

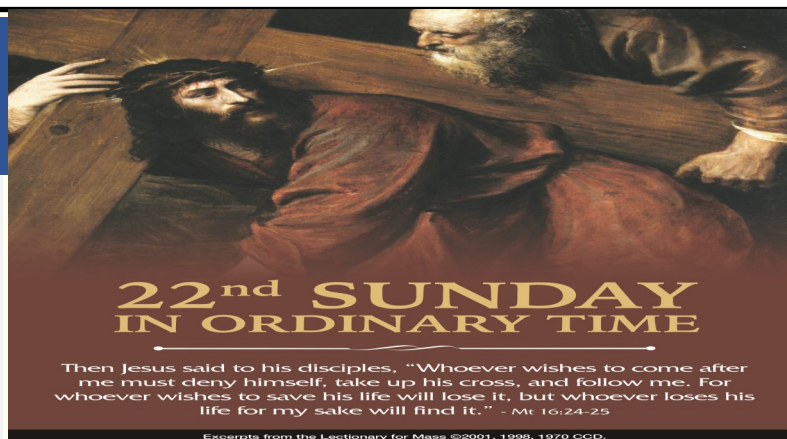
Sunday, August 30, 2020

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 4pm
Fridays & Weekend: 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 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.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30am & 11:00am

2nd Sunday 1:15pm (Igbo) 3rd Sunday 1:15pm (French)

Weekday Masses

In the Martin De Pores Chapel

Monday: 10:00am

Tuesday: 8:00am

Wednesday: 8:00am Thursday: 10:00am Friday: 8:00 am

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday 6:00pm . -7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm Sunday: 7:30am-8:15am

Sunday: 10:00am-10:45am Or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant Baptism registration takes place at the Parish Office prior to baptism preparation class which is held on the First Saturday of each month. Baptism takes place every First Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please call parish office for more information.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Lord, Hold My Hand

Soothe every storm
Calm every fear
When the news is not good
Not what I want to hear.

When the figures are high
And my feelings are low
O help me, dear Jesus
Let faith in me grow.

Your word, precious Lord
Is a lamp to my feet
Your word is alive
Full of power, not defeat.

There's nothing impossible
Savior, with You
The miracles of yesterday
You can still do.

YOU are the Lord ~
Who heals my disease
O send forth Your power
Bring a release.

I'm trusting in You
On Your promise I stand
O help me, dear Jesus
Lord, hold my hand.

<https://christineheart2heart.com/category/despair-2/>

REFLECTION FOR THE 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Secular pursuits only bring a temporary amount of satisfaction and fulfillment. As much as we may think that achieving worldly success, economic security, personal well-being, and self-fulfillment are worthy goals to obtain, they all are dependent on external variables and can lead to emptiness. We are trained to be very pragmatic and productive. Unless we are able to check off all of the boxes or comply with specific measurable requirements, our value and worth becomes questionable. Corporations, educational institutions, systems, structures, and secular ideology rarely consider deeper, more spiritual, and human contributions a person can and needs to make.

To the secular mind, the wisdom and ideals of the Gospel are making less and less sense. Consider for a moment this question: "What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" While Jesus is asking this very challenging question to people who are considering his message, many in our world are in a quite different place. Whether we realize it, many folks are asking a much different question. Why would you not want to gain the whole world and secure your life? If you look at where a lot of folks are investing their time, energy, and resources, it becomes obvious where current priorities rest.

Modern day comforts and possibilities are backing us out of our relationship with God. The fire burning in every human heart is trying to find its satisfaction in the things that humans have created and not God. Being altruistic and offering compassion for those most in need becomes a political responsibility or responsible gesture. We realize that our hearts need to be centered on something and someone who calls us out of ourselves, but we struggle and battle with naming the source of that call.

God places the desire to seek, find, and love Him in the core of every soul. We are not abandoned and left to fend for ourselves. But we can easily get confused. We know that when we extend ourselves to another self-sacrificially, we are doing what is just and right. We know that we can work through suffering and loss and come out better and more whole on the other side.

Our minds need to be renewed so that they can begin to understand that there is much more to who we are, and that faith plays a pivotal role in achieving our true and everlasting goals. It is when we see that it is only faith that can bring us to this heightened awareness of ourselves and God that it will begin to make sense. Then, we can put things in proper perspective and consider being a disciple.

Liturgical Publications 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday Kayla Tatum and Jessica C. Thornton and a wonderful wedding anniversary for Mr. & Mrs. John and Gertrude Quarles and Mr. & Mrs. Ronald and Victoria Watson and Mr. & Mrs. Paulin Eric Deuppi and Christelle Mildre Makoulo Soph.

