

**ST. LUKE**  
 CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 4925 EAST CAPITOL STREET, SE  
 WASHINGTON, DC 20019



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*Serving Washington DC (Far S.E.), N.E. and Prince Georges County Since 1957*

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 17, 2019

**PASTORAL STAFF**

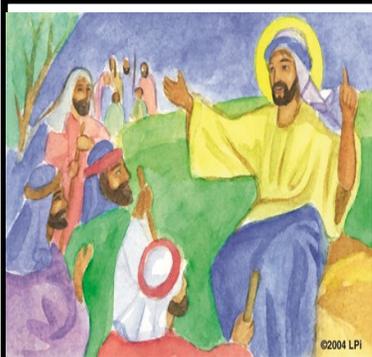
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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**MONDAY-THURSDAY:** 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.      **FRIDAY & WEEKENDS:** By Appointment  
**Fax:** (202) 584-3421      **Email :** stluke.dc@adwparish.org      **Website:** www.stlukechurchssj.org



**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 2019 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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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 2nd Sunday- 1:15 p.m        | Igbo Mass                            |
| 3rd Sunday - 1:1:5 p.m.     | Cameroon Community Mass & Fellowship |
| 3rd Saturday- 3:00pm        | Prayer Meeting                       |
| Monday - ---10:30 a.m.      | Miraculous Medal Novena              |
| Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.       | Seniors Bible Study Group            |
| Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.       | Novena to St. Joseph                 |
| Friday - ----8:00 a.m.      | Bible Study                          |
| 1st Friday - --6:00 p.m.    | Prayer for Vocations                 |
| Fridays---6:00pm            | Holy Hour                            |
| Saturday --- 3:30 pm        | Stations of the Cross                |
| 1st & 3rd Sunday 11am/12:30 | 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 16th	4:00pm	6th Sunday in OT (V)	Eternal repose of the soul of Diane Washington+++	Parish Family
Sunday 17th	8:30am 11:00am	6th Sunday in OT 6th Sunday in OT	God's Healing Mercy on Milton Harris Sr. and All our Sick Parishioners	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 18th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal repose of the soul of Ernest Young+++	Elsie E. Young
Tuesday 19th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal repose of the soul of Raymond Fitch+++	Parish Family
Wednesday 20th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal repose of the soul of Rose Ellen Luck+++	Beatrice
Thursday 21st	10:00am	St. Peter OPT	God's Protection on all our homeless brothers and Sisters	Parish Family
Friday 22nd	8:00am	The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle FEAST	God's protection and birthday blessings for Jordan Patterson	Patterson Family

### REFLECTION FOR THE 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

What an audience Jesus has in today's Gospel! "A great crowd of his disciples and a large number of people from all over Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon." Disciples, pagans, and devout Jews gathered together to hear Jesus speak in the Sermon on the Mount. All of these people had something in common.

God was someone to be bargained with, and if God liked you, you were rewarded with good fortune. This Sunday, Jesus tells us a different story. "Woe to you who are rich? who are filled now? who laugh? when all speak well of you. Blessed are you who are poor? you who are now hungry? when people hate you and when they exclude you and insult you."

Jesus completely flips the script on what it means to be blessed by God. What he proclaims as "woe" are states of life we often strive for, and "blessed" are the states we work hard to avoid! Jesus is concerned with the kingdom of God and the world to come, not the typical structures of power and privilege. The word "now" appears often in these statements. Why? If you are well "now," that's beside the point. To be rich in this life has no direct bearing on your immortal soul. If you're struggling "now," that's not an indication that God has forgotten you or that - in light of eternity - you're worse off than someone else.

In fact, it could be an indicator that you're enduring something that will bring you to a place of greater, eternal joy in the future. This Sunday, consider your priorities. Who do we reject as not blessed, and thereby inflict woe upon ourselves? When we encounter difficult situations in our own lives, do we see them as opportunities to remember God and lean on His mercy and grace?

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### PASTOR'S CORNER

#### THE BEATITUDE

The Eight Beatitudes. Matthew 5:3-10 describes Jesus' famous Sermon on the Mount, which contained what are known as the Beatitudes. Jesus said:

- *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*
- *Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.*
- *Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.*
- *Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.*
- *Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.*
- *Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God.*
- *Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.*
- *Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

In the above passage Jesus promises us happiness. In fact the word "blessed" means "happy." The Beatitudes are at the core of Christ's teaching. They fulfill the promise made to the Jewish people by pointing beyond earthly happiness to the eternal happiness of heaven. The reward promised in each of the Beatitudes is primarily heaven. The Beatitudes reveal the goal of human existence, the ultimate purpose of human acts; God calls us to his own beatitude. This vocation is addressed to each individual personally, but also to the Church as a whole, the new people made up of those who have accepted the promise and live from it in faith - CCC 1719.

If we live according to this plan of Christ we shall have a foretaste of the happiness of heaven in this life. Christ tells us that we will be happy by doing for his sake the very things which we may think will make us unhappy. Christ tells us that we must not set our hearts on money, whereas many people appear to want even more money than they already have.

Christ tells us that we must forgive our enemies and love them, whereas many people seem to want to "get even with" or at least avoid those who hurt them. Christ tells us that we must avoid all sin, that we must be willing to take a lower place, that we must suffer for him, etc. These are conditions which might seem to make us unhappy, but the Lord's words tell us otherwise.

