



ST. LUKE Catholic Church

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Smyrna, TN 37167

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. • Wednesday - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. • Friday - 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
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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 INTENIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 29

4:00 p.m. † Deceased Members of the Chisak Families
7:30 p.m. Ellen Marie Tujio - by Margaret Guitard

Sunday, November 30

8:00 a.m. † Rebecca Hale - by Cyndi Gartung
10:00 a.m. † Mary Ann Wermert - by John Wermert
12:00 p.m. † Maria Escarraga - by Family

Monday, December 1

6:30 p.m. Rissler Family - by Guitard Family

Tuesday, December 2

8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Wednesday, December 3

8:30 a.m. † Ursula Hannaford

Thursday, December 4

8:30 a.m. † Paul and Alison Walton
7:00 p.m. † Alex Miletich - by Guitard Family

Friday, December 5

8:30 a.m. † Ildefonso Vergel De Dios Sr. - Ofelia Roberts

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR PARISH NEEDS AND GENERAL OPERATIONS FROM NOVEMBER 16, 2025.

\$ 33,392.67 - Weekly Collection for Parish needs and general operations (includes online giving)

\$ 28,487.53 - Weekly Expenses for Parish needs and general operations

\$ 4,905.14 = Weekly surplus (deficit) for Parish

WEEKLY DESIGNATED DONATIONS:

\$ 475.87 Restricted Designated Donations (Includes online giving)

\$ 1,148.18 Last Resource Deposit (Includes online giving)

\$ 524.07 Food Pantry Deposit (includes online giving)

\$ 35,540.79 Total revenue collected (general operations & designated donations)

\$ 61,010.00 - Weekly Overall Goal for Parish (see formula below)

\$ (25,469.21) = Overall weekly goal surplus (deficit) for Parish.

(Goal is based on 7.5% of average family income of \$47,000 x 900 families.)



LET US PRAY FOR THE HEALTH & RECOVERY OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

IIIIII Paula Stanley, IIIIII Oliver Stanford, III Karlee Provencher, I Magdalena Martinez De Castro, I Mike Bagget, IIIIII Brenda Fentress, IIIII Dennis Dwyer, III Maria Ignacia, IIIII Mark Wittbrodt, III Juan Jose Voeso, III Agustin Aguilar, III José Aguilar, III Ignacio Quintero, III RoseAnne Barnes, II Benjamin (Bud) Hilyer

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

FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

IIIIII Richelle Frantz, IIIII Mary Hoffman



FOR THOSE ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE MILITARY

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

"All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle." - Saint Francis of Assisi

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>

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 are appreciated to help cover the cost.

NEW ONLINE GIVING

We have moved to a new Giving software called Pushpay. Please visit our website or scan the QR Code to your right to update your Parish Recurring Online Giving or set up a new Gift.



Please make sure that you are no longer using the Vanco payment system. Thank you!

There will be a 2nd collection on the last weekend of every month for the Bishop's Charities.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

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

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK, DECEMBER 6 & 7, 2025

ALTAR SERVERS

4:00 p.m. Jayden and Hunter Adams, RJ Schultz
8:00 a.m. Samuel Jones, Owen Guidrey, Caden Frith, Victor Campos
10:00 a.m. Dominic and Solomon Opie, Khrystain Loredo

LECTORS

4:00 p.m. Stephanie Byars, Tracie Henry
8:00 a.m. Cyndi Gartung, Morgan Weaver
10:00 a.m. Connie and Jim Noyes

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. T. Abriola, C. Daugherty, C. Labrado, D. & J. Spehn, P. Muenich
8:00 a.m. A. & B. Brackman, M. & E. Dauerer, S. Vanns, S. McBride
10:00 a.m. Deacon Simeon, Bowman, A. Mellette, S. Nordhoff, C. & D. Hagan

USHERS / GREETERS

4:00 p.m. Leonard Persinger, Mark Muenich, Frank Pittmann, John Grubar
8:00 a.m. Johnny Gerald, Carlos Rivera, Gary and Donna Wisniewski
10:00 a.m. Mark Corrado, Jake Erisman, Bob and Jojie Domingo

The Advent of Our King

ST. THOMAS (WILLIAMS)/Aaron Williams/Charles Coffin

The advent of our King
Our thoughts must now employ;
Then let us meet him on the road
With songs of holy joy.

The coeternal Son
A maiden's offspring see;
A servant's form Christ putteth on,
To set his people free.

In glory from his throne
Again will Christ descend,
And summon all who are his own
To joys that never end.

Our joyful praises sing
To Christ, who set us free;
Like tribute to the Father bring,
And Holy Ghost, to thee.

