

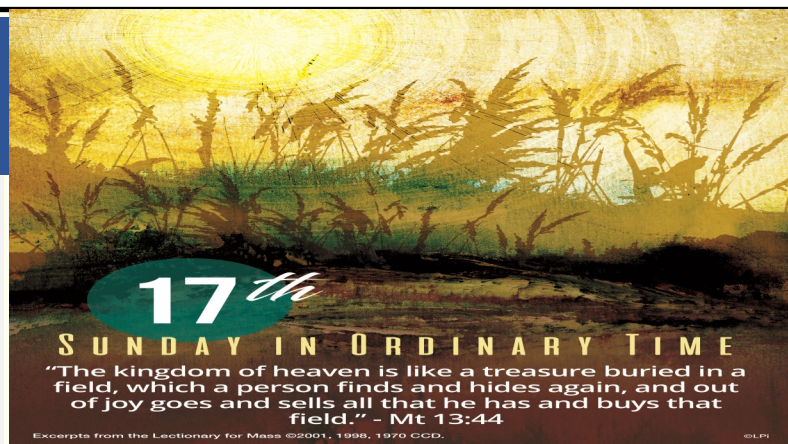
Sunday, July 26, 2020

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 4pm
Fridays & Weekend: By Appointment

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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 2019 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.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30am & 11:00am

2nd Sunday 1:15pm (Igbo) 3rd Sunday 1:15pm (French)

Weekday Masses

In the Martin De Pores Chapel

Monday: 10:00am

Tuesday: 8:00am

Wednesday: 8:00am

Thursday: 10:00am

Friday: 8:00 am

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday 6:00pm . -7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm Sunday: 7:30am-8:15am

Sunday: 10:00am-10:45am Or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant Baptism registration takes place at the Parish Office prior to baptism preparation class which is held on the First Saturday of each month. Baptism takes place every First Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please call parish office for more information.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Life's Pearl Of Wisdom

Michael P. Johnson

Here and there in oysters fall
A single grain of sand
Producing later a lustrous ball
In a fisher man's hand

Attacking the sand found inside
Through membranes twisting round
Turning, spinning seeking to hide
This foreign body found

When anti bodies cease to curl
When no more a threat
The oyster may reveal a pearl
A necklace to beset

Let's think the pearl now if we can
As a coat around a child
A simile to The Son of man
Through whom one's reconciled

Nature reveals to you and I
Christ's secret to display
The wonderful plan of God's on high
As simply shown today

Though countless yet may think it odd
While others see untrue
Mary gave birth to man and God
Who died for me and you

God's DNA entered her womb
Where human flesh grew round
Emerging from a simile tomb
For sinners to be found

Casing The Genes Heaven had sown
Mary to Christ gave birth
With God Inside! His flesh and bone
As One walking the earth.....

<https://www.poemhunter.com/poems/wisdom/page-2/20991412/>

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REFLECTION FOR THE 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A single mother who has a child with special needs works two jobs and sacrifices much of her own pleasures in order to be available for her son. Being the best mother possible is important to her and brings her joy. We are willing to make great and often heroic sacrifices for those people and things that matter most to us. Unless there is something of obvious importance to us in our immediate path, we can easily approach life in a more haphazard and chaotic way. We jump from one thing to another, responding to whatever it is that is competing for our attention at that moment. When everything is important, nothing is important.

If we do not wear the right pair of glasses, we can get all too easily caught up in the superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really matter. The kingdom of God is like the pearl of great price that is worth selling everything for so that it can be obtained. Based on where I invest my time and energy each day, I really wonder whether I am serving God's kingdom or my own.

Have you ever considered tracking how you spend your time? You may be surprised! We allow our agendas to set the clock of our lives. We forget that joy and a true sense of purpose are not going to be found in following that time-piece. Joy is the expression of the happiness that is discovered when living in the kingdom of God. When our agenda matches God, not only do we leap for joy but God leaps with delight as well. Our well-being is what matters most to God.

Can you imagine God delighting in you? It is easy to deaden our senses to the whole reality of God and the joy that living the Gospel can bring. The demands of secular life and the agendas competing for our attention can quickly do that. We can get tired and spiritually apathetic. But if we can see our way through all of the conflicting voices and hear the voice of God, we can rediscover our zeal and passion and redirect our efforts. When we begin to see as God sees, we can rise each day and notice what really needs our attention and embrace it with exuberance. Be careful, though. It may not be what we originally had on our list. Responding to it, however, will be worth putting everything else aside

Liturgical Publications 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful wedding anniversary to
Mr. & Mrs. Wardell E. and Gloria C. Washington.

