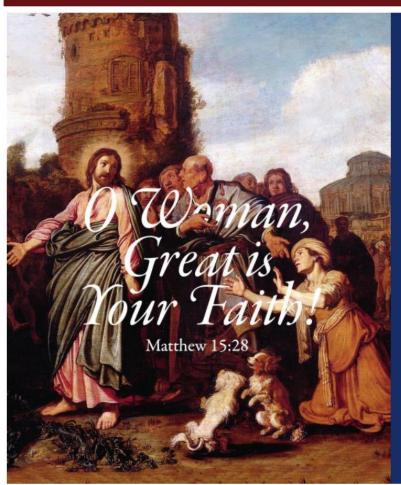
THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 20, 2023

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Our story is a story of God's unwavering love. The readings this week show God's constant desire to call us to Himself so that we can be made whole again no matter where we have been.

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah shows God's infinite mercy - even for those who have never known Him. In the second reading, St. Paul tells the world that Christ came for EVERYONE. And in the Gospel, Jesus is moved to pity for a woman who has come from outside the Jewish community to plead for His help.



YOUR HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT:

Sometimes, we can forget that there are people struggling to know Jesus outside of our Faith. This week, pray for everyone who is seeking Him - regardless of where they are or what faith they are currently professing. Jesus wants to heal them, too.

Welcome to Saint Luke!

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www.saintlukeslidell.org

OFFICE HOURS Monday-Friday | 9:30am-3:30pm

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MASS SCHEDULE

JUNE + JULY + AUGUST

DAILY MON | TUE | WE D | THU | FRI 8:45 am only

FIRST SAT (only)

8:45 am

WEEKEND **SAT** 5 pm **SUN** 7:30 am | 9 am | 11 am | 4 pm

RECONCILIATION

SAT 3 pm - 4:30 pm

WED 5 pm - 6:30 pm or by appointment No Confessions on September 6. See page 7

welcome!

If you're new to Saint Luke, we want you to feel right at home.
REGISTER to join our parish so we can know how to serve you better.
JUST TEXT "WELCOME" to
1-844-534-2245

ABOUT YOUR PARISH



WELCOME HOME

THANK YOU

PASTOR'S WISH LIST www.saintlukeslidell.org/pastorwishlist Your generosity is greatly appreciated!





If some member of our parish family did something worth celebrating, let us know at www.saintlukeslidell.org/thanks

"Thank you. Our kids are excited about FIRE this year - we've never had this happen. We aren't going to have to fight them to get them to participate in the Church. Our teenage son is even asking if he can help at FIRE."

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SAINT LUKE IS A PARISH ON FIRE!

Last year, our parish embarked on an amazing adventure called FIRE -Family Involved Religious Education - that allows every member of the parish family to grow in faith - from the very young to the very young at heart. FIRE is held once a month on Sundays from 5:00 to 7:00 pm - and always includes dinner!

www.saintlukeslidell.org/FIRE

Beginning

Jun. 2021

Gathering list of all necessary capital expenditures.

Decision to renovate finance council

Request capital by pastoral/ campaign account then hired be opened + approved

Feb. 2023 Interviewed

architects + consultants

Gathered steering committee + discussed

options

Input/ Listening Sessions

Q & A document Surveys begin

Completed Interviews Feasibility with top Report FY2022 shared with donors parish

WEARE HERE

FROM YOUR PASTOR 2

Hey, St. Luke family,

My heart goes out to parents, and teachers, and kids this time of year.

Parents are usually freaking out.

"What do you mean you missed the bus – we just started this school year?!" or "How many science projects can one kid have to do?!" or "It's going to cost HOW MUCH?!"

Teachers are usually freaking out.

"Why is this a meeting instead of an email?!" or "How many lesson plans am I going to have to rewrite?!" or "It's going to cost HOW MUCH?!"

Students are usually freaking out.
"How can I have a test tomorrow?!" or "Where is my ____ ?! (insert school item here) or "MOM AND DAD ARE GOING TO KILL ME WHEN THEY FIND OUT HOW MUCH THIS COSTS!"