Text: SM; Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. by Robert Campbell, 1814-1868, alt.
Music: Aaron Williams, 1731-1776.

In Every Age

Janet Sullivan Whitaker

Long before the mountains came to be
and the land and sea and stars of the night,
through the endless seasons of all time,
you have always been,
you will always be.

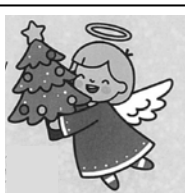
*In every age, O God,
you have been our refuge.
In every age, O God,
you have been our hope.*

Destiny is cast, and at your silent word
we return to dust and scatter to the wind.
A thousand years are like a single moment gone,
as the light that fades
at the end of day.

Teach us to make use of the time we have.
Teach us to be patient even as we wait.
Teach us to embrace our ev'ry joy and pain.
To sleep peacefully,
and to rise up strong.

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Angel Tree

The Ladies Auxiliary of
the Knights of Columbus
Council 9168 will be
sponsoring the 2025

Angel Tree here at St. Luke's. The Angel
tags will be distributed the weekend
after Thanksgiving (i.e., November 29 &
30) after the Masses on a first come,
first served basis. All wrapped gifts will
be collected on December 13 & 14. We
are currently gathering the requests to
make sure that our community is
supported through this holiday season.
For any requests and/or questions,
please contact Frances Ezzell via email
at ladiesof9168@gmail.com and/or
text /phone at 404-964-0315.

We Fall Down

We fall down
We lay our crowns
At the feet of Jesus
The greatness of mercy and love
At the feet of Jesus

**And we cry holy holy holy
And we cry holy holy holy
And we cry holy holy holy is the Lamb**

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Soon And Very Soon

Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King
Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King
Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King

**Hallelujah hallelujah
We're going to see the King**

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

*Letitia
Davis*
by her
husband



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.

Drink of living waters, flowing from the Lord.
Taste the cup of blessing, partake of precious blood.
River of Salvation, holy cleansing tide;
Fountain of Redemption,
flowing from the Savior's side.

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Taste and See

Steve Angrisano

**Taste and see the goodness of the Lord,
the goodness of the Lord!
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord,
the goodness of the Lord!**

I will bless the Lord at all times.
Praise will be on my lips.
My soul will glory in the Lord.
The poor will hear and be glad.

I sought the Lord who answered me,
Delivered me from my fear.
Look to God that you might shine
With the radiance of God's joy.

The Lord has eyes for justice, ears to hear your cry.
God knows your broken heart.
The Lord redeems a loyal servant.
Take refuge in your God.

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Sanctus

**Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dóminus Deus Sábaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra glória tua.
Hosánna in excélsis.
Benedictus 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.**

The Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
December 8, 2025
A HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION



Mass Times:

Monday, December 8, 2025
8:30 a.m. (English)
6:30 p.m. (Bilingual)



A huge thank you to all our wonderful
parishioners for your support in
making and buying our Thanksgiving
baked goods.

God bless,

St. Luke Women of Faith

READING 1

ISAIAH 2:1-5

This is what Isaiah, son of Amoz, saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come, the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest mountain and raised above the hills. All nations shall stream toward it; many peoples shall come and say: "Come, let us climb the LORD's mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths." For from Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and impose terms on many peoples. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; one nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

READING 2

ROMANS 13:11-14

Brothers and sisters: You know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed; the night is advanced, the day is at hand. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in promiscuity and lust, not in rivalry and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the desires of the flesh.

ALLELUIA

CF. PSALM 85:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Show us Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

LEGION OF MARY

- December 8 - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Dogma was defined by Pope Pius IX in 1854.
- December 10 - Feast of Our Lady of Loreto was added to the liturgical calendar by Pope Francis on October 7, 2019.
- December 12 - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Blessed Virgin Mary revealed herself to St. Juan Diego in the 16th century near Mexico City in Mexico.
- December 25 - Celebration of the Birth of Jesus, Christmas Day.
- December 28 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

Join us on Wednesday mornings at 9:15 a.m. in the Adult Education classroom B. **Visitors are welcome.**

Our Lady of Light, invites all to pray the rosary every Saturday at 3:30 p.m. before the 4:00 p.m. Mass and 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.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced because they said to me, "We will go up to the house of the LORD."

And now we have set foot within your gates, O Jerusalem.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Jerusalem, built as a city with compact unity.

To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

According to the decree for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

In it are set up judgment seats, seats for the house of David.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! May those who love you prosper!

May peace be within your walls, prosperity in your buildings.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

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*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SUNDAY DIVISION:

~ No classes on November 30 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Classes resume on December 7.



