



ST. LUKE Catholic Church

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil

4:00 p.m. - English
7:30 p.m. - Spanish

Sunday

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. - English
12:00 Noon - Bilingual

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday

6:30 p.m. - Bilingual

Tuesday through Friday

8:30 a.m. - English

Misa en Español

Jueves 7:00 p.m.
Sabado 7:30 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday 9:00 a.m.
until

Friday 8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday

3:10 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. - English
6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. - Bilingual

Wednesday

After 8:30 Mass
or by appointment

ANUNCIOS PERMANENTES

Clases Pre-Bautismales

Necesita pre-registrarse. Para ello tiene que comunicarse con la persona encargada al número de teléfono 615-444-9394. Niños menores de 7 años. Copia del certificado de nacimiento. Los padrinos por lo menos uno, tiene que ser mayor de 16 años. Tener: **Bautismo, Primera comunión y Confirmación.** Si son dos padrinos tiene que ser **hombre y mujer, no se aceptan niños** durante las pláticas. Si no tiene alternativa favor de hablar con el director de Educación Religiosa (información en el boletín). Gracias por su cooperación y muchas bendiciones

Grupo Mujeres de Fátima

Lunes a las 6:30 p.m.

Grupo de Parejas

Martes a las 6:30 p.m.

Misa Mensual de Fieles Difuntos

4.º Jueves de cada mes a las 7 p.m.

Adoración Eucarística continua de 24 Hrs

Jueves a las 8 a.m. hasta Viernes 8 a.m.

Renovación Carismática

Viernes a las 7:30 p.m.

Ministerio de la Adoración Nocturna

3º Sábado del mes, de 9:30 p.m.

Llama de Amor

Rosario - 2.º y 4.º Sábado del mes después de misa de 7:30 p.m.

Vigilia mensual - 1er Sábado del mes después de misa de 7:30 p.m.

Programa de Educación Religiosa

Miércoles, Sábados y Domingos



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 14

4:00 p.m. Joseph Commodore - by Catherine Skarbek
7:30 p.m. † Yolanda Mujica

Sunday, December 15

8:00 a.m. † George Ruck - by the St. Luke Women of Faith
10:00 a.m. † Jane Doe - by Tom and Pat McCabe
12:00 p.m. Emily Miletich - by the Guitard Family

Monday, December 16

6:30 p.m. People of the Parish

Tuesday, December 17

8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Wednesday, December 18

8:30 a.m. Dolly Coffman's Birthday- by Ofelia Roberts
6:30 p.m. Parish Penance Service & Holy Christmas Music

Thursday, December 19

8:30 a.m. Maria Elba and Raul Torres Hernandez
7:00 p.m. † Elias Lopez - by Esposa E. Hijos

Friday, December 20

8:30 a.m. † Maria en Garcia Torres

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR PARISH NEEDS AND GENERAL OPERATIONS FROM DECEMBER 1, 2024.

\$ 24,601.81 - Weekly Collection for Parish needs and general operations (includes online giving)

\$ 24,619.00 - Weekly Expenses for Parish needs and general operations

\$ -17.19 = **Weekly surplus (deficit) for Parish**

WEEKLY DESIGNATED DONATIONS:

\$ 1,341.00 Restricted Designated Donations (Includes online giving).

\$ 701.00 Last Resource Deposit (Includes online giving)

\$ 1,704.54 Food Pantry Deposit (includes online giving)

\$ 27,718.35 **Total revenue collected** (general operations & designated donations)

\$ 59,330.00 - Weekly Overall Goal for Parish (see formula below)

\$ -31,611.65 = Overall weekly goal surplus (deficit) for Parish.

(Goal is based on 7.5% of average family income of \$47,000 x 875 families.)

LET US PRAY

For the Health & Recovery of our Parish Family

IIII David Williams, I Kit and Ernie Gartung, IIII Jim McCabe, IIIII Margaret Guitard, III Nancy Polakiewicz, III Paula Stanley, II Richard Marcum, II Brenda Fentress



*Names remain on this list for 6 weeks. Please call the office at 615-459-9672 or e-mail the frontoffice@stluketn.org to add or remove someone on this list.

