

**SAINT LUKE PARISH**  
**“THE COUNTRY PARISH IN THE**  
**HEART OF DUPAGE”**  
**421 Cochise Court, Carol Stream, Illinois 60188**  
**Tele: 630/668-1325**  
**www.stlukecarolstream.org**

All Masses are celebrated at St. Luke Church, 401 Cochise Ct.

**SATURDAY EVENING MASS:** 5:00pm

**SUNDAY MASSES:** 8:30 & 11:00am

**HOLY DAY MASSES:** As announced in bulletin

**WEEKDAY MASS:** Are in the Church at the times announced

**BAPTISMS:** Parents are expected to be practicing Catholics, and registered in the parish. Baptisms are celebrated at the times scheduled.

**MARRIAGE:** Marriages should be arranged at least 6 months in advance. If either party is under 19 years of age, Diocesan policy requires special instruction and a date cannot be given until the instructions have been completed and the Chancery Office has granted permission. **CHURCH ARRANGEMENTS ARE TO BE MADE FIRST.** Hall and other social arrangements are to be made after the Church date has been set. Weddings are not performed on Sundays.

**FUNERALS:** Arrangements for a funeral must be made with the Parish office by the Funeral Director before publication of notice in the newspaper and the time or date is set for the Funeral.

**SICK CALLS:** Call the Parish Office at any time. If there is anyone at home who cannot get to Mass or the Sacraments because of illness or advanced age, please let Father know. Family members may request to take communion to other members confined at home.

**HOSPITAL CALLS:** If you or one of your Catholic neighbors is entering the hospital, please let us know. Time and distance permitting we will do our best to visit you.

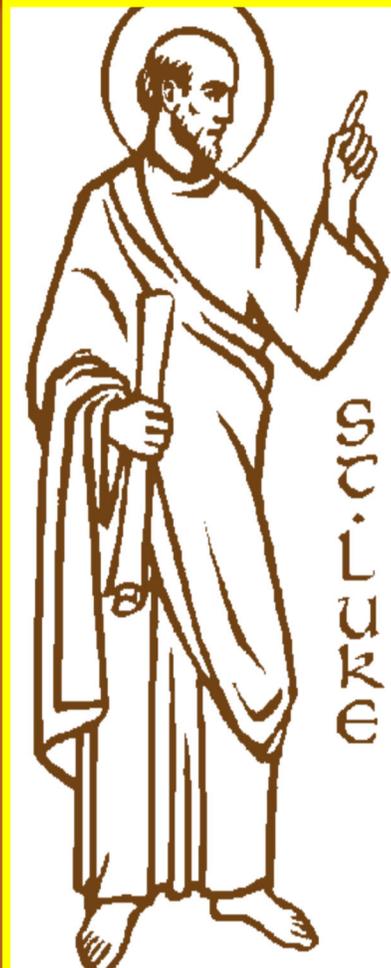
**SACRAMENTAL RECONCILIATION:** Confession is available at any time upon request, and at times announced in the bulletin.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Our heart is big enough for all. Our parish accepts those who wish to be enriched with the Good News of Jesus. Go where you are fed. If you wish to have your spirit fed at St. Luke we ask that you commit yourself to our community. We invite you to try us and join us if you are willing to commit to sharing your journey of Faith with us. Please introduce yourself to Father and call the parish office to register.

**INSTRUCTIONS IN THE FAITH:** For questions and instructions in the faith or to become a part of RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), please call the Religious Education Office at 630/665-2322.

**ST. LUKE'S MEMORIAL FUND:** Bequests or special donations to our Parish Memorial Fund may be made by contacting the Parish Center.

We are a parish committed to Stewardship. This means that every parishioner with an income is invited to use a Sunday envelope, since we expect to meet our needs from our Parish Collection at the Offertory of the Mass. Your time and talent is also a very important part of belonging to your parish.



## **St. Luke Parish**

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expect from me? They expect that I will pay a fair wage and create decent working conditions for my employees. If I'm a worker, what do people expect from me? They expect that I know my job and try to do it to the best of my ability.

