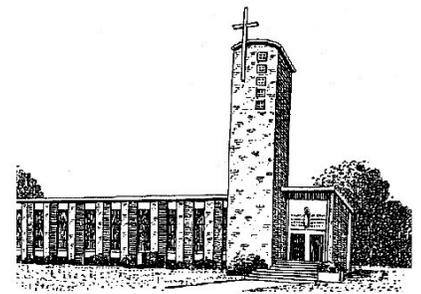


ST. LUKE

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



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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 23, 2018

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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 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 22nd	4:00pm	25th Sunday in O T (Vigil)	God's Blessing and Protection on Lennie & Jansen	Mom/Grandma
Sunday 23rd	8:30am 11:00am	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	God's Protection & Peace on all Displaced Seniors citizens God's Protection & Peace on all Displaced Seniors citizens	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 24th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	God's Blessing and Protection on Karis Felton	Family
Tuesday 25th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	God's Blessing and Protection on Fr. Cornelius	Patterson Family
Wednesday 26th	8:00am	SS. Cosmas & Damián OPT	Eternal Repose of the soul of Cosmas Alagbaso+++	Family
Thursday 27th	10:00am	St. Vincent de Paul OBL	In thanksgiving to God for the family of Brian M	Parish Family
Friday 28th	8:00am	SS. Wenceslaus & Lawrence OPT	Eternal repose of the Soul of Fr. John Edward O'Hallaran SSJ++	Fr. Cornelius

REFLECTION FOR 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Oscars. The Super Bowl. TV talent shows. Your son's Little League championship. We live in a culture set on competition. The desire to "be the best" goes beyond hobbies and into politics, the corporate world, and parenting comparisons at the park. This desire is as old as the human race, and it surely arose in Jesus' day. While Biblical society was significantly less open and upwardly mobile than our own, power was attractive. From what we know, many of Jesus' disciples had come from lowly backgrounds. Now they followed an increasingly popular rabbi who seemed primed to do something big.

Jesus does his best to dissuade their high hopes by prophesying his own defeat. *"The Son of Man is to be handed over ... and they will kill him."* Internalizing the message proves challenging for the disciples, and their attention remains fixed on earthly glory. *"They ... [discuss] among themselves on the way who was the greatest."* True to style, Jesus flips their pretensions on their heads. *"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."*

We have heard these Biblical principles before. Do we believe them? In our professional lives, do we do whatever we can to get ahead, or are we concerned with the entire team succeeding? In the lives of our children, are we more concerned with victory or with building character? Jesus doesn't condemn success, but he reframes it. *"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me."* Today's Gospel is a reality check. In God's eyes, our success will not be measured by worldly output alone but by how much love and service we offer to others in the process.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

6 TIPS TO LIVING A LIFE WITH PURPOSE AND MEANING

- 1. Find your passion:** Our passion should be the foundation for our giving. It is not *how much* we give, but *how much love* we put into giving. It's only natural that we will care about this and not so much about that, and that's OK. It should not be simply a matter of choosing the right thing, but also a matter of choosing what is right for us.
- 2. Give your time:** The gift of time is often more valuable to the receiver and more satisfying for the giver than the gift of money. We don't all have the same amount of money, but we all do have time on our hands, and can give some of this time to help others—whether that means we devote our lifetimes to service, or just give a few hours each day or a few days a year.
- 3. Give to organizations with transparent aims and results:** According to Harvard scientist Michael Norton, "Giving to a cause that specifies what they're going to do with your money leads to more happiness than giving to an umbrella cause where you're not so sure where your money is going."
- 4. Find ways to integrate your interests and skills with the needs of others:** "Selfless giving, in the absence of self-preservation instincts, easily becomes overwhelming," says Adam Grant, author of *Give & Take*. It is important to be "otherish," which he defines as being willing to give more than you receive, but still keeping your own interests in sight.
- 5. Be proactive, not reactive:** We have all felt the dread that comes from being cajoled into giving, such as when friends ask us to donate to their fundraisers. In these cases, we are more likely to give to avoid humiliation rather than out of generosity and concern. This type of giving doesn't lead to a warm glow feeling; more likely it will lead to resentment. Instead we should set aside time, think about our options, and find the best charity for our values.
- 6. Don't be guilt-tripped into giving:** I don't want to discourage people from giving to good causes just because that doesn't always cheer us up. If we gave only to get something back each time we gave, what a dreadful, opportunistic world this would be! Yet if we are feeling guilt-tripped into giving, chances are we will not be very committed over time to the cause. The key is to find the approach that fits us. When we do, then the more we give, the more we stand to gain purpose, meaning and happiness—all of the things that we look for in life but are so hard to find.

