

SAINT LUKE PARISH
“THE COUNTRY PARISH IN THE
HEART OF DUPAGE”
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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. You can reach him on his cell at 630/200-2501. 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's, 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.

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A PRAYER FOR FRUSTRATED CATHOLICS

Dear God, sometimes I get so frustrated with your church. I know that I'm not alone. So many people who love your church feel frustrated with the Body of Christ on Earth. Priests and deacons, and brothers and sisters, can feel frustrated, too. And I'll bet that even bishops and popes feel frustrated. We grow worried and concerned and bothered and angry and sometimes scandalized because your divine institution, is filled with human beings who are sinful. Just like me.

But I get frustrated most of all when I feel that there are things that need to be changed and I don't have the power to change them.

So I need your help, God.

Help me to remember that Jesus promised that he would be with us until the end of time, and that your church is always guided by the Holy Spirit, even if it's hard for me to see. Sometimes change happens suddenly, and the Spirit astonishes us, but often in the church it happens slowly. In your time, not mine. Help me know that the seeds that I plant with love in the ground of your church will one day bloom. So give me patience.

Help me to understand that there was never a time when there were not arguments or disputes within your church. Arguments go all the way back to Peter and Paul debating one another. And there was never a time when there

wasn't sin among the members of your church. That kind of sin goes back to Peter denying Jesus during his Passion. Why would today's church be any different than it was for people who knew Jesus on earth? Give me wisdom.

Help me to trust in the Resurrection. The Risen Christ reminds us that there is always the hope of something new. Death is never the last word for us. Neither is despair. And help me remember that when the Risen Christ appeared to his disciples, he bore the wounds of his Crucifixion. Like Christ, the church is always wounded, but always a carrier of grace. Give me hope.

Help me to believe that your Spirit can do anything; raise up saints when we need them most, soften hearts when they seem hardened, open minds when they seem closed, inspire confidence when all seems lost, help us do what had seemed impossible until it was done. This is the same Spirit that converted Paul, inspired Augustine, called Francis of Assisi, emboldened Catherine of Siena, consoled Ignatius of Loyola, comforted Therese of Lisieux, enlivened John XXIII, accompanied Teresa of Calcutta, strengthened Dorothy Day and encouraged John Paul II. It is the same Spirit that is with us today, and your spirit has lost none of its power. Give me faith.

Help me to remember all your saints. Most of them had it a lot worse than I do. They were frustrated with your church at times, struggled with it, and were occasionally persecuted by it. Joan of Arc was burned at the stake by church authorities. Ignatius of Loyola was thrown into jail by the Inquisition. Mary MacKillop was excommunicated. If they can trust in your church in the midst of those difficulties, so can I. Give me courage.

Help me to be peaceful when people tell me that I don't belong in the church, that I'm a heretic for trying to make things better, or that I'm not a good Catholic. I know that I was baptized. You called me by name to be in your church, God. As long as I draw breath, help me remember how the holy waters of baptism welcomed me into your holy family of sinners and saints. Let the voice that called me into your church be what I hear when other voices tell me that I'm not welcome in the church. Give me peace.

Most of all, help me to place all of my hope in your Son. My faith is in Jesus Christ. Give me only his love and his grace. That's enough for me.

Help me God, and help your church. Amen.

James Martin, S.J.

MASSES CELEBRATED

DURING THE WEEK

ARE HELD

IN THE CHURCH

SATURDAY — NOVEMBER 3

4:15 — 4:45pm — Confessions

5:00 — In Memory of Joseph Catalano on his 98th birthday req. by his loving wife Jennie and for Cesar Deleon req. by his family

SUNDAY — NOVEMBER 4

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

11:00 — St. Luke Parish Memorial Society

MONDAY — NOVEMBER 5

Mass will not be celebrated today

TUESDAY — NOVEMBER 6

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

WEDNESDAY — NOVEMBER 7

8:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

THURSDAY — NOVEMBER 8—WINDSOR PARK

11:00am — The Intentions of the Celebrant

FRIDAY — NOVEMBER 9

8:00am — Robert Urbasic

SATURDAY — NOVEMBER 10

4:15 — 4:45pm — Confessions

5:00 — Rita Lewek req. by her family and for Lorayn and Al Miceli req. by Pat and Mikki

SUNDAY — NOVEMBER 11

8:30am — Maria Kardas req. by St. Luke Council of Catholic Women

11:00 — Tina DiCosola req. by her mom & dad and for The People of St. Luke Parish



Please pray for the sick in our parish, especially Pat Angelo, Yecenia Bosley, Mary Breinig, Disabled Vets, Angel Faulkner, Ken Kuklinski, Dan Pacheco, John Rossi, Jennifer Wagner and Ray Young.

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



October 28, 2018

REG. CHURCH SUPPORT	
117 SUN. ENVELOPE CONTRIBUTIONS	=\$3,598.00
LOOSE CONTRIBUTIONS	=\$ 128.30

TOTAL COLLECTION	=\$3,726.30
AVERAGE CONTRIBUTION	=\$ 31.84

ST. LUKE PARISH WEBSITE DONATION	=\$ 130.00
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Parish Improvement	=\$ 185.00
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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.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD, the God of your fathers, will give you a land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6).

