



# ST. LUKE

CATHOLIC CHURCH  
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WASHINGTON, DC 20019



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Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, May 20, 2018

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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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. 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 19th	4:00pm	Pentecost Sunday (Vigil Mass)	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Catherine Hogan+++	Hilda McDougald
Sunday 20th	8:30am 11:00am	Pentecost Sunday Pentecost Sunday	That the Holy Spirit will descend on us and inspire us for Missions That the Holy Spirit will descend on us and inspire us for Missions	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 21st	10:00am	ST. Christopher OPT	In Thanksgiving for Bill & Robert Fendel	The Fendels
Tuesday 22nd	8:00am	St. Rita	For the good intention of all those incarcerated	Ntsede
Wednesday 23rd	8:00am	Weekday Mass	For all the clergy and peace in our world	Marie Gisele
Thursday 24th	10:00 am	Weekday Mass	For the deceased clergy and all the faithful souls departed	Franciose Ebendeng
Friday 25th	8:00am	SS. Bede, Gregory	For an end in terrorism and Abortion in the world	Irene/ Dorothee

## PENTECOST

Today we celebrate the “birthday of the Church!” Pentecost is described in the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles. But before the great driving wind and tongues of fire empowering the Disciples, the Holy Spirit had already arrived. The Gospel for today’s Mass during the day is from John 20. Jesus appears to the fearful disciples after his resurrection. He first speaks a message of calm. *“Peace be with you.”* The apostles *“rejoiced when they saw the Lord.”* When the enthusiastic response settles down, Jesus *“breathed on them and said to them ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’”*

This action is Trinitarian, and it has happened before. If you turn your Bible back to the beginning, you’ll read: *“The Lord God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so many became a living being”* (Genesis 2:7). In the Garden of Eden, we see God’s first, original covenant with man.

The breath of life signifies that original indwelling of grace, the special state of likeness and friendship with God before the Fall. Here now, in this locked room, the Apostles receive the long-awaited promise: the very breath of God, new life, a new covenant.

In the pairing of these two readings—the Pentecost experience in Acts and the breath of Jesus in John’s Gospel—we see that the coming of the Holy Spirit is not only an empowering, it is an indwelling. We have each received the breath of grace in our baptism. It is confirmed, strengthened, and deepened in each reception of the sacraments. If we persevere in virtue, the Spirit of God is alive in us, inspiring our actions of love. This Pentecost Sunday, how is the breath of God alive in you?

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## PASTOR’S CORNER

### 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit

**The Catholic Church derives this information on the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit from scripture:** The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And He will delight in the fear of the LORD, And He will not judge by what His eyes see, Nor make a decision by what His ears hear; But with righteousness He will judge the poor, And decide with fairness for the afflicted of the earth;...(Isaiah 11:2-4)

- 1. Wisdom:** Wisdom is not the quoting of facts. Wisdom is a gift that allows a person to understand things from God’s point of view. In other words, Wisdom allows a person to recognize truth. A person with the Gift of Wisdom is able to take this truth and use it to glorify God by choosing Godly solutions to problems.
- 2. Understanding:** Understanding is the second gift of the Holy Spirit, and people sometimes have a hard time understanding (no pun intended) how it differs from wisdom. While wisdom is the desire to contemplate the things of God, understanding allows us grasp, at least in a limited way, the very essence of the truths of the Catholic Faith. Through understanding, we gain a certitude about our beliefs that moves beyond faith
- 3. Counsel:** The Gift of Counsel is also known as a Gift of Right Judgment. Counsel, the third gift of the Holy Spirit, is the perfection of the cardinal virtue of prudence. Prudence can be practiced by anyone, but counsel is supernatural. Through this gift of the Holy Spirit, we are able to judge how best to act almost by intuition. Because of the gift of counsel, Christians need not fear to stand up for the truths of the Faith, because the Holy Spirit will guide us in defending those truths.
- 4. Fortitude:** The Gift of Fortitude is also known as the Gift of Courage. Through this Gift a person is no longer afraid to stand up for God and His truths. A person who has the Gift of Fortitude will stand up for good against evil and is convicted to take a stand when the occasion arises.
- 5. Knowledge:** The Gift of Knowledge allows a person to understand the meaning and purpose God has for him and to live up to this meaning. It differs from wisdom in that it is an action, not just a desire to live up to the ways of God. It differs from Understanding in that it is not just ability, it is a knowing.
- 6. Piety:** the sixth gift of the Holy Spirit, is the perfection of the virtue of religion. While we tend to think of religion today as the external elements of our faith, it really means the willingness to worship and to serve God. Piety takes that willingness beyond a sense of duty, so that we desire to worship God and to serve Him out of love, the way that we desire to honor our parents and do what they wish.
- 7. Fear of the Lord:** The Gift of Fear of the Lord puts God in the proper perspective. A person with this Gift understands the greatness and awesomeness of the Lord. They want to serve Him because of who He is. A person with the Gift of Fear of the Lord understands who they are and why they are here in relationship to God; In other words, everything they are is due to the wonder, love, grace, and perfection of God. They are totally dependent on the Lord as a child is to a parent. The Gift of Fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom. Once a person understands who God is and desires to please Him, they can begin to understand things from God’s point of view or have Wisdom.

