

GOF — Generations of Faith  
 JER — Jericho  
 PCCR — Parish Center Conf.  
 Room  
 RE — Religious Education

# ST. LUKE PARISH

## February 2020

Confession: Saturday 4:15-4:45pm  
 Liturgies:  
 Saturday — 5:00pm  
 Sunday — 8:30 & 11:00am  
 Tuesday — Friday — 8:00am  
 Mass in Jericho  
 Thursday — 11:00am Windsor

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
**Adult Ed in the Parish Center Chapel 2-2 through 3-9 from 9:30- 11:00am						1 All Masses Blessing of Throats and Candles
2** 9:40- 10:50am RE rms 1-4 7 & 8 	3	4	5	6	7 6:00- 8:00pm Girl Scouts rm 4	8
9** 9:40- 10:50am RE rms 1-4 7 & 8  11:00am RE Mass	10	11 7:00pm VFW rm 1	12	13 6:00pm Finance Meeting PCCR	14 	15 2:00pm Baptism
16** 11:00 Anniversary Mass & Reception	17 Office Closed 	18	19	20	21	22 Anointing of Sick at Mass
23** GOF 12:00- 2:00 JER  Anointing of Sick at all Masses	24	25	26 Ash Wednes- day Service & Ashes 12:00 & 4:00pm  7:00pm Mass & Ashes	27	28	29

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of God is strength for our faith, food for our soul, and a pure and lasting font of spiritual life.”

### Mary: Every Believer’s Model for Receiving the Word

Salvation history has great examples of hearers and evangelizers of the Word of God: Abraham, Moses, the prophets, Sts. Peter and Paul, the other apostles and the evangelists. In faithfully hearing the Lord’s Word and communicating it to others, these people created a space for the Kingdom of God. From this vantage point, the Virgin Mary assumes a central role as one who lived, in singular fashion, the encounter with the Word of God, who is Jesus himself. She is then a model of every aspect of hearing and proclaiming. Already possessing a familiarity with the Word of God in her intense experience of the Scriptures of the Chosen People, Mary of Nazareth, from the moment of the Annunciation, to her presence at the foot of the Cross, and even to her participation at Pentecost, receives the Word in faith, meditates upon it, interiorizes it and intensely lives it (cf. Lk [1:38](#); [2:19](#), 51, Acts [17:11](#)).

Because of her uninterrupted response of “yes” to the Word of God, she knows how to take into account what is happening around her and live the necessities of daily life, fully aware that what she receives as a gift from the Son is a gift meant for everyone: in the service of Elizabeth, at Cana, and at the foot of the cross (cf. Lk [1:39](#); Jn 2:1-12; 19: 25-27).

Therefore, the words, uttered by Jesus in her presence, are appropriately applied to her as well, “My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it.” (Lk [8:21](#)). “Since Mary is completely imbued with the Word of God, she is able to become the Mother of the Word Incarnate” (32).

Mary’s way of hearing the Word of God deserves special consideration. The Gospel text, “Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart” (Lk [2:19](#)), means that she heard and knew the Scriptures, meditated upon them in her heart in an interior process of maturation where the mind is not separated from the heart.

Therefore, Mary is our model, not only for receiving the faith which is the Word, but also for studying it. It is not enough for her to receive it. She reflects on it. She not only possesses it, but values it. She not only gives it her

### WORD OF GOD IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

*“Your word is a Lamp for my Feet,  
A light on my Path” PS 119:105*

#### My dear Family of St. Luke,

God’s word is ever present, powerful and dynamic. As St. John the evangelist says, “In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” Jn 1:1 God sends out His word with a definite purpose. As it is written in Is 55:10-11, “My word that goes out from my mouth, it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose.”

Down through the centuries, the faithful have been experiencing the salvific acts of God through His Word, namely God’s unconditional love and mercy message of consolation, hope, healing and forgiveness. When the church was going through rough times and frequent persecutions, it was the Word of God and the Eucharist that gave the faithful courage and hope to remain faithful.

Therefore, let us discover God in our lives and live an exemplary Christian life by studying and meditating upon the Word of God daily because VAT11 DV21 says, “The word

assent, but also develops it. In doing so, Mary becomes an example of faith for all of us, from the most simple soul to the most scholarly of the Doctors of the Church, who seek, consider and set forth how to bear witness to the Gospel. So, let us also follow her example by being faithful to the word of God which is a lamp and light for our feet in our day to day lives. Amen.

Father Asirvadam Dandu

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — God has restored the land, and brought great joy to the people (Isaiah 8:23 — 9:3).

**Second Reading** — Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you (1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17).

**Gospel** — After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee (Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]).

