



ST. LUKE Catholic Church

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Smyrna, TN 37167

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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 21

4:00 p.m. † Larry Nochowicz - *by The Nochowicz /family*
 7:30 p.m. † Juan Pablo Canizales

Sunday, December 22

8:00 a.m. † Stanley Brown - *by Tim Brown*
 10:00 a.m. † Catherine Alfonso - *by The Arnone Family*
 12:00 p.m. Barb Miletich - *by the Guitard Family*

Monday, December 23

6:30 p.m. † Amando Aldana - *by The Garcia-Aldana Family*

Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. For all the Children and Young Adults of St. Luke
 6:00 p.m. Coby Johnson - *by The Johnson Family*
 8:00 p.m. For all St. Luke Parishioners

Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day

8:00 a.m. For all St. Luke Parishioners
 10:00 a.m. For all St. Luke Parishioners
 12:00 p.m. For World Peace and Joy

Thursday, December 26

8:30 a.m. Raul Cordova
 7:00 p.m. † Oscar Cespedes - *by The Cespedes Family*

Friday, December 27

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR PARISH NEEDS AND GENERAL OPERATIONS FROM DECEMBER 8, 2024.

\$ 25,019.94 - Weekly Collection for Parish needs and general operations (*includes online giving*)

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

\$ 400.94 = Weekly surplus (deficit) for Parish

WEEKLY DESIGNATED DONATIONS:

\$ 1,997.00 Restricted Designated Donations (*Includes online giving.*)

\$ 395.00 Last Resource Deposit (*Includes online giving*)

\$ 1,103.04 Food Pantry Deposit (*includes online giving*)

\$ 28,514.98 **Total revenue collected** (*general operations & designated donations*)

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

\$ - 30,815.02 = 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

IIIIII David Williams, II Kit and Ernie Gartung, IIIII Jim McCabe,
 IIIIII Margaret Guitard, IIII Nancy Polakiewicz, IIII Paula Stanley,
 III Richard Marcrum, III 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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You may also make a donation by PayPal — just scan this QR code to your left, or log in to your PayPal account and search for stluke123@comcast.net



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

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!

God's ways are different from ours.

The Lord God is always faithful to his promises. As our celebration of Christmas draws near, we prepare for the coming of Christ by rejoicing with Mary and her cousin Elizabeth as they witness to the mysterious fulfillment of those divine promises in their lives.

Liturgical Ministry

Anyone interested in being a part of the St. Luke Liturgical Ministry serving as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector or Altar Server, please contact Laura Nota by email at liturgy@stluketn.org.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK DECEMBER 28 & 29, 2024

Altar Servers

4:00 p.m. Jimmy, Henry, and Christopher Forrest
 8:00 a.m. Avery Frith, Karleigh McCoy, Brooklyn Reynolds
 10:00 a.m. Alex Duff, Hunter and Jayden Adams

Lectors

4:00 p.m. Stephine Byars, Joe Perroni
 8:00 a.m. Brian Brackman, Alan Stanley
 10:00 a.m. Diane Holcomb, Robert Varela

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 p.m. E. Bohan, S. Byars, K. Sytsma, L. & S. Johnson, T. Henry
 8:00 a.m. A. & B. Brackman, M. & E. Dauerer, C. Gartung, K. Martinez
 10:00 a.m. Bowman, JR Gerald, Jr., Rudin-Huffman, Nordhoff, Legaspi, Arnone

Ushers / Greeters

4:00 p.m. Jack Payne, Josh Lucas, James and Karen Perkins
 8:00 a.m. Stephine and Randall Vanns, Ken and Jean Mills
 10:00 a.m. Mark Corrado, Tom Nolan, Rowena Grady, Shararose Legaspi



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.com>

PRIMERA LECTURA

MIQ 5, 1-4A

Esto dice el Señor: "De ti, Belén de Efrata, pequeña entre las aldeas de Judá, de ti saldrá el jefe de Israel, cuyos orígenes se remontan a tiempos pasados, a los días más antiguos. Por eso, el Señor abandonará a Israel, mientras no dé a luz la que ha de dar a luz. Entonces el resto de sus Hermanos se unirá a los hijos de Israel. Él se levantará para pastorear a su pueblo con la fuerza y la majestad del Señor, su Dios. Ellos habitarán tranquilos, porque la grandeza del que ha de nacer llenará la tierra y él mismo será la paz".