For Those on Active Duty in the Military

Benjamin Anderson, Cody Hopper, Charles Lane, Michael Leaver, Jeremy Minner, Manuel Pineda, Mike Plouff, Johnathan Stark, Dylan Williams, Matthew Moshea, Alek Nochowicz, Patrick Rissler, Hailey Rissler, Jeff Hineman, Carl Templeton, Justin Laprise, Liam Smith, Logan Garrett, Jeb Sloan, Tom Janssen, Cole Liko, Kevin Gael Rodriguez, Peyton Oates, Grant Holland, Michael Mounce, Greg Kilpatrick, Miss Dorris



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There will be a 2nd collection on the last weekend of every month for the Bishop's Annual Appeal / Legacy Campaign.

THE LORD REJOICES OVER US.

According to the prophet Zephaniah, the Lord rejoices – yes rejoices – over us in gladness, and Saint Paul says to have *no anxiety at all*. If we trust in the unconditional love God has for us, our hearts and minds will know the true peace that only he can give.

COFFEE & DONUTS



Please come join us in the Social Hall after the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Mass for coffee and donuts. This is a great opportunity to meet and mingle with fellow parishioners. Donations appreciated to help cover the cost. Thank you!

A memorial donation was made to the St. Luke food pantry in loving memory of:

John William Moore



If you have completed Cursillo and want to be part of a new group meeting at St. Luke Parish, please contact Ann Strode at (615) 424-4248 for more information. www.nashvillecursillo.com

New to the Parish? **WELCOME!**

To register as a parishioner of St. Luke Catholic Church, Please contact the church office 615-459-9672 or visit our website at: <https://www.saintlukesmyrnatn.co>

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK DECEMBER 21 & 22, 2024

Altar Servers

4:00 p.m. Francisco Espinoza, Emiliano Hineman, J.P. Chapleau
8:00 a.m. William, Joseph, and Joshua Krog
10:00 a.m. Bryson Parker, RJ Schultz, Kale and Grayson Twomey

Lectors

4:00 p.m. Ty and Jennifer Anderson
8:00 a.m. Jennifer Krog, Don Tillet
10:00 a.m. Don Ward, Tony Arnone

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 p.m. C. Labrado, T. Henry, D. & J. Spehn, C. & K. Daugherty
8:00 a.m. S. Gerba, S. McBride, A. & B. Brackman, Wisniewski, S. Legaspi
10:00 a.m. Lopez-Starr, Macaspac, A. Parker, J. Rost, Warnatzsch, K. Sytsma

Ushers / Greeters

4:00 p.m. Mark Moshea, Jack Payne, Leonard Persinger, Josh Lucas
8:00 a.m. Johnny Gerald, Carlos Rivera, Linda Horenkamp, Shararose Legaspi
10:00 a.m. J.R. Gerald, Jr., Adam Parker, Craig Rost, Chris Lasko

Primera Lectura

Sof 3, 14-18

Canta, hija de Sión, da gritos de júbilo, Israel, gózate y regocíjate de todo corazón, Jerusalén. El Señor ha levantado su sentencia contra ti, ha expulsado a todos tus enemigos. El Señor será el rey de Israel en medio de ti y ya no temerás ningún mal. Aquel día dirán a Jerusalén: "No temas, Sión, que no desfallezcan tus manos. El Señor, tu Dios, tu poderoso salvador, está en medio de ti. Él se goza y se complace en ti; él te ama y se llenará de júbilo por tu causa, como en los días de fiesta".

Segunda Lectura

Flp 4, 4-7

Hermanos míos: Alégrense siempre en el Señor; se lo repito: ¡alégrense! Que la benevolencia de ustedes sea conocida por todos. El Señor está cerca. No se inquieten por nada; más bien presenten en toda ocasión sus peticiones a Dios en la oración y la súplica, llenos de gratitud. Y que la paz de Dios, que sobrepasa toda inteligencia, custodie sus corazones y sus pensamientos en Cristo Jesús.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio

Is 61, 1

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

El Espíritu del Señor está sobre mí. Me ha enviado para anunciar la buena nueva a los pobres.

R. Aleluya.

Evangelio

Lc 3, 10-18

En aquel tiempo, la gente le preguntaba a Juan el Bautista: "¿Qué debemos hacer?" Él contestó: "Quien tenga dos túnicas, que dé una al que no tiene ninguna, y quien tenga comida, que haga lo mismo". También acudían a él los publicanos para que los bautizara, y le preguntaban: "Maestro, ¿qué tenemos que hacer nosotros?" Él les decía: "No cobren más de lo establecido". Unos soldados le preguntaron: "Y nosotros, ¿qué tenemos que hacer?" Él les dijo: "No extorsionen a nadie, ni denuncien a nadie falsamente, sino conténtense con su salario". Como el pueblo estaba en expectación y todos pensaban que quizá Juan era el Mesías, Juan los sacó de dudas, diciéndoles: "Es cierto que yo bautizo con agua, pero ya viene otro más poderoso que yo, a quien no merezco desatarle las correas de sus sandalias. Él los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego. Él tiene el bieldo en la mano para separar el trigo de la paja; guardará el trigo en su granero y quemará la paja en un fuego que no se extingue". Con éstas y otras muchas exhortaciones anunciaba al pueblo la buena nueva.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 24 & 25, 2024

Altar Servers

- 4:00 p.m. J. P. Chappleau, Cannon Rost, Jacob, Lucas, & Nicholas Barnard
- 6:00 p.m. Drew, Blaise, & Nolan Brackman, Jackson Strain, Graham Claytor
- 8:00 a.m. Dominic & Solomon Opie, Gabe Stanley, Owen Guidry
- 10:00 a.m. Francisco Espinoza, Alex Duff, Jack & Robbie Mutter, Cliff Dowell

Lectors

- 4:00 p.m. Kris Wynn, Whitney Rudin
- 6:00 p.m. Pat McKown, Emily Dauerer
- 8:00 a.m. Ken Diesburg, Barbara Ryan
- 10:00 a.m. Connie and Jim Noyes

Eucharistic Ministers

- 4:00 p.m. Francescon, T. Henry, J. Rost, M. Fell, C. Gartung, P. Muenich
- 6:00 p.m. A. & B. Brackman, E. & M. Dauerer, (Needing 2 Subs)
- 8:00 a.m. V. & C. Logsdon, J. Ezzell, L. Collet, (Needing 2 Subs)
- 10:00 a.m. S. Gerba, (Needing 5 Subs)

Ushers / Greeters

- 4:00 p.m. Craig Rost, Kenneth Krog (Needing 2 Subs)
- 6:00 p.m. (Needing 4 Subs)
- 8:00 a.m. (Needing 4 Subs)
- 10:00 a.m. (Needing 4 Subs)



Salmo Responsorial

Is 12, 2-3. 4bcd. 5-6

R. (6) El Señor es mi Dios y salvador.

El Señor es mi Dios y salvador, con él estoy seguro y nada temo.

El Señor es mi protección y mi fuerza y ha sido mi salvación.

Sacarán agua con gozo de la fuente de salvación.

R. El Señor es mi Dios y salvador.

Den gracias al Señor, invoquen su nombre, cuenten a los pueblos sus hazañas, proclamen que su nombre es sublime. *R. El Señor es mi Dios y salvador.*

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Alaben al Señor por sus proezas, anuncienlas a toda la tierra.

