

Sunday, February 27, 2022

8 h 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 St. Luke Church

Monday: 10:00am & Thursday: 10:00am

Wednesday Bible Study: 6:00pm

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday 7:00pm . -8:00pm

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

Still I Rise

By Maya Angelou

You may write me down in history
 With your bitter, twisted lies,
 You may trod me in the very dirt
 But still, like dust, I'll rise.
 Does my sassiness upset you?
 Why are you beset with gloom?
 'Cause I walk like I've got oil wells
 Pumping in my living room.
 Just like moons and like suns,
 With the certainty of tides,
 Just like hopes springing high, Still I'll rise.

Did you want to see me broken?
 Bowed head and lowered eyes?
 Shoulders falling down like teardrops,
 Weakened by my soulful cries?
 Does my haughtiness offend you?
 Don't you take it awful hard
 'Cause I laugh like I've got gold mines
 Diggin' in my own backyard.
 You may shoot me with your words,
 You may cut me with your eyes,
 You may kill me with your hatefulness,
 But still, like air, I'll rise.

Does my sexiness upset you?
 Does it come as a surprise
 That I dance like I've got diamonds
 At the meeting of my thighs?
 Out of the huts of history's shame
 I rise
 Up from a past that's rooted in pain
 I rise
 I'm a black ocean, leaping and wide,
 Welling and swelling I bear in the tide.
 Leaving behind nights of terror and fear
 I rise
 Into a daybreak that's wondrously clear
 I rise
 Bringing the gifts that my ancestors gave,
 I am the dream and the hope of the slave.
 I rise I rise I rise.

<https://poets.org/poem/still-i-rise>

REFLECTION FOR

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

What we say and how we say it reveals the true intentions of our hearts. The content and manner of our speech is a window into the recesses of our souls. Our consciences, attitudes, sentiments, weaknesses, and motives are displayed. As much as we think we can hide the truth of our lives from others, we cannot. Who we really are is not only expressed on our lips but is written on our faces. Jesus says precisely this, "For every tree is known by its own fruit." What does the fruit of our lives say about us?

Because we like to play the game of hide and seek with ourselves, in pretending that we are hiding we deflect attention others may give to us by becoming more critical of others. After all, the more time one can spend analyzing others' behavior the less time one has to look at his or herself. Often, the behaviors we abhor most in others are the very ones we are guilty of ourselves. We just don't know it yet.

The more we put ourselves in the role of a judge, the more satisfaction and control we seem to achieve. Yet, what about ourselves? In focusing our attention on the beams in others' eyes, the aridity and barrenness of our lives goes unchecked. St. Ambrose reminds us that "no one heals himself by wounding another." Bringing our brothers and sisters down by being overly critical, serves no positive purpose.

But the one who knows how easy it is to fall into sin and weakness and how quickly errors in judgment can be made, knows the depth of true compassion, mercy, and kindness. Having recognized our own poor choices, misguided opinions, negative emotions, and ability to do horrendous things, we can be more sympathetic and understanding of where others may be. We are designed to be mentors and guides to one another. In walking the journey together, we can help each other become the best we can be. Humility is the order of the day and the primary virtue that prevents us from being hypocrites.

Liturgical Publications 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

We would like to wish a wonderful happy birthday
to Karen M. Richburg, Aaron
Hyde, and Melanie Neal.

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

Readings for the week of February 27, 2022

Sunday: Sirach 27:4-7/Psalms 92:2-3, 13-14,
15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Corinthians 15:54-58/Luke 6:39-45
Monday: 1 Peter 1:3-9/Psalms 111:1-2, 5-6, 9
and 10c/Mark 10:17-27
Tuesday: 1 Peter 1:10-16/Psalms 98:1, 2-3ab,
3cd-4/Mark 10:28-31
Wednesday: Joel 2:12-18/Psalms 51:3-4, 5-6ab,
12-13, 14 and 17/2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2/
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Deuteronomy 30:15-20/Psalms 1:1-
2, 3, 4 and 6/Luke 9:22-25
Friday: Isaiah 58:1-9a/Psalms 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/
Matthew 9:14-15
Saturday: Isaiah 58:9b-14/Psalms 86:1-2, 3-4,
5-6/Luke 5:27-32
Next Sunday: Deuteronomy 26:4-10/Psalms 91:1-
2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Romans 10:8-13/Lk
4:1-13

