

St. Luke

Catholic Church
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Washington, DC 20019

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sunday, March 29, 2015

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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 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

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
Fridays of Lent —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.

Stations of the Cross

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.

Weekday	Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday 28th	4:00pm	Palm Sunday (Vigil Mass)	Fr. Joseph Begay SSJ	Jacqueline Wilson
Sunday 29th	8:30am 11:00am	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	Sick and Shut in Sick and Shut in	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 30th	10:00am	Weekday Mass of Holy Week	In Thanksgiving for Hilda McDougald (BB)	Hilda McDougald
Tuesday 31st	8:00am	Weekday Mass of Holy Week	Ernest J. Taylor, Jr. ++ (BB)	Doris Lucas
Wednesday 1st	7:00pm	Weekday Evening Mass of Holy Week	Dieudonne Ndouga	Family & Friends
Thursday 2nd	7:00pm	Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper	Youth and Young Adults of St Luke	Fr. Cornelius
Friday 3rd	3:00pm	Good Friday of the Lord's Passion	Deceased members of our Parish and Family	Fr. Cornelius

PASTOR'S CORNER

REFLECTION FOR

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

"They began to be distressed and to say to him, one by one, Surely it is not I?" During this dramatic scene at the Last Supper, we can picture Judas Iscariot, the betrayer, trying to play up his innocence as long as possible. He knew he had already betrayed Jesus, and if he joined in the "who, me?" ritual, he was just putting on appearances. But what about the others?

The rest of the Twelve were deeply disturbed by the idea that they might betray Jesus. As we know, however, when push came to shove, Peter's fear of betraying Jesus was trumped by fear for his own life. "I do not know this man about whom you are talking," he said in order to protect himself.

But notice Peter's reaction when he realized what he'd done: "He broke down and wept." How different was humble Peter's response from that of prideful Judas, who acted as if he hadn't done anything wrong: "Who, me?" Both men were unfaithful to the Lord, but only Peter immediately felt real sorrow, what we traditionally call contrition, for his sin.

The betrayers in today's Gospel readings are not just these two men. We also follow the crowd who hailed Jesus one day with "hosannas!" and a week later nailed him with their angry "crucify him!" How quickly our faith can turn fickle. For some of us, it may be easy to condemn the crowd and Judas and Peter, thinking that we would never do such a thing: "Who, me?"

But today, let us resolve not to be so proud as to think we are perfect disciples. Let us have the humility of Peter who wept over his imperfections and, ultimately, repented of his sins. Only when we acknowledge that we need God's help will we be able to hail him and praise him as he truly deserves.

A LENTEN PRAYER CALLED THE PASSION


Dear Lord Jesus,
by Your Passion and Resurrection
You brought life to the world.
But the glory of the Resurrection
came only after the sufferings of the Passion.

You laid down Your life willingly
and gave up everything for us.
Your body was broken and fastened to a Cross,
Your clothing became the prize of soldiers,
your blood ebbed slowly but surely away,
and Your Mother was entrusted
to the beloved disciple.

Stretched out on the Cross,
deprived of all earthly possessions and human aid,
You cried out to Your Father that the end had come.
You had accomplished the work given You,
and You committed into His hands,
as a perfect gift,
the little life that remained to You.

Lord, teach me to accept all afflictions
after the example You have given.
Let me place my death in Yours
and my weakness in Your abandonment.
Take hold of me with Your love,
that same foolish love that knew no limits,
and let me offer myself to the Father
with You so that I may rise with You to eternal life.
Amen

