

# ST. LUKE

CATHOLIC CHURCH  
4925 EAST CAPITOL STREET, SE  
WASHINGTON, DC 20019



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

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 5, 2017

### PASTORAL STAFF

**PASTOR:** Rev. Cornelius K. Ejiogu, SSJ (202) 584-8322 Ext. 101      **IN RESIDENCE:** Rev. Denis Mandamuna (202) 584-8322  
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### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

**SECRETARY:** Ms. Michele Peters (202) 584-8322 Ext. 102      **DIRECTOR OF CENTER:** Mrs. Brenda Smith (202) 584-1400  
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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

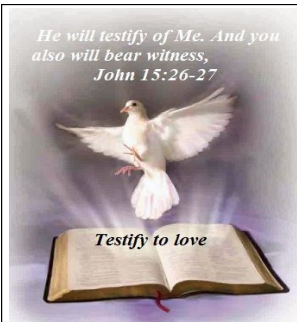
**MONDAY-THURSDAY:** 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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**FRIDAY & WEEKENDS:** By Appointment

**Website:** www.stlukechurchssj.org



*He will testify of Me. And you also will bear witness,  
John 15:26-27*

**W**elcome  
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 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.	Cameroon Community Mass
3rd Saturday- 3:00pm	Prayer Meeting
Monday - ---10:30 a.m.	Miraculous Medal Novena
	Seniors Bible Study Group
Wednesday - 8:00 a.m.	Novena to St. Joseph
Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
Friday - ----8:00 a.m.	Prayer for Vocations
1st Friday - --6:00 p.m.	Holy Hour
Fridays---6:00pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday --- 3:30 pm	Rosary

### Mass Schedule



#### VIGIL MASS

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

#### 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.

#### 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. Please call parish office for more information.

Weekday	Time	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention For the Week	Requested By
Saturday 4th	4:00pm	31st Sunday (Vigil) Mass OT	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Rev. Joseph Begay, SSJ+++	Parish Family
Sunday 5th		31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30am 11:00am		
Monday 6th	10:00am	Weekday Mass	In Thanksgiving for Beatrice Kouemou & Siblings	Kouemou Family
Tuesday 7th	8:00am	Weekday Mass	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Haydee Patterson+++ (BB)	Patterson Family
Wednesday 8th	8:00am	Weekday	Eternal Repose of the Soul of Gwendolyn Fortune+++	Parish Family
Thursday 9th	10:00 am	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica FEAST	Eternal Repose of All the Souls of Purgatory+++	Beatrice Kouemou
Friday 10th	8:00 am	St. Leo the Great OBL		

## PASTOR'S CORNER

### REFLECTION FOR

#### 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

***"For they preach but they do not practice."*** The scribes and Pharisees may be the ones Jesus was speaking about in today's Gospel, but we must be careful not to dismiss his words when it comes to our own actions. Jesus offered a difficult challenge to those honor-seekers that we must also heed when he said, ***"The greatest among you must be your servant."*** This is not the way the world usually works. Generally speaking, the idea of being a servant is considered inferior to being someone who has risen to high levels of leadership or status. But Jesus wants people in positions of authority to selflessly serve those over whom they have influence. And he insists that the leaders who establish laws, rules, and guidelines do not excuse themselves from following their own directives! ***"Practice what you preach,"*** as the saying goes.

Whether or not we have extensive public influence, almost all of us at certain points are in a position to exercise leadership—with our children and families, with classmates, coworkers, neighbors, friends, and sometimes strangers. When these moments arise, we are called to step into this role without being hypocrites. It's important to be sure we don't issue unrealistic demands on others that we ourselves would find it burdensome or even impossible to fulfill. This requires the virtue of humility. Instead of reveling in the authority we may have at any given moment, instead of creating ***"heavy burdens hard to carry and lay[ing] them on people's shoulders,"*** we need to be ready and willing to walk a mile in their shoes, and lead accordingly. And Jesus tells us clearly that this servant leadership will be rewarded, for ***"whoever humbles himself will be exalted."***

**Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish**



Barbara Barnes	Irena Fields	James Hughes	Alice L. Montague	Kayla Tatum
Blanche Bourm	Florence M. Fields	Charles Jamison	Martyn Montague	Rolland Taylor
Barbara Batts	Gwendolyn Fortune	Melvin Jamison	Veronica Murray	Gloria Thompson
Tanisha Bennett	Tina Garvin	Mary Ann Johnson	Regina Neal	James F. Thompson, Jr.
Tammy Berry	Elizabeth Gillem	David & Keisha Jones	Marlene Patterson	Matthew Thompson
Ruth Bundy	Joseph Gear	Lawrence Lee	Silvia Perry	Barbara B. Tyler
Beatrice Carroll	Florence Hall	Fred Lewis	Lillian Pharms	Jerome J. Wallace
Edna Coates	Steve Halle	Rose Luck	Alfred Price	Wayne A. Wallace
Melinda Conrad Brown	Dawn Lattimer Handen	Bernadette Mahoney	Joseph Queen	Shiela Washington
Edith Cornish	Michael Harkins	Doreene Mahoney	James Ratiff	Cecelia Williams
Aniceto Charles	Chris Hawkins	Monica Mahoney	Doreene Redd	Wellington Waters
Joyce Cristwell	Charlene Haywood	Barbara Mallory	Leroy Sandifer	Terrell Wilson
Alvera Dance	Brenda Henson	Michael Mason	Anna E. Smith	Dolores Woodard, Jr.
Lamont Diggs, Sr.	James Holley	Doris McCannon	Betty Smith	Harold Woodard, Sr.
Marita C. Edelin	Rudolph Holley	Hilda McDougald	Ruth Stokes	St Luke military families.