Church Support

Please consider making a donation to sup-
port 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

WEEKLY MASS

Monday 2/28
Weekday

Tuesday 3/1
Weekday

Wednesday 3/2
Ash Wednesday

Thursday 3/3
St. Katherine

Friday 3/4
St. Casimir

Saturday 3/5
Weekday

Pray for the Sick & Shut-In of Our Parish

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

Iyana Davage
Joyce Diggs
Lamont Diggs, Sr.
Crawley Easely
Marita C. Edelin
Joshua M. Faison
Kimbolyn Flowers
Anthony Flowers
Tina Garvin
Florence Hall
Steve Halle
Chris Hawkins
Charlene Haywood
Brenda Henson
James Holley
Rudolph Holley

James Hughes
Melvin Jamison
Mary Ann Johnson
David & Keisha Jones
Dawn Lattimer
Lawrence Lee
Maria A. Logan
Bernadette Mahoney
Doreene Mahoney
Barbara Mallory
Doris McCannon
Alice L. Montague
Veronica Murray
David Neal
Florence Patterson
Marlene Patterson

Silvia Perry
Doreene Redd
Corley 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)

Stations of the Cross/ Friday Adoration is now 6:30pm

Saturday Holy Rosary (Voice call only) @ 6:00pm

Saturday @ 4pm, Sunday Mass 8:30 am & 11:00am (11am mass will also be livestreamed)

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**: 202-335-311621

Offertory Contributions for 2/20/2022:

\$ 5,679.00

May God reward you abundantly for your generosity.

Quote of the Day

“Never be limited by other people’s limited imaginations.” - Dr. Mae Jemison

ASH WEDNESDAY, March 2, 2022 Mass schedule are 10:00am and 6:30pm. Distribution of Ash to the infirmed and sick will take place at 12:00pm.

2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are in the back of the church. If you do not see yours please call the church Rectory.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

THE 2022 ANNUAL APPEAL: The theme for this annual appeal is From God’s Abundance, Our Gifts of Charity for the 2022 Annual Appeal. The Annual Appeal is one way to reach out and support other members of the Body of Christ. It offers help to those who are suffering spiritually and physically. It supports Catholic education from childhood through adulthood and from lay formation to priestly formation. It reaches out to those who are not members of the Body through evangelization and social outreach efforts.

WOMEN’S MINISTRY RETREAT Join the Holy Comforter –Saint Cyprian Women’s Ministry on a Spirit Filled Retreat on April 29 through May 2, 2022 at Claggett Center in Adamstown, MD. 21710. Total Cost \$370, Non-refundable deposit of \$70. Final Payment due by April 1, 2022. For more information, contact Laura Stanton (301)326-9467, Shirley Austin (202)368-7231, or Wanda Ross (301)523-1017.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES –Volunteer Programs: Commit to service in 2022! Share your talents and time as a mentor, pro bono professional, or in special project support. Catholic Charities is recruiting ongoing volunteers who can make a weekly commitment to service. Involvement in these important roles requires an application, conversation with program staff about expectations, and at least a 75-hour commitment during a year, including orientation and training. See below for some of our volunteer opportunities are: Domestic Violence Awareness Outreach Volunteer-English, Volunteer Medical Clinic (VMC) Clinicians, VMC Patient Guide and Safety Officer (high school), Employment Support Volunteer, Food Program Support Volunteer an Dental Assistant and **apply by March 27th, 2022!** You may call (202) 702-4300 ext. 125