If I'm a parent, what do the children expect from me? They expect that I am available at home and that I take more interest in them and teach gospel values to them. Today the universal church celebrates "World Marriage Day." Our Lord instituted the sacrament of Matrimony and God grants the contracting parties grace to bear the difficulties of the married state, and to sanctify their common life for God's Glory and their salvation. The spouses receive the Holy Spirit as the communion of love of Christ and the church. The Holy Spirit becomes the seal of their covenant, the ever-available source of their love and the strength to renew their fidelity.

If I'm a priest, what do people expect of me? They expect that I will try to practice what I preach.

### **"YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"**

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

I recall that once I copied from someone else during my 10th class public exams and secured first class in 1983. Father and Mother were very happy about my results. Many people congratulated me, but I noticed that something was bothering me and my conscience would not accept the congratulations. Later, I joined the seminary and made the resolution that hereafter, "I will never copy during an exam".

25 plus 10 =35 years until today, I have never copied during exams. Even for the driving written test I just took, I studied hard for the past two months and secured 28 correct out of 30. God has been blessing me for my diligence in studying for exams all through my seminary life.

Mr. Jerry who helped me study for the driving test explained that I would not get the written portion of the exam. I told him immediately, "Jerry, I am not studying for the exam only, but for a lifetime of driving." I said.

A great man explained it so well. Suppose I'm a doctor. What do people expect from me? They expect that I will treat all the sick alike. If I'm an employer, what do people

We could multiply these examples and still not cover every position and every situation. Each of us must look at our own situation and ask ourselves how we can practice our Christianity in our community. How we can be 'salt' and how we can be 'light' among the people we meet in our day-to-day life?

I suppose in a nutshell, as they say, the Gospel is about quality of life through goodness. My goodness, however, must not be a put-on in which I seek to bring glory to myself. This is the one thing that could ruin my witness to Christ. The good I do must flow from what is inside me. It must be an expression of the kind of person I am. I may not be able to be a beacon of light, but if I have even a little goodness, and try to be true to it, then I can at least be a humble candle which sheds light in its own immediate vicinity.

Naturally any Christian wants to do good, reach out to the poor and the needy by being generous with his or her own resources, time, and talent. But sometimes we are discouraged when nobody notices the good that we do and when nobody appreciates our generosity. To those people, Jesus has a different view; whatever we do, we do it for the greater glory of God. We are called to be salt and light in this world and make others' lives beautiful, meaningful, and useful.

That is why today's readings challenge us to see God in the lives of others influenced by the spirit. We need not change the world, but let the world see the kind of life we live and thereby learn to change its ways to God's ways. Our character, behavior, and conversation should bring credit to the God we profess.

The greatest danger facing the modern Christian is that he or she should become totally absorbed by the world and by the crowd. He or she becomes no different from other people. I think the true follower of Christ must have something special to offer, some light to shed, some flavor to add. In today's gospel, Jesus teaches what his disciples are in spite of being persecuted by the world. Their lives and message are for the redemption of the world from sin and death. So today we pray in a very special way for all marriage couples in our parish to become aware of the sanctity of their marriage and to strengthen their family life. Amen.

Father Asirvadam Dandu



January 26, 2020

WEEKLY REQUIRED SUNDAY SUPPORT	= \$4,039.00
REG. CHURCH SUPPORT	
122 SUN. ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTIONS	= \$3,567.55
LOOSE CONTRIBUTIONS	= \$ 100.00
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	<b>= \$3,667.55</b>
<b>AVERAGE CONTRIBUTION</b>	<b>= \$ 30.06</b>
<b>FAITH COMMITMENT</b>	<b>= \$ 100.00</b>
<b>PARISH IMPROVEMENT</b>	<b>= \$ 560.01</b>

Thank you so much for your ongoing generous financial support of St. Luke Parish! Every amount contributed helps, so we respectfully ask that you continue to regularly use your church support envelopes. It is your generosity that allows us to do what we do. Please give as your financial needs allow.