**Readings for the Week of November 5, 2017**

- Sunday:** Malachi 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Psalms 131:1-3/1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13/Matthew 23:1-12
- Monday:** Romans 11:29-36/Psalms 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Luke 14:12-14
- Tuesday:** Romans 12:5-16b/Psalms 131:1bcde-3/Luke 14:15-24
- Wednesday:** Romans 13:8-10/Psalms 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Luke 14:25-33
- Thursday:** Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Psalms 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17/John 2:13 -22
- Friday:** Romans 15:14-21/Psalms 98:1-4/Luke 16:1-8
- Saturday:** Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Psalms 145:2-5, 10-11/Luke 16:9-15
- Next Sunday:** Wisdom 6:12-16/Psalms 63:2-8/1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mathewt 25:1-13

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY**

**We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday to Elsie Young, James Nelson, Phillip Smith, Ayden Brown, Pearl A. Baynes and Stervon West.**

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

**LECTORS SCHEDULE**

**E.M.H.C. SCHEDULE**

**11/11/2017– 4:00pm Mass**  
K.H. Ndouga

**11/11/2017– 4:00pm Mass**  
V. Watson & R. Watson

**11/12/2017-830am Mass**  
D. Lucas & F. A. Cooper

**11/12/2017-8:30am Mass**  
M. Harris & C. Holland

**11/12/2017– 11:00 am Mass**  
L. Miles & Y. Sherman

**11/12/2017– 11:00am Mass**  
B. Conrad & E. Young

***Church Support***

**Sunday Collection:**

Thank you for supporting our parish.

May God reward you abundantly

**\$3,449.40**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**460**

*Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, "The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice." — Mt 23:1-3*



## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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 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.

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL** for Fr. Joseph Begay will be held on Monday, November 6, 2017. Viewing will begin at 9:00am and funeral Mass will start at 11:00am at St. Luke Catholic Church.

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL** for Mrs. Gwendolyn Fortune will be held on \_\_\_\_\_

**BLANKET DRIVE:** Our annual winter Blanket Drive begins on Saturday, November 4th. Please support this project by bringing new blankets to be given to our homeless brothers and sisters. Thanks for your continued support. May God reward you abundantly.

**ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER** sponsored by the Ecumenical group will take place on November 20th at 6:00pm in the church hall. There will be a sign up sheet for all those who would like to donate food to the dinner. For more information or any questions you may call Judy Travers at 202-412-6636 or Violet Tinsley at 301-814-6592.

**RCIA (Adults)** for those who are considering joining the Catholic Church or for adult Catholics who want to know more about the faith there will evening classes that will begin on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 6:00pm in the rectory living room. Please call the rectory to register or see Deacon Walker.

**ADULT FAITH DISCUSSION GROUP** for parents of children attending CCD class will be held in the lobby of the St. Luke Center. All adults are invited. It will begin Sunday, November 12, 2017.

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEMORIAL BRUNCH** is Sunday, November 19, 2017 after the 11:00 Mass. Tickets are \$10.

### ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON

**THE OFFICE OF CULTURAL DIVERSITY and OUTREACH** will be celebrating the Archdiocese of Washington's Gospel Mass Choirs for its steadfast witness. The Mass will begin at 7:30pm, preceded by Praise and Worship starting at 7 pm. The liturgy will be held at St. Joseph Parish in Largo, MD and will be celebrated by Bishop Roy E. Campbell, Jr. For more information, please contact Sandra Coles-Bell at 301-853-4469 or colesbells@adw.org.

**ST. BENEDICT THE MOORE CHURCH Women's Day Committee** will be hosting a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 16 between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. They are looking for vendors who would like to sell their merchandise as well as people to shop on that day. For more information please contact Gloria Beasley at 202-529-2359 or Cheryl Hamlin Williams at 301-996-6711.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL RALLY** on November 11th at Archbishop Carroll High School from 9 to 5pm including Vigil Mass. The day will include a variety of games, talks, boy and girl sessions, music by Full Armor Band and end with Mass celebrated by Bishop Barry Knestout, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. If you are interested in attending call St. Luke rectory by Nov. 8.