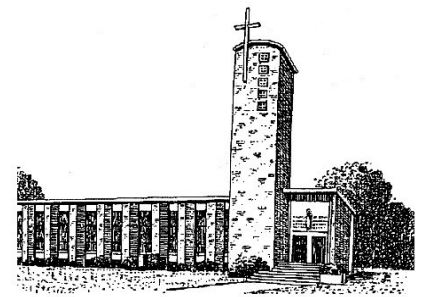


ST. LUKE

CATHOLIC CHURCH
4925 EAST CAPITOL STREET, SE
WASHINGTON, DC 20019



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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 26, 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

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| 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 25th	4:00pm	21st Sunday in O T (Vigil)	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Fr. Charles Moffat +++	Josephites
Sunday 26th	8:30am 11:00am	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	For God's healing on all victims of all forms of abuse For God's healing on all victims of all forms of abuse	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 27th	10:00am	St. Monica OBL	Mass of Thanksgiving for 11th anniversary as a cancer survivor	Bernadine Conrad
Tuesday 28th	8:00am	St. Augustine OBL	God's Blessing & Protection for Karis Felton	Family
Wednesday 29th	8:00am	The Passion of St. John the Baptist OBL	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Fr. Robert DeGrandes+++	Josephites
Thursday 30th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Deacon Joseph Conrad+++	Family
Friday 31st	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Elizabeth Frank+++	Fr. Cornelius

REFLECTION FOR 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"This saying is hard; who can accept it?"

The words of Jesus' disciples in today's Gospel must sound familiar. At some point in our lives, you and I have said it about some article of our faith. Christianity makes firm demands on our ethical behavior and gives no easy answers for suffering. Many disciples were confused and dismayed by Jesus' words in the Bread of Life Discourse. Not all of them, however, had the same reaction.

When the disciples question Jesus' teaching, he confirms its truth. *"The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life."* For some, Jesus' reassurance was not enough. These disciples do not question Jesus further or wrestle with their lack of understanding. The mighty deeds Jesus has done fade to the background. *"Many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him."* For them, their doubt proves too much.

Jesus turns to the Twelve, knowing that confusion lives in their hearts as well. Peter answers. *"Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."* Notice this is not a confession of perfect understanding. It is a confession of faith in Jesus. The precise words may still confuse them, but they believe the One who said them.

In our own lives, we face doubt, confusion, and disillusionment in our Christian faith. The same choice available to the disciples is available to us. Do you have faith in Jesus, even when you lack perfect understanding? Will you stay or will you go? What do you do with your doubt?

PASTOR'S CORNER

Prayer for Healing Victims of Abuse

God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by the blood of his cross.

Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them

Hear our cries as we agonize
over the harm done to our brothers and sisters.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers,
soothe restless hearts with hope,
steady shaken spirits with faith.

Show us the way to justice and wholeness,
enlightened by truth and
enfolded in your mercy.
Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform our brokenness.

Grant us courage and wisdom,
humility and grace,
so that we may act with justice
and find peace in you
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish



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

Readings for the Week of August 26, 2018

Sunday:	Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Psalms 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/John 6:60-69
Monday:	2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12/Psalms 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5 [3]/Matthew 23:13-22
Tuesday:	2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17/Psalms 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Matthew 23:23-26
Wednesday:	2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18/Psalms 128:1-2, 4-5 [1]/Mark 6:17-29
Thursday:	1 Corinthians 1:1-9/Psalms 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [1]/Matthew 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Corinthians 1:17-25/Psalms 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 [5]/Matthew 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Corinthians 1:26-31/Psalms 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21 [12]/Matthew 25:14-30
Next Sunday:	Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8/Psalms 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/James 1:17-18, 21b22, 27/Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Kathy Harris Ndouga, Kieth P. Quarles, Marvin Manassa, Kayla Tatum,, N'Kaih T. Scott-Terrell, and Louis A. Ratiff.

We would like to wish a wonderful wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Bobby & Essie Willis, Mr. & Mrs. Christelle Mildre Makoulo Sopy and Paulin Eric Deuppi and Mr. & Mrs. Sylvester and

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

LECTORS SCHEDULE

9/1/2018- 4:00pm Mass
P. Wines & R. Watson

9/2/2018-8:30am Mass
P. Nixon & P. Lucas

9/2/2018- 11:00am Mass
B. Sweeney & S. Williams

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

9/1/2018- 4:00pm Mass
P. Hamlin & V. Watson

9/2/2018-8:30am Mass

C. Tolson & Y. Tolson
9/2/2018-11:00am Mass
R. Brooks & S.Williams

“Forgiveness is the fragrance that the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it.”

-Jean de La Fontaine

Church Support**Sunday Collection:**

Thank you for supporting
our parish.

May God reward you abundantly
\$3,696.19

ATTENDANCE:

Assumption: 94

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Jesus then said to the Twelve, “Do you also want to leave?”
Simon Peter answered him, “Master, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe
and are convinced that you are the Holy
One of God.” — Jn 6:67-69



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.

PLEASE HELP PREVENT SUICIDE: Do you know anyone contemplating suicide? Are you going through a crisis that seems unresolvable? Please contact National Suicide Helpline @ 1800-273-8255 or Text CONNECT to 741741 from any where in the USA, anytime, about any type of crisis. Or you can also call Parish office 202-584-8322 for immediate help. God loves you & so do I.

REGISTRATION FOR CCD, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION will be held on September 9 following the 11:00 Mass in the church hall. First Communion Candidates should have received at least one year of prior CCD classes and be a minimum of 7-years old. Confirmation will be held on June 1, 2019 at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. All teens (12+) currently in grades 7 and above in need of this sacrament should register in CCD on September 9th to begin your preparation.

FLEE MARKET/STREET FESTIVAL: St. Luke Sodality will be hosting its Annual Flee Market/Street Festival on September 8, 2018. Table rental will be \$15.00. For further information contact Joyce Thomas at 202-399-0943.

PRAY FOR THE CURE UMBRELLAS are all sold out. If you like to order one please sign the clip board in the rear of the church or call Mrs. Conrad.

PRAY FOR THE CURE MASS: PINK CANDLE PROCESSION We need 19 people to carry a pink candle. If you are a cancer survivors or survivor of any life threatening diseases, you are welcome to carry a candle at the Pray for the Cure Mass on 10/14/2018. Please sign the clip board in the rear of the church. (19 people only)

THE ARK ENCOUNTER & CREATION MUSEUM is being presented by The Daughters of Isabella. The incredible price includes \$604 for 5 days and 4 nights, May 6– 10, 2019. Includes meals and admission to three museums, your lodging, a visit to a casino and much more. For more information and reservations contact Janice Williams @ (202)263-9098 and Debbie Baker @ (202)584-1130.

DO YOU PREFER AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF OUR WEEKLY BULLETIN? If so, please contact the parish office and provide your email address. Bulletin will be sent to your email every weekend.

Parish Activities for September 2018

First Sunday — 2nd
Sodality Meeting
Holy Name Society Meeting

First Friday — 7th
Holy Hour 6pm

First Saturday — 8th
The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sodality Street Festival 10-3pm

Second Friday — 14th
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Third Sunday — 16th
Cameroon Faith Community
Daughters of Isabella

Fourth Saturday — 22nd
SHARE

Fourth Sunday — 23rd
KOC