**MASSES CELEBRATED**

**DURING THE WEEK**

**ARE HELD**

**IN THE CHURCH**

**SATURDAY — FEBRUARY 8**

4:15 — 4:45pm — Confessions

5:00 — Ron Kulesza req. by his family

**SUNDAY — FEBRUARY 9**

8:30am — Jean Leonhard req. by the Sewing Ladies

11:00 — The People of St. Luke Parish

**MONDAY — FEBRUARY 10**

No Mass

**TUESDAY — FEBRUARY 11**

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

**WEDNESDAY — FEBRUARY 12**

8:00 am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

**THURSDAY — FEBRUARY 13**

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

11:00 — Windsor Park

**FRIDAY — FEBRUARY 14**

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

**SATURDAY — FEBRUARY 15**

2:00pm — Baptisms

4:15 — 4:45 — Confessions

5:00 — Joseph Lewek req. by his family and for The People of St. Luke Parish

**SUNDAY — FEBRUARY 16**

8:30am — St. Luke Parish Memorial Society

11:00 — Marge Zilinsky req. by Mary Breinig and for Senecio & Antonina Datuin req. by Berminda Datuin-Pal



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, Tiffany Jacobelli, Tom Mattingly, Jeff McKinney, Joel Munro, Abby Peck, John Rossi, Wanda Slupik, and Laura Lee Tegtmann.

Please remember our beloved dead especially Jackie Kulp, Mary McCann and the men and women who have given their lives for our country.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (Isaiah 58:7-10).

**Second Reading** — My message to you, says Paul, was the proclamation of Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).

**Gospel** — You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God (Matthew 5:13-16).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10;  
Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11;  
Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40;  
Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40;  
Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab,  
12-15; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34;  
Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18,  
33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37  
[20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 58:7-10. Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9. 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. Matthew 5:13-16.

**Being Salty.** In old Roman times, soldiers were paid in salt (it is the root word for “salary”). We are not paid with salt but are told to be salt today. Salt of the earth. Told, not to use “salty” language, but to be seasoned, tasty. We are also told to be light today. Light of the world. Told, not to show the goodness of our deeds, but to let our good deeds manifest the glory of God.

- ◆ How will I season, enliven someone’s life today?
- ◆ How will I shine God’s light on some gloom in today’s world?
- ◆ How will doing this mercy work \_\_\_\_\_, show the blessedness of God and Christ and Spirit?

## THE FUTURE OF ST. LUKE

The abatement process in church is still on going. Once that is done then we can move on to cleaning and repairing before the remodeling starts .

So, have patience, stay away from the area and keep praying for our church.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

As you are probably aware, our understanding of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick has changed and developed in recent years. The sacrament is administered much more frequently; therefore, if you were anointed in the winter or last year, we invite you to receive the sacrament again.

The sacrament is intended for all who are **chronically or seriously sick** and those **suffering from weakness of old age** and also for **sick children who have a sufficient use of reason** to be comforted by the sacrament.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated on Saturday and Sunday, February 22nd & 23rd at all Mass. If you are interested in receiving this Sacrament:

1. Please call the Parish Office at 668-1325, so that the

proper arrangements can be made to accommodate the number of persons receiving the sacrament.

2. Stop at the office in the church foyer on that day before Mass so that we know you are present and to pick up your name tag.
3. Sit wherever you would like, we will call you up when it is time for the blessing.

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

**CCW CASH CARDS**

Cash Cards will be on sale TODAY after each Mass. Stop at the hall table to check out this helpful service that is also a CCW fundraiser. We have Valentine gift options, cards to fill your tank and more! Have a birthday coming up? CCW has gift options available. Profits fund CCW projects.



**ST. LUKE ADULT ED**

How would your life be changed by a personal encounter with Jesus?

Dr. Allen Hunt leads us to examine 8 encounters with Jesus in the Gospel according to John. Join us in a nine-week study of John's Gospel with a goal to personally meet Jesus Christ.

Sessions begin February 2nd from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. at the Parish Center. Cost of a workbook used in the sessions is \$14.00. Questions? Call Gail at 630/690-9468.