Excerpt culled from <http://time.com/collection-post/4070299/> by Jenny Santi

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish



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

Sunday: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20/Psalms 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/James 3:16—4:3/ Mark 9:30-37
Monday: Proverbs 3:27-34/Psalms 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1]/Luke 8:16-18
Tuesday: Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13/Psalms 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/ Luke 8:19-21
Wednesday: Proverbs 30:5-9/Psalms 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/ Luke 9:1-6
Thursday: Ecclesiastes 1:2-11/Psalms 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/ Luke 9:7-9
Friday: Ecclesiastes 3:1-11/Psalms 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Luke 9:18-22
Saturday: Deuteronomy 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12a/Psalms 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/John 1:47-51
Next Sunday: Nahum 11:25-29/Psalms 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/James 5:1-6/ Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Chikodili Onianwah, Jacqueline Wilson, Geraldine Jackson, Charmaine Williams, Francoise Ebenbeng, Ricardo C. Wilson, and Byron C. Wilson. We would also like to wish a wonderful wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Westley & Natoshka Faxio Douglas, Mr. & Mrs. Byron

and Sharanda Wilson.

May the Joy of the Lord

LECTORS SCHEDULE

9/29/2018– 4:00pm Mass
P. Wines & R. Watson

9/30/2018-8:30am Mass
D. Lucas & J. Schofield

9/30/2018– 11:00am Mass
C. Onianwah & C. Mitchell

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

9/29/2018– 4:00pm Mass
P. Hamlin & V. Watson

9/30/2018-8:30am Mass
Y. Tolson & C. Holland

9/30/2018-11:00am Mass
B. Conrad & J. Thomas

Quote of the Week

“Faithful servants never retire. You can retire from your career, but you will never retire from serving God.”

-Rick Warren

Church Support

Sunday Collection:

Thank you for supporting our parish.

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ATTENDANCE:

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“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” Taking a child, he placed it in the their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives 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.

THE JOSEPHITES 125TH ANNIVERSARY: Please join the Josephite Society in celebrating 125 years of serving the African American Community and the entire church. Date for the celebration is November 17th 2018. Mass of thanksgiving will be held at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Baltimore. Time is 5:30pm The Anniversary Banquet will take place immediately after Mass at the Baltimore Convention Center, beginning at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$125. Please call parish office for more details.

PRAY FOR THE CURE UMBRELLAS are still on sale. To place an order, please sign the clip board in the rear of the church or call Mrs. Conrad.

PRAY FOR THE CURE BRUNCH will be held on Sunday, October 14, 2018 immediately following the Pray for the Cure Mass. Tickets are \$20 and are available after each Mass in the back of the church.

THE EAST OF THE RIVER REVIVAL will be held from October 1-3, 2018. The Revival will be held at Holy Family Catholic Church 2210 Callaway Street, Hillcrest Heights, MD 20748. The Revival begins at 7:00pm Nightly. The Revivalist is Rev. Sidney Speaks. St. Luke will host on Monday, October 1, 2018.

THE EAST OF THE RIVER YOUTH MASS AND RALLY will be held on Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 10:00-4:30p.m. Food, Activities & Prizes for ages 7 through 18 at St. Thomas More Catholic Church on 4275 4th Street, S.E.

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.

SAVE THE DATE: 2018 MIDDLE SCHOOL RALLY on Saturday, November 3rd from 8:30 to 5:30pm at St. Jerome Catholic Church, 5205 43rd Avenue, Hyattsville, MD 20781. Check in will be at 8:30am and the festivities will start at 9:00am and the day will end around 5:30pm at the conclusion of Mass. All 6th-8th graders are invited to join us for a day of fellowship, faith, music and worship! The cost is \$20 per person with a discounted rate of \$15 per person for parish groups of 15 or more. Adult price is \$5per person to cover lunch.

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.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH On Saturday, October 6 in observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women is attending the 5:15 Vigil Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Contact ArchdioceseCCW@gmail.com for more information. To learn more about domestic violence visit [www.catholiccharities.orgdc.org/family peace](http://www.catholiccharities.orgdc.org/family%20peace).

TEA TIME with the Oblate Sisters of Providence. Will take place on October 20, 2018 from 11:30am to 3:00pm. Tickets are \$35 and \$245 for a tale of seven. They Hope and Pray that you will be able to join them.

ORACLE RELIGIOUS ASSN presents WWW: Well Women Witness on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 8:30am to 4:30pm Mass at the Incarnation Catholic Church. WWW: Well Women Witness is a full-blown women's retreat conducted by Sr.Dr. Oralisa Martin and a team of Catholic women. WWW is based on "The Samaritan Woman @ the Well (John 4:1-40). Contact (202)528-8633, drmartin@oraclereligious.org.