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26;  
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10;  
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14;  
Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17;  
Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17;  
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;  
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

## MASSES CELEBRATED

### DURING THE WEEK

### ARE HELD

### IN THE CHURCH

#### SATURDAY — JANUARY 25

4:15 — 4:45pm — Confessions

5:00 — Thomas Doyle on the 19th Anniversary of his death req. by Bob and Kathy Sarley and for The People of St. Luke Parish

#### SUNDAY — JANUARY 26

8:30am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

11:00 — Antonio Santarromana req. by Sunny Zenarosa

#### MONDAY — JANUARY 27

No Mass

#### TUESDAY — JANUARY 28

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

#### WEDNESDAY — JANUARY 29

8:00 am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

#### THURSDAY — JANUARY 30

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

11:00 — Windsor Park

#### FRIDAY — JANUARY 31

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

#### SATURDAY — FEBRUARY 1

4:15 — 4:45pm — Confessions

5:00 — The Intentions of the Celebrant

#### SUNDAY — FEBRUARY 2

8:30am — The People of St. Luke Parish

11:00 — Carol Thompson req. by Mary Breinig



Please pray for the sick in our parish, especially John and Pat Angelo, Yecenia Bosley, Bishop R. Daniel Conlon, Disabled Vets, Angel Faulkner, Susan Hendron, Tom Mattingly, Jeff McKinney, Joel Munro, Erman Paraoan, Abby Peck, John Rossi, Wanda Slupik, and Laura Lee Tegtman.

Please remember our beloved dead, especially Nathan Goodman, Marlys Johnson, Henry Mayfield and the men and women who have given their lives for our country.

### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**We devote this day to the celebration, study, and spread of the Word of God.**

Isaiah 8:23–9:3. Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14. 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17. Matthew 4:12-23.

**The Word of God Living Among Us.** The Word is first spoken in Jesus who is, in fact, the very spoken Word of God. And when this Word himself speaks, things happen. Hear the gospel today: Jesus invites; Peter and Andrew follow right away. James and John immediately do the same. We also believe this: Jesus not only spoke long ago; when Scripture is read aloud in prayer, Jesus speaks today?

- ◆ What does Christ say to me in these Sunday readings?
- ◆ What “darkness” needs dispelling by his word?
- ◆ What word that I hear will I proclaim? To whom? When?

### THE FUTURE OF ST. LUKE

It was determined that there is asbestos in the floors of the church. So the next step is to do the abatement. That process alone will take at least three weeks.

Once that is done we will start on the rest of the space.

Once again, NO ONE is allowed in the sanctuary. The air quality is not where it should be.

### CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

This weekend is the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity makes it possible for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous to the special collection! To learn more, please visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

### BE KIND AND MERCIFUL

All parishioners will receive a mailing from the Diocese of Joliet this month about the 2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Our annual appeal is vitally important to not only the diocese, but also to our parish as well. The CMAA supports 30 ministries that benefit every parish and allow us all to *Be Kind and Merciful* to the most vulnerable in our community.

Our parish’s goal for the 2020 CMAA is \$20,000.00 and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the materials and then prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year’s annual appeal.

### HEART

In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart

-John Bunyan

### CARRY THE LOAD

The chief thing is to take the burden on one’s shoulders. As you press forward, it soon shakes down and the load is evenly distributed.

-St. John Bosco

**ANNUAL WEDDING  
ANNIVERSARY MASS  
SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 16th, 2020  
11:00 AM**

A Tradition continues ...



Married couples who are parishioners of St. Luke are invited to attend this very special Mass. Couples who will celebrate a wedding anniversary divisible by five, such as 5th, 10th, etc. during 2020 and those celebrating 50 plus years are invited to be part of our celebration. Also, if this is a significant anniversary or extenuating circumstances, you are welcome to participate. A special invitation is extended to couples married in 2019 who will be celebrating their first anniversary in 2020.

Fill out the form and drop it in the collection basket at any Mass or call the parish office at 630/668-1325. Please respond by February 10th.

On February 16th, please arrive by 10:40 and come to room 4 to check in. **Please bring a wedding photo in a frame so we can display them. We would like to keep them for a week and place in the hallway. Put your name on the back.** Couples will process into church with Father. You can sit wherever you want with your families.

After Mass please come to room 4 along with your children and family members for a small reception.

**ANNIVERSARY MASS  
FEBRUARY 16, 2020  
11:00**

Names \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years Married \_\_\_\_\_

**CURSILLO CORNER**

**MAKE A FRIEND, BE A FRIEND, BRING A FRIEND  
TO CHRIST!**

**Ultreya- February 8th**

Saint John the Baptist will host an Ultreya in Sebahar Hall on Saturday, February 8th, following 8:30am Mass in the chapel. Our speaker will be Adele Dunn from St. John's. Please bring a friend! This is a great way to introduce others to the movement and help in their discernment process for attending a future weekend.

**Opportunities for Piety, Study or Action**

**St. Monica Intercession**

Prayers for fallen away Catholics are offered every Thursday morning immediately following 8:15am Mass at St. Elizabeth Seaton in Naperville. We ask for St. Monica's intercession with the first name of those who have fallen away from our faith. For more information, please call Aida Jacoby at 630/244-0192.

