

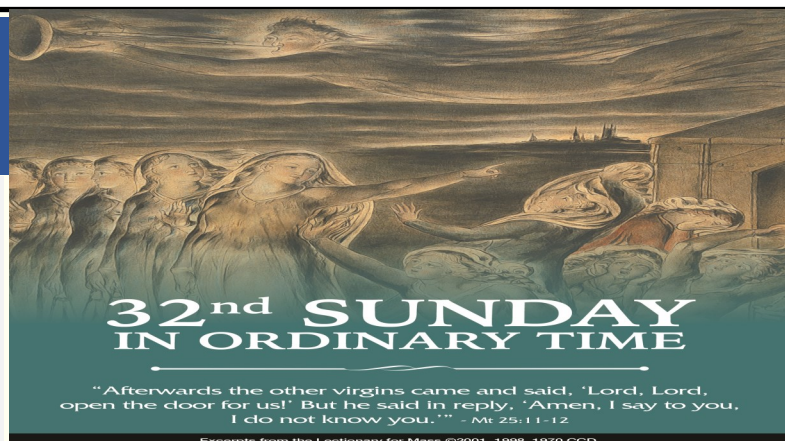
**Sunday, November 8, 2020**

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday - Thursday: 9am - 4pm**  
**Fridays & Weekend: By Appointment**

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**32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

"Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

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**CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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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

### The Best on Earth: A Veteran's Day Tribute

By Joanna Fuchs

If someone has done military service,  
They earn the title "veteran," and more;  
They earn our deep  
respect and admiration;  
That they are special  
no one can ignore.

They sacrificed the comforts we enjoy;  
The list is long  
of all the things they gave.  
Our veterans are extraordinary people;  
They're loyal, dedicated, true and brave.

When terror and invasion were real threats,  
They showed us they  
could handle any storm.  
We owe our freedoms  
and our very lives  
To our veterans, who served in uniform.

Our veterans should be celebrities;  
They're exceptional;  
no other group compares.  
We're grateful for the  
many things they've done;  
They're always in our hearts  
and in our prayers.

We owe our veterans support and friendship;  
Let no one ever question  
what they're worth.  
These men and women served  
us and our country,  
Our veterans--the very best on earth.

<https://www.poemsource.com/veterans-day-poems.html>

### REFLECTION FOR 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When doing student report cards, there was a comment the teacher could choose that read: inattentive and easily distracted. Could that comment describe your spiritual life? We can become so consumed with myriad distractions and preoccupations and lose our connection to what is really significant and important.

We can become dull. This happens in our human relationships, too. We can easily take the love of others for granted, whether it be a parent, spouse, friend, or a child. We assume and presume that their love will always be there and do very little to cultivate, rejuvenate, and deepen it. Presumption can become a great sin.

We do the same thing with God and our spiritual lives. We presume that God will be merciful. Because we believe that in the end God is going to forgive us anyway, then why put a lot of effort into things now? What's the point? It's far easier to find a comfortable spot, curl up and take a nap!

There is no immediate urgency to staying awake and attentive, so we think, and we simply fly by the seat of our pants. Assuming and presuming too much about our relationships, especially our relationship with God, can lead to neglect and abuse. It can even lead to a sense of entitlement, where we actually believe that something is due us without much effort on our part.

Folks who are distracted and preoccupied can find their relationships, especially the primary ones, drifting away. You can actually be married to someone for many years and wake up one morning realizing that you really do not know them or truly recognize them. We have to desire God in order to recognize God. We have to open our hearts, minds, and souls to His Presence so that we can be rejuvenated and refreshed.

But we cannot do this if we are distracted or napping. We have to be awake and alert! As a young child eagerly watches for and anticipates that arrival of their parent home, so too we must watch for God's presence. If the anticipation of God's arrival does not excite us and rouse us, then we need to ask why. The wise person keeps vigilant watch, knowing that in the end they will not be disappointed.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Eugene F. Russell, Jr., Elsie Young, James Nelson, Phillip Smith, Daphyne Washington, Fred Neal and Ayden Brown and a wonderful wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Sylvester and Evelyn Mode.

