. Come, Let us Make A Joyful Noise to the Lord.

**ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING:** The first meeting of this group will be held on Saturday, November 8th at 12:30 pm in the church. The youth will be instructed by Mr. Fred Neal. Altar Servers must be a minimum of 7 years old. It is for males and females! At present we have ten young people who have experienced interest in becoming servers. They range from 7-15 in age. We are pleased to have this group wanting to serve in this capacity. Let us pray for them. The schedule of classes is November 8th & 22nd, December 13th and January 10th & 24th. It will diminish to once per month as the youth become acclimated in the responsibilities of an altar server. Direct questions to Shirley Williams, DRE: 301-518-5596.