WEDNESDAY DIVISION:

~ Congratulations to our new confirmation students and also to all Pre Confirmation students for no being the new CON26 class! Classes will begin in February 2026.

HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION:

(Sunday classes for 15, 16, & 17 Yr olds)

No news

PRIMERA LECTURA

ISAÍAS 2, 1-5

Visión de Isaías, hijo de Amós, acerca de Judá y Jerusalén: En días futuros, el monte de la casa del Señor será elevado en la cima de los montes, encumbrado sobre las montañas, y hacia él confluirán todas las naciones. Acudirán pueblos numerosos, que dirán: “Vengan, subamos al monte del Señor, a la casa del Dios de Jacob, para que él nos instruya en sus caminos y podamos marchar por sus sendas. Porque de Sión saldrá la ley, de Jerusalén, la palabra del Señor”. Él será el árbitro de las Naciones y el juez de pueblos numerosos. De las espadas forjarán arados y de las lanzas, podaderas; ya no alzaré la espada pueblo contra pueblo, ya no se adiestrarán para la guerra. Casa de Jacob, en marcha! Caminemos a la luz del Señor.

SEGUNDA LECTURA

ROMANOS 13, 11-14A

Hermanos: Tomen en cuenta el momento en que vivimos. Ya es hora de que se despierten del sueño, porque ahora nuestra salvación está más cerca que cuando empezamos a creer. La noche está avanzada y se acerca el día. Desechemos, pues, las obras de las tinieblas y revistámonos con las armas de la luz. Comportémonos honestamente, como se hace en pleno día. Nada de comilonas ni borracheras, nada de lujurias ni desenfrenos, nada de pleitos ni envidias. Revístanse más bien, de nuestro Señor Jesucristo y que el cuidado de su cuerpo no dé ocasión a los malos deseos.

ACLAMACIÓN ANTES DEL EVANGELIO

SALMO 84, 8

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Muéstranos, Señor, tu misericordia y danos tu salvación.

R. Aleluya.

EVANGELIO

MATEO 24, 37-44

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: “Así como sucedió en tiempos de Noé, así también sucederá cuando venga el Hijo del hombre. Antes del diluvio, la gente comía, bebía y se casaba, hasta el día en que Noé entró en el arca. Y cuando menos lo esperaban, sobrevino el diluvio y se llevó a todos. Lo mismo sucederá cuando venga el Hijo del hombre. Entonces, de dos hombres que estén en el campo, uno será llevado y el otro será dejado; de dos mujeres que estén juntas moliendo trigo, una será tomada y la otra dejada. Velen, pues, y estén preparados, porque no saben qué día va a venir su Señor. Tengan por cierto que si un padre de familia supiera a qué hora va a venir el ladrón, estaría vigilando y no dejaría que se le metiera por un boquete en su casa. También ustedes estén preparados, porque a la hora que menos lo piensen, vendrá el Hijo del hombre”.

SALMO RESPONSORIAL

SALMO 121, 1-2. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9

R. (cf. 1) Vayamos con alegría al encuentro del Señor.

¡Qué alegría sentí, cuando me dijeron:

“Vayamos a la casa del Señor”!

Y hoy estamos aquí, Jerusalén, jubilosos, delante de tus puertas.

R. Vayamos con alegría al encuentro del Señor.

A ti, Jerusalén, suben las tribus,

las tribus del Señor,

según lo que a Israel se le ha ordenado, para alabar el nombre del Señor.

R. Vayamos con alegría al encuentro del Señor.

Digan de todo corazón: “Jerusalén,

que haya paz entre aquellos que te aman, que haya paz dentro de tus murallas

y que reine la paz en cada casa.”

R. Vayamos con alegría al encuentro del Señor.

Por el amor que tengo a mis hermanos,

voy a decir: “La paz esté contigo”.

Y por la casa del Señor, mi Dios,

pediré para ti todos los bienes.

R. Vayamos con alegría al encuentro del Señor.

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**

Tiempo de confeciones Por este mes con padre Martinez
Jueves - 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Sabado - 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

BAUTIZOS – Nuevo Horario

La Clase para los BAUTIZOS para los niños menores de 7 años (2do y 4to Sábado de mes) comenzará con el Registro a las 4:30pm y la Clase comenzará a las 5pm. Favor de entregar los documentos necesarios, asistir personalmente los papás y los padrinos a la clase y SER PUNTUALES. Gracias.

PROGRAMA DE EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

División Domingo

~ 30 de Noviembre—No habrá clases por el Día de Acción de Gracias. Las clases regresan el Domingo 7 de Diciembre.



División Miércoles

~ Felicidades a los 97 estudiantes que recibieron su Confirmación.