**MAY THE JOY OF THE LORD
 BE YOUR STRENGTH!!!**

Readings for week of July 26, 2020

Sunday: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12/Psalms 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Romans 8:28-30/Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Jeremiah 13:1-11/Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jeremiah 14:17-22/Psalms 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [9]/Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21/Psalms 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 [2]/John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42

Thursday: Jeremiah 18:1-6/Psalms 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [5a]/Matthew 13:47-53

Friday: Jeremiah 26:1-9/Psalms 69:5, 8-10, 14 [14c]/Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday: Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24/Psalms 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 [14c]/Matthew 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Isaiah 55:1-3/Psalms 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Romans 8:35, 37-39/Matthew 14:13-21

Church Support

Please consider making a donation to support our parish during this trying times. You may Drop off or mail your gifts to the parish. You may give online through our website: <http://www.stlukechurchssj.org/> And clicking on the donate button. You may also TEXT: 202-335-3116 God bless and keep you safe.

WEEKLY MASS

Monday 07/27

Friday 07/31

St. Ignatius o Loyola

**Tuesday 07/28
 Weekday**

**Saturday 08/01
 St. Alphonsus**

**Wednesday 07/29
 St. Martha**

**Thursday 07/30
 St. Peter**

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

Barbara Barnes
 Blanche Bourm
 Barbara Batts
 Tanisha Bennett
 Tammy Berry
 Ruth Bundy
 Beatrice Carroll
 Melinda Conrad-Brown
 Edith Cornish
 Aniceto Charles
 Patricia Chase
 Valene Chemoo
 Joyce Cristwell
 Alvera Dance
 Iyana Davage

Marita C. Edelin
 Irena Fields
 Florence M. Fields
 Tina Garvin
 Elizabeth Gillem
 Florence Hall
 Steve Halle
 Chris Hawkins
 Charlene Haywood
 Brenda Henson
 Norma Henson
 James Holley
 Rudolph Holley
 James Hughes
 Melvin Jamison
 Mary Ann Johnson

David & Keisha Jones
 Dawn Lattimer
 Lawrence Lee
 Fred Lewis
 Maria A. Logan
 Bernadette Mahoney
 Doreene Mahoney
 Barbara Mallory
 Doris McCannon
 Alice L. Montague
 Veronica Murray
 David Neal
 Florence Patterson
 Marlene Patterson
 Silvia Perry
 Lillian Pharms

Kecia Proctor
 Doreene Redd
 Leroy Sandifer
 Betty Smith
 Kayla Tatum
 Rolland Taylor
 Gloria Thompson-Price
 James F. Thompson, Jr.
 Matthew Thompson
 Barbara B. Tyler
 Wayne A. Wallace
 Marquita Ward
 Shiela Washington
 Steven Washington
 Cecelia Williams

Wellington Waters
 Dolores Woodard, Jr.
 Harold Woodard, Sr.
 St Luke military families.

All the Homeless men and women in our community.

Please pray for all those who are sick but have no one to pray for them



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Dear Parishioners, our Tree of Life has not fully bloomed. We are continuing the sale of leaves the northwest corner of the inside of the church (East Capitol St. side) There are 21 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 Parish Weekly Schedule

Mondays Morning Mass @ 10:00am (will also be livestreamed)
Wednesday Bible Study Live Stream & Voice @ 6:00pm
Thursdays Morning Mass @ 10:00am (will also be livestreamed)
Friday Holy Hour/Adoration Live Stream & Voice @ 7:00pm
Saturday Holy Rosary (Voice call only) @ 6:00pm
Sunday Mass 8:30 am & 11:00am (11am mass will also be livestreamed)

To join our Live Stream, please go to
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stluke.stlukesedc/>
Or Dial: 425-436-6339.
Access code: 269615

To continue assisting St. Luke: You may **DROP OFF** your donation or **MAIL** your check or visit our **WEBSITE** <http://www.stlukechurchssj.org/Donate> or **TEXT**: 202-335-3116.

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Dear Parishioners, our regular Sunday Masses resumed . We are permitted to have a maximum of 100 persons in our church each Mass. You are welcome to now attend Mass in person with Masks and social distancing.

Bible Quote for the day:

The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. – Matthew 13:44

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

INTERN NEEDED AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON:: Current undergraduate students looking for a remote internship opportunity are invited to apply to the Outreach and Events Intern at Catholic Charities D.C. for the Fall semester. The intern will work with their Volunteer Engagement Office to and will be responsible for project coordination and communication with their volunteers. This is a good position for someone interested in developing skills in community outreach, event coordination, and learning more about large non-profits. Interested students can find the full job description and apply online at <https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/2020-summer-internships/>.

CENSUS 2020: 10 QUESTIONS, 10 MINUTES, 10 YEARS OF IMPACT FOR OUR COMMUNITIES: Census data is used to allocate funding for roads, health care, child care, housing, schools. Make a difference today! Take this time to complete your Census 2020 questionnaire. You can choose any one of the three following ways to respond:

1. Online: 2020census.gov **2. By phone:** Call 844-330-2020 for English. You can complete the census by phone in 13 other languages or TDD: 2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond/responding-by-phone.html **3. By mail:** Some people will get a census form in the mail to complete by hand. Later, if you haven't responded online or by phone, you will also receive a form in the mail. You should not be asked to fill out a census form by email, and you will never be asked to provide your social security number, bank account numbers, or other private security information. If you are ignore it. That is a scam. There is no citizenship question on the censuses. The results cannot go to law enforcement, ICE, or your landlord. It is safe and secure.