It's really tough. Saint Luke should be a place to find a break from that craziness, that's why we try to make FIRE nights so painless:

- Families come together so that nobody has to make eighty trips to get the whole family taken care of
- We make dinner for YOU
- It doesn't cost anything unless you want to make a donation
- We make you laugh. (We do make you cry sometimes but I promise, they are happy tears.)
- We teach you how to be a family again and most importantly how to be a family with God's grace upon you so you can face the messy days without stress
- We pray for you (WE PRAY A LOT FOR YOU)
- And most of all, we support your family in whatever season you are and provide encouragement for you as a married couple, as parents, as a single parent, as a grandparent/aunt/uncle, as a widow/widower, as a teenager, as a kid, or even as a single person trying to live a good life in the midst of all the chaos

FIRE isn't about CCD. FIRE is about facing the life we've been given without feeling like we don't know what the goal is. If you've thought that you're going to wait until the last moment to see if you can register for FIRE nights, I would offer that actually you need to do FIRE nights, and see how everything else fits in, because without spiritual support, the anxiety of this year is going to eat you up alive.

And you were created to be empowered – and to empower others around you – to tackle the tough moments with peace, grace, and forgiveness that exist only in Christ. If you have to meet all these crazy schedules, meetings, projects, and still keep your sanity and your relationships intact, you're going to need the Holy Spirit helping you grow and thrive.

THAT'S WHAT FIRE IS FOR.

To Jesus through Mary,

in union with St. Joseph, Your pastor,

If feasible, Fr. Jared will present to Ärchdiocese

Official fundraising campaign begins

Fundraising completed

FLC renovation begins

12 - 18 months Church and Masses in courtyard

FLC during rooms church complete construction

Furnishing + artwork

in church complete

First Mass in new church

SACRAMENTS

To begin preparation for the following sacraments, visit saintlukeslidell.org/sacraments or just call our office.

BAPTISM

If you or your child is not yet initiated into the Church, please permit us the honor of welcoming you into the family of Christ here at Saint Luke! saintlukeslidell.org/baptism

FIRST RECONCILIATION FIRST COMMUNION **CONFIRMATION**

Find out more about sacramental preparation which begins every September on our website saintlukeslidell.org/sacraments

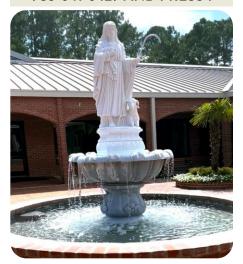
MARRIAGE

Prepare for a faithful and fruitful married life with us! Please call our office or visit saintlukeslidell.org/marriage at least 6 to 8 months in advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a family member is sick or hospitalized, please call the office at any time

TO REQUEST A PRIEST FOR AN EMERGENCY 985-641-6429 AND PRESS 1



3 LITURGY READINGS + MUSIC

MUSIC

ENTRANCE: FROM ALL THAT DWELL BELOW THE SKIES

- 1. From all that dwell below the skies, Let the Creator's praise arise; Let the Redeemer's name be sung, Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue.
- 2. Eternal are thy mercies, Lord; Eternal truth attends thy word: Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, Till suns shall rise and set no more.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

OFFERTORY: PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN #613

- 1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To his feet your tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore his praises sing. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.
- 2. Praise him for his grace and favor To his people in distress.
 Praise him, still the same as ever, Slow to chide and swift to bless.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Glorious in his faithfulness.
- 3. Fatherlike he tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame he knows. In his hands he gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.
- 5. Angels, help us to adore him; You behold him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down before him, Dwellers all in time and space. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

READING 1: Is 56:1, 6-7

Thus says the LORD:

Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed.

The foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, ministering to him, loving the name of the LORD, and becoming his servants - all who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

READING 2: Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

Brothers and sisters:

I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I glory in my ministry in order to make my race jealous and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

POPE FRANCIS: For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon'will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

FATHER JARED: For FIRE and BLAZE Families and Volunteers

We pray that the families and volunteers who participate in our FIRE and BLAZE nights may discover a deeper reason to believe and grow in the Faith and energy to pursue holiness in everything they do.

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LITURGY READINGS + MUSIC 4

GOSPEL: Mt 15:21-28

At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon.

And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out,

"Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David!

My daughter is tormented by a demon."

But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her.

Jesus' disciples came and asked him,

"Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us."

He said in reply,

"I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me."

He said in reply,

"It is not right to take the food of the children

and throw it to the dogs."

She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps

that fall from the table of their masters."

Then Jesus said to her in reply,

"O woman, great is your faith!

Let it be done for you as you wish."

And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.

MUSIC

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

" I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever.

