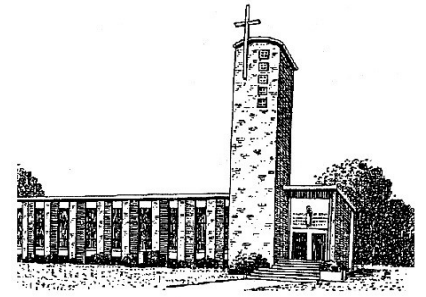


ST. LUKE

CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Third Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 4, 2018

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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 2017 is "**Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**" [Psalm 90:12] Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

Parish Devotions

3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m.	Cameroon Community
3rd Saturday- 3:00pm	Mass & Fellowship
Monday - ---10:30 a.m.	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena
Wednesday- 5:00pm	Seniors Bible Study Group
Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.	Novena to St. Joseph
Friday - ----8:00 a.m.	Adoration/Confession
1st Friday - --6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Fridays---6:00pm	Prayer for Vocations
Saturday --- 3:30 pm	Holy Hour
1st & 3rd Sunday 11am/12:30	Stations of the Cross
	Rosary
	O/L of Guadalupe CWA



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

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

Weekday Masses

In the Martin De Pores Chapel

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.

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 Godparents 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. Please call parish office for more information.

Weekday	Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention For the Week	Requested By
Saturday 3rd	4:00pm	Third Sunday of Lent (Vigil)	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Joan Thomas+++	Barbara Batts
Sunday 4th	8:30am 11:00am	Third Sunday of Lent Third Sunday of Lent	Thanking God for Janille Thompson's safe delivery Praying for God's Healing mercy on Essie Willis	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 5th	10:00am	Lenten Weekday Mass	In Thanksgiving to God for Louise Washington	Louise Washington
Tuesday 6th	8:00am	Lenten Weekday Mass	God's Blessing & Protection for Karis Felton	Family
Wednesday 7th	8:00am	SS. Perpetua & Felicity	God's Blessings for Louise Washington	Hilda McDougald
Thursday 8th	10:00 am	St. John of God	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Margaret Slaughter+++	Hilda McDougald
Friday 9th	8:00 am	St. Frances of Rome	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Antoinette Weaver+++	Hilda McDougald

REFLECTION FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

We all have things in our lives that don't belong there. Maybe it's the poor way we allow someone to treat us, maybe it's a habitual sin, maybe it's a pattern of thought or attitude that traps us in a cycle of regret, anger, or an inability to forgive. Jesus has bold words for us today: *"Take these out of here."*

When we hear the story of the Cleansing of the Temple, it can be easy to look down on the animal-sellers and money-changers. However, they set up shop in the Temple for a very practical purpose. People needed to buy animals to sacrifice, they were going to sacrifice them in the Temple: ergo, quite a convenient, successful marketplace! For many of us, the negative influences in our lives don't come out of nowhere.

We might have considered them quite practical and reasonable initially. We wanted to keep the peace, so we allowed someone to talk to us disrespectfully. A person hurt us deeply and we weren't prepared to let go of our resentment right away. Over time, these can fester and corrupt our inner life in a way we didn't expect.

The response of Jesus is a strong one. *"He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area."* God wants us to be whole, healthy human beings. He knows how destructive it is for our souls to be caught up sin - our own sin and those of others. God's love for us is startlingly fierce. In a few short weeks we will celebrate the culmination of that courageous love as Jesus goes to his death on the cross.

In the meantime, Lent is an opportunity for cleansing and renewal. If we've allowed into our lives things that don't belong, let today be the day we ask Jesus to clear them out. It's not always easy or pretty, but it's necessary for our hearts to function the way they were made. God will turn our tables over if we ask Him to.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

EXTERNAL SACRIFICE: SO WHY EXACTLY ARE YOU NOT EATING CANDY FOR THE NEXT MONTH?

This is a very popular penance during Lent, and the questions about it are just as popular. Heaven forbid you should avoid the cake at the birthday party! You LOVE cake! But it's Lent - a time for penance and sacrifice. Christ has said, "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:23).

