



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

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, June 28, 2015

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FRIDAY & WEEKENDS: By Appointment

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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 2015 is “**Grant to us oh Lord a heart renewed. Recreate in us your own Spirit Lord**” Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

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
Fridays of Lent —7:00pm	Stations of the Cross

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 27th	4:00pm	Thirteenth Sunday O T (VIGIL)	Mama Octavie++ & Aunty Elizabeth++	Beatrice Kouemou
Sunday 28th	8:30am 11:00am	Thirteenth Sunday of O T Thirteenth Sunday of O T	For all Fathers in the world For all Fathers in our Parish	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 29th	10:00am	SS Peter and Paul	In Thanksgiving for Richard Ngamo (BB)	Beatrice Kouemou
Tuesday 30th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Ingrid Manuela++	Beatrice Kouemou
Wednesday 1st	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Mama Octavie++ & Aunty Elizabeth++	Beatrice Kouemou
Thursday 2nd	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Karis Felton	Family
Friday 3rd	8:00am	St. Thomas	Susie++ & Frank++ McDougald	Family

PASTOR'S CORNER

4 Reasons Why God Delays

Have you asked God for something—a job, a pay raise, or the resolution to a problem—but his answer has yet to come? Even if you asked with the right motives, are you still waiting for God to act? David expresses this sentiment in Psalm 69:17 when he calls out to God: “Answer me quickly, for I am in trouble.” God always has good reasons for delaying. Consider the following four:

God delays because his ways are not your ways: “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways declares the Lord. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts” (Isa. 55:8–9). God’s ways are higher. Trust that he has a divine purpose for his delay. Your viewpoint is limited, but God sees all things. Proverbs 3:5 says, “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.” God may be putting everything in place before revealing his answer to you.

God delays so you can demonstrate your faith: Galatians 6:9 tells you how to wait for God: “Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” Respond to God’s delay with faith, not doubt. God guarantees a harvest, and it will arrive at the proper time. Hebrews 10:36 says, “You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.” To persevere is to endure with an expectation of victory.

God delays so he can bless your waiting: Isaiah 30:18 promises, “Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; he rises to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him!” Those who wait for God will be blessed by God. God will take care of you and show you his compassion while you are waiting for him. He will be gracious, which conveys the word picture of God descending from above to personally show you his kindness.

God delays so he can be glorified in the end: John 11:4 says, “When he heard this, Jesus said, ‘This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God’s glory so that God’s Son may be glorified through it.’” This verse is part of a broader passage in John 11:1–43 concerning the death and resurrection of Lazarus. When Lazarus was sick, Jesus purposefully delayed in going to him. During the delay Lazarus died. Jesus ultimately resurrected Lazarus, which was a manifestation of Jesus’s glory for all to see. Christians are still talking about this miracle today. God’s miracles validate his word.

In John 11:40, at the end of the Lazarus story, Jesus says, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” God’s delay is not his denial.

See more at: <http://godscareerguide.com/4-reasons-why-god-delays/#sthash.TmkzTFMB.dpuf>

**Reflection For
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“*And they ridiculed him.*” So he hung his head in shame and slunk gloomily out the back door? So he pleaded and whined and called them all names? No. Instead, Jesus “put them all out” and went about his business, raising Jairus’ daughter from the dead.

Jesus wasn’t concerned about what others thought. And lest we imagine that everyone around him was constantly worshiping him and adoring his divinity, today’s reading reminds us that even in the presence of the Lord, skeptics were a dime a dozen. So should we be surprised if we must deal with a bit of ridicule ourselves?

As faithful Christians, we will at times be called to chart a course that doesn’t make sense in the eyes of the world. And, yes, some people will say we’re crazy. We may be called to take a stand for the unborn or the elderly in a culture that considers life to be expendable. We may be faced with a decision at work that requires us to adhere to an ethical code that our boss thinks is laughable.

Perhaps we will have to sacrifice a relationship because of pressures to ignore Christian morality. Or maybe the situation could be as simple as dealing with the smirks that arise when we say a prayer before eating at a restaurant. Whether we face a snicker or blatant discrimination against our religious freedom, we should not flinch or waver when such opposition comes our way.

