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The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Sunday, June 18, 2017

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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 fol-

low 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 2017 is "**Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**" [Psalm 90:12] Together we will praise God, love one another and serve each other.

Parish Devotions

3rd Sunday - 1:00 p.m. 3rd Saturday - 3:00pm Monday - --10:30 a.m. Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. Friday - ----8:00 a.m. 1st Friday - --6:00 p.m. Fridays ----6:00pm

Saturday —-- 3:30 pm

Cameroon Mass Prayer Meeting Miraculous Medal Novena Seniors Bible Study Group Novena to St. Joseph Bible Study Prayer for Vocations Holy Hour Stations of the Cross Rosary Mass Schedule



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

Weekday Masses In the Martin De Porres Chapel

 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.
 Friday
 8:00 a.m.

Adoration

Every 1st Friday of the Month 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 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 For the Week	Requested By
Saturday 17th	4:00pm	The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Sunday (Vigil)	Eternal Repose of the soul of Thomas Weems+++	Parish Family
Sunday 18th	8:30am 11:00am	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	God Blessings on all the fathers in our lives God Blessings on all the fathers in our lives	Parish Family Parish Family
Monday 19th	10:00am	St Romuald OPT	God's healing and Speedy recovery of Philip Faxio	Family
Tuesday 20th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal repose of the soul of Joseph Smith Jr.+++	Parish Family
Wednesday 21st	8:00 am	St. Aloysius OBL	God's guidance and blessings on Agnes Queen	Parish Family
Thursday 22nd	10:00 am	SS. Paulinus, John, Thomas More OPT	Praying for an end in gun violence in our society	Parish Family
Friday 23rd	8:00 am	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	God's healing and speedy recovery of Brenda Anyaibe	Family

REFLECTION FOR THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

"The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat.⁵" From the beginning, the Eucharist has been a source of controversy. Some people have always found the teaching difficult to accept. But as Catholics, the Blessed Sacrament is at the heart of our worship and our spirituality; we go to Mass to share in the holy sacrifice of Jesus' body and blood, and we receive spiritual nourishment from partaking of this heavenly food. As Jesus himself tells us in today's Gospel, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him."

From this passage it is clear that Jesus intended the Eucharist to be a tremendous gift for us, for *"whoever eats this bread will live forever."* This of course is because the bread is Christ's *"flesh for the life of the world."* In other words, just as he gave his body on the cross to save us from our sins, so too this same flesh is given for us at every Mass to strengthen our weakness and unite us more deeply to our Savior.

Receiving Communion isn't like taking a magic pill, however. We must beware of reducing this sacrament to an empty ritual or a foolproof guarantee of heaven. No, it is quite possible to receive Communion unworthily and reject its spiritual efficacy. Just like the benefits of a healthy meal can be undone by a habit of binging on junk food, so too we can prevent holy Communion from having its full benefits when we crowd our souls with vices and sins. If, on the other hand, we wish to let this sacrament of divine grace flourish, we should receive it with a sincere spirit of gratitude and reverence, praying that we may be made worthy to receive such a gift.

PASTOR'S CORNER

THE RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION AT MASS

The Church understands the Communion Procession, in fact every procession in liturgy, as a sign of the pilgrim Church, the body of those who believe in Christ, on their way to the Heavenly Jerusalem. All our lives we who believe in Christ are moving in time toward that moment when we will be taken by death from this world and enter into the joy of the Lord in the eternal Kingdom he has prepared for us. The liturgical assembly of the baptized that comes together for the celebration of the Eucharist is a witness to, a manifestation of, the pilgrim Church. When we move in procession, particularly the procession to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Communion, we are a sign, a symbol of that pilgrim Church "on the way."

