

St. Luke

Catholic Church

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Sunday, April 6, 2014

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Welcome

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, lesus Christ. He is the cen-

ter of our joy. Together we celebrate the Holy Eucharist which is the source and summit of our Christian life. So come join us and become part of a loving, caring, and spiritually motivated parish.

Parish Devotions

3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m. Cameroon Mass

Monday - —-10:30 a.m. Miraculous Medal Novena

Senior Bible Study Group

Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. No

Novena to St. Joseph

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Bible Study

Friday - —---8:00 a.m.

Prayer for Vocations

1st Friday - —7:00 p.m. **Saturday** —-- 3:00 p.m.

Holy Hour Rosary

Mass Schedule

FRIDAY & WEEKENDS: By Appointment



Sunday Masses

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday: 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: 10:00 a.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross- Friday 7:00pm

Adoration

Every 1st Friday of the Month 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 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 God-parents 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.

WEEKENDS SATURDAY SUNDAY	5th 6th	TIME 4:00 PM 8:30AM 11:00AM	FEAST OF THE DAY 5TH SUNDAY VIGIL MASS 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT	MASS INTENTION LUCILLE DIGGS++ HARRY WASHINGTON++ (12TH ANNIVERSARY) MARY HARRIS	REQUESTED BY HILDA MCDOUGALD LOUISE WASHINGTON
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY	7th 8th 9th	10:00AM 8:00AM 8:00AM	5TH SUNDAY OF LENT WEEKDAY MASS WEEKDAY MASS	ROBERT KEHLHOFER++ ROBERT KEHLHOFER++ FR. CORNELIUS EJIOGU	PARISH FAMILY FRIENDS FRIENDS MORNING MASS FAMILY
THURSDAY FRIDAY	11th 12th	10:00AM 8:00AM	WEEKDAY MASS WEEKDAY MASS WEEKDAY MASS	ROBERT KEHLHOFER++ MARHY INEZ MCZEAL++	FRIENDS DORIS LUCAS

REFLECTION FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"The dead man came out, tide hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth." His heart had started to beat again, breaking the somber silence of the tomb. His lungs were breathing the air once more. The blood had begun to flow through his veins for the first time in four days. Lazarus rose from the grave, a living paradox: literally a dead man walking. Having done nothing by his own power, he once again knew life: a new life. This resurrection at the hands of Christ was an undeniable testimony to a power even greater than death.

For all our technological prowess and all our medical expertise, humanity has yet to pull off a stunt like this. Near death experiences we've heard plenty about. But four days gone? Even his sisters didn't want to approach their brother in a state like that, "Lord, by now there will be a stench." But Jesus wasn't concerned. Can you hear him yelling, "Lazarus, come out!" Can you see the deceased man emerging from the tomb? What a sight! What a miracle! What a God.

Nothing is beyond the reach of our God. Nothing can trump his power, not even death itself. This was confirmed for us on the first Easter Sunday when, unlike Lazarus, Jesus rose by his own power. And now, he wants to bless us with this same power! "I am the resurrection and the life," he told Martha. "Whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." Then, he asked her a question that applies to us as well: "Do you believe this?" As we continue our journey towards the great triumph of Easter, may we have the faith to answer with Martha, "Yes Lord, I have come to believe."

ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

MY HOPE

- St. Therese of Lisieux June, 1894.

Though in a foreign land I dwell afar, I taste in dreams the endless joys of heaven. Fain would I fly beyond the farthest star, And see the wonders to the ransomed given! No more the sense of exile weighs on me, When once I dream of that immortal day. To my true fatherland, dear God! I see, For the first time I soon shall fly away.

Ah! give me, Jesus! wings as white as snow, That unto Thee I soon may take my flight. I long to be where flowers unfading blow; I long to see Thee, O my heart's Delight! I long to fly to Mary's motherarms, - To rest upon that spotless throne of bliss; And, sheltered there from troubles and alarms, For the first time to feel her gentle kiss.

Thy first sweet smile of welcoming delight, Soon show, O Jesus! to Thy lowly bride; O'ercome with rapture at that wondrous sight, Within Thy Sacred Heart, ah! let me hide. O happy moment! and O heavenly grace! When I shall hear Thee, Jesus, speak to me; And the full vision of Thy glorious Face *For the first time* my longing eyes shall see.

Thou knowest well, my only martyrdom. Is love, O Heart of Jesus Christ! for Thee; And if my soul craves for its heavenly home, 'Tis but to love Thee more, eternally. Above, when Thy sweet Face unveiled I view, Measure nor bounds shall to my love be given; Forever my delight shall seem as new. *As the first time* my spirit entered heaven.

http://www.poetseers.org/spiritual-and-devotional-poets/christian/teresa-of-lisieux/

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Batts
Beatrice Carroll
Edna Coates
Deacon Joe Conrad
Edith Cornish
Alvera Dance
Mary E. Davis
Bertha Dearring
Irena Fields
Theodosia Fitch
Gwendolyn Fortune
Tina Garvin

Oceacie Gray, Jr.
Joseph Grear
Florence Hall
Michael Harkins
Mary Harris
Chris Hawkins
Charlene Haywood
Brenda Henson
James Holley
Rudolph Holley
James Hughes
Charles Jamison

Fred Jones
Mary A. Lewis
Rose Luck
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Clement Martin
Regina Neal
Vincent Neal
Annibelle Nelson
Betty Payne
Lillian Pharms
Joseph Queen

Bernadette Redmond Michael Smith Anna E. Smith Betty Smith Ruth Stokes Anna Strother Kayla Tatum Gloria Thompson Matthew Thompson Jerome J. Wallace Wayne A. Wallace Mary P.G. Washington



Shiela Washington Wellington Waters Dolores Woodard, Jr.

