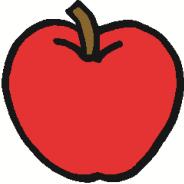


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 GOF — Generations of Faith
 JER — Jericho
 RE — Religious Education

St. Luke Parish

August 2016

Confession: Saturday
 4:15 - 4:45pm
 Liturgies:
 Saturday - 5:00pm
 Sunday - 8:30 & 11:00am
 Tues. - Fri. - Mass at 8:00am
 in Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 	2	3	4 7:00pm Choir Practice	5	6
7	8 6:30pm CCW Board mtg JER 9 7:00pm Boosters mtg. JER 7:00 VFW rm1	10		11 7:00pm Choir Practice	12	13 All Masses Cash Card pick up & Back to School Blessing
14 11:00am Outdoor Mass & Booster Picnic 12-3	15 Assump- tion RE/GOF Registra- tion due	16	17	18 7:00pm Choir Practice	19	20 2:00pm Baptisms
21 9:45am Windsor Mass	22	23	24	25 7:00pm Choir Practice	26	27 All Masses CCW Hospitality Weekend
28 11:00am Mass Anointing of Sick & CCW Board Induction	29	30	31			 Back to School <small>© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.</small>

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes the treasures of art can provide us with clues about traditions. Take, for example, the miter, the conical hat with lappets, or back-flaps that fall to the shoulders. This cap is worn by bishops in the Catholic West. Eastern Catholics favor a crown, but we have this curious headpiece. In Greek, the word means "turban." Old paintings and mosaics provide clues about headgear for bishops, and there is very little artistic evidence for the miter before the year 1000. Before then, some kind of head covering might have been worn to offset the damp and chill of unheated churches. The pope, as far back as the seventh century, often wore a cap called a *camelaeum*. Around that time, artists painting St. Peter began to portray their subject wearing this hat. By the year 1000 or so, the pope began to grant similar helmet-shaped headgear as gifts to visiting abbots and bishops. They returned home with these new chapeaus, and before long everybody wanted one!

Today, miters are granted not only to bishops, but to certain favored abbots and occasionally abbesses. Pope Benedict XVI set aside the tradition of the papal

tiara in favor of the miter, even on his coat of arms. Pope Paul VI was the last pope to have a coronation. As recently as the 1960s, miters were towering skyscrapers of jewels and rich silks, but now a simplicity of style is favored by bishops. Miters are here to stay, and experienced altar servers know how to await the bishop's removing of the miter, since he does not wear it when he is saying the presidential prayers or the Eucharistic Prayer.

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HITTING IT BIG

It seems to be commonly accepted nowadays that everyone wants to win the lottery, hit the slots big at the casino, or be a millionaire. This attitude is akin to what the first hearers of the parable of the successful farmer would have thought: Why, of course he'd want to find a way to preserve his good fortune for the future, to secure for himself a life of leisure, eating, drinking, and merriment. It's exactly the kind of life that the right ticket, hand of cards, or quiz show answer might bring us today. Being surrounded by this "common wisdom" makes the words of Qoheleth, the psalmist, Paul, and Jesus all that much harder to hear today. Perhaps good fortune will be ours, perhaps it will not be. But if we make that fortune or the quest for it the heart, the very center, of our lives, then we will live to regret it. We will not achieve the future security we pursue, and we will lose the present moment in the chase.

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MASSES CELEBRATED
DURING THE WEEK
ARE HELD
IN THE CHURCH

SATURDAY — JULY 30

4:15 — 4:45pm — Confessions
5:00 — The Intentions of the Celebrant

SUNDAY — JULY 31

8:30am — The People of St. Luke Parish
11:00 — William Denton req. by Jack & Audrey Race

MONDAY — AUGUST 1

Mass will not be celebrated today

TUESDAY — AUGUST 2

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

WEDNESDAY — AUGUST 3

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

THURSDAY — AUGUST 4

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

FRIDAY — August 5

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

SATURDAY — AUGUST 6

4:14 — 4:45pm — Confessions
5:00 — Cecile Beauregard req. by Theresa Morton

SUNDAY — AUGUST 7

8:30am — Robert Simkus req. by Mary Breinig
11:00 — The People of St. Luke Parish



Please pray for the sick in our parish especially, Pat Angelo, Bill Clift, Disabled Vets, Angel Faulkner, Fr. Daniel Hessling, Colleen and Evelyn Ireland and Archbishop Peter Sartain.

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



July 24, 2016

REG. CHURCH SUPPORT	
107 SUN. ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTIONS	= \$2,981.00
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Thank you so much for your on-going 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.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Do not spend your life toiling for material gain (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23).

Second Reading — Christ has raised you to new life, so seek now what is above (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11).

Gospel — Be on guard against all greed, for your life does not consist of earthly possessions, but of the riches of the reign of God (Luke 12:13-21).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday: | Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95,
102; Mt 14:13-21 |
| Tuesday: | Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21,
29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2,
10-14 |
| Wednesday: | Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13;
Mt 15:21-28 |
| Thursday: | Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
Mt 16:13-23 |
| Friday: | Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab,
39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28 |
| Saturday: | Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36 |
| Sunday: | Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22;
Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48
[35-40] |

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Don't be hard hearted. We have all heard stories of relatives who fight over an estate or a supposed inheritance. Luke recounts the Jesus parable of packing away so many possessions in order to "rest, eat, drink, be merry!" It is Jesus who said to the crowd, and says to us today: One's life does not consist in possessions." On hearing Christ, the logical philosopher lays out this syllogism: (1) Guard against all greed; (2) because life does not consist of possessions; (3) therefore, give away some things, some time, some effort, some of self.

- What things can I give away?
- What time and effort can I expend to another?
- How will I reuse, use up, recycle?



HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Father Soriano is setting up a time to visit our parishioners who are homebound. If you or a member of your family is homebound and would like a visit and receive communion from Father, please notify the office. The name will be added to the list.

The visits will be scheduled for the first Friday of the month. You can call the office at 630/668-1325 or email at stloff@aol.com. Please put homebound in the subject line.

WORRY

Don't tell me that worry doesn't do any good. I know better. The things I worry about never happen.

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CCW CASH CARD PROGRAM

Our cash card program is underway for the year.

What is a cash card? You purchase a cash card for a merchant of your choice, listed on the order form stuffed in our bulletin, the cash card retains its full purchase value. The merchant agrees to rebate the non-profit organization, St. Luke CCW, the percent listed on the form. The Council of Catholic Women (CCW) uses those rebates to offer FREE programs throughout the year to our parishioners. So with each purchase you are making a contribution to the community of St. Luke Parish and the programs our organization works to support. Our goal is to further the spiritual, social, and educational growth of our parish and community.

Please find the order form in today's bulletin. Plan your Back To School purchases using cash card. The rebates will add up fast!

Thank you from CCW.



THE GIFT OF GRACE

Grace is something you can never get but only be given. The grace of God means something like: Here is your life. You might never have been, but you are because the party wouldn't have been complete without you. Here is the world. Beautiful and terrible things will happen. Don't be afraid. I am with you. Nothing can ever separate us. It's for you I created the universe. I love you.

There's only one catch. Like any other gift, the gift of grace can be yours only if you reach out and take it. Maybe being able to reach and take it is a gift too.

—Frederick Buechner, *Wishful Thinking*

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