Griten jubilosos, habitantes de Sión, porque el Dios de Israel

ha sido grande con ustedes. *R.*

R. El Señor es mi Dios y salvador.

PROFESIÓN DE FE

Creo en un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso, Creador del cielo y de la tierra, de todo lo visible y lo invisible. Creo en un solo Señor, Jesucristo, Hijo único de Dios, nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos: Dios de Dios, Luz de Luz, Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero, engendrado, no creado, de la misma naturaleza del Padre, por quien todo fue hecho; que por nosotros, los hombres, y por nuestra salvación bajó del cielo,

y por obra del Espíritu Santo se encarnó de María, la Virgen, y se hizo hombre;

y por nuestra causa fue crucificado en tiempos de Poncio Pilato; padeció y fue sepultado, y resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras, y subió al cielo, y está sentado a la derecha del Padre; y de nuevo vendrá con gloria para juzgar a vivos y muertos, y su reino no tendrá fin. Creo en el Espíritu Santo, Señor y dador de vida, que procede del Padre y del Hijo, que con el Padre y el Hijo recibe una misma adoración y gloria, y que habló por los profetas. Creo en la Iglesia, que es una, santa, católica y apostólica. Confieso que hay un solo Bautismo para el perdón de los pecados. Espero la resurrección de los muertos y la vida del mundo futuro. Amén

PROGRAMA DE EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

Divisiones Domingos, Miercoles y Sabados:



División Domingo:

NO HABRA CLASES el 22 y 29 de Diciembre y 5 de Enero, 2025 por la Navidad y Año Nuevo. Las Clases Regresan el 12 de Enero, 2025

División Miercoles: Par estudiantes de Con24

- El Primer día de Clase (CON25) será el Miércoles 22 de Enero, 2025 a las 6:30 p.m. ¡Disfruten sus días festivos!
- También, la primer Junta de Papás será el 22 de Enero a las 6:50 p.m. en la Iglesia. Es una junta importante de atender. Hablaremos de las expectativas y fechas importantes.

Advent Penitential Rite

Celebrant: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: For we have sinned against you.

Celebrant: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

All: And grant us your salvation.

Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. *Amen.*



Responsorial Psalm

Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6.

R. (6) Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

God indeed is my savior;

I am confident and unafraid.

My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.

With joy you will draw water
at the fountain of salvation.

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name;
among the nations make known his deeds,
proclaim how exalted is his name.

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement;
let this be known throughout all the earth.

Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,
for great in your midst

is the Holy One of Israel!

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten son of God, born of the father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

Reading I

Zep 3:14-18a

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion! Sing joyfully, O Israel! Be glad and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has removed the judgment against you he has turned away your enemies; the King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst, you have no further misfortune to fear. On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem: Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior; he will rejoice over you with gladness, and renew you in his love, he will sing joyfully because of you, as one sings at festivals.

Reading II

Phil 4:4-7

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia

Is 61:1 (cited in Lk 4:18)

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Lk 3:10-18

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages." Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Exhorting them in many other ways, he preached good news to the people.

Jubilee of Hope Opening Mass

Please join Bishop Spalding for Mass to open the Jubilee Year of Hope in the Diocese of Nashville on Sunday, December 29 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. All are welcome! More information on the Jubilee Year can be found at nashvillefaithformation.com/jubilee.



Please join us for an Advent Penance Service on Wednesday, December 18 beginning at 6:30 p.m. We will celebrate the season of Advent with Holy Christmas music led by the St. Luke Music Ministry along with Adoration and reconciliation. Each movement is independent. You are welcome to join in all, or part of the program. There will be many priests available for reconciliation. This will give you an opportunity to take advantage of this beautiful sacrament during the Advent season.

COME, O LONG EXPECTED JESUS,

Come, O long expected Jesus,
Born to set your people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Free us from captivity.

Israel's strength and consolation,
You, the hope of all the earth,
Dear desire of ev'ry nation,
Come, and save us by your birth.

Born your people to deliver;
Born a child and yet a king!
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now your gracious kingdom bring.

Text: Haggai 2:7; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

THERE IS A LONGING

Anne Quigley

There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord,
for you to reveal yourself to us.
There is a longing in our hearts for love
we only find in you, our God.

For justice, for freedom,
for mercy: hear our prayer.
In sorrow, in grief:
be near, hear our prayer, O God.

For wisdom, for courage,
for comfort: hear our prayer.
In weakness, in fear:
be near, hear our prayer, O God.

For healing, for wholeness,
for new life: hear our prayer.
In sickness, in death:
be near, hear our prayer, O God.

Lord save us, take pity,
light in our darkness.
We call you, we wait:
be near, hear our prayer, O God.

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WE ARE CALLED

Come! live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
to live in the freedom of the city of God!

*We are called to love tenderly.
We are called to serve one another,
To walk humbly with God.*

Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless,
so all hatred and blindness will be no more!

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LEGION OF MARY

December 25, Celebration of the Birth of Jesus, Christmas Day.

December 29, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

Our Lady of Light, invites everyone to pray the rosary every Saturday at 3:30 p.m. before the 4:00 p.m. Mass and on Sunday at 7:30 a.m. before the 8:00 a.m. Mass. We meet in the cry room. We also pray the rosary every weekday morning after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Join us for our weekly meeting on Wednesday mornings at 9:15 a.m. We meet in the adult education Classroom B.

Visitors are welcome.



Happy Advent!

We are planning to have a short prelude Kid's program on Christmas Eve at 4 p.m. This is for young kids up thru 2nd grade or so and after they are done they will be able to sit with their family. If you are interested, please email me at 4dk@comcast.net or call me at (615) 556-0035. This is a great opportunity for the little ones to participate and get dressed up in their Christmas best. If you have an older kid, or teenager, and they would like to be part of the Christmas Eve Youth Combined Choir, please contact me and I can get you the information you need. I try to make this as easy and simple as possible since no one needs anymore stress during this season! Looking forward to hearing from you and also to celebrating this beautiful season.

Deb Cox, St. Luke Music Director

THIS IS JESUS

This is Jesus, Emmanuel.
God is with us, in this sacrament.
Come, receive Him. Adore Him.
This is Jesus, our Lord.

Bright Star of David, Radiance of God;
Now become the Living Bread, the body of the Lord.
Come in adoration, receive with trembling hands;
The sacrament most holy, the banquet of the Lamb.

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SPIRIT AND GRACE

Ricky Manalo, CSP

Spirit and grace, here in this meal;
you are the wind that breathes through the field.
Gather the wheat and form us in Christ.
Come, be our source and breath of life.

*In the bread, blessed, broken and shared,
Christ is our life, whose presence we bear.
Come, O Spirit, make your grace revealed
In this holy meal.*

Spirit and grace, here in this meal;
you are the life that flows through the vine.
Gather this drink and form us in Christ.
Come, be our source and blood of life.

Spirit and grace, here in this place;
you are the light that shines in this space.
Gather your people and form us in Christ.
Come, be the heartbeat of our lives.

Spirit of God, sending us forth;
we spread your wisdom throughout all the earth.
Gather the nations and form us in Christ.
Come, be the presence in our lives.

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SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dóminus Deus Sábaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra glória tua.

Hosánna in excélsis.

Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini.

Hosánna in excélsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis. (x2)

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (x2)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.



New Website

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday Division

~ There will be NO CLASSES on December 22, December 29, and January 5, 2025 due to Christmas and New Year's. Classes return January 12, 2025.

Wednesday Division: For our CON25 Students only

- First Day of CON25 will be on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. **Enjoy the holidays!**

- First Parent Meeting will be on 1-22-2025 at 6:50 p.m. in the Church. It is an important meeting to attend. We will mention expectations and important dates.



BLOOD DONATION DRIVE

BLOOD DRIVE

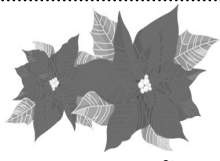
The St. Luke Catholic Church and the Red Cross are having another blood drive here at the church in the social hall on December 17, 2024, from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. To schedule an appointment log onto www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: *StLukeSmyrna* and scan the QR code or call 1-800 RED CROSS.



