



St. Luke

Catholic Church
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Washington, DC 20019

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 1, 2016

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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 2016 is **“Blessed are the merciful for they will receive Mercy from God.”** Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

Parish Devotions

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| 3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m. | Cameroon Mass |
| Last Sunday— 1:00pm | Congolese Mass |
| Monday - ---10:30 a.m. | Miraculous Medal Novena |
| | Senior Bible Study Group |
| Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. | Novena to St. Joseph |
| Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. | Bible Study |
| Friday - ---8:00 a.m. | Prayer for Vocations |
| 1st Friday - —6:00 p.m. | Holy Hour |
| Fridays of Lent—6:00pm | Stations of the Cross |
| Saturday --- 3:30 pm | 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 6:00 p.m.. - 7:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday in Lent at 6PM

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.

Sixth Sunday of Easter**Sunday, May 1, 2016**

Weekday	Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday 30th	4:00pm	St. Pius V OPT SR	Reginald Z. Lucas, Sr. ++	Mom
Sunday 1st	8:30am 11:00am	Sixth Sunday of Easter Sixth Sunday of Easter	For All Grieving Parents For All Grieving Parents	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 2nd	10:00am	St. Athanasius OBL SR	Jephte Ngamo (BB)	Beatrice Kouemou
Tuesday 3rd	8:00am	SS. Philip, James FEAST SR	Susan Davis	Sister Mary Jane Doyle
Wednesday 4th	8:00am	Easter Weekday Mass	Jephte Ngamo (BB)	Beatrice Kouemou
Thursday 5th	10:00am	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	Deceased Family of Fr. Cornelius; Declan++, Chinenye++ and Veronica++	Bernadine Conrad
Friday 6th	8:00am	Easter Weekday Mass	Susie++ & Frank ++ McDougald	Family

PASTOR'S CORNER**REFLECTIONS FOR THE
SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTER**

“Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.” Can we hear Jesus saying these words to us? It’s often easier for us to imagine the apostles hearing this consoling command and following it, than to think of it really applying to us. After all, Jesus was standing right there with them. Can he really expect *us*, two thousand years later, not to be troubled by the cares of life? But the fact is that the gift Jesus was giving to his disciples, he has also given to us: *“The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name.”*

Jesus told them that peace would be theirs, and it can also be ours. Peace is, in fact, one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit, along with love, joy, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity. These fruits don’t come from us. They aren’t just for people with certain cheery personalities.

These fruits come from God straight into our souls through the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit. Through our baptism and confirmation, Jesus gives us the gift of his Spirit. And then his peace, and so many other gifts can truly become ours if we open our hearts to them.

This is a reality that we can contemplate whenever worry or anxiety strike. Whatever may be disturbing our inner peace—whether it be a family feud, some kind of physical suffering, or a difficult decision to make at work or school—we can take comfort in knowing that we can find peace even in the midst of the problem.

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you,” Jesus says. But he continues, *“Not as the world gives do I give it to you.”* In other words, God doesn’t promise to take away the struggle in an instant. But he does promise to give us his peace even in the midst of life’s trials and tribulations.

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TROUBLE

Tanya M. DeVeer

Troubled times are here, as we knew that they would come

Not because of the situation,

just because life in general is not always fun

But we can overcome them, together we must

Because the love that we have shared

was surely built with trust

Times are daring in any family it seems

Rocking the boat to fulfill our dreams

We can build the obstacles, but must remember

to knock them down

For if we don't there will surely

be trouble by leaps and bounds

I think along the way somehow we forgot to knock down

The obstacles that are tearing at our hearts

and apparent trouble that abounds

Let's take the time to clear the obstacles

and go back to loving each other

We're hear to listen to your choices,

let's stop hurting one another

Right or wrong it's always God's call

We must remember, it is us who will ultimately take the fall

So in my heart I do not think it is worth it just to be right

Life is too short not to say we love you

and we won't give up without a fight

<http://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poem/troubled-times>

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Lester Allen
Martha Barbour
Barbara Barnes
Barbara Batts
Ruth Bundy
Beatrice Carroll
Edna Coates
Sophie Coleman
Melinda Conrad Brown
Edith Cornish
Alvera Dance
Lamont Diggs, Sr.
Irena Fields
Florence M. 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
Lawrence Lee

Rose Luck
Bernadette Mahoney
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Michael Mason
Doris McCann
Alice L. Montague
Martyn Montague
Veronica Murray
Vincent Neal
Marlene Patterson
Silvia Perry
Lillian Pharms
Alfred Price
Irving Proctor

Joseph Queen
Doreene Redd
Leroy Sandifer
Anna E. Smith
Betty Smith
Ruth Stokes
Anna Strother
Kayla Tatum
Gloria Thompson
James F. Thompson, Jr.
Matthew Thompson
Barbara B. Tyler
Jerome J. Wallace
Wayne A. Wallace
Shiela Washington



Wellington Waters
Terrell Wilson
Dolores Woodard, Jr.
Harold Woodard, Sr.
Beatrice Wright
St Luke military families.