Culled from <http://www2.connectseward.org/chu/stv/beatitudes.htm>

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish



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

Readings for the Week of February 17, 2019

- Sunday:** Jeremiah 17:5-8/Psalms 1:1-2, 3, 4, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20/Luke 6:17, 20-26
- Monday:** Genesis 4:1-15, 25/Psalms 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/Mark 8:11-13
- Tuesday:** Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Psalms 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/ Mark 8:14-21
- Wednesday:** Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22/Psalms 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [17a]/Mark 8:22 -26
- Thursday:** Genesis 9:1-13/Psalm 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [20b]/Mark 8:27-33
- Friday:** 1 Peter 5:1-4/Psalms 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Matthew 16:13-19
- Saturday:** Hebrew 11:1-7/Psalms 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 [cf. 1]/Mark 9:2-13
- Next Sunday:** 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Corinthians 15:45-49/Luke 6:27-38

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Janice M. Williams, Colette Matiki, Louise Washington, Alonzo O. Wallace, Sr., Inocencio Quinones, Mary Williams, Jean Banks & Christian Quinones.

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

LECTORS SCHEDULE

- 2/23/2019– 4:00pm Mass**  
P. Wines & M. Holland
- 2/24/2019-830am Mass**  
S. Mode & A. Miles
- 2/24/2019– 11:00am Mass**  
A. Cardoso & B. Kouemou

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

- 2/23/2019– 4:00pm Mass**  
G.T. Price & C. Holland
- 2/24/2019-8:30am Mass**  
Y. Tolson & P. Nixon
- 2/24/2019-11:00am Mass**  
E. Young & P. Everett

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed.”

—Booker T. Washington

*Church Support*

**Sunday Collection:**

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

\$4,270.15

**ATTENDANCE:**

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*“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Behold, your reward will be great in heaven.”*

- Lk 6:22, 23b



## 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. New Year's Day Mass will be held on Tuesday January 1st at 10am.

**ARCHDIOCESAN APPEAL** This is the 50th Anniversary of the Archdiocesan Appeal and the new theme is "Our Faith, Our Hope, Our Mission." Contributions to the Annual Appeal are 100% designated to ministries and mission of the Church. The Appeal offers each of us the opportunity to respond to the needs of others by enabling ministries and services that touch and affect thousands of lives. This year, you can support the Annual appeal many different ways. Many of you may have received a mailing in January that you can respond to. You can also support the Appeal online at [adw.org](http://adw.org) or text "Give" to (301)231-1816. We will also be providing the opportunity to support the Archdiocesan Appeal at mass over the next couple of weekends. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY:** We are on the verge of updating our pictorial directory. Now is the time to schedule your family photos. This is a way to include new parishioners, reactivate the inactive, reach our community and connect with parish members. Sign up in the back of the church, after each mass, beginning Sunday, February 10, 2019 through Sunday, March 10, 2019. *Photos will be taken and slots are available for March 14-17, 2019.*

**FUNERAL MASS FOR RAYMOND FITCH:** will take place on Tuesday February 19th 2019. Viewing starts at 9am. Mass of Christian burial will begin at 10am.

**FUNERAL MASS FOR ROSE LUCK:** will take place on Tuesday February 19th 2019, Viewing starts at 10:00am. Mass of Christian burial will begin at 11:00am.

**DAY OF RECOLLECTION AT SAINT LUKE CATHOLIC CHURCH ON SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2019.** The Religious Activity will be a Lenten Day of Recollection. It will begin with the Praying of The Rosary at 8:15am. The Praying of the Mass will follow at 8:30am. Subsequent to the Mass the Facilitator, who is Deacon Timothy Tillman will conduct the Day of Recollection up until 12:00pm. All are welcome to come and participate in this Spiritual Event. If you have any questions or seek any further clarification regarding this please contact Deacon Tillman. His telephone number is (240)714-5774. His email address is [timothy.tilghman@kw.com](mailto:timothy.tilghman@kw.com). I pray that every one can stay warm, especially the homeless.

**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.

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**"IN TIMES LIKE THESE WE NEED THE SAVIOR!"** WWW: Well Women Witness—Women's Retreat (Based on Samaritan Woman @ the WELL) Msgr. East is the Jesus@ the Well To be held on Saturday March 30, 2019 from 8:30 to 4:30 Mass at Centro Maria, 650 Jackson Street, N.E., DC 20017. Early Bird Registration open now until February 15th. To register: <https://events.eventzilla.net/e/w-w-w-well-women-witness—032019-2138730323>. You may also contact: Sr. Dr. Oralisa Martin at (202)528-8633 or [drmartin@oraclereligious.org](mailto:drmartin@oraclereligious.org).

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**THE PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY YOUTH@WORK/SUMMER YOUTH ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (SYEP)** provides an opportunity for young people across the County to participate in career development, life-skills training and summer employment opportunities. County youth may apply for public and private positions through several resources. Youth, ages 14 to 22, are encouraged to apply for all opportunities. Here's the link to the application: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/pgc/jobs/2277507/service-aide-youthwork-summer-youth-enrichment-program-19-036-multi-nm?page=5&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesjobs>