



Saint Luke the Evangelist

April 3rd, 2016 — Sunday of Divine Mercy

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Sunday Vigil) 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30AM

Daily (Mon-Fri) 8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM

THE RECTORY HOURS ARE

Monday-Thursday: 8am to 7:30pm

Friday: 8am to 5:30pm

Saturday: 10am to 1pm

Dear Parishioners:

This is a year of many firsts for me here at St. Luke. One of the most special of which was my first Holy Week and Easter. The Holy Week liturgies were beautiful and prayerful. It was a time of great grace for me and I hope it was for all of you as well. I love you and I am truly honored to be your pastor. May we celebrate many more Easter seasons together!

This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. It is said that greatest attribute of God is God's divine mercy. God's divine mercy was made especially known to us through the gift of his son Jesus Christ; through Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection.

"The good news revealed through Jesus Christ is that God's love for each person knows no bounds, and no sin or infidelity, no matter how horrible, will separate us from God and His love when we turn to Him in confidence, and seek his mercy. God's will is our salvation. He has done all on our behalf, but since He made us free, He invites us to choose Him and partake of His divine life. We become partakers of His divine life when we believe in His revealed truth and trust Him, when we love Him and remain true to His word, when we honor Him and seek His Kingdom, when we receive Him in Communion and turn away from sin; when we are mutually caring and forgiving." www.thedivinemercy.org/message/history

Please join us for a holy hour celebrating God's divine mercy this Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

Peace of Christ,
Fr. Kevin

Wedding Banns

III. Jeffery Poore & Nora Graham
April 9th, 2016



Please pray for....Michael Beller, Chris Schade, Bob Snell, Gloria Tecca, Michelle Triska, Patrick Ustick, Maisie Nowlin, Bridget Rogers, Rita Smith, Bill McCarthy, Tom Southam, Margaret Groves, Dolores Beemer, Grace Galati, Shannon Koltiska, Aidan Kotlyn, Toni Johnson, Charlotte Wehner, Nancy Davis, Joe Kissel, Joan Vintle, and Mark Grosel.

CHURCH SUPPORT

March 20—\$14,206.00

The Easter collection will be posted in next week's bulletin.

April 3, 2016 C Stewardship—Divine Mercy Sunday

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

John 20: 19

Maria was a poor widow who lived in a Brazilian village with her fifteen year old daughter, Christina. Christine dreamed about life in the big city, even though her mother tried to convince her that she would only find trouble there. One morning Maria awoke to find her daughter gone and immediately set out to find her. On her way to the bus stop she went into a photo-booth and spent all she could on pictures of herself and then set off for Rio de Janeiro. Maria began her search through bars, hotels, and nightclubs. At each place she left her picture. A month later young Christina descended the stairway at a cheap hotel. Her dream had become a nightmare. She felt hopeless and ashamed. Her eyes noticed a familiar face. Taped on the lobby mirror was a small picture of her mother. Written on the back was this invitation, *"Whatever you have done, whatever you have become, it doesn't matter. Please come home."* She did.

On Divine Mercy Sunday (the first Sunday after Easter Sunday), we are reminded of God's overwhelming and unconditional love for us. The season of Lent with its culmination on Easter Sunday bears witness to this unbelievable love. Just like Maria and Christina, we are given opportunities each day to forgive and be forgiven. It is a healing process; it takes time. Through the graces of "Divine Mercy" we can bring peace to ourselves and reconciliation to others. As Jesus says, *"Peace be with you."*

*****LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE*****

Affirming, Welcoming, Engaging

The **Mass intention book** for 2017 is open. Please note that there are still dates available for Mass intentions in 2016. You might like to remember the birthday or anniversary of your loved ones (living or deceased). Please stop by the rectory office or call us at 216-521-0184.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: If you would like a copy of your contribution statement from 2015, you may put your request in the collection basket with a stamped/self-addressed envelope and your envelope number or call the parish office during business hours. Thank you.



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COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Sunday, April 17, 2016
At 9:30 Mass

The Anointing of the Sick is for anyone experienc-
ing chronic illness and our aging senior adults. The
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick gives the grace
of the Holy Spirit to those who are sick in both body
and spirit. Spiritual and physical healing may be
gained through receiving the Sacrament. This is a
beautiful time for families to pray together with
loved ones experiencing difficult times. **For those
being anointed the front rows on both sides of the
Church every other pew will be reserved.**

Additional informative literature is available at all
the doorways. Please take one home to read and
share with others. If you would like to help with this
ministry, please call Marilyn at 216-521-0184.
Thanks and God Bless.

***Rediscover Jesus*
Total Parish Book Giveaway**

Several years ago during the *Year of Faith* St. Luke did
a total parish giveaway of the book, *Rediscover Ca-
tholicism* by Matthew Kelly. It was an opportunity for
people to reconnect personally with their faith and to
share it with others at home, in the community and in
small faith-sharing groups.

This year we are once again doing a total parish give-
away of the Matthew Kelly book, *Rediscover Jesus*.
What better way to celebrate the *Year of Mercy* than to
connect with Jesus, the source and living example of
mercy! It is our hope you will read the book with an
open mind and an open heart and be challenged and
inspired.

Available free in the back of church is this invitational
book, very simple in short chapter format, designed to
refresh our understanding of Jesus and His impact on
our daily lives. This is the kind of book that makes you
want to discuss its questions with others. After Easter,
for those who would be interested, we intend to invite
small groups of neighbors and friends to meet in
homes to do just that – converse with others about how
our faith in Jesus makes a difference in our personal
and family lives. Any questions? Contact Sister Donna
Marie at the parish office at 216.521.0184.

The Flock Community Meal will hold its 5th annual fundraiser on Thursday, April 21 from 6-9 pm at Vosh Nightclub in Lakewood. Entertainment will be provided by The Rat Pack, a duo paying homage to the era of Frank Sinatra and Dean M tribute band. Admission is \$10 and tickets will be sold after Masses and are available in the parish office. This very important fundraiser supports the bimonthly meal that feeds nearly 250 people between the two parish locations of St. James and St. Luke. The evening includes a Chinese auction, silent auction, and sideboards. Vosh will donate back 15% of food proceeds to the Flock Meal. Please join us for a night of fun to support this very worthy cause! For more information, please call Corky O'Sullivan at 216-640-1638

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
 All are invited to join in a Eucharistic Holy Hour, the Divine Chaplet of Mercy, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3 at 3:00 P.M. at St. Luke the Evangelist Church, 1212 Bunts Road and Clifton Boulevard. Please join us in the Easter celebration of God's love and mercy on Divine Mercy Sunday. Our Holy Father has granted a plenary indulgence for this day under the usual requirements established by the church.



THANK YOU!

Many thanks to those who helped make our St. Patrick's Day party this year such a huge success. We are grateful to our decorating committee, those who donated bakery, the gift baskets for the raffle, those who served as bartenders, those who helped serve food, and everyone else who helped to put together such a great Sunday afternoon event. A special word of thanks to Mark and Whitney Callahan for their leadership in coordinating this event. Finally, thanks to everyone for your presence and participation. What a great tribute to Saint Patrick!!!!

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS
 There will be a Pre-Baptism Class on Sunday, April 24 at 2:00 pm in the School, Room 108. Deacon John will discuss the importance of Baptism, offer his own personal insights, and answer any questions. You can contact the Rectory at 216 521 0184 if you plan to attend or just show up on the day.

St. Luke Book Club
 Part memoir-part novel, Zoe Fitzgerald Carter's, **IMPERFECT ENDINGS**, explores the impact of a mother's life-death decisions on her three adult daughters and their families.. Tired of living with Parkinson's disease, Margaret searches other means of ending the pain and dying with dignity. The moral dilemmas experienced by the daughters include whether they can support her decisions or oppose them. Complicating the situation are the memories the siblings have of their debutant mother and their philandering father. Do they love their mother and does she love them? This story which revolves around the personal decision of assisted suicide opens new questions about the consequences it has on family life. Humor and sensitivity are threaded within the story as the characters struggle with family dynamics.

Join us for a dynamic discussion on Thursday, April 21st at 7:00 PM in the rectory.

More and more people today are looking for a deeper relationship with God. Are you looking for someone to listen and to share with you a deeper awareness of God in your life? We have people in our parish trained in **Spiritual Direction**. If you are interested in learning more about Spiritual Direction, please call Marilynn Streeter at the rectory (216-521-0184) for more information.

Welcome New Members of Our Community
 We rejoice with those who came into full Communion with the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil! May we introduce our new members of St. Luke Parish: The Adkins Family – David, Sr., Andrea, David, Jr., Anthony and Carmine; Amy Gurbach, Jonathon Kotnik, Clementine Diamond-Ortiz, Andrew Young, Takia Wourms, Bobby Kotnik, Ethan Daniels, and William James Gurbach. Please welcome them and continue to pray for them as they journey forward into a deeper understanding of the Faith.

Scripture Study is open to all adults and their friends; Tuesday morning from 9:30 to 11:00 AM at St. James Meeting Center (behind the church) and Tuesday evening from 7:00 to 8:30 PM at the St. Luke School Building, Room 108. We are beginning the Second Letter to the Corinthians, an epistle with many contemporary applications. Questions? Call Sister Donna Marie at the parish office. Everyone is welcome!

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES April 9th & April 10th

Saturday, April 9th

4:30 p.m. Lector: L. Beller
EMH: B. Rogers, C. Poilpre, T. Ryan
EMC: J. Hlavaty, J. Ruddy
K. Benko, D. Benko
Servers: J. Thoma, M. Thoma

Sunday, April 10th

7:30 a.m. Lector: N. Pohle
EMH: T. Ollie
EMC: M. McGorray, C. Ormsby
Server: P. Prete

9:30 a.m. Lector: B. Mrsic
EMH: G. Bulan, C. Carey, J. Fox
EMC: M. Asmus, A. Hribar
P. Udycz, C. Dlouhy
Servers: T. Bulan, S. Hepp

11:30 a.m. Lector: M. Previts
EMH: J. Callahan, R. Kratofil, V. Mechling
EMC: D. Schiska, A. Schiska
K. Robinson, Volunteer
Servers: D. Arth, D. Chupin

Weekly Calendar at St. Luke's

Sunday, April 3rd

3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Holy Hour—Church

Monday, April 4th

6:30 p.m. LCA Basketball—Gym
6:30 p.m. PSR—School

Tuesday, April 5th

5:30 p.m. LCA Basketball—Gym
7:00 p.m. Scripture Study—School

Wednesday, April 6th

5:30 p.m. LCA Basketball—Gym
6:30 p.m. Lakewood Women's Big Book—School
7:00 p.m. Men's Journey—School
7:00 p.m. RCIA—Rectory

Thursday, April 7th

5:30 p.m. LCA Basketball—Gym

Friday, April 8th

5:30 p.m. Rush Hour Meeting—School

Saturday, April 9th

9:00 p.m. Quilt Group
9:30 p.m. Jesus Day Church Tour
3:00 p.m. Confessions—Church
4:00 p.m. Rosary—Church

Sunday, April 10th

No Events

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF April 3rd

Monday, April 4th, The Annunciation of the Lord

Readings: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
8:30 p.m. Souls in Purgatory
7:30 p.m. Maisie Nowlin

Tuesday, April 5th, Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
8:30 a.m. John Miller
by Barbara Miller

Wednesday, April 6th, Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
8:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, April 7th, Saint John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

Readings: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
8:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

Friday, April 8th, Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
8:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, April 9th, Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
4:30 p.m. (KE) Souls in Purgatory
1:30 p.m. Jeffery Poore and Nora Graham Wedding

Sunday, April 10th, Third Sunday of Easter

Readings: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]
7:30 a.m. (KE) Jeff Neumann
by the O'Neill Family
9:30 a.m. (MC) The People of St. Luke Parish
by Brendan & Mary Ellen Chambers
11:30 a.m. (KE) Edward & Emily Kozelka
by Ed & Sandy Kozelka

**WESTERLY DRIVERS FOR
April 9th & April 10th**

Sat. April 9th 4:30 p.m. Culeen Carey
Sun. April 10th 9:30 a.m. Mary Gagen
To volunteer please call
Mary Gagen at 216-513-4962

**HOMEBOUND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 10th**

9:30 a.m. A. Welsh, P. Udycz
J. Fox, M. Asmus
11:30 a.m. V. Mechling
DeVito/Mrsic
Please pray for our homebound