For some, however, the experience of the Communion Procession is far more prosaic, analogous perhaps to standing in line in the supermarket or at the motor vehicle bureau. A perception such as this is a dreadfully inaccurate and impoverished understanding of what is a significant religious action. The Communion Procession is an action of the Body of Christ. At Christ's invitation, extended by the priest acting in Christ's person: "Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb," the members of the community move forward to share in the sacred meal, to receive the Body and Blood of Christ which is the sign and the source of their unity. In fact, each time we move forward together to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord, we join the countless ranks of all the baptized who have gone before us, our loved ones, the canonized and uncanonized saints down through the ages, who at their time in history formed a part of this mighty stream of believers.

This action by Christ's body, the Church assembled for the Eucharist, is manifested and supported by the Communion Chant, a hymn in praise of Christ sung by the united voices of those who believe in him and share his life. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* takes this hymn very seriously, mandating that it should begin at the Communion of the priest and extend until the last person has received Communion.

 $\label{eq:construction} Excerpt from http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/order-of-mass/liturgy-of-the-eucharist/the-reception-of-holy-communion-at-mass.cfm \label{eq:construction}$

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The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

- Lester Allen Barbara Barnes Blanche Bourm Barbara Batts Tammy Berry Ruth Bundy Beatrice Carroll Edna Coates Melinda Conrad Brown Edith Cornish Aniceto Charles Joyce Cristwell Alvera Dance Lamont Diggs, Sr. Irena Fields
- Florence M. Fields Gwendolyn Fortune Tina Garvin Elizabeth Gillem Joseph Grear Florence Hall Steve Halle Dawn Lattimer Handen Michael Harkins Chris Hawkins Charlene Haywood Brenda Henson Michael Holland James Holley Rudolph Holley

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Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Veronica Murray Marlene Patterson Silvia Perry Lillian Pharms Alfred Price Joseph Queen James Ratiff Doreene Redd Leroy Sandifer Anna E. Smith Betty Smith Ruth Stokes Kayla Tatum Rolland Taylor Gloria Thompson

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Sunday, June 18, 2017

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.

Readings for the Week of June 18, 2017

Sunday:	Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Psalms 147:12-15, 19-20/1	
	Corinthians10:16-17/John 6:51-58	
Monday:	2 Corinthians6:1-10/Psalms 98:1, 2b, 3-4/Matthew 5:38-42	
Tuesday:	2 Corinthians8:1-9/Psalms 146:2, 5-9a/Matthew 5:43-48	
Wednesday:	2 Corinthians9:6-11/Psalms 112:1bc-4, 9/Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18	
Thursday:	2 Corinthians 11:1-11/Psalms 111:1b-4, 7-8/Matthew 6:7-15	
Friday:	Deuteronomy 7:6-11/Psalms103:1-4, 6-8, 10/1 John 4:7-16/	
·	Matthew 11:25-30	
Saturday:	Vigil: Jeremiah1:4-10/Psalms 71:1-6, 15, 17/1 Peter:8-12/	
·	Luke 1:5 -17	
Day:	Isaiah49:1-6/Psalms 139:1-3, 13-15/Acts 13:22-26/Luke 1:57-66	
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Next Sunday:	Jeremiah 20:10-13/Psalms69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/Romans 5:12-	
v	15/Matthew 10:26-33	

LECTORS SCHEDULE

06/24/2017– 4:00pm Mass M. Holland

06/25/2017-830am Mass N. Douglas & M. Greene

06/25/2017- 11:00 am Mass CCD Students



Thank you for supporting our parish. May God reward you abundantly \$3,830.76 <u>ATTENDANCE:</u> 243

E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE

06/24/2017– 4:00pm Mass K.H. Ndouga & S.G. Cox

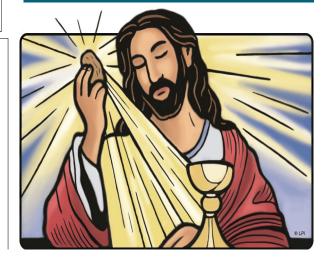
06/25/2017-8:30am Mass L. Washington & C. Holland

06/125/2017– 11:00am Mass B. Conrad & J. Thomas

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Katrina Griffin, Barbara Batiste, Edna Coates, Theodosia Fitch. Carlos Thomas, Lena & Leria Amah and a wonderful wedding anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Anthony & Kimbolyn Flowers.