SEGUNDA LECTURA

HEB 10, 5-10

Hermanos: Al entrar al mundo, Cristo dijo, conforme al salmo: No quisiste víctimas ni ofrendas; en cambio, me has dado un cuerpo. No te agradaron los holocaustos ni los sacrificios por el pecado; entonces dije –porque a mí se refiere la Escritura–: "Aquí estoy, Dios mío; vengo para hacer tu voluntad". Comienza por decir: "No quisiste víctimas ni ofrendas, no te agradaron los holocaustos ni los sacrificios por el pecado –siendo así que eso es lo que pedía la ley–; y luego añade: "Aquí estoy, Dios mío; vengo para hacer tu voluntad". Con esto, Cristo suprime los antiguos sacrificios, para establecer el nuevo. Y en virtud de esta voluntad, todos quedamos santificados por la ofrenda del cuerpo de Jesucristo, hecha una vez por todas.

ACLAMACIÓN ANTES DEL EVANGELIO

LC 1, 38

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Yo soy la esclava del Señor; cúmplase en mí lo que me has dicho.

R. Aleluya.

EVANGELIO

LC 1, 39-45

En aquellos días, María se encaminó presurosa a un pueblo de las montañas de Judea y, entrando en la casa de Zacarías, saludó a Isabel. En cuanto ésta oyó el saludo de María, la creatura saltó en su seno. Entonces Isabel quedó llena del Espíritu Santo y, levantando la voz, exclamó: "¡Bendita tú entre las mujeres y bendito el fruto de tu vientre! ¿Quién soy yo, para que la madre de mi Señor venga a verme? Apenas llegó tu saludo a mis oídos, el niño saltó de gozo en mi seno. Dichosa tú, que has creído, porque se cumplirá cuanto te fue anunciado de parte del Señor".

SALMO RESPONSORIAL

SALMO 79, 2AC Y 3B. 15-16. 18-19

R. (4) Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

Escúchanos, pastor de Israel;
tú que estás rodeado de querubines,
manifiéstate;
despierta tu poder y ven a salvarnos. R.
R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.
Señor, Dios de los ejércitos, vuelve tus ojos,
mira tu viña y visítala;
protege la cepa plantada por tu mano,
el renuevo que tú mismo cultivaste. R.
R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.
Que tu diestra defienda al que elegiste,
al hombre que has fortalecido.
Ya no nos alejaremos de ti;
consérvanos la vida y alabaremos tu poder. R.
R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

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



Misa de apertura del Año Jubilar de la Esperanza

Está invitado a asistir a la Misa de apertura del Año Jubilar de la Esperanza en la Diócesis de Nashville con el Obispo Spalding el domingo 29 de diciembre a las 11:00 a. m. en la Catedral de la Encarnación. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Puede encontrar más información sobre el Año Jubilar en nashvillefaithformation.com/jubilee.

Misa de Aniversario de Bodas del Día Mundial del Matrimonio

Todos los matrimonios están invitados a celebrar su aniversario de bodas de una manera especial este año en la Misa del Día Mundial del Matrimonio con el Obispo Spalding en la Catedral de la Encarnación el domingo 2 de febrero de 2025 a las 2:30 p.m. Pueden asistir de aniversarios de cualquier año (reconocimiento especial para aquellos que celebren aniversarios de 25, 50 o 60+ años). Después de la Santa Misa habrá una recepción con música y refrigerios. Si desea asistir, confirme su asistencia indicando cuántos miembros de su grupo asistirán a la Oficina de Matrimonio y Vida Familiar en línea en nashvillefaithformation.com/mfl-events o llamar 615-645-9752.



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

PS 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19.

R. (4) Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.

Rouse your power,
and come to save us.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;

take care of this vine,
and protect what your right hand has planted
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

May your help be with the man of your right hand,
with the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

Then we will no more withdraw from you;
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

READING I

MI 5:1-4A

Thus says the LORD: You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah too small to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel; whose origin is from of old, from ancient times. Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time when she who is to give birth has borne and the rest of his kindred shall return to the children of Israel. He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock by the strength of the LORD, in the majestic name of the LORD, his God; and they shall remain, for now his greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth; he shall be peace.

READING II

HEB 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters: When Christ came into the world, he said: "Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight. Then I said, 'As is written of me in the scroll, behold, I come to do your will, O God.'" First he says, "Sacrifices and offerings, holocausts and sin offerings, you neither desired nor delighted in." These are offered according to the law. Then he says, "Behold, I come to do your will." He takes away the first to establish the second. By this "will," we have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

ALLELUIA

LK 1:38

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

LK 1:39-45

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

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*



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.