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

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| Lester Allen | Gwendolyn Fortune | Charles Jamison | Alfred Price |  |
| Barbara Barnes | Tina Garvin | David & Keisha Jones | Lillian Pharms | |
| Barbara Batts | Oceacie Gray, Jr. | Mary A. Lewis | Joseph Queen | |
| Mary C. Bennett | Joseph Gear | Rose Luck | Doreene Redd | |
| Beatrice Carroll | Florence Hall | Bernadette Mahoney | Bernadette Redmond | |
| Edna Coates | Michael Harkins | Doreene Mahoney | Anna E. Smith | |
| Sophie Coleman | Chris Hawkins | Barbara Mallory | Betty Smith | |
| Edith Cornish | Charlene Haywood | Alice L. Montague | Ruth Stokes | |
| Alvera Dance | Brenda Henson | Martyn Montague | Anna Strother | |
| Mary E. Davis | Michael Holland | Veronica Murray | Kayla Tatum | |
| Bertha Dearing | James Holley | Vincent Neal | Gloria Thompson | |
| Lamont Diggs, Sr. | Rudolph Holley | Dieudonne Ndouga | Matthew Thompson | |
| Irena Fields | James Hughes | Silvia Perry | Barbara B. Tyler | |
| | | | Jerome J. Wallace | |
| | | | Wayne A. Wallace | |
| | | | Shiela Washington | |
| | | | Wellington Waters | |
| | | | Dorothy White | |
| | | | Dolores Woodard, Jr. | |
| | | | Harold Woodard, Sr. | |
| | | | St Luke military families. | |

Readings for the Week of March 29, 2015

Sunday: Mark 11:1-10 or Jonah 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Philippians 2:6-11/Mark 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39
 Monday: Isaiah 42:1-7/Jonah 12:1-11
 Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6/Jonah 13:21-33, 36-38
 Wednesday: Isaiah 50:4-9a/Matthew 26:14-25
 Thursday: Chrism Mass: Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Revelation 1:5-8/Luke 4:16-21
 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Corinthians 11:23-26/Jonah 13:1-15
 Friday: Isaiah 52:13—53:12/Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jonah 18:1—19:42
 Saturday: Vigil: Genesis 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Genesis 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/
 Exodus 14:15—15:1/Isaiah 54:5-14/Is 55:1-11/Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ezra 36:16-17a, 18-28/
 Romans 6:3-11/Mark 16:1-7
 Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8/Jonah 20:1-9 or Mark 16:1-7 or Luke 24:13-35

Church Support

Sunday Collection:

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

\$3,860.09

Parish Office-Rectory Heater/AC fund
 \$1,245.00

ATTENDANCE:

295

Lectors Schedule for Next Week

- 4/4 4:00pm Mass— Chris Edelin & John Rookard, Sr.
 4/5 8:30am Mass—Natoshka Douglas & Doris Lucas
 4/5 11:00am Mass— Brenyce Sweeney & Violet Tinsley



PARISHIONERS CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY



We would like to wish Barbara Nipper, Edwinna Taylor, Barbara Roberts, Keyanna M. Taylor, James F. Thompson, Jr., Mary Whisonant, Shirley Williams and Hilda McDougald a wonderful happy birthday.

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

PALM SUNDAY





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.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

ST LUKE COMMUNAL MEAL will be held on Wednesday, April 1. Soup and bread will be served at 5:30pm. Evening Mass for Wednesday of Holy Week will be held at 7:00pm. There will be no morning Mass.

HOLY THURSDAY: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper will be 7:00pm. There will be no morning Mass.

GOOD FRIDAY: At 2:00pm there will be Living Stations followed by Service the Lord's Passion at 3:00pm. There will be no morning Mass celebrated on this day.

EASTER VIGIL will be held on Saturday April 4 at 7:30pm.

CRS RICE BOWL: HUNGERING FOR SEEDS OF HOME: We follow Jesus this week on our Lenten journey as he enters into Jerusalem, a community he knew well. CRS Rice Bowl asks us, too, to prayerfully enter into our own communities, to find those who are hungry and thirsty, who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we encounter in our daily lives?

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

GOSPEL BRUNCH sponsored by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Sunday, April 12, 2015 from 11:00am to 3:30pm in the Panorama Room. Buffet brunch with Panorama Room fried chicken, omelette/waffle bar & much more. Wine & mimosas available for \$6.00 each. \$35 adults/\$15 children under 10 years Contacts—Dawn: 202-352-7908, Nikki:240-643-8055.

THE APRIL CALENDAR GOES HERE