St. Luke Parish Children's Christmas Party

Sponsored by St. Luke Knights of Columbus Council 9168 and Ladies Auxiliary Council 9168. We invite all children 12 and under and their families to the Annual Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, December 15 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., in the Parish Social Hall. Lunch will be served at 1:30 p.m. There will be activities for the kids and a special treat for each child that will be delivered by Santa. We kindly ask you to RSVP by Wednesday, December 11, so that we have enough gifts for every child attending. RSVP by email or text to: Grand Knight Josh Ezzell, (615) 390-4170 sirknightjosh@gmail.com or Community Director Joe Kisor, (812) 584-7143. joekisor1@outlook.com

When you RSVP, please provide first and last names and ages for all children attending.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

The Women of Faith has a tradition of collecting donations "in memory of" or "in honor of" friends or family members. The donated money is used to purchase flowers to decorate our parish for Christmas. We will be accepting donations starting November 30 through December 22.

Please follow the guidelines listed below:

- *Envelopes will be available by the flower box in the Narthex *
- ~ **PLACE** your donations in an envelope that is provided by the flower box in the NARTHEX.
- ~ **PRINT** your name & the names of those to be remembered on the outside of the envelope.
- ~ **PUT** the envelope in the flower box.

THANK YOU!

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

St. Luke's food pantry is asking for donations for Christmas food baskets. If you would like to purchase items for a basket, please shop using the following list. We will accept all donations until **Sunday, December 15**.



- ~ Ham
- ~ Cranberry Sauce
- ~ Canned Fruit (any variety)
- ~ Cake Mix
- ~ Macaroni and Cheese
- ~ Corn Muffin Mix or Dinner Rolls
- ~ Mashed potatoes or a bag of fresh potatoes
- ~ Corn
- ~ Yams
- ~ Stuffing
- ~ Gravy Packet
- ~ Frosting

Thank you so much for your help!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

<p><u>Christmas Eve</u> <u>Tuesday, December 24, 2024</u> 4:00 p.m. – English 6:00 p.m. – English 8:00 p.m. – Spanish</p>	<p><u>New Years Eve</u> <u>Tuesday, December 31, 2024</u> 4:00 p.m. – English</p>
<p><u>Christmas Day</u> <u>Wednesday, December 25, 2024</u> 8:00 a.m. – English 10:00 a.m. – English 12:00 p.m. – Bilingual</p>	<p><u>Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (A Holy Day of Obligation)</u> <u>New Years Day</u> <u>Wednesday, January 1, 2025</u> 10:00 a.m. – English 12:00 p.m. – Spanish</p>



ST. LUKE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COATS FOR KIDS

St. Luke Knights of Columbus Council 9168 is beginning its annual Coats for Kids collection drive. We are asking parishioners to donate new or clean and gently used coats (or heavy hoodies) to benefit needy school children in the Rutherford County School System. Coats can be placed in the Knights Of Columbus box located in the narthex. If you want to donate coats but cannot deliver them to St. Luke, please contact Joe Kisor at (812) 584-7143. Our drive will continue through January 31. God bless you for your generosity!

Please join us in prayer for these expectant mothers in our parish.

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| Gigi Holland | Stephanie Hamilton |
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| Maddie Francescon-Washburn | Maida Hernandez |

If you are expecting a baby, we would love to pray for you! Please call Joanne Speer at 615-300-8656 or email her at: joanne.speer@comcast.net to be added to the expectant mothers prayer list.