## 2020 LENTEN WEEKEND RETREAT

**WHAT:** A retreat open to all women who desire to enrich their spiritual growth during the Lenten season.

**SPONSORED BY:** Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

**WHERE:** Nazareth Spirituality Center, 717 North Batavia Ave., Batavia, IL 60510.

### Retreat Weekend Choices

#### WEEKEND #1

Begins at 7:00pm on Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> and ends at 1:00pm on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Registration Deadline: Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**

#### WEEKEND #2

Begins at 7:00pm on Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> and ends at 1:00pm on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

**Registration Deadline: Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

**COST:** \$100 per person. --- Space is limited.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER:** Please call Linda Isleib at 630/879-1296.

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**BUSY PERSON'S LENTEN RETREAT.** . . . is a retreat open to both men and women that works itself into your busy daily schedule, giving you an opportunity to deepen your relationship with God during the Lenten Season.

**SPONSORED BY:** Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

**PRESENTER:** Kathy Brady-Murfin

**WHERE:** Nazareth Spirituality Center, 717 N. Batavia Avenue, Batavia, IL 60510

**COST:** \$30 or Free Will Offering

**TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Call Linda Isleib at 630/879-1296 by Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

## REFLECT RETREAT

**Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s):** Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Joseph & Mary Retreat House (formerly Cardinal Stritch Retreat House) in Mundelein, IL (northern suburbs) on February 28th-March 1st. Take a chance and get involved...you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 for meals and a single room. Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), e-mail [reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.chicagoland@gmail.com), or call 630/222-8303 for details.

## DIVORCE & BEYOND

Faith-based program to facilitate healing & growth and develop hope

### Register Now

10-week peer support group session begins Wednesday, March 4th from 6:30-8:00pm at St. Michael Church in Wheaton (bridal room near east entrance)

Contact Deacon Dan Aderholdt at 630/234-8704 or email at [dladerholdt@gmail.com](mailto:dladerholdt@gmail.com).

## RETRouvaille

No matter how much you're hurting...**No marriage is beyond hope.**

IS YOUR MARRIAGE MISERABLE? Retrouvaille is a life-line for couples in struggling marriages who are suffering from a lack of connection and poor communication. Retrouvaille helps heal marriages on the brink of separation of divorce.

RETRouvaille CAN HELP YOU SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE! Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples facing difficulties in their marriage restore their connection and rebuild a loving relationship. This marriage-saving program provides couples with actionable steps they can take to improve communication, build a stronger marriage and help them reconnect.

TAKE THE FIRST STEP...ATTEND A WEEKEND! For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program or to register for our March 13th—15th weekend in Darien,

call 815/246-2080, email [retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com), follow us on Facebook (@retrouvaillejoliet) or visit our website at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES DOWNERS GROVE COUNSELING SERVICES

### Openings available for clients with Medicaid.

Counseling services provided by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet at their Downers Grove office are immediately available for clients with Medicaid. The office is located at 3130 Finley Road (suite 520) in Downers Grove and appointment hours include evenings and weekends.

Catholic Charities Counseling Services provides outpatient counseling. Individual, group, family, and couples therapy are offered, in addition to specialized services such as anger management groups and preventative education programs. To make an appointment, call 815/723-0331. To learn about Catholic Charities, [catholiccharitiesjoliet.org](http://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org).

### FEBRUARY IS AMERICAN HEART MONTH

Did you know that people who have close relationships at home, work or in their community tend to be healthier and live longer? One reason, according to the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), is that we're more successful at meeting our health goals when we join forces with others.

### Why Connecting is Good for Your Heart

Feeling connected with others and having positive, close relationships benefit our overall health, including our blood pressure and weight. Having people in our lives who motivate and care for us helps, as do feelings of closeness and companionship.

Follow these heart healthy lifestyle tips with your friends, family, coworkers, and others in your community and you'll all be heart healthier for it:

- Be more physically active.
- Maintain a healthy weight.
- Eat a nutritious diet.
- Quit smoking.
- Reduce your stress.
- Get enough quality sleep.
- Track your heart health stats.

You don't have to make big changes all at once. Small steps will get you where you want to go.



## 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 see a video about our program.

\*Indicates overnight accommodations available on premises. Important: Register early, space is limited



### WELCOME VETERANS

Carol Stream VFW Post 10396 now meets at St. Luke Parish on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm.

Eligible Veterans please join us and help us help Vets in the local areas.