Giving up something we enjoy strengthens our love for Christ and our resilience against temptation. As Pope Benedict XVI said in his Lenten address of 2009, "Through fasting and praying, we allow [Christ] to come and satisfy the deepest hunger that we experience in the depths of our being: the hunger and thirst for God." It unites us with Christ's own sacrifices and gives us a deeper appreciation of the blessings in our lives.

EXTERNAL SACRIFICE VS. INTERNAL CONVERSION: I DON'T GET IT --- ALL YOU DO IS GIVE UP CANDY?

Now, here is an interesting question. External sacrifices are the most obvious kind, so sometimes it does look like all we do is avoid chocolate. However, if you look closer, you'll realize that fasting and abstinence have always gone hand in hand with two of their best friends: prayer and almsgiving. External sacrifice is a manifestation of interior conversion: "...interior conversion urges expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance" (CCC no. 1430).

Interior conversion is where prayer and almsgiving come into play. In almsgiving, we show mercy and generosity to others, giving them a chance to experience the blessings we have. In prayer, we are communicating with God, asking him to bless and perfect our fasting and almsgiving: "... prayer is the living relationship of the children of God with their Father who is good beyond measure, with his Son Jesus Christ and with the Holy Spirit" (CCC no. 2565). It's not just avoiding sweets. It's glorifying God by growing in his Love.

Culled from <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/lent/ideas-for-evangelization-during-lent.cfm>

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish



Barbara Barnes	Irena Fields	Melvin Jamison	Regina Neal	Matthew Thompson
Blanche Bourm	Florence M. Fields	Mary Ann Johnson	Florence Patterson	Barbara B. Tyler
Barbara Batts	Tina Garvin	David & Keisha Jones	Silvia Perry	Jerome J. Wallace
Tanisha Bennett	Elizabeth Gillem	Lawrence Lee	Lillian Pharms	Wayne A. Wallace
Tammy Berry	Joseph Grear	Fred Lewis	Alfred Price	Shiela Washington
Ruth Bundy	Florence Hall	Maria A. Logan	Joseph Queen	Cecelia Williams
Beatrice Carroll	Steve Halle	Rose Luck	James Ratiff	Wellington Waters
Edna Coates	Dawn Lattimer	Bernadette Mahoney	Doreene Redd	Terrell Wilson
Melinda Conrad Brown	Michael Harkins	Doreene Mahoney	Leroy Sandifer	Dolores Woodard, Jr.
Edith Cornish	Chris Hawkins	Monica Mahoney	Betty Smith	Harold Woodard, Sr.
Aniceto Charles	Charlene Haywood	Barbara Mallory	Ruth Stokes	St Luke military families.
Joyce Cristwell	Brenda Henson	Michael Mason	Kayla Tatum	
Alvera Dance	James Holley	Doris McCannon	Rolland Taylor	
Lamont Diggs, Sr.	Rudolph Holley	Alice L. Montague	Gloria Thompson	
Marita C. Edelin	James Hughes	Veronica Murray	James F. Thompson, Jr.	

Readings for the Week of March 4, 2018

- Sunday:** Exodus 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [John 6:68c]/1 Corinthians 1:22-25/John 2:13-25
- Monday:** 2 Kings 5:1-15b/Psalms 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 42:3]/Luke 4:24-30 or Exodus 17:1-7/Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/John 4:5-42
- Tuesday:** Daniel 3:25, 34-43/Psalms 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mathew 18:21-35 Exodus 17:1-7/ Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/John 4:5-42
- Wednesday:** Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9/Psalms 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 [12a]/ Matthew 5:17-19 or Exodus 17:1-7/Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/ John 4:5-42
- Thursday:** Jeremiah 7:23-28/Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Luke 11:14-23 or Exodus 17:1-7/Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/John 4:5-42
- Friday:** Hosea 14:2-10/Psalms 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mark 12:28-34 or Exodus 17:1-7/Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/John 4:5-42
- Saturday:** Hosea 6:1-6/Psalms 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hosea 6:6]/Luke 18:9-14 or Exodus 17:1-7/Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/John 4:5-42
- Next Sunday:** 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Ephesians 2:4-10/John 3:14-21

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Doris L. Dunkins, Natoshka Faxio-Douglas, Deacon Richard Walker & Colethia Quarles.