COMMUNION: YOU SATISFY THE HUNGRY HEART #940

Refrain:

You satisfy the hungry heart With gift of finest wheat; Come give to us, O saving Lord, The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice; So when you call your fam'ly, Lord, We follow and rejoice.

[Refrain]

2. With joyful lips we sing to you Our praise and gratitude, That you should count us worthy, Lord, To share this heav'nly food.

[Refrain]

3. Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one loaf, declare Our oneness in the Lord?

[Refrain]

4. The myst'ry of your presence, Lord, No mortal tongue can tell: Whom all the world cannot contain Comes in our hearts to dwell.

[Refrain]

5. You give yourself to us, O Lord; Then selfless let us be, To serve each other in your name In truth and charity.

[Refrain]

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5 DAILY LITURGY + INTENTIONS

MUSIC

SENDING FORTH: SENT FORTH BY GOD"S BLESSING

1. Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, The people of God from this dwelling take leave. God's sacrifice ended O now be extended The fruits of this Mass in all hearts who believe.

The seed of Christ's teaching, our inner souls reaching, Shall blossom in action for God and for all.

His grace shall incite us, his love shall unite us To further God's kingdom and answer his call.

MONDAY

Jgs 2:11-19, Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44, R. v.4a, Mt 19:16-22 Entrance Antiphon:

The Lord chose him for himself as high priest, and, opening his treasure house, made him rich in all good things. Responsorial Psalm:

Remember us, O Lord, as you favor your people.

Communion Antiphon:

The Good Shepherd has laid down his life for his sheep.

TUESDAY

Jgs 6:11-24a, Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14, R. see v.9b, Mt 19:23-30

Entrance Antiphon:

At your right stands the queen in robes of gold, finely arrayed. Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord speaks of peace to his people. Communion Antiphon:

Blessed are you who have believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord will be fulfilled.

WEDNESDAY

Jgs 9:6-15, Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, R. v.2a, Mt 20:1-16

Entrance Antiphon:

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, in your strength the king is glad. Communion Antiphon:

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

PLEASE NOTE:

Father Jared and Father Suvakin will

begin Wednesday 6 AM Masses on

THURSDAY-SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

Rv 21:9b-14, Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18, R v.12, Jn 1:45-51

Entrance Antiphon:

Proclaim the salvation of God day by day; tell among the nations his glory.

Responsorial Psalm:

Your friends make known, O Lord, the glorious splendor of your Kingdom.

Communion Antiphon:

I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, says the Lord.

FRIDAY

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22, Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10, R. v.1b, Mt 22:34-40 Entrance Antiphon:

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Communion Antiphon:

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

PRIEST CONVOCATION **SEPTEMBER 6-8, 2023**

To allow our priests the necessary time to attend the Priest Convocation in New Orleans this year, there will be no confessions on September 6, and visiting priests will cover the daily Masses. More information will be available in the weeks to come.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

5:00 pm Dcn. Ron LeBlanc; Patrick Flanagan; Patricia Armand; Michael Watkins; Lucille Roberts; Ruby DiMarco; Charlie Johnson; Peggy Beckwith; Joyce Bel; Dess Schaefer; Vera Lyons (INT); Selma Peters (INT); Barry Autin; Ora Guerrera; Mary Wagner Thompson; Martin Bruno; Joseph Dubuisson; Michelina Froeba; Paul Froeba; Agnes Miecznikowski; John Miecznikowski, Sr.; John Miecznikowski, Jr. (INT); Marilyn Westfall (INT); Richard Salario (INT)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

7:30 am Marie Gardner 9:00 am Carol Fields 11:00 am SLE Parishioners (INT)

4:00 pm Souls in Purgatory; Martin Bruno; Dominic Hoc Tran; Theresa Nhan Le; Maria Tin Nguyen; John Jacob; Nho Quang Le; Charlie Johnson; Bruce Abney, Sr.; Mary Muniz (INT); Amy Wood (INT); Joseph Dubuisson; Fr. Sergio Figueredo, S.J.; Selma Peters (INT); Eric Weeks; Mary Helen Johnson; Laura Bel (INT); Camille Haas (INT); Richard Mitchell; Rickey Lagasse

MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023

8:45 am Charlie Johnson **TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023**

8:45 am Francis Xavier Thuan Nguyen

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023 8:45 am Holy Souls Purgatory

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023

8:45 am Charlie Johnson

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2023

8:45 am Ann Boyden (INT)

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE PLACED THIS WEEKEND FOR

Micky Lachney

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS BURNING THIS WEEK FOR

David Skevington

THE ADORATION CHAPEL LIGHT IS **BURNING THIS WEEK FOR**

Barry Autin

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

September 6, 2023!