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

O little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight

How silently how silently the wondrous gift is given
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven
No ear may hear His coming but in this world of sin
Where meek souls will receive Him still
The dear Christ enters in

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SERVANT SONG

Donna Marie McGargill, OSM

What do you want of me, Lord?
Where do you want me to serve you?
Where can I sing your praises?
I am your song.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the Lord.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

I hear you call my name, Lord,
and I am moved within me.
Your Spirit stirs my deepest self.
Sing your songs in me.
Jesus, Jesus, you are my Lord.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

Above, below and around me,
before, behind and all through me,
your Spirit burns deep within me.
Fire my life with your love.
Jesus, Jesus, be the warmth of my heart.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

You are the light in my darkness.
You are my strength when I'm weary.
You give me sight when I'm blinded.
Come, see for me.
Jesus, Jesus, you are my Light.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

I am your song and servant,
singing your praise like Mary.
Surrendered to your Spirit,
"Let it be done to me."
Jesus, Jesus, "Let it be done to me."
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

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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.

AGNUS DEI

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



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.

Jim Cowan
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THE BREAKING

In the beginning, there was the word
And the word was God
Word became flesh, light of the world
Dwelling among us.
The son of Man; The Sacred lamb
Broken to save us all.

Here are the table,
Here in the breaking of the bread
Mercy unending,
Our hearts remembering we are fed
We are unworthy,
Yet by the Word, Your will is done
Here in the breaking of the bread,
We are made one.

All who are hungry, come and receive
And you shall be blessed
He is alive, Oh taste and see!
And be filled with goodness
The Hope of us; the saving love
There is enough for all

All who have tasted, go now and share
What you have received
Walk in the Truth given to you
Live and believe!
Offer the wine, the bread of life
Food to be shared with all

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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 4th grade. When 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 child, 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



WISHING
YOU AN
ABUNDANTLY
BLESSED
HOLIDAY
SEASON!

The office will be closed for the Christmas and New Year's Holidays from Friday, December 20 through Wednesday, January 1.
The office will reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2025!

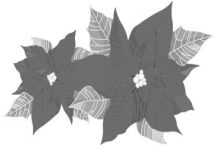
THE KING OF GLORY

*The King of glory comes,
The nation rejoices.
Open the gates before him,
Lift up your voices.*

Who is the King of glory;
how shall we call him?
He is Emmanuel,
the promised of ages.

Sing then of David's Son,
our Savior and brother;
In all of Galilee was never another.

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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.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve
Tuesday, December 24, 2024

4:00 p.m. – English
6:00 p.m. – English
8:00 p.m. – Spanish

Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 25, 2024

8:00 a.m. – English
10:00 a.m. – English
12:00 p.m. – Bilingual

New Years Eve
Tuesday, December 31, 2024

4:00 p.m. – English

Solemnity of Mary,
the Holy Mother of God
(A Holy Day of Obligation)
New Years Day
Wednesday, January 1, 2025

10:00 a.m. – English
12:00 p.m. – Spanish



FOOD PANTRY

THANK YOU to all who have donated to the Food Pantry! **What is needed especially now is: Instant potatoes, pancake mix, pancake Syrup & Jelly.**

Other items are canned fruit, canned applesauce, soups, chicken bouillon, rice, oatmeal, canned pastas (like Ravioli for kids), pasta, pasta sauce, canned chicken, dry or canned beans, sugar, salt, flour, instant coffee, cooking oil, maseca, canned jalapeño's, chipotles (**please no glass jars**)!

Please only give what you can financially afford. All food donations are greatly appreciated! Thank you for your generosity.

LAST RESOURCE



Last Resource is one of our St. Luke Ministries that helps members of our parish & community with utility expenses in the Smyrna and LaVergne area that are in need due to unforeseen circumstances. Last Resource needs your help!! Please consider giving to this ministry by using our Last Resource envelopes, online giving, or simply dropping your donation in the box which is located in the Narthex. Thank you for your donations.

New **COR** Website

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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.**

Legion of Mary

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday Division

~ There will be NO CLASSES on December 22, 29, and January 5, 2025 due to Christmas and New Years.

~ Classes Return on 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.



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.

Gigi Holland
Maria Padilla
Joanna Espinoza
Maddie Francescon-Washburn

Stephanie Hamilton
Cristina Ocando
Sarah Herod
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.

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

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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 htqpartyof8@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.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Join Bishop Spalding for the 2025 World Marriage Day Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, February 2nd, 2025 at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. All married couples celebrating any anniversary year are invited to attend. There will be a special recognition for couples celebrating milestones of 25, 50, or 60+ years. Please RSVP at nashvillefaithformation.com or call the Office of Marriage and Family Life at 615-645-9752.

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.

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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WEDNESDAY: Fr. Justin Raines
THURSDAY: Fr. John Raphael SSJ
FRIDAY: Fr. David A. Ramirez
SATURDAY: Fr. Seth Reed
SUNDAY: Mercy Sisters



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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

Please call the office to request this Sacrament and for home or hospital visitation. Anyone anticipating surgery is encouraged to request this sacrament prior to being admitted to the hospital.

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