



# St. Luke

Catholic Church  
4925 East Capitol Street, SE  
Washington, DC 20019



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and Brothers

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

## First Sunday of Lent

Sunday, February 22, 2015

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

**FRIDAY & WEEKENDS:** By Appointment

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## 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 2015 is "**Grant to us oh Lord a heart renewed. Recreate in us your own Spirit Lord**" Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

### Parish Devotions

<b>3rd Sunday</b> - 1:00 p.m.	Cameroon Mass
<b>Monday</b> - ---10:30 a.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena
	Senior Bible Study Group
<b>Wednesday</b> - 8:00 a.m.	Novena to St. Joseph
<b>Wednesday</b> - 7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
<b>Friday</b> - ---8:00 a.m.	Prayer for Vocations
<b>1st Friday</b> - ---7:00 p.m.	Holy Hour
<b>Fridays of Lent</b> ---7:00pm	Stations of the Cross

## Mass Schedule



**VIGIL MASS**  
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday Masses**  
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**Weekday Masses**  
**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     7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Every Thursday during Lent     6:00pm – 7:00pm

**Stations of the Cross**  
Every Friday during Lent     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**  
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.

<b>Weekday</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Feast of the Day</b>	<b>Mass Intention</b>	<b>Requested By</b>
Saturday 21st	4:00pm	St. Peter Damian	Jeanette Louise Bush++	Hilda McDougald
Sunday 22nd	8:30 am 11:00am	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass	Sick and Shut in Sick and Shut in	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 23rd	10:00am	St. Polycarp	Virginia D. Williams++ (BB)	Williams Family
Tuesday 24th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Mattie Chesley++	Louise Washington
Wednesday 25th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Austin C. Taylor, Sr.++	Doris Lucas
Thursday 26th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Jordan Turner	Patterson Family
Friday 27th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Wayne A. Wallace	Beatrice Wright

**PASTOR'S CORNER**

**REFLECTION FOR  
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

“And he remained in the desert for forty days.” Lent is meant to be like our journey into the desert. Just as Jesus spent these days fighting with temptation and ultimately building up his spiritual strength, we too are called to spend the next forty days doing battle with the things that tempt us.

We are invited during this holy season to grow in self-discipline by giving something up for Lent. The long-standing Christian practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are also important elements of this spiritual battle. When we pray, we open ourselves to the Holy Spirit, thereby squeezing out any spirit of selfishness or evil that threatens to control our hearts.

When we fast, we exercise the virtue of temperance, or self-control. This virtue is of tremendous value when we are tempted to indulge our bodily senses in ways that are not healthy or holy. And almsgiving—when it is truly generous—also strengthens us spiritually by shifting our gaze to the needs of others, even to the point of making a personal sacrifice.

Today’s Gospel tells us that Jesus “was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.” What a contrast! The brutal, vicious, bloodthirsty beasts and the pristine, heavenly angels were both there at the same time: each with radically different intentions. And so it is with us. Our reality is also marked by the contrast between the brutality and vice of sin and the grace and goodness of faith.

During Lent, we acknowledge the battle between good and evil within our own souls and do what we can to stir up a victory for goodness. This season of purification can help each of us to become a better, holier, and therefore happier person. May we make good use of this, our journey into the desert.

**TRADITIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN  
SONGS FOR LENT**

For the season of Lent, these songs can aid African American Christians during fasting, prayer, and inward reflection.

***Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart***

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;  
Wean it from earth; through all its pulses move;  
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,  
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,  
No sudden rending of the veil of clay  
No angel visitation, no opening skies;  
But take the dimness of my soul away.

Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh;  
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear  
To check the rising doubt, the rebel sighs;  
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love Thee as Thine angels love,  
One holy passion filling all my frame;  
The kindling of the heav’n descending Dove,  
My heart an altar, and Thy love the flame.

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Lester Allen  
Barbara Barnes  
Barbara Batts  
Mary C. Bennett  
Beatrice Carroll  
Edna Coates  
Edith Cornish  
Alvera Dance  
Mary E. Davis  
Bertha Dearing  
Irena Fields  
Gwendolyn Fortune

Tina Garvin  
Oceacie Gray, Jr.  
Joseph Grear  
Florence Hall  
Michael Harkins  
Chris Hawkins  
Charlene Haywood  
Brenda Henson  
Michael Holland  
James Holley  
Rudolph Holley  
James Hughes

Charles Jamison  
Fred Jones  
Mary A. Lewis  
Rose Luck  
Bernadette Mahoney  
Doreene Mahoney  
Barbara Mallory  
Alice L. Montague  
Martyn Montague  
Veronica Murray  
Vincent Neal  
Betty Payne

Silvia Perry  
Alfred Price  
Lillian Pharms  
Joseph Queen  
Doreene Redd  
Bernadette Redmond  
Anna E. Smith  
Betty Smith  
Ruth Stokes  
Anna Strother  
Kayla Tatum  
Gloria Thompson



Matthew Thompson  
Barbara B. Tyler  
Jerome J. Wallace  
Wayne A. Wallace  
Shiela Washington  
Wellington Waters  
Dolores Woodard, Jr.  
St Luke military families.