Readings for the Week of May 1, 2016

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Psalms 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23/Jonah 14:23-29
Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Psalms 149:1-6, 9/Jonah 15:26-16:4a
Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8/Psalms 19:2-5/Jonah 14:6-14
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Psalms 148:1-2, 11-14/Jonah 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Jonah 16:16-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Psalms 47:2-7/Jonah 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Psalms 47:2-3, 8-10/Jonah 16:23b-28
Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Psalms 47:2-3, 6-9/Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 or Ephesians 1:17-23/Luke 24:46-53

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful and a happy birthday to Myeisha Davis, Brenda Smith, Marita Edelin, Bertha Jordan, Carolyn Holland, Anthony Wallace, St. Anthony T. Wallace, Sr. & Ethan Marshall and a happy wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Charles & Gloria Fantroy.

May the Joy of the Lord
Be your strength!!!

LECTORS SCHEDULE

5/7/2016- 4:00pm Mass
K. Ndouga

5/8/2016- 8:30am Mass
P. Nixon & A. Miles

5/8/2016- 11:00 am Mass
R. Johnson & C. Oniawah

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

5/7/2016- 4:00pm Mass
S.G. Cox, R. Watson & V. Watson

5/8/2016- 8:30am Mass
C. Tolson, M. Harris & D. Lucas

5/8/2016- 11:00am Mass
B. Conrad, S. Williams & C. Young

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER



Church Support

Sunday Collection:

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

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ATTENDANCE:

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JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY
God of Mercy and Compassion,
Look with pity upon me,
Father, let me call Thee Father,
'Tis Thy child returns to Thee.
Jesus, Lord, I ask for Mercy;
Let me not implore in vain;
All my sins, I now detest them,
Never will I sin again.



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.

SHARE: St. Luke's SHARE program takes place every month. For the month of May money is due in on May 9th. Share accepts money orders and EBT cards, no cash and no personal checks. Pick-up will be on Saturday, May 21st between 10 and 11:30 am.

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON: We are looking for men to volunteer to serve at the Mother's Day luncheon on May 8, 2016. If you are volunteering you must attend the meeting at 10:15AM in the church hall on May 8. Please sign up in the back of the church if interested.

HOLY HOUR will be held on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 7:00pm.

FUN TRIP: Join the Father Charles Coughlin Scholarship Committee for a day of fun at Harrington Raceway and Casino, Thursday, May 12, 2016. Cost: \$35 per person. Price includes round trip motor coach transportation, snacks enroute plus \$15 rebate and \$7.50 toward an All-You-Can-Eat Buffet. Proceeds will help support scholarships for students. Bus departs rear parking lot at 10:00AM, promptly. For reservations, contact Marguerite Simpson, 202-582-3293.

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YEAR OF MERCY: Reflection for the Sixth Sunday in Easter : "Now that May is here, we're ready to open the doors of our houses and the doors of our hearts. This month, let's think about God's mercy in connection with our homes. One of the most expressive symbols of the Year of Mercy for us is the Door of Mercy in St. Peter's in Rome. That's one place that any Catholic should be able to go into and feel at home. Now I will admit that the image of a door can be confusing. We run the risk of thinking of the Door of Mercy as an entryway to a church building, and we don't see that this open door is really an INVITATION to the home of the Body of Christ, OUR home. The open door bids friends and strangers come in, and once inside, we sit down to eat with them." *Listen to the rest of this reflection from Fr. Frank Wright at mercy.adw.org.*

EVOLUTION AND FAITH: WHAT IS AT STAKE? On Thursday, May 5 at 7:30pm in the Duffy Center of St. Raphael Parish in Rockville (1513 Dunster Rd.), Dr. John Haught, Distinguished Research Professor at Georgetown University, will give a lecture on how we can reach an understanding of God that is consistent with Catholic theology. If There is no fee, but a free will offering is encouraged. For more information, contact Suzanne Nelson at suzanne.nelson2@gmail.com. All are welcome!