Jesus faced it and so will we. The question is only how we will respond. Today, Jesus gives us an example of calm confidence as he marches forward with his mission. He knew that he was doing the right thing, and that was enough for him. It should be enough for us too.

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Lester Allen
Barbara Barnes
Barbara Batts
Mary C. Bennett
Beatrice Carroll
Edna Coates
Sophie Coleman
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
Michael Holland
James Holley
Rudolph Holley
James Hughes
Charles Jamison

David & Keisha Jones
Rose Luck
Bernadette Mahoney
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Alice L. Montague
Martyn Montague
Veronica Murray
Vincent Neal
Marlene Patterson
Silvia Perry
Alfred Price
Lillian Pharms

Joseph Queen
Doreene Redd
Bernadette Redmond
Anna E. Smith
Betty Smith
Ruth Stokes
Anna Strother
Kayla Tatum
Gloria Thompson
Matthew Thompson
Barbara B. Tyler
Jerome J. Wallace
Wayne A. Wallace



Shiela Washington
Wellington Waters
Lois Williams
Dolores Woodard, Jr.
Harold Woodard, Sr.
St Luke military families.

Readings for the Week of June 28, 2015

Sunday: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24/2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mark 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43
Monday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Galatians 1:11-20/John 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11/2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18/Mathew 16:13-19
Tuesday: Genesis 19:15-29/Matthew 8:23-27
Wednesday: Genesis 21:5, 8-20a/Matthew 8:28-34
Thursday: Genesis 22:1b-19/Matthew 9:1-8
Friday: Ephesians 2:19-22/John 20:24-29
Saturday: Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29/Matthew 9:14-17
Next Sunday: Ezekiel 2:2-5/2 Corinthians 12:7-10/Mark 6:1-6a

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY/
ANNIVERSARY**

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to John Quarles, Adelaide Watts, Hazel J. Faxio & Ethel Holt.
&
Congratulations on your wedding anniversaries to Mr. & Mrs. Earnest and Sunday Glover-Cox and also Mr. & Mrs. Amos & Doris L. Dunksins.

May the joy of the Lord be

LECTORS SCHEDULE

E.M.E. SCHEDULE

**7/4– 4:00pm Mass
K.Ndoug & J. Rookard, Sr.**

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P. Glover & S. Glover-Cox**

**7/5– 8:30am Mass
D. Lucas & S. Mode**

**7/5– 8:30am Mass
C. Holland & J. Thomas**

**7/5– 11:00 am Mass
B. Sweeney & V. Tinsley**

**7/5– 11:00 am Mass
B. Conrad & B. Baker**

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Church Support

Sunday Collection:

Thank you for supporting our parish.
May God reward you abundantly

\$3,366.49

Parish Office-Rectory Heater/AC fund : \$

\$235.00

ATTENDANCE:



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, July 3rd at 7:00pm.

ST. LUKES VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CAMP: We have started accepting donations of water (small bottles) juices (no huggies) and snacks for Vacation Bible School. Teens wishing to earn Community Service Hours for school are invited to assist with VBS. Must be at least 14-years old! Volunteers to work with VBS please sign-up at the rear of the Church. The Vacation Bible School will be held from Monday, August 3, 2015 to Friday, August 7, 2015. Time: 8:30am to 3:00pm

THE SODALITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION thanks the ladies who submitted membership applications during May, "The Month of Mary". Applications will continue to be accepted until August 16, 2015.

FUNERAL MASS FOR MRS. JACKSON...

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

RETREAT FOR SEPARATED AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS: The Fourth Annual Father Vince O'Brien Memorial Retreat for Separated and Divorced Catholics will be held at the Loyola Retreat House in Faulkner, MD from July 24-26. Monsignor Maury O'Connell, the SDC Chaplain, will be the director. The total cost of the retreat is \$235 for the 3-Day room & board, which is from Friday dinner to Sunday lunch. For registration and other information, please contact Greg Becker at 301-906-9422 or sdinfo@rc.net. The registration flyer can also be found online at www.rc.net/washington/sdc/SDC_2015_Retreat.pdf

THE CALENDAR WILL GO HERE!!!!!!!!!!