Excerpt Culled from <https://www.stjmod.com/7-gifts-of-the-holy-spirit.html>

## Pray for the Sick &amp; Shut-In of Our Parish



Barbara Barnes  
Blanche Bourm  
Barbara Batts  
Tanisha Bennett  
Tammy Berry  
Ruth Bundy  
Valene Chemoo  
Beatrice Carroll  
Edna Coates  
Melinda Conrad Brown  
Edith Cornish  
Aniceto Charles  
Joyce Cristwell  
Alvera Dance  
Lamont Diggs, Sr.

Marita C. Edelin  
Irena Fields  
Florence M. Fields  
Tina Garvin  
Elizabeth Gillem  
Joseph Grear  
Florence Hall  
Steve Halle  
Dawn Lattimer  
Michael Harkins  
Chris Hawkins  
Charlene Haywood  
Brenda Henson  
James Holley  
Rudolph Holley

James Hughes  
Melvin Jamison  
Mary Ann Johnson  
David & Keisha Jones  
Lawrence Lee  
Fred Lewis  
Maria A. Logan  
Rose Luck  
Bernadette Mahoney  
Doreene Mahoney  
Monica Mahoney  
Barbara Mallory  
Michael Mason  
Doris McCannon  
Alice L. Montague

Veronica Murray  
Regina Neal  
Florence Patterson  
Marlene Patterson  
Silvia Perry  
Lillian Pharms  
Alfred Price  
Joseph Queen  
James Ratiff  
Doreene Redd  
Leroy Sandifer  
Betty Smith  
Kayla Tatum  
Rolland Taylor  
Gloria Thompson

James F. Thompson, Jr.  
Matthew Thompson  
Barbara B. Tyler  
Wayne A. Wallace  
Shiela Washington  
Cecelia Williams  
Wellington Waters  
Terrell Wilson  
Dolores Woodard, Jr.  
Harold Woodard, Sr.  
St Luke military families.

## Readings for the Week of May 20, 2018

Sunday: *Vigil:* Genesis 11:1-9 or Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ezekiel 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Psalms 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Romans 8:22-27/John 7:37-39  
*Extended Vigil:* Genesis 11:1-9/Psalms 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ezekiel 37:1-14/Psalms 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Psalms 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Romans 8:22-27/John 7:37-39  
*Day:* Acts 2:1-11/Psalms 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Galatians 5:16-25/John 20:19-23 or John 15:26-27; 16:12-15  
Monday: James 3:13-18/Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [9a]/Mark 9:14-29  
Tuesday: James 4:1-10/Psalms 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23 [23a]/Mark 9:30-37  
Wednesday: James 4:13-17/Psalms 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11 [Matthew 5:3]/Mark 9:38-40  
Thursday: James 5:1-6/Psalms 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20 [Matthew 5:3]/Mark 9:41-50  
Friday: James 5:9-12/Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12 [8a]/Mark 10:1-12  
Saturday: James 5:13-20/Psalms 141:1-2, 3 and 8 [2a]/Mark 10:13-16  
Next Sunday: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40/Psalms 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Romans 8:14-17/ Matthew 28:16-20

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

I would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Judy Travers and Chinazor Onianwah.

