

St. Luke

Catholic Church

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 24, 2016

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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,

Jesus Christ. Come join us to celebrate the Holy Eucharist which is the source and summit of our Christian life. Our theme for 2016 is "Blessed are the merciful for they will receive Mercy from God." Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

Parish Devotions

3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m.

2nd Saturday— 3:00pm

Monday - —-10:30 a.m.

Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.

Friday - ——-8:00 a.m.

Cameroon Mass

Legion of Mary (French)

Miraculous Medal Novena

Senior Bible Study Group

Novena to St. Joseph

Bible Study

Prayer for Vocations

1st Friday - —7:00 p.m. Holy Hour Saturday —-- 3:30 pm Rosary

Mass Schedule



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.

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Weekday		Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention	Requested By
Saturday	23rd	4:00pm	Sunday Mass Vigil		
Sunday	24th	8:30am 11:00am	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass	The Sick and Shut in of our Parish The Sick and Shut in of our Parish	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday	25th	10:00am	St. James FEAST	Justin Haynes	Sister Ann Marie Schreiner
Tuesday	26th	8:00am	St. Joachim and Anne OBL	Harry Washington++	Louise Washington
Wednesday	/ 27th	8:00am	Weekday Mass		
Thursday	28th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	Bernadine Conrad	Michele Peters
Friday	29th	8:00am	St. Martha OBL		

REFLECTIONS FOR THE 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." This is a promise that anyone would love to hear. With these words Jesus comforts and reassures us. He suggests that we will be satisfied and welcomed and fulfilled. His message in today's Gospel assures us that our heavenly Father loves us even more than earthly parents love their children. So we can enjoy the security of knowing that God will take good care of us.

But God's care may not always look exactly the way we expect it to. His care for us is based on knowing what is best for us and what will make us flourish. And, sometimes, what we think we need isn't really best. It's important to keep this context in mind. This prevents us from understanding Jesus' words today in a selfish way. As the end of the passage makes clear, this asking and seeking that Jesus refers to is ultimately fulfilled in the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus is promising us that if we ask God for his Spirit, he will certainly give it to us, his children.

For most of us, we actually received this gift at our baptism. But have we taken full advantage of this? Although we may not realize it at first, in receiving the Holy Spirit we actually receive a whole host of gifts. With God's Spirit come the sevenfold gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, knowledge, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord. And the fruits of the Spirit as St. Paul lists them in Galatians 5 include love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. God knows that all of these gifts and fruits make us very well equipped for life on earth, and for eternal life in heaven! What more do we really need to ask for?

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PASTOR'S CORNER

BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS

Dear brothers and sisters of St Luke Parish, may the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. [Philippians 4:7] The past days, weeks and even years have opened our eyes to the busy nature of the devil- who comes to kill, steal and destroy our joy and peace. But we have to resist the powers of the devil by being solid in our faith.

In reaction to these unfortunate incidence, The National Black Catholic Congress is calling on well meaning Catholics to join "the nation in mourning over the tragedies in Baton Rouge, the Minneapolis-Saint Paul area, and Dallas last week. As we commend to the Lord those who have died, we pray for the consolation of all who are grieving." NBCC also urges us all to meditatively OFFER THIS PRAYER FROM MONDAY, JULY 18TH TO MONDAY, AUGUST 15TH:

Let us Pray

O God, who gave one origin to all peoples
and willed to gather from them one family for yourself,
fill all hearts, we pray, with the fire of your love
and kindle in them a desire
for the just advancement of their neighbor,
that, through the good things
which you richly bestow upon all,
each human person may be brought to perfection,
every division may be removed,
and equity and justice may be established
in human society.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

- Collect, Votive Mass for the Progress of Peoples, The Roman Missal

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Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Lester Allen
Barbara Barnes
Barbara Batts
Ruth Bundy
Beatrice Carroll
Edna Coates
Sophie Coleman
Melinda Conrad Brown
Edith Cornish
Alvera Dance
Lamont Diggs, Sr.
Irena Fields
Florence M. 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
Lawrence Lee
Rose Luck

Bernadette Mahoney
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Michael Mason
Doris McCann
Alice L. Montague
Martyn Montague
Veronica Murray
Vincent Neal
Marlene Patterson
Silvia Perry
Lillian Pharms
Alfred Price
Irving Proctor
Joseph Queen

Doreene Redd Leroy Sandifer Anna E. Smith Betty Smith Ruth Stokes Kayla Tatum Gloria Thompson James F. Thompson, Jr. Matthew Thompson Barbara B. Tyler Jerome J. Wallace Wayne A. Wallace Shiela Washington Cecelia Williams Wellington Waters



Terrell Wilson Dolores Woodard, Jr. Harold Woodard, Sr. Beatrice Wright St Luke military families.

Readings for the Week of July 24, 2016

Sunday: Genesis 18:20-32/Psalms 138:1-3, 6-8/Col 2:12-14/Luke 11:1

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 Monday:
 2 Cor inthians 4:7-15/Psalms 126:1-6/Matthew 20:20-28

 Tuesday:
 Jeremiah 14:17-22/Psalms 79:8-11, 13/Matthew 13:36-43

 Wednesday:
 Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21/Psalms 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18/Matthew

13:44-46

Thursday: Jeremiah 18:1-6/Psalms146:1-6/Matthew 13:47-53 **Friday:** Jeremiah 26:1-9/Psalms 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jonah 11:19-27 or

Luke 10:38-42

Saturday: Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24/Psalms 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/

Matthew 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Ecclesiastes1:2; 2:21-23/Psalms 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/Colossians

3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Beverly Russell, Mary Curtis, Zorbari Pianwi, Rita (Faxio) Taylor, MaryAnn Johnson, Alain Mansaray, Karen Walker, Mary Woodward, and Bill & Carolyn Austin. We would also like to wish a vonderful wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Paul & Dorene Mahoney.

