



# St. Luke

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

Staffed by The Josephite Fathers  
and Brothers



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

## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, June 14, 2015

### PASTORAL STAFF

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### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

**SECRETARY:** Ms. Michele Peters (202) 584-8322 Ext. 24     **DIRECTOR OF CENTER:** Mr. John Quarles (202) 584-1400  
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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.

### 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 13th	4:00pm	Eleventh Sunday O T (VIGIL)	James Banks++ (BB)	Jacqueline Wilson
Sunday 14th	8:30am 11:00am	Eleventh Sunday of O T Eleventh Sunday of O T	We pray for Vocations to the priesthood, religious life, permanent diaconate and married life.	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 15th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Karis Felton	Family
Tuesday 16th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	The Montague Family	Mary Williams
Wednesday 17th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Elizabeth Miles	Mary Williams
Thursday 18th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Joe Smith	Hilda McDougald
Friday 19th	8:00am	St. Abbot	Mama Octavie++ & Aunty Elizabeth++	Beatrice Kouemoa

**Reflection For  
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“It is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how.”* In today’s parable about the kingdom of God, Jesus gives us the image of something that grows “of its own accord.” Yes, the man does the initial planting of the seed, but the real miracle of the seed turning into a full-grown plant happens without the intervention of the farmer. God makes it happen.

So too, with the kingdom of God, we are called to participate to a certain extent, but also to allow God to work. We first do our part when we “scatter seed” of faith, by living out the baptism that made us children of this glorious kingdom. But even as we make our daily choices to follow Christ and live as his children— with all the actions, decision, and commitments that entails—we still get to enjoy the miracle of sitting back and watching God’s providence in action.

Just think of the beauty of creation and the seasons. Think about the gift of a newborn baby in the arms of its parents. Think about the surprising situations that resolved themselves in our relationships, jobs, and families. Think of the encouraging stories of forgiveness, reconciliation, and conversion that we have heard or experienced firsthand. Think of the blessings that have somehow come out of the trials and tribulations of our lives.

Think of all the sick, poor, and lonely who have been comforted by believers. Think of the moments of peace and insight that we have received in prayer. So it is that God makes our seeds “sprout and grow” when we sincerely take that first step of faith to enter his kingdom.

**PASTOR’S CORNER**

**Faith Is Necessary**

"He that believeth and is baptized", said Christ, "shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be condemned" (Mark 16:16); and St. Paul sums up this solemn declaration by saying: "Without faith it is impossible to please God" (Hebrews 11:6). The absolute necessity of faith is evident from the following considerations: God is our beginning and our end and has supreme dominion over us, we owe Him, consequently, due service which we express by the term *religion*. Now true religion is the true worship of the true God.

But it is not for man to fashion a worship according to his own ideals; none but God can declare to us in what true worship consists, and this declaration constitutes the body of revealed truths, whether natural or supernatural. To these, if we would attain the end for which we came into the world, we are bound to give the assent of faith. It is clear, moreover, that no one can profess indifference in a matter of such vital importance.

During the Reformation period no such indifference was professed by those who quitted the fold; for them it was not a question of faith or unfaith, so much as of the medium by which the true faith was to be known and put into practice. The attitude of many outside the Church is now one of absolute indifference, faith is regarded as an emotion, as a peculiarly subjective disposition which is regulated by no known psychological laws. Thus Taine speaks of faith as "*une source vive qui s'est formee au plus profond de l'ame, sous la pousse et la chaleur des instincts immanents*" — "a living fountain which has come into existence in the lowest depths of the soul under the impulse and the warmth of the immanent instincts".

Indifferentism in all its phases was condemned by Pius IX in the Syllabus *Quanta cura*: in Prop. XV, "Any man is free to embrace and profess whatever form of religion his reason approves of"; XVI, "Men can find the way of salvation and can attain to eternal salvation in any form of religious worship"; XVII "We can at least have good hopes of the eternal salvation of all those who have never been in the true Church of Christ"; XVIII, "Protestantism is only another form of the same true Christian religion, and men can be as pleasing to God in it as in the Catholic Church.

Culled from <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/05752c.htm>

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Lester Allen  
Barbara Barnes  
Barbara Batts  
Mary C. Bennett  
Beatrice Carroll  
Edna Coates  
Sophie Coleman  
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

David & Keisha Jones  
Mary A. Lewis  
Rose Luck  
Bernadette Mahoney  
Doreene Mahoney  
Barbara Mallory  
Alice L. Montague  
Martyn Montague  
Veronica Murray  
Vincent Neal  
Marlene Patterson  
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.  
Harold Woodard, Sr.  
St Luke military families.