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

LECTORS SCHEDULE

3/10/2018- 4:00pm Mass
K. H. Ndouga & R. Watson

3/11/2018-8:30am Mass
P. Nixon & M. Greene

3/11/2018- 11:00 am Mass
V. Tinsley & S. Williams

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

3/10/2018- 4:00pm Mass
P Glover & P. Hamlin

3/11/2018-8:30am Mass
C. Tolson & Y. Tolson

3/11/2018- 11:00am Mass
J. Williams & G. Abate

Quote of the Week

Love yourself.

It is important to stay positive because beauty comes from the inside out.

-Jenn Proske

Church Support

Sunday Collection:

Thank you for supporting our parish.

May God reward you abundantly

ATTENDANCE:

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And to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me.

— Jn 2:16-17



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Dear Parishioners, our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of leaves at the northwest corner of the inside 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.

2018 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS: The annual Jubilarian Celebration of marriage honoring couples married 25,30,35,40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 17, 2018 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Cardinal Donald Wuerl will preside at the Mass. Please call the rectory office to sign up. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Monday, April 16.

YOUTH MINISTRY CAREER EXPO will be held on Saturday, March 17 at the St. Luke Center from 11:00am to 2:00pm. All youth must be accompanied by adult to enter. There will be college and career vendors among many others, bag lunch and gift bags. Community service hours are available for passport completion.

LENTEN FISH FRY: The next fish fry will be held on Friday, March 9th from 11:00am to 3:00pm and is hosted by CCD Teachers/ Volunteers & Cameroon Faith Community.

CONFESSION & ADORATION is held every Wednesday during lent from 5-6pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS is held every Friday at 6pm.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

LIGHT THE WORLD! is a Summer Institute that take place at the Catholic University of America. Rising juniors and seniors are invited to join us either June 24 through July 30 or July 8 through 14 as we explore how our faith is lives within the fields and careers of art, science sports, business & politics. Visit lighttheworldcu.org for more information and application materials.

LENTEN EVENTS AT THE ST. JOHN PAUL II NATIONAL SHRINE: "The Art of Prayer" Series on Sundays from 6 to 7pm on interior prayer with a time for silent meditation followed by a Sundays Vespers Service. In addition there will be a Tea for Mothers on Saturday March 17th from 9:45 to 12pm (*Childcare provided. Please RSVP.*) For details please visit www.jpshrine2.org. Or contact pilgrimage and visitor services at (202)635-5402.

EASTER LILY AND PALM CROSS SALE for your garden yard, or donate them to the Franciscan Monastery in honor of loved ones through March 18th to the Franciscan Monastery. Your orders support the gardens at the historic monastery. Details and on line orders at www.fmgg.org and the monastery's Holy Land gift shop. Pick up items on Palm Sunday weekend March 24-25. Questions contact Joe Bozik at 703-967-0958.

DC KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITIES hosts a charity golf tournament. All proceeds from this tournament provides scholarships to young people from DC so that they can attend Catholic high schools in the area, For more information contact Nicholas Shields at 817-899-5903.

THE SISTERS OF BON SECOURS invite single Catholic women to join them for a weekend to learn more about religious from women who live it. This is taking place at the Sisters of Bon Secours Provincial House in Marriottsville, MD. It will begin at 6:00pm on Friday, March 16 and end at 1pm on Sunday, March 18. To register, visit lifeasasister.org, or for more information contact 410-442-3171.

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST on Sunday, March 17, 2018 at 7pm at St. Ignatius of Loyola, 4103 Prices Distillery Road in IJamsville, MD, 21754. The Seven Last Words of Christ are seven expressions attributed to Jesus during his crucifixion... This is the perfect way to enter Holy Week Please join them for a musical and scriptural meditation on the Seven Last Words of Christ. Zach Stachowski leading a string quartet will guide you through Franz Joseph Hayden's Seven Last Works of Christ.