Readings for the Week of April 6, 2014

Sunday: Ezekiel 37:12-14/Romans 8:8-11/Jonah 11:1-45 or

11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or

13:41c-62/Jonah 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nahum 21:4-9/Jonah 8:21-30

Wednesday: Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jonah 8:31-42

Thursday: Genesis 17:3-9/Jonah 8:51-59 **Friday:** Jeremiah 20:10-13/Jonah 10:31-42 **Saturday:** Ezekiel 37:21-28/Jonah 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Matthew 21:1-11/Isaiah 50:4-7/Phillippians2:6-11/

Matthew 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Lectors Schedule for Next Week 4/12—4:00pm Mass- Kathy Ndouga & Michael Holland

4/13--8:30am Mass- John Faxio & Doris Lucas

4/13—11:00am Mass- Bernard Robinson & Violet Tinsley

Church Support

Sunday Collection: \$3339.88

Thank you for supporting our parish.

May God reward you abundantly

ATTENDANCE: 240

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT



PARISHIONERS CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

We would like to wish Ashley Gale and Fr. Cornelius Eijogu a very wonderful l

Fr. Cornelius Ejiogu a very wonderful birthday celebration. May the joy of the Lord be your strength.



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



Dear Parishioners,

Our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of leaves for our Tree located in the north-west corner of the church (East Capitol St. side) There are 46 leaves still available for memorializing decease 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The season of Lent is a great time to reflect on our Lord's Suffering, Passion and Death. He showed his love for us as he endured a great deal of anguish while carrying his cross along Calvary's way. This Friday, April **11th** (at exactly **7:00pm**), we will have the opportunity to walk that long and treacherous journey with him as we pray the Stations of the Cross. All Parishioners are invited to be part of this Spirit filled expression of our Lenten observance.

<u>THE LIGHT IS ON:</u> Exposition of the Blessed Eucharist and Confessions will be held during the Season of Lent every Wednesday from 5:00pm to 6:30pm beginning in the Church. Please stop by for some moment of silent prayer, reflection and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

<u>ANNUAL ST. LUKE FISH FRYS:</u> The Debbie Baker/St. Luke Family and Friends will be hosting the fish fry on Friday, April 11th from 11:00am to 3:00pm. Forms are at all three exits of the church or please call the Rectory to place your orders beginning Tuesdays of each week between 9:00 and 4:00pm.

ST. MARY'S CAR RAFFLE: Tickets for the raffle will be sold in the back of Church by the Knights of Columbus. The cost is \$5.00 per ticket.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

CRS RICE BOWL REFLECTION: HAITI This week, CRS Rice Bowl invites us to enter into solidarity with the people of Haiti. We are encouraged to reflect on the Catholic social teaching principle, *Call to Family, Community and Participation*, and reminded that, as social beings, we are called to seek God together. Let us pray this week for our brothers and sisters in Haiti and all around the world, that our families and communities may be strengthened and blessed.

GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT MT. OLIVET CEMETERY: You are invited to prayerfully remember deceased loved ones by walking the Stations of the Cross at Mount Olivet Cemetery at 12:00 noon, April 18, 2014. For more information on Good Friday Stations (or in the event of inclement weather) please contact Cheryl Tyiska at Mt. Olivet Cemetery by phone at 202-399-3000 or by email at mto@ccaw.org.

HAVE YOU EVER FELT THE CALLING TO BECOME A SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR? This summer, the Lanteri Center for Spiritual Direction in Denver will be coming to the Archdiocese of Washington and offering the first of several training to certify lay people, clergy, and religious, as Spiritual Directors. This program is fully approved by the Archdiocese of Washington. For more information, see the Lanteri Center website at http://www.lantericenter.org or contact Deacon Barry Levy at deaconbarrylevy@gmail.com or 301-315-9009 ext. 1.

<u>CAMP ST. CHARLES, INC.</u> will be having a Boys and Girls Catholic Over-night Summer Camp. They have activities including riding horses, trying archery, paddling on the river, making ceramics, and lots more. The camp will be held in Southern, Maryland. Camp St. Charles will hold open house on April 13, 2014 from 11:00am to 4pm. They have been run by the Salvatorian Fathers and Brothers and Lay Salvatorians for over 60 years. For more information, directions and to sign up for an open house, see the web site: www.campstcharles.com or call 301-934-8799 or email csclaurahall@gmail.com.