*"Strive to preserve your heart in peace; let no event of this world disturb it."
St. John of the Cross*



"KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" POSTER CONTEST

St. Luke Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest this Christmas season for grades K through 8th grade. All posters should be submitted by **December 15, 2024**. You may return posters to the box in the back of church or to the parish office. There will be awards for winning posters. Posters will be judged by slogan, artistic merit and overall impact determined. For more information or to obtain an entry form, Please email Frank Pittmann at fpittmann@gmail.com or you may call the parish office at 615-459-9672.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DECEMBER AWARD WINNERS

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – JOE KISOR
This award is presented to a Knights of Columbus member who makes significant contributions to the parish, church, and local community.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH – RAFAEL AND ANDREA PARRA
This award is presented to a parish family that models Christian family values and lives by them every day.

PARISHIONER OF THE MONTH – LORI KENDALL
This award is presented to a parishioner who makes significant contributions to the parish, church, and local community.





ST. LUKE HOMESCHOOL MINISTRY

St. Luke Homeschool Ministry is for homeschool families to meet the first Wednesday morning of every month from September to May with the goal of attending morning Mass, celebrating the feasts and seasons of the liturgical year, and participating in various clubs and activities. We use Kendra Tierney's Catholic All Year Compendium to guide our monthly events & celebrations. We also have separate clubs & peer-group activities to finish our morning together. Interested families do not have to be a member of St. Luke parish to attend & we have all ages including teens participating each month. Please email htgpartyof8@gmail.com for more details.



St. Michael Academy is opening up their middle school for the 2025-2026 school year. Applications for Preschool-8th grade will open on October 1 and can be completed on their Website: stmichaeltn.org

SAINT ROSE SCHOOL AND PRESCHOOL

Saint Rose School and Preschool is now accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year for children ages 2 years of age through 7th grade. **Spots are limited.** Applications can be submitted through the school website www.school.saintrose.org under Admissions. For more information or to take a tour please contact: Staci Rose ~ Admissions ~ admissions@saintrose.org ~ 615-898-0555 ext. 1017.



ST. CECILIA ACADEMY WALK-IN-WEDNESDAYS

Would you like to learn more about SCA and what it means to be a St. Cecilia Girl? Join us for Walk-in Wednesdays! Stop by SCA on Wednesdays from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. for a tour of our school and speak with the admissions team. This is a great way to introduce yourself and for us to meet you. No registration is required.

NASHVILLE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (NDCCW)

The NDCCW Winter Meeting will be Saturday, January 25, 2025 at Christ the King Church, 3001 Belmont Blvd. in Nashville. (Please enter through door at rear of school under portico.) Cost, which includes lunch, is \$15. Registration is at 8 – 9 a.m. followed with Mass at 9 a.m. Lunch will be at 12 noon. The speaker will be Amelia Sweeny. Amelia will be speaking about "How a Grieving Mother Keeps Her Faith in the Dark Times of Her Life". Please contact Laura Nota for more information at lnota615@gmail.com.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

All married couples are invited to celebrate your wedding anniversary in a special way this year at the World Marriage Day Mass with Bishop Spalding at the Cathedral of the Incarnation on Sunday, February 2, 2025 at 2:30 p.m. Anniversaries of any year are encouraged to attend (special recognition for milestone anniversaries of 25, 50, 60+ years). A reception with music and refreshments will follow the Holy Mass. If you would like to attend, please RSVP with how many in your party will be attending (guests are welcome) to the Office of Marriage and Family Life at nashvillefaithformation.com/mfl-events or call 615-645-9752.

Retrouvaille: A Marriage Recovery Program

Retrouvaille, a marriage recovery program for struggling couples who are considering separation or divorce, is Catholic in origin and orientation but is open to all married couples regardless of religious background. For confidential information about the program: 800-470-2230 or 615-523-0631 or nrv3043@gmail.com or HelpOurMarriage.org.

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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (INFANT - AGE 7)
Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for the celebration of this Sacrament. If this is your first child to be baptized, parents are encouraged to participate in a class before a date for the Baptism can be set.
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 3:15-3:50 p.m. (or following Saturday vigil Mass) and any time by appointment. Call the Parish Office.
SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
The Diocese of Nashville requires a minimum four month preparation period. Contact the office for details.
ANOINTING OF THE SICK
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