

## St. Luke

### Catholic Church

4925 East Capitol Street, SE Washington, DC 20019



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## **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Sunday, May 11, 2014

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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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

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## Welcome



D.R.E.: Mrs. Shirley Williams

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. 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. 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. Holy Hour **Saturday** —-- 3:00 p.m. Rosary

## Mass Schedule

FRIDAY & WEEKENDS: By Appointment



Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

## Sunday Masses

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

#### **Weekday Masses**

Monday: 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m.

### **A**doration

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	10th 11th	TIME 4:00 PM 8:30AM 11:00AM	FEAST OF THE DAY VIGIL MASS  FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	MASS INTENTION  JAMES F. THOMPSON,  SR++  MATHEW LUCAS++  GLENIS & IMMIS PERUZ++	REQUESTED BY GLORIA THOMPSON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARMAINE ONIANWAH
MONDAY	12th	10:00AM	EACHER WERVELLAND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND		FAMILY
TUESDAY	13th	8:00AM	EASTER WEEKDAY MASS	ELIZABETH MERCER PAT- TERSON	MERCERS PATTERSON
WEDNESDAY	14th	8:00 AM	EASTER WEEKDAY MASS	MATHEW LUCAS++	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THURSDAY	15th	10:00 AM	EASTER WEEKDAY MASS EASTER WEEKDAYMASS	MATHEW LUCAS++	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
FRIDAY	16th	8:00AM	EASTER WEEKDAY MASS	MATHEW LUCAS++ KARIS FELTON	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY

## REFLECTION FOR 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." Jesus' analogy about the pasture suggests the ideas of both provision and protection. In this grassy field, the sheep find their sustenance. The pasture is also the safe zone where the Shepherd can keep tabs on his flock.

When Jesus speaks of himself as "the gate for the sheep" he is telling us that through our belief in him, we too will find provision and protection. First: provision. Jesus wants to provide for his people. He "came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." The imagery here is of plenty, not just "enough."

Today's psalm says, "The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want...You spread the table before me...my cup overflows." This generous Shepherd provides not only our daily bread, but also our spiritual needs. "He refreshes my soul," the psalm tells us. When we are weary from the cares of life, the struggles of daily survival, and the burden of our sins, Jesus gives us "repose" in the "verdant pastures" of his love.

Today's epistle follows the theme: "You had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls." This brings us to the second point: protection. Jesus guards us, ensuring our safety. Again, Psalm 23 declares, "Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side."

Jesus wants to comfort us when we are frightened by trials or threatened by temptations. He "calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." Out of harm's way. We only must be sure we know him well enough to "recognize his voice" when he calls.

## ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

## A SONG FOR ALL SWEET MOTHERS

Sweet Mother I will never you For all the sufferings you had to endure for my sake

For when I cried

My mother will carry me and pet me

She will say to me

My child please stop and do not cry again.

When I wanted to sleep
My mother will pet me
She will lay me perfectly in bed
Put a blanker over me and sing me to sleep

When I was hungry
My mother will run up and down
Making sure she finds me something to eat
Sweet mother...Sweet mother

When I was sick
My mother would cry
For she feels that she should be the one sick and dying instead of her child
So she pleads, oh God help me
Oh God help my child

If I couldn't sleep
My mother will not sleep
If I couldn't eat , My mother will not eat
She is never tired of taking care of me
For she is my sweet mother

Sweet mother I will never forget all that you suffered for me.

Culled from Prince Nico Mbarga's Sweet Mother

## 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
Gwendolyn Fortune
Tina Garvin

Oceacie Gray, Jr.

Joseph Grear
Florence Hall
Michael Harkins
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
Veronica Murray
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 May 11, 2014

**Sunday:** Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Peter 2:20b-25/John 10:1-10

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/John 10:11-18 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/John 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/John 15:9-17

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/John 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/John 14:1-6 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/John 14:7-14 Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/1 Peter 2:4-9/

John 14:1-12

## <u>Church Support</u>

## **Sunday Collection:**

Thank you for supporting our parish. May God reward you abundantly \$5,979.45

ATTENDANCE: 310

## Lectors Schedule for Next Week

5/17—4:00pm Mass—Audrey Colvon & John Rookard, Sr.

5/18—8:30am Mass—Debora Savoy & Jasmine Wilson

5/18—11:00am Mass—CCD Class

#### 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER





# PARISHIONERS CELEBRATIONS HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

We would like to wish

Bertha Jordan and Marita Edelin 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.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to our own Brenyce Sweeney who was nominated to the archdiocese for recognition of her untiring work for God and Church. While everyone involved in working with the youth and young parishioners has done commendable work, Brenyce, with her multi-talents, creativity, and tireless energy has gone above and beyond.

<u>CCD COOKOUT</u> on Sunday May 18 marks the last CCD class for the season. The cookout will follow the 11:00am Mass. Classes will resume on September 14th.

<u>FASHION SHOW:</u> St. Luke's Sodality will host its' Annual Fashion Show on Saturday, June 14th from 1:00pm to 4:00 pm in the St. Luke Center. Donation is \$25.00 adults and \$12 for children under 12. Lunch will be served. Tickets will be sold after each Mass in the back of the Church.

<u>CATECHIST NEEDED FOR CCD</u>: The CCD is recruiting for catechist (teachers) for the coming year. The requirements are as follows: 1. Love of Children, 2. Commitment to help them in spiritual growth, and 3. Willingness to share of your time. Training to become a Certified Catechist is required and available. Contact DRE— Shirley Williams at 301-249-2219.

### **ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS**

<u>HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES HOMELESS SHELTERS:</u> Please consider becoming a hospitality volunteer — greeting clients, distributing toiletries, and sharing the light of Christ with some of our most vulnerable neighbors. For more information, call Hilary Bragg at 202-772-4300, x402 or visit www.CatholicCharitiesDC.org/Hospitality.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES: On Sunday, May 18, the 20th Annual Memorial Mass will be held to honor those who have served in our nation's armed forces. The Mass will take place at 4:30pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine. The principal celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Timothy Broglio of the Archdiocese for the Military Services. Military personnel are encouraged to be in uniform, and civilians should wear business attire.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

**REMEMBERING TO HEAL:** Kayla's Village partnering with D.C. Healthy Start Consortium & D.C. Children's Trust Fund sponsors Remembering to Heal, the 4th Annual Healing Service for healing from trials, tragedies, and traumas on Sunday, May 18, 2014 from 3:00p.m. until 5:00pm at Dupont Park Seventh-day Adventist Church, 3985 Massachusetts Avenue, S.E. There will be music and light refreshments. You may contact Tanya Logan at (301) 803-9768 or kaylasvillage@aol.com.