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

LECTORS SCHEDULE

7/30/2016– 4:00pm Mass K.H.Ndouga

7/31/2016– 8:30am Mass A. Miles & S. Mode

7/31//2016- 11:00 am Mass L. Miles & R. Johnson

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

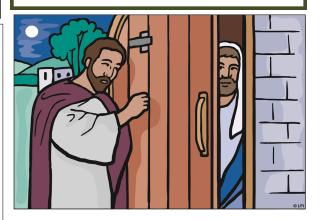
7/30/2016- 4:00pmMass

K. H. Ndouga, S. G-Cox, & P. Glover

7/31/2016- 8:30am Mass

D. Savoy, L. Washington & M. Harris

7/31/2016- 11:00am Mass B. Conrad, R. Brooks, & G. Abate



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Sunday Collection:

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ATTENDANCE: 214

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY
God of Mercy and Compassion,
Look with pity upon me,
Father, let me call Thee Father,
'Tis Thy child returns to Thee.
Jesus, Lord, I ask for Mercy;
Let me not implore in vain;
All my sins, I now detest them,
Never will I sin again.

Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence." — Lk 11:5b, 7a, 8

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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 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>DAUGHTER'S OF ISABELLA</u> is sponsoring a trip to Delaware Park Casino on Saturday, July 30, 2016 from 9:45 am to 5:30 pm. The donation is \$40.00 and you get \$30 back in tokens. For more information or to sign up contact Violet Tinsley (301) 814-6592, Gloria Washington (301) 505-2850, Debra Baker (202) 263-9098.

<u>ANNUAL CRAB FEAST</u> sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, August 20, 2016 at St. Luke Center. Tickets cost \$50 per person. Contact Ray (202) 438-7298, Milton (202) 412-0465 or Lenny (202) 907-9942,

<u>ST. LUKE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</u> August 1st through 5th. Registration Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the Vacation Bible School please sign up on the list in the back of the church. **Talent** is not a requirement.! Leave name, number and email address. Also we are looking for donations of water, juice, cookies, potato chips and snacks. **Please no Peanuts or peanut butter produs**.

ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

YEAR OF MERCY: 17th Sunday In Ordinary Time: "The Church which 'goes forth' is a community of missionary disciples who take the first step, who are involved and supportive, who bear fruit and rejoice. An evangelizing community knows that the Lord has taken the initiative, he has loved us first (cf. 1 Jn 4:19), and therefore we can move forward, boldly take the initiative, go out to others, seek those who have fallen away, stand at the crossroads and welcome the outcast. Such a community has an endless desire to show mercy, the fruit of its own experience of the power of the Father's infinite mercy. Let us try a little harder to take the first step and to become involved" (Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel*). For ways to join with other disciples in showing mercy, visit mercy.adw.org.

"LOCAL WORLD YOUTH DAY FESTIVAL FOR YOUNG ADULTS #wydDC: On Saturday, July 30 at The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC, join thousands of young adults (18-39, married and single) from across the region at *Kraków in the Capital*, a day-long experience coinciding with the celebration of World Youth Day with Pope Francis in Kraków, Poland. Visit Washington, experience Kraków, and encounter Christ through: Polish food and music, bilingual talks from bishops and national speakers, a visit to the National Holy Door of Mercy, Adoration, Confession, Stations of the Cross, a vocation/long-term service exhibit hall, Register for the event and learn more at wydDC.org or on social media using #wydDC.

STOP THE KILLING, HEAL THE CULTURE, BUILD THE BELOVED COMMUNITY: Pax Christi USA, our sections of the international Catholic peace movement, will hold its national gathering in Baltimore August 12-14. The schedule includes workshops on the intersection of racial injustice with care of the earth immigration Islamophobia and militarism as well as public witness, prayer service and a block party in West Baltimore. To register or learn more contact Sr. Anne-Louise Nadeau, anadeau@paxchristiusa.org, 202-635-2471.

<u>SISTERS IN THE SPIRIT IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON</u> cordially invites you to attend their annual commemoration of the Triumph of the Cross and our 15th anniversary celebration on Saturday, September 10, 2016 at St Joseph Catholic Church (2020 St. Joseph Dr., Largo, MD 20774). The event is from 9 am to 1 pm (registration begins at 8 am). Come share in the experience of "Sisters Moving in the Spirit: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" and featuring a yummy southern styled full breakfast and inspirational music from a live jazz band. The cost is \$35 per person. The deadline to register is September 2. For tickets/information, please call: Melody Atkinson (301-641-3893) or Thelma Adams (301-630-0018). **NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

<u>PART-TIME NURSE NEEDED FOR MEN'S RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY:</u> The Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity have a part-time opening for a nurse to assist with the priests and brothers at their retirement home in the Adelphi area. Hours are negotiable. If you are interested, please call Brother Loughlan Sofield at 301-379-2364.