**MAY THE JOY OF THE LORD
BE YOUR STRENGTH!!!**

Readings for the week of August 30, 2020

Sunday: Jeremiah 20:7-9/Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2b]/Romans 12:1-2/Matthew 16:21-27

Monday: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5/Psalms 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 [97]/Luke 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 2:10b-16/Psalms 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 [17]/Luke 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9/Psalms 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 [12]/Luke 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Corinthians 3:18-23/Psalms 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [1]/Luke 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5/Psalms 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Luke 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Corinthians 4:6b-15/Psalms 145:17-18, 19-20, 21 [18]/Luke 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Ezra 33:7-9/Psalms 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Romans 13:8-10/Matthew 18:15-20

Church Support

Please consider making a donation to support our parish during this trying times. You may Drop off or mail your gifts to the parish. You may give online through our website: <http://www.stlukechurchssj.org/> And clicking on the donate button. You may also TEXT: 202-335-3116 God bless and keep you safe.

WEEKLY MASS

Monday 08/31 Weekday	Thursday 09/03 St. Gregory
Tuesday 09/01 Weekday	Friday 09/04 Weekday
Wednesday 09/02 Weekday	Saturday 09/05 St. Teresa

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Barnes	Marita C. Edelin	David & Keisha Jones	Kecia Proctor	Wellington Waters
Blanche Bourm	Irena Fields	Dawn Lattimer	Doreene Redd	Dolores Woodard, Jr.
Barbara Batts	Florence M. Fields	Lawrence Lee	Leroy Sandifer	Harold Woodard, Sr.
Tanisha Bennett	Tina Garvin	Fred Lewis	Betty Smith	St Luke military families.
Tammy Berry	Elizabeth Gillem	Maria A. Logan	Kayla Tatum	
Ruth Bundy	Florence Hall	Bernadette Mahoney	Rolland Taylor	
Beatrice Carroll	Steve Halle	Doreene Mahoney	Gloria Thompson-Price	All the Homeless men and women in our community.
Melinda Conrad-Brown	Chris Hawkins	Barbara Mallory	James F. Thompson, Jr.	
Edith Cornish	Charlene Haywood	Doris McCannon	Matthew Thompson	Please pray for all those who are sick but have no one to pray for them
Aniceto Charles	Brenda Henson	Alice L. Montague	Barbara B. Tyler	
Patricia Chase	Norma Henson	Veronica Murray	Wayne A. Wallace	
Valene Chemoo	James Holley	David Neal	Marquita Ward	
Joyce Cristwell	Rudolph Holley	Florence Patterson	Shiela Washington	
Alvera Dance	James Hughes	Marlene Patterson	Steven Washington	
Iyana Davage	Melvin Jamison	Silvia Perry	Cecelia Williams	
	Mary Ann Johnson	Lillian Pharms		



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 21 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.

St. Luke Parish Weekly Schedule

Mondays Morning Mass @ 10:00am (will also be livestreamed)
Wednesday Bible Study Live Stream & Voice @ 6:00pm
Thursdays Morning Mass @ 10:00am (will also be livestreamed)
Friday Holy Hour/Adoration Live Stream & Voice @ 7:00pm
Saturday Holy Rosary (Voice call only) @ 6:00pm
Sunday Mass 8:30 am & 11:00am (11am mass will also be livestreamed)

To join our Live Stream, please go to
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stlukestedc/>
Or Dial: 425-436-6339.
Access code: 269615

You can watch our videos on YouTube @ https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxLUpGPb4HGGIYm9NWkBN7g/videos?view_as=subscriber

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May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Dear Parishioners, our regular Sunday Masses resumed . We are permitted to have a maximum of 100 persons in our church each Mass. You are welcome to now attend Mass in person with Masks and social distancing.

Bible Quote for the day:

He turned and said to Peter,
"Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me.
You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." - Matthew 16:23

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON NATIONAL COLLECTION for this month is The Catholic University of America on September 6, 2020. Please support them by giving generously.

CENSUS 2020: 10 QUESTIONS, 10 MINUTES, 10 YEARS OF IMPACT FOR OUR COMMUNITIES: Census data is used to allocate funding for roads, health care, child care, housing, schools. Make a difference today! Take this time to complete your Census 2020 questionnaire. You can choose any one of the three following ways to respond:

1. Online: 2020census.gov **2. By phone:** Call 844-330-2020 for English. You can complete the census by phone in 13 other languages or TDD: 2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond/responding-by-phone.html **3. By mail:** Some people will get a census form in the mail to complete by hand. Later, if you haven't responded online or by phone, you will also receive a form in the mail.

SISTERS in the SPIRIT in the Archdiocese of Washington (SIS-ADW) is inviting you to their annual **Triumph of the Cross celebration** on Saturday, September 12, 2020 from 10am to 12pm noon. The theme is "*Triumph of the Cross—Unprecedented Times/Unprecedented Faith.*" The keynote speaker is Fr. Cornelius Ejiogu, moderator for SIS-ADW. The free event is virtual and held via zoom (a link to join is sent by completing the registration). A limited number of people may also attend in-person at St. Luke Catholic Church. Face masks are required. For either option registration is required using this link: <https://forms.gle/iyeYvN4CJCbcihwf8> to be completed by Monday, September 7th. For more information contact Cynthia Morris at 202-271-7253 or sistersinthepirit@gmail.com.