Second Reading -- Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him (Hebrews 7:23-28).

Gospel — To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices (Mark 12:28b-34).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

GOD'S LAWS

God's laws are not intended to burden or torment us. Instead they are guideposts that point us in the direction of good living. Accordingly, good living requires loving God and loving one another. We should not follow God's laws out of fear of what might happen if we don't, but rather view them as a foundation for building relationships and trust with one another and with God.

The *Shema* prayer of Orthodox Jews is based on the reading from Deuteronomy today, "Hear, O Israel." Every morning people recite the prayer as a profession of their love for God and pledge their obedience to God throughout the day. They pass on their love of God to their children, from one generation to the next.

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CCW CORNER

One of our goals of our CCW work is to provide spiritual opportunities for the parish. Prayer can be just that! Here is a simple prayer to finish Autumn:

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the season. As we embrace these autumn months, May the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest. May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet remind us of the brevity of this earthly life. May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who gives us your breath of life. May the scurrying of the squirrels and the migration of the birds remind us that you call us to follow your will. We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.

Amen.

UNDY SUNDAY THANK YOU

Most of us take things like underwear for granted, but our neighbors who live on low-income rarely have extra money to spend on these basic needs. That is why CCW wants to say "THANK YOU" to all the members of St. Luke Parish!

Undy Sunday on October 20th & 21st was a great success. We collected a total of 5 large 33-gallon bags and 3 large boxes of items for men, women and children/infants. And our cash/check/gift card donations totaled \$110.00.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD

Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and offer our prayers for them.

—St. John Chrysostom

CHRISTMAS DINNER AUCTION/RAFFLE ITEMS

Time is Running Out!

If you're planning to contribute items for the "Eat, Drink and be Merry" Auction and Raffle at the Christmas Dinner, this is your last opportunity. CCW needs your donation now. Please drop off your item(s) at the Parish Office during regular office hours or place them in the collection bin in the church hallway. Be sure donations are clearly marked, "CCW." Thank you!

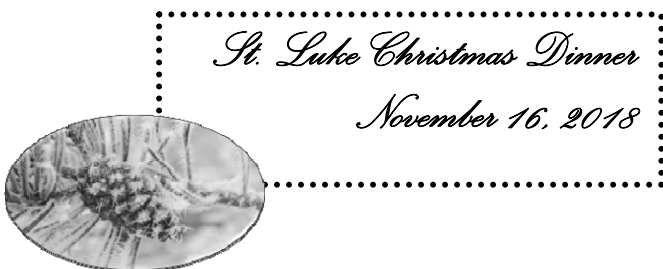
CHRISTMAS DINNER TICKET SALES

Tickets Now on Sale!

Tickets for the annual St. Luke Christmas Dinner on Friday, November 16th, are now on sale. Come "Eat, Drink and Be Merry!" This festive event includes a bountiful buffet, beverages, and desserts. There are also both silent and verbal auctions and raffle baskets you won't want to miss. The doors open at 5:30pm with dinner served promptly at 6:30pm. Tickets are available only in advance at \$20 each and are limited in number. Be sure to purchase your ticket today. Ticket sales close the weekend of November 10th/11th or earlier if all tickets are sold. Tickets will not be available at the door.

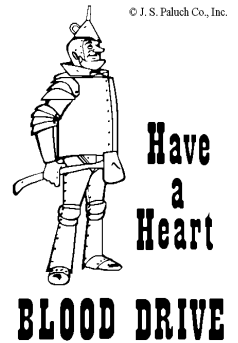


The proceeds from this event fund the multitude of programs and events CCW provides free of charge throughout the year.



CCW BLOOD DRIVE

CCW will be hosting a blood drive on Sunday, November 11th from 8:00-1:00 in Jericho. Aside from helping in the care of 3 patients, a donation also enables you to call Lifesource a few days after your donation to see what your cholesterol level was on the donation day—for free! Please help us meet our quota of 25 donations by scheduling an appointment.



This can be done several ways:

- ⇒ In person after Mass on the weekends of October 27th/28th and November 3rd/4th
- ⇒ Online at www.lifesource.org
 - * Click on make an appointment
 - * Follow prompts to login
 - * Search for our event using sponsor code CS42
 - * Schedule the appointment
- ⇒ Walk-in as your schedule allows on the day of the event—last minute appointments are welcome!

As always, one donor will be the lucky winner of a \$25.00 gift card.

CURSILLO CORNER

Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ



Ultreya – Saturday, November 10th

Please join fellow Cursillistas in attending the next Ultreya hosted by St. John the Baptist Church in Winfield.

- 8:30am Mass in the Chapel
- Witness Talk & Grouping; immediately following Mass in **Sebahar Hall**
- Witness Speaker: **Jim Brewer –Corpus Christi**
- Continental breakfast served

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.