~ Los estudiantes que estaban en Pre-Confirmación ahora son la nueva generación de Confirmación 2026 (CON26). Las clases comienzan en Febrero 2026.

División de High School

(clases los Domingos para estudiantes de 15 a 17 años)

~ Las inscripciones están oficialmente cerradas por el cupo.



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 29 through December 21

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!

"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 **January 5, 2026**. 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 419-705-4619.

THANK YOU

The St. Luke Food Pantry, would like to thank all our wonderful parishioners for donating food for our Thanksgiving Baskets. We were able give out 50 baskets for the people in our community.



St. Luke Parish Children's Christmas Party with Santa

Sponsored by the St. Luke Knights of Columbus Council #9168 and the Ladies Auxiliary Council #9168. We invite all children 12 and under and their families to the Annual Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, December 14 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall. Lunch will be served @ 1:30 p.m. There will be activities for the Kids and a special treat for each child delivered by Santa. We kindly ask you to RSVP by Wednesday, December 10, so that we have enough gifts for every child attending. Please E-mail to: Grand Knight Josh Ezzell at sirknightjosh@gmail.com or Community Director Mark Muenich at mark_muenich@yahoo.com When you RSVP, please provide first and last names, and ages, for all children attending.

HOLY LAND OLIVE WOOD ARTICLES



There will be olive wood items from the Holy Land for purchase in the narthex on December 6 and 7 after all Masses. The funds raised will go to support all the wonderful Christian families in Bethlehem. These crafts are their main source of income.

Thank you for your support.



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 Mark Muenich at markmuenich@yahoo.com. Our drive will continue through January 31, 2026. God Bless you for your generosity!

St. Luke Men's Advent Day of Reflection

"Encountering Christ in the Depths of Our Hearts"

Saturday December 6, 2025, 8 a.m.-12 Noon in Church

All Men Welcome/See Fliers in Narthex for More Details

St. Luke Parish

Adult Christmas Dinner Party!

Sponsored by the St. Luke Knights of Columbus Council #9168 and the Ladies Auxiliary Council #9168, to celebrate the gift of Jesus to us all.

Please join us in celebrating the Christmas season together as a parish. All adults are welcome!

Dinner will be a pitch in with Ham and Turkey prepared and provided by your hosts. Everyone attending should bring a side dish and/or dessert to share.

When: Saturday, December 20, 2025, after 4:00 p.m. Mass

Where: Parish Hall

Cost: No fee required except a side dish from each family!!!

Anyone who wants to participate in the Dirty Santa present exchange game can bring a wrapped present with a value from \$15-\$20. It will be lots of fun! Also, feel free to bring a wrapped present for a veteran. Please, RSVP by December 10, so that we can get an idea of how many to plan for.

Grand Knight Josh Ezzell: sirknightjosh@gmail.com

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

Caitlyn Stewart
Kelby Fortner

Grace Fernando
Melanie Hoden

If you are expecting a baby, we would love to pray for you! Please call the parish office at (615) 459-9672 or email at: frontoffice@stluketn.org to be added to the expectant mothers prayer list.



BLOOD DRIVE - NEW LOCATION

GIVE SOMETHING THAT MEANS SOMETHING!!

St. Luke Catholic Church and the Red Cross will be having a Blood Drive on December 16, 2025, from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. at **Lara's Event Center, located at 413 Nissan Drive** in Smyrna.

All donors will receive a \$15 Amazon eGift card. To schedule an appointment log onto www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: **StLukeSmyrna** or scan the QR code or call 1-800 RED CROSS.





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.



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ADVENT CONCERT

Matt Maher and Sarah Kroger will kick off their 11-city 2025 Cathedrals Tour this Advent season with a ticketed performance at 7 p.m. on **Thursday, December 4**, at Sagrado Corazón de Jesús Church in the Catholic Pastoral Center (2800 McGavock Pike, Nashville). Join us for a special night of worship to prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ through music, prayer, and reflection. Tickets are on sale now at itickets.com, ranging in price from \$12.50 (balcony, wing) to \$28.15 (main floor) to \$81.25 (VIP), plus service fees. Doors open at 6 p.m. The VIP experience includes early entry at 5:30 p.m. and a Q/A with Matt and Sarah. Seating is first come, first serve within each section. Proceeds from the concert will benefit the Advancement of Catholic Education (ACE) endowment fund, which was established in 1992 to support Catholic education in the Diocese of Nashville. The ACE endowment funds are available to support five key areas: tuition assistance, operational costs that churches are unable to subsidize, capital improvements of the school buildings, teacher and administration development, and the building of new schools.

"A Song in the Night"

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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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