Readings for the Week of February 22 2015

Sunday: Genesis 9:8-15/1 Peter 3:18-22/Mark 1:12-15  
Monday: Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18/Matthew 25:31-46  
Tuesday: Isaiah 55:10-11/Matthew 6:7-15  
Wednesday: Jonah 3:1-10/Luke 11:29-32  
Thursday: Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Matthew 7:7-12  
Friday: Ezra 18:21-28/Matthew 5:20-26  
Saturday: Deuteronomy 26:16-19/Matthew 5:43-48  
Next Sunday: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Romans 8:31b-34/Mark 9:2-10

Lectors Schedule for Next Week



2/28 4:00pm Mass- Kathy Harris Ndouga & Steve Ndouga  
3/1 8:30am Mass- Debora Savoy & Doris Lucas  
3/1 11:00am Mass- Bernard Robinson & Violet Tinsley

PARISHIONERS CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY



We would like to wish Inocencio Quinones and Alonzo O. Wallace, Sr. a wonderful happy birthday.

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

Church Support

Sunday Collection:

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

\$3,591.50

ATTENDANCE:

136

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

I'M GOING TO GO ON A RETREAT THIS LENT.



OKAY, BUT REMEMBER A RETREAT IS JUST A TEMPORARY TACTICAL MANEUVER SO YOU CAN COME BACK AT THE ENEMY EVEN STRONGER THAN BEFORE!



I COME HERE FOR SPIRITUAL ADVICE, AND I GET NAPOLEON BONAPARTE...

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## **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 northwest corner 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..

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be held every Friday at 7:00pm during Lent in the Church.

**THE LIGHT IS ON:** Confessions and adoration will be held every Wednesday during Lent from 6:00pm to 7:00pm in the Church.

**LENTEN FISH FRY** will be hosted by the Daughters of Isabella on Friday, February 27th from 11:00am to 3:00pm.

**THE ANNUAL ST. MARTIN DE PORRES CHILI COOK OFF** will take place on Saturday, March 7, 2015 from 12:00 noon until 3:00pm. Taster's donation: \$7/person (adult) Participant's Donation: \$25 Deadline Entry to Compete: March 7, 2015 See flyer inserted in bulletin.

**CRS RICE BOWL — HUNGERING FOR A BETTER LIFE;** Our journey with CRS Rice Bowl (Catholic Relief Services) begins in Tanzania, where a simple soybean is changing lives! What actions can you take this Lent to change lives—at home and around the world? Pick up your family's rice bowl from the exits of the Church.

**THE LENTEN FOOD DRIVE** coordinated by Catholic Charities, the social ministry arm of the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., will take place the weekend of March 14th and 15th. Bags will be distributed to parishioners after Masses on the weekend of March 7th and 8th. Food items asked to be donated will go by the alphabet of the last name. Instructions will be on the bag. Donations will go to the St. Luke's Food Bank.

## **ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS**

**ARCHDIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE: MAN ON A MISSION 2015:** The annual Archdiocesan Men's Conference will take place on March 14 from 7:30am-3:00pm at the St. John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC (3900 Harewood Rd., NE). The theme for this year's conference is The Biblical Vision for Men, and the keynote speaker will be Glenn Stanton. Glenn is the Director for Family Formation Studies at Focus on the Family and has authored numerous books on marriage and family life. In addition to breakout sessions where you will have the opportunity to gain practical insights for living as a man with biblical vision, a highlight of this year's conference will include an opportunity to see the world class exhibit on the life of St. John Paul II and to venerate his relic at his national shrine located right here in the Archdiocese of Washington. The cost of the conference is \$20, which includes lunch and snacks. Registration is limited, so sign up early. To register online, go to [www.adw.org/manonamission](http://www.adw.org/manonamission). For more information, contact Fr. Rick Kramer in the Office of Family Life at 301-853-4546 or [rkramer@adw.org](mailto:rkramer@adw.org).

**3RD ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2015:** On March 21, 2015 from 8:30am-3pm, Resurrection Church in Burtonsville, MD will host the third annual Archdiocesan Women's Conference, entitled Gathering the Wisdom of Women: Water to Wine. Colleen Carroll Campbell will give the keynote in English, and Lucia Baez Luzondo will give the keynote in Spanish. Mass, Confessions and Adoration will be included along with afternoon workshops. Workshop presenters include Dr. Liliana Alessandri, Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SV, Dr. Jem Sullivan, and Gloria Purvis Scott. There will be free babysitting provided and the cost for the entire day is \$25. For more information, contact Maria Suarez Hamm at 301-853-4999 or [mhamm@adw.org](mailto:mhamm@adw.org).