Sep. 17: Catholic Communications Campaign

FAITH FORMATION 6

FIRE (FAMILY INVOLVED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION) 2023 - 2024 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

FIRE was awesomely received in our parish last year, because it represents a bold move in the Holy Spirit to empower indivduals to interract with their faith in a whole new way - and empower parents and grandparents as the first catechists of their children. But FIRE is about every family - and every person - regardless of age or family situation. Designed specifically for our parish, FIRE is a completely Catholic spiritual movement from the ground up - led by our pastor, Fr. Jared Rodrigue, and run by



nearly a hundred volunteers.
Its foundations are the Holy Scriptures and Sacred
Tradition, the teachings of the Church, and the lives of the
saints. Creative, fun, and immersive, FIRE is about seeing
how God's outpouring of love throughout salvation history
is a story of which YOU are a part - and how that history is
moving and out from you to the edges of the world.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Saint Luke is a parish family made up of different individuals and families from all walks of life. We know life is complicated right now. Some of our families are mom, dad, and a school bus full of kids. Some of our families are grandparents whose families live somewhere else. Some of our families are just getting started - engaged couples, parents getting ready for a baptism - and some of our families are divorced parents trying to be the best they can. Some of our families are made up of grandparents bringing up their grandkinds - and some of our families are adult children with elderly parents. Some of the folks who come to FIRE nights are widows or widowers or single college students.

WHEREVER YOUR LIFE IS RIGHT NOW, FIRE IS FOR YOU.

That's why FIRE nights have something for everyone. When you arrive, everyone gets a chance to see and experience the teaching for the night, then we break out into small groups specifically geared to your age group. Everyone gets the same teaching - but it's creative, new, and fresh for your stage in life.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Jesus asks a better question. Why are you spending your money on things that leave you empty and anxious? FIRE nights are sponsored by people who really want you to know the story of God's love for you, so if you can offer a donation to help us cover materials and meals, GREAT! But if you can't - don't worry about it. The most important part of FIRE nights is that you come, because this is about family -

AND YOU ARE FAMILY.

WHEN IS FIRE NIGHT?

FIRE nights happen ONCE A MONTH following the 4 pm Mass on Sunday nights. They typically last only about two hours, because we provide dinner for everyone who comes. (We have some pretty incredible cooks and restaurants who donate the meals and preparation!)

I AM READY FOR A SACRAMENT.

Wow. Thank you for the privilege to participate in preparing you for Christ's invitation. Whether you're a new couple just recently engaged (CONGRATULATIONS!) or a family getting ready for your child's baptism (WE LOVE KIDS!) or if you're about to receive your First Holy Communion or Confirmation (WAY TO GO!), we've built a second night once a month just for you, because it's twice as special! You get to come to FIRE nights and BLAZE nights.

BLAZE nights are for: Marriage Prep, Baptismal Preparation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and for those wishing to join the Catholic Church. They're just like FIRE nights, but they dig deeper to teach you all the beautiful reasons for living a sacramental life in the Church.



So what do you think? **Ready to set your heart on FIRE?**

REGISTER AND LEARN MORE AT: www.saintlukeslidell.org/fire or call our office at 985-641-6429

7 PARISH LIFE + ARCHDIOCESE

OUR ANNUAL FAMILY BASH IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER - COME HELP GET THE PARTY STARTED!

Family Bash Weekend is October 14 + 15

If you're the kind of person who loves a good party - and who doesn't?! - we need your help for our upcoming Family Bash weekend! To find out where you can connect your talents and gifts, call Mandi Troyani at our office! 985-641-6572

2023 NOLA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

Sep. 30, 2023 | 8:30 am - 6:00 pm 7th – 12th graders are invited to join the fun and faith at Jesuit High School, 4133 Banks St, NOLA. Fr. Josh Johnson, author + podcaster, Fr. Andrew Gutierrez who has been at Saint Luke, and Fr. Ajani Gibson, singer + speaker, will be the keynote speakers. There will also be workshops, the Mass with Archbishop Gregory Aymond, Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration, praise + worship music, exhibitors + more! Only \$45 per participant includes bus transportation. Register at www.saintlukeslidell.org/stirintoflame no later than Monday, September 11.