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

## LECTORS SCHEDULE

**5/26/2018– 4:00pm Mass**  
K.H.Ndoug & M.Holland

**5/27/2018-8:30am Mass**  
N. Douglas & J. Schofield

**5/27/2018– 11:00 am Mass**  
E. Williams & Y. Sherman

## E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

**5/26/2018– 4:00pm Mass**  
P. Hamlin & R. Waton

**5/27/2018-8:30am Mass**  
L. Wasington & M. Harris

**5/27/2018– 11:00am Mass**  
S. Williams & M.Harris

Quote of the Week

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.  
—Romans 5:5-6

Church Support**Sunday Collection:**

Thank you for supporting  
our parish.

May God reward you abundantly

**\$4,761.75**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**420**

“I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me.”



## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS GEARING UP:** As in the past your general donations of water, juice and snacks has always carried us through our venture. Can we again call on our parishioners to begin bringing in snacks, juice & water (8oz bottles for our camp). Please not peanut products.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHALICE DEDICATION MASS:** The District of Columbia Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus will be celebrating a "Chalice Dedication Mass" in honor of Brothers Dieudonne Ndouga and Brian Adkins on Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at the 11am Mass here in our Parish. All parishioners and friends are cordially invited.

**SPRING DANCE:** Our Lady of the Annunciation Sodality is sponsoring a Spring Dance on Sunday, June 3, 2018 from 6-10pm in the St. Luke Center. Tickets will be sold after each Mass. The cost of the ticket is \$25.00 Light refreshments will be served. Proceeds will go to the church. The chairpersons are Mildred Roots and Gloria Washington.

**COME OUT AND SUPPORT FELLOWSHIP FRIDAY** sponsored by the Knights of Columbus & the Holy Name Society and will take place on Friday, June 22nd from 6:00pm to 10:00pm. There will be plenty food, games, music and lots of fun.

**HOLY HOUR for VOCATIONS:** "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Mt 9:37-38 Join your fellow parishioners in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at the "Holy Hour for the intentions of the Ordinandi" and an increase in Vocations to the priesthood and Consecrated Life on June 1, 2018, 6:00pm at St. Luke Catholic Church. This year's Ordinandi: Deacon Oscar Astigarraga, Deacon Andres Clyne and Deacon Kevin Fields. Every vocation, every path to which Christ calls us, ultimately leads to fulfillment and happiness, because it leads to God, to sharing in God's own life." - Pope John Paul II.

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**MEMORIAL DAY AT MOUNT OLIVET:** On Monday, May 28 at 10am his eminence Cardinal Donald Wuerl will gather with the people at the outdoor altar under the big tent to celebrate the mass. We do this as always in the memory of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ who freed us from the bond of sin, and to remember honor and pray for those who have maintained the freedoms that we enjoy in the United States. You are warmly invited to concelebrate memorial day Mass at Mount Olivet Cemetery with Cardinal Wuerl. If you can do so please let me know. After Mass Mt. Olivet will host a luncheon to thank our clergy and all who help to make the day so memorable.

**FIAT CAMP** for high school girls beginning July 27th through July 29th at Mount St. Mary's University sponsored by the Archdioceses of Baltimore & Washington. FIAT is Latin for "LET IT BE DONE." Join them this summer to spend time with other young women and discover the exciting things that God has for your life! What to expect: Talks by religious sisters and other speakers, Mass and prayer, games and sports, craft time and social time (with great food!), time for confession and spiritual advice. The cost is \$150 (sibling discounts & scholarships available) Register at [www.bmorevocations.org](http://www.bmorevocations.org).

**MARRIAGE RETREAT SOLVING THE MYSTERY OF PRAYER IN YOUR MARRIAGE: July 13 -14 , 2018** A 2-day\* retreat designed to offer spiritual and practical advice for married couples. Learn practical tips about your own prayer style. Increase feelings of trust and intimacy in your marriage as you develop the spiritual side of your relationship. The reservation fee includes the attendance free for you and your spouse, all materials plus breakfast, lunch dinner, snacks, and beverages throughout the weekend. To attend: \$225 per couple PLEASE NOTE this is Not an overnight retreat. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland 20817. We can be reached at 301-365-0612.