Readings for the Week of June 14, 2015

Sunday: Ezodus 17:22-24/2 Corinthians 5:6-10/Mark 4:26-34  
Monday: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10/Matthew 5:38-42  
Tuesday: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9/Matthew 5:43-48  
Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11/Mathewt 6:1-6, 16-18  
Thursday: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11/Matthew 6:7-15  
Friday: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30/Matthew 6:19-23  
Saturday: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10/Matthew 6:24-34  
Next Sunday: Job 38:1, 8-11/2 Corinthians 5:14-17/Mark 4:35-41

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/  
ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to Beverly Stewart, Patricia Knox, Katrina Griffin, Barbara Batiste, Edna Coates & Rosden McKisset

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

LECTORS SCHEDULE

6/20- 4:00pm Mass  
K. Ndouga & J. Rookard, Sr.

6/21- 8:30am Mass  
S. Mode & C. Tolson

6/21- 11:00 am Mass  
T. Sweeney & S. Williams

E.M.E. SCHEDULE

6/20- 4:00pm Mass  
K. Ndouga & P. Glover

6/21- 8:30am Mass  
C. Tolson & L. Washington

6/21- 11:00 am Mass  
D. Savoy & V. Tinsley

11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Church Support

**Sunday Collection:**

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

**\$3845.64**

Parish Office-Rectory Heater/AC fund : **\$800.00**

**ATTENDANCE:**



## 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.

**ST. LUKE'S HOLY NAME SOCIETY** presents BREAKFAST on Sunday, July 12, 2015 in St. Luke Hall from 10:00am until 12:00pm. Donation is \$7.00 per person. Menu: eggs, bacon, turkey sausage, Italian sausage, potatoes, biscuits (butter & Jelly), coffee, tea, orange juice and water. For tickets or further information contact: Earnest Payton (301)627-0978, Thomas Weems (202)398-4950, Phillip Smith (301)675-6208 and Ronald Scott (202)581-9115.

**FATHER'S DAY MASS & BRUNCH:** All are welcome to the Father's Day Mass and brunch on Sunday, June 21 after the 11:00am Mass in the Church Hall.

**ST. LUKES VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CAMP:** We have started accepting donations of water (small bottles) juices (no huggies) and snacks for Vacation Bible School. Teens wishing to earn Community Service Hours for school are invited to assist with VBS. Must be at least 14-years old! Volunteers to work with VBS please sign-up at the rear of the Church. The Vacation Bible School will be held from Monday, August 3, 2015 to Friday, August 7, 2015. Time: 8:30am to 3:00pm

**THE SODALITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION** thanks the ladies who submitted membership applications during May, "The Month of Mary". Applications will continue to be accepted until August 16, 2015.

**2015 ST. MARTIN DE PORRES CRAB FEAST** will be held August 29, 2015 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. Further details will be coming soon.

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**THE 7TH ANNUAL QUO VADIS CAMP:** for high school-aged men will be held at Mounth Saint Mary's Seminary July 19-22, 2015. The four-day camp includes prayers, talks, sports, an opportunity to talk to priests and seminarians and much more. If you have questions, please contact the Office of Priest Vocations@adw.org or call 202-636-9020. Information is available and registration is open at [www.dcpriest.org](http://www.dcpriest.org).

**EXTENDED SILENT RETREAT: July 7-13, 2015 – "His Voice Brings Peace"** – . Open to women, men, religious and lay persons. Choose either a private or directed retreat experience. Directed by Sr. Mary Ellen, OP and Fr. Bill Wyndaele, CICM Time: Tuesday 6:00 pm- Monday 10: am **For further information call Dominican Retreat at 703-356-4243 or check our website at [www.dominicanretreat.org](http://www.dominicanretreat.org)**

**ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST FOR THE FRANCISCAN MONASTERY:** The Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land has been called a hidden gem and home to Washington's most contemplative gardens. Show us why in the annual Franciscan Monastery Photo Contest, open now through June 30. Details are online at [www.myfranciscan.org](http://www.myfranciscan.org), or call 202-526-6800. The monastery is located at 1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**SEVENTH ANNUAL DC HOUSING EXPO AND HOME SHOW** on Saturday, June 27, 2015 at the Washington Convention Center on from 11:00am to 5:00pm. All DC residents, business owners, developers and housing providers are invited. Workshops and demos will include valuable financial, rental, homeownership and small business information. For more information, visit [www.dhcd.dc.gov](http://www.dhcd.dc.gov).