TEEN BIBLE STUDY

Students in grades 8 - 12 are invited to learn how to read and pray with the Bible. These events are led by teens from 5 - 6:30 pm. All dates are subject to change, so please join our LUX Youth Flocknote group to receive information about times and events. Text JOINLUXYM to 84576 to get all the details. Please note: a parent must join messaging also.

DATES and STUDIES:

9/3/2023	Martha & Mary
9/9/2023	Field Trip: Missions of Charity
10/8/2023	Seasons of Harvest
11/19/2023	Thanksgiving
12/10/2023	The Gospel of Luke
1/21/2024	New Life
2/18/2024	Love

3/24/2024 Living Way of the Cross

ANNUAL ORGANIZATION LEADERS PARISHWIDE MEETING

August 21, 2023 at 6 pm in RM. 4
ALL PARISH ORGANIZATION
LEADERS should attend (or send a representative) to the annual Calendar and Information meeting. Please finalize all your meeting and event calendars before attending. To acknowledge that your organization will attend visit www.saintlukeslidell.org/ministryportal

FIRE SQUAD RETREAT

August 26, 2023 | 9:00 am - 11:30 am All our FIRE team volunteers are invited to a beautiful morning retreat to get your FIRE rekindled and ready for a new FIRE year!

To RSVP: www.saintlukeslidell.org/fireretreat

WE NEED ADORATION CHAPEL ADORERS

We need couples, families, and individuals who desire to spend time with Jesus. You can have a regular adoration hour or choose from times needed on our wonderful app. If you have never visited our Adoration Chapel, please stop by for a visit. You are welcome anytime. The Chapel is always open; however, between 6pm-6am, a code is needed to enter. The code can be assigned to you by calling Sylvia Riera, our Adoration Chapel Coordinator. For more information visit www.saintlukeslidell.org and click ADORE!

MUSIC RECRUITMENT

September 2 + 3, 2023

Ilf you or any member of your family would like to join a liturgy CHOIR this is your invitation! We will be recruiting in the Community Room after all Masses.

LADIES CLUB RETURNS!

3rd Wednesdays beginning
September 20 | 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Ladies Club resumes meetings where
members promote spiritual fellowship
and support outreach ministries
sponsored by our parish. They also host
many church functions when requested.
For more information, call our office at
985-641-6429 x. 207.

BIBLE STUDY: 7 DEADLY VICES, 7 LIVELY VIRTUES

Begins: August 29 | 6:30 pm or August 31 | 10 am

Bishop Barron's deeper look at sin and virtue. This engaging and eye-opening presentation illuminates the seven deadly sins, those great spiritual blocks that inhibit our flourishing in relationship with God and one another. But there's hope! The seven lively virtues offer antidotes to each sin and help set us on the right path to healing and happiness. In our Family Life Center. Call our office for more information and ask for Patt for the 10 am sessions or Ray for the 6:30 pm sessions.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE MEETINGS!

Every 3rd Friday of the Month 6:30 – 7:30PM (sharp)

The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is a spiritual diary of a devout and humble Hungarian woman named Elizabeth Kindelmann. The Flame of Love, of course, is Jesus Himself and lives in Mary's Immaculate Heart. The primary goal of this Flame is to save souls by passing on the Flame to each other through prayer. This Catholic Church approved beautiful devotion has filled people and churches with great passion for the importance of mercy and salvation - and we can't wait to invite you to come! Prayer meetings will be held at the home of Armando and Carol Ruiz. To learn more and register to attend, visit our website at

www.saintlukeslidell.org/flameoflove or call our office at 985-641-6429 x. 207

OUR SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB WILL BE MEETING SOON!

2nd Wednesday of each Month beginning on September 13, 2023

Our Senior Citizens Club is ramping up their busy calendar of events, and parishioners are invited to join for great trips, monthly meetings, and fun! Call our Parishioner Liaison to join all the events.