**Super Sunday Viewing Party & Fundraiser**

**St. Elizabeth Seton, 2220 Lisson Road, Naperville,  
Sunday February 2nd at 4:00pm**

Join us for fun and fellowship. Main dishes will be provided, please bring an appetizer or dessert.

Please consider donating a raffle basket individually or with your group reunion Raffle Baskets are being coordinated by Aida Jacoby aidabell@gmail.com. Proceeds from the raffle will help defray the cost of the Cursillo Weekend for our future candidates.

One more thing ... BRING A FRIEND!

## 2020 Cursillo Weekend Schedule

Weekends are held at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien Illinois

April 16 – 19 Women's 131st

June 25 – 28 Men's 139<sup>th</sup>

July 16 – 19 Women's 132nd

Oct 8 – 11 Men's 140th

Nov 5 – 8 Women's 133<sup>rd</sup>

*For those interested in learning more about the Cursillo movement or attending a Cursillo Weekend, please visit [www.jolietcursillo.org](http://www.jolietcursillo.org) or contact our Parish Coordinator, Amy Serritella at: amythe1@att.net.*

## 2020 JOLIET DIOCESE CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS



Father Paul Hottinger

**Presider**

Deacon Sean McGreal

**Assisting**

St. Margaret Mary Church  
1450 Green Trails Drive  
Naperville, IL 60540

Friday, January 31st

Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30pm  
Mass 7:30pm



For more information, please call Joey Rose at 630/926-6576

For directions go to <https://smmp.com/about/directions/>

*A clean heart create for me, God; renew within me a steadfast spirit.*

*Ps 51:12*

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES TO BENEFIT FROM FIRST LOOK FOR CHARITY

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, along with 17 other charities, will benefit from First Look for Charity, the official kick-off to the **Chicago Auto Show**. The black-tie event will be held on Friday, February 7th at McCormick Place from 7:00 to 11:00pm.

Guests who purchase tickets through Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet will enjoy an incredible evening on the showroom floor, complete with champagne and hors d'oeuvres from around the world, and first class entertainment. Guests will also be treated to all the amenities of the Catholic Charities hospitality suite including private coat check, open bar, incredible food, free professional photographs, live music, and warm cookies as you depart for the ride home. Plus, when you purchase tickets and attend the event, you are automatically entered to win a new car!

Tickets are \$275 each (tax deductible portion: \$226) and are available at [catholiccharitiesjoliet.org](http://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org) or by calling 815/724-1140.



## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichments for married couples and religious during February 2020. The enrichment begins with a private weekend experience including 11 presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships, and provides ongoing enrichments after the weekend from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter community.

For information on applying, please go to [wwme-chicagoland.org](http://wwme-chicagoland.org) and say YES TODAY, to God's call to love one another!

## A NEW START DANCE

### VALENTINE'S DANCE

Saturday, February 8th from 6:00 – 10:00pm.

St. Peter Church, 202 E. Schaumburg Rd. in Schaumburg

Specific food will be served between 6:30 - 7:30pm

Come, and enjoy!

DJ Tom from 6:30-10:00pm

Soft Drinks, water, Coffee, Tea, will be available. Bring a snack to share.

Tickets: \$12.00 per Person

For additional information you can email Joan Neville at [nevillejoan1@aol.com](mailto:nevillejoan1@aol.com) or call her at 847/397-9643 or visit the website at [anewstartclub.com](http://anewstartclub.com).

Everyone is welcome (Including other groups) Invite your friends!!



## JOYFULAGAIN



### For widowed men and women

***Come and find ways to move toward inner peace and new hope in life. Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry presents a Retreat/workshop for widowed men & Women***

All are welcome.

March 14th & 15th      \*Our Lady of the Angels,  
House of Prayer,  
(Mt. Assisi Center Bldg.)  
13820 Main St., Lemont  
(Near Cog Hill)

June 27th & 28th      St. Julie's Parish, Tinley Pk.  
(near Harlem Ave. and 159<sup>th</sup> St.)  
No overnight available

Joyful Again! Widowed Ministry Program

Ph: 708/354-7211

P. O. Box 1365, La Grange Park, IL 60526-9465

Email: [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com)

Go to [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org) to view a short Video about our program.

\*Indicates overnight accommodations available on premises.

Important: Register early, space is limited

## SENIORS INVITED TO DEFER PROPERTY TAXES

Qualified senior citizens, aged 65 years and older are invited to apply for the Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Program. The program allows participants to defer property tax payment until the property is sold. The deferral is treated as a loan and accrues 6 percent simple interest until paid. To qualify, the applicant's household income cannot exceed \$55,000.00. Additionally, the property must be used exclusively for residential purposes.

The application period closes March 2nd. For more information, contact the DuPage County Treasurer's Office at 630/407-5900 or [www.dupageco.org/treasurer](http://www.dupageco.org/treasurer). Gwen Henry, Treasurer.