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

## Readings for the week of November 8, 2020

**Sunday:** Wisdom 6:12-16/Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Matthew 25:1-13

**Monday:** Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Psalms 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17/John 2:13-22

**Tuesday:** Timothy 2:1-8, 11-14/Psalms 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29 [39a]/Luke 17:7-10

**Wednesday:** Timothy 3:1-7/Psalms 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 [1]/Luke 17:11-19

**Thursday:** Philemon 7-20/Psalms 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [5a]/Luke 17:20-25

**Friday:** 2 John 4-9/Psalms 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18 [1b]/Luke 17:26-37

**Saturday:** 3 John 5-8/Psalms 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Luke 18:1-8

**Next Sunday:** Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/1 Thessalonians 5:1-6/Matthew 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

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 11/09**  
The Dedication of  
the Lateran Basilica

**Thursday 11/12**  
Repose of the soul  
of Norma J. Hen-  
son+++

**Tuesday 11/10**  
St. Leo

**Friday 11/13**  
St. Francis

**Wednesday 11/11**  
Repose of the soul  
of James E. Bris-  
bon+++

**Saturday 11/14**  
Weekday

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Barnes  
Blanche Bourm  
Barbara Batts  
Tanisha Bennett  
Tammy Berry  
Ruth Bundy  
Beatrice Carroll  
Melinda Conrad-  
Brown  
Edith Cornish  
Aniceto Charles  
Patricia Chase  
Valene Chemoo  
Joyce Cristwell  
Alvera Dance  
Iyana Davage

Marita C. Edelin  
Tina Garvin  
Elizabeth Gillem  
Florence Hall  
Steve Halle  
Chris Hawkins  
Charlene Haywood  
Brenda Henson  
James Holley  
Rudolph Holley  
James Hughes  
Melvin Jamison  
Mary Ann Johnson  
David & Keisha Jones  
Dawn Lattimer  
Lawrence Lee

Maria A. Logan  
Bernadette Mahoney  
Doreene Mahoney  
Barbara Mallory  
Doris McCannon  
Alice L. Montague  
Veronica Murray  
David Neal  
Florence Patterson  
Marlene Patterson  
Silvia Perry  
Lillian Pharms  
Kecia Proctor  
Doreene Redd  
Leroy Sandifer  
Betty Smith

Kayla Tatum  
Rolland Taylor  
Gloria Thompson-  
Price  
James F. Thompson,  
Jr.  
Matthew Thompson  
Barbara B. Tyler  
Wayne A. Wallace  
Marquita Ward  
Shiela Washington  
Steven Washington  
Cecelia Williams  
Wellington Waters  
Dolores Woodard, Jr.  
Harold Woodard, Sr.

St Luke military  
families.

All the Homeless men  
and women in our  
community.

Please pray for all  
those who are sick but  
have no one to pray  
for them



## 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/stluke.stlukesdc/>

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](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxLUpGPb4HGGIYm9NWkBN7g/videos?view_as=subscriber)

To continue assisting St. Luke: You may **DROP OFF** your donation or **MAIL** your check or visit our **WEBSITE** <http://www.stlukechurchssj.org/Donate> OR **TEXT**: 202-335-3116.

Offertory Contributions for 11/8/20: \$1,032.00

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

### Bible quote:

But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'  
Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." (Matthew 25:35)

### ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**ARCHDIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE:** The open application period for the 2021 –2022 Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program began October 1, 2020. The deadline for returning families to apply is Friday, December 4, 2020. The deadline date for new families to apply is Friday, February 19, 2021. Please visit [www.adwcatholicschools.org](http://www.adwcatholicschools.org) for information and instructions. The Archdiocese of Washington Catholic Schools Office will host virtual sessions around Catholic schools admissions, financial aids and academics. Sessions will be offered twice a week up to November 15, 2020. To register for a session please visit [www.adw.catholicschools.org](http://www.adw.catholicschools.org).

**VIRTUAL ADVENT EVENING RETREAT** for Married and Engaged Couples "A Couples Advent Journey on December 9, 2020. The cost is \$25 per couple. Registration is required. Visit [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org) or call 301-365-0612

### COMMUNITY NEWS

**YARD GIVEAWAY** on November 14 from 11am from 4pm at Peace Lutheran Church, 15th-49th Place N.E., D.C. 20019, on the corner of Central Avenue and 49th Place N.E.