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



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world...

"For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." _ ___ 6:51, 55-56

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



Dear Parishioners, our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of 1 leaves 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.

FELLOWSHIP FRIDAY: Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society are hosting Fellowship Friday on June 30, 2017. in St. Luke hall. The food, fun & games began at 6:00pm. It's a great time to come and meet your fellow parishioners.

ANNUAL CRABFEAST: The Knights of Columbus will have their Annual Crab Feast on Saturday, September 9 from 5pm to 9pm in the St. Luke Center. It is all you can eat and there will be other catered food. Tickets are \$50. The contacts are Kieth Quarles 301-785-0315, Lenny Jones 202-907-9942 and Ray Crawford 202-438-7298.

<u>60TH ANNIVERSARY "TEE SHIRTS"</u> can now be pre-ordered for \$10 (\$12 for 2x and above). Please contact any member or the committee or parish office to place your order.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

<u>CHRISTMAS IN JULY Outdoor Bazaar</u> on July 8th from 9am to 3pm at St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church. Enjoy fabulous vendors, live music, and food while you get a head start on Christmas shopping. For more information/Vendor Registration, contact Special Events Committee Co-Chairpersons, Shirrita @(301)327-1191 or Cecil @ (301)377-3816. Lastly, if there are any parishioners that would like to be vendor, we are seeking vendors with the following: Black Picture Art, Unique Creative Earrings/Handbags/Shoes, Traci Lynn Jewelry, Handcrafted items, Holiday Inspired items, or if you have a unique product that you would like to showcase. The cost is \$15 (NON-REFUNDABLE) and this is for "space" ONLY, you MUST provide your own table/chair, as this is an outdoor event. If you would like to participate, please inquire and provide a brief description of your product to stmargparspecialevents@gmail.com

HOLY LAND FESTIVAL Experience the culture and life of Christians in the Holy Land at the 4th Annual Holy Land Festival, July 15, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America, 1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017. Enjoy authentic Arabic food, dancing, exhibits, vendors, speakers and free tours of the monastery shrines and gardens. The sponsors are the Archdiocese of Washington, Franciscan Monastery, Bethlehem University Foundation, Holy Family Hospital Foundation and Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation. Admission and parking are free; Brookland/CUA Metro or H6 bus. Learn more: myfranciscan.org/holylandfestival or 202-526-6800.

ZUMBA-THON !: Help Create a Healthier You! Burn calories and have fun doing it by participating in St. Margaret's Spiritual Steppers Zumba-thon! Zumba is a great cardio workout and dance party that will include door prizes, refreshments and lots of fun. Please come out on June 24, 2017 from 11 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (with 30 minute breaks). You can stay for one hour or enjoy all three hours of fun and exercise in the St. Margaret of Scotland Omega Room located at 410 Addison Road, Seat Pleasant, Md. Tickets are \$10 per person, per hour. All proceeds will benefit the St. Margaret's Spiritual Steppers. Donations are also welcome. Thank you for your support. For tickets and more information, contact Lynne Harris at 301-806-8336 or Cynthia Thomas at 301-728-4829.

<u>CARITAS COUNSELING CENTER:</u> Caritas Counseling Center, a ministry of Saint Luke Institute, offers confidential, professional, and compassionate therapy for individuals, couples, and groups. They understand the importance of faith and will assist you with recovery from grief, depression, stress, difficult relationships, and more. For more information, please contact Dr. Crystal Taylor-Dietz, director, at 301-431-6865, or visit <u>caritas-sli.org</u>. Calls are confidential. Caritas centers are located in Silver Spring, MD and Towson, MD.

<u>COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</u>

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Come and join the youth of Atonement for vacation bible school for July 10 through July 14 from 6pm to 8pm. Ages accepted are 3 through 17..Dinner will also be served at 6pm. The Episcopal Church of Atonement is located at 5073 East Capitol St. S.E. For more information email vbsatatonement@gmail.com.