PARISH LIFE + ARCHDIOCESE 8

FAMILY INVOLVED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

FIRE is is designed to help every member of your family grow not only in faith but in family life, strengthening the bonds of love between parents and kids. Our FIRE Nights are for Saint Luke families of all sizes and ages who want to learn to how to be truly Catholic, and it empowers parents and grandparents to become the best catechists of their children and grandchildren. FIRE Nights occur monthly and are approximately 2 hours long. A typical night includes dinner, fun activities, ageappropriate breakout sessions, and a chance for all the members of your family to learn about a particular faith topic. That way, when you head home, everyone has something to share!

WHAT'S A FIRE YEAR LIKE?

IGNight! is the first FIRE Night on September 17, 2023,

following the 4 pm Sunday Mass. It's a pump-up night to start off the new year of formation right with an overview of all that will take place in this year of parish formation. Subsequent FIRE Nights follow the same pattern (see the calendar on our website to prepare for the year!)

BLAZE Nights are for those families preparing for a sacrament - First Communion, Confirmation, and for those joining the Church! But it also includes those who are looking for Baptism (Adults and children) and those preparing for Marriage, too! The first **COME AND SEE! BLAZE NIGHT** will be held August 27, 2023, following the 4 pm Mass. Those members of our parish who are part of **BLAZE** attend both **FIRE** and **BLAZE** Nights (a total of two nights a month.) Dinner is also provided for **BLAZE** Night.

DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Families who participate in **FIRE** and **BLAZE** don't pay for all the amazing fun and learning they do - they are sponsored by incredible donors who make these nights possible. And as if that generosity isn't enough, our VOLUNTEERS step up to set up, pray, provide materials, teach, cook - and so much more. It makes **FIRE** available for all families who want to grow in their faith and in unity with the Church. But, an average **FIRE** night costs about \$1000. Would you or your business Iconsider supporting our effort to bring the Gospel into every Saint Luke home? It's a great way to promote your business in a family oriented environment. Or maybe you would you like to give a little of your time and talent to spread the mercy of Christ throughout our community? Ready to put your money/effort where your heart is? Visit www.saintlukeslidell.org/FIRE

PLEASE DONATE TO THE PREGNANCY HELP CENTER:

Diapers Size 3 and 4

The best time to bring are when the Resource Team is available to receive. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, 10:30am - 1:30pm. at 550 Gause Blvd, Slidell, Suite 2. THANK YOU!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

8-7-23 to 8-11-23

Your generosity of countless volunteer hours and financial and food donations help us to take care of families in our community who are facing emergency financial crisis. We are always looking for volunteers to help us in the food pantry, the office, and Thanksgiving, School, and Christmas programs. Please call our office to help us make a difference

PANTRY NEEDS: Items in RED are urgently needed

Chef Boyardee (15 oz. can)

Mixed Fruit (15 oz. can)

Peanut Butter (18 oz. +)

Beans (1 lb.)

Chicken (7-12 oz. can)

Peanut Butter (18 oz. +)

Soup (10-12 oz. can)

Mashed Potatoes (Box or

Cereal (Box)

Pouch)

Pancake Syrup (20 oz. +) Toilet Paper
Deodorant (1.5 oz. +) Tooth Brushes

Diapers size 4

Baby Wipes

Because of your generosity, we were able to provide:

Food for 14 families

Rent/Housing for
Gas voucher for 5 families
Child Car Seats for 1 family
Shower bags for 7 clients
Gift cards for 2 families

Utilities for 14 families

Gas voucher for 5 families
Child Car Seats for 1 family
Baby formula/diapers for
6 families

SNAP for 9 clients

Referrals to other agencies for 32 clients

Good Sams is open Monday (12:30 - 3:30 pm)

Tuesday - Friday (9:30 am - 3:30 pm)

Please call ahead for appointment, 985-641-6421

We do not accept clothing or furniture donations. Bring these to Community Christian Concern at 2515 Carey St., Slidell

PLEASE SUPPORT GOOD SAMS You can donate to Good Sams once - or on a monthly basis.

HOW TO DONATE: You can support our mission to make our community a wonderful place to live for every family! You can make your donation as a "one time" gift, a recurring weekly or monthly gift, or even donate in memory of someone dear to you. You can even donate on behalf of someone you love.

https://saintlukeslidell.org/donategoodsams

9 SAINT LUKE SERVES

To contact an organization below, contact KAY GUARD, our Parishioner Liaison, at 985-641-6429 ext. 207 SAINT LUKE LEADER PORTAL: WWW.SAINTLUKESLIDELL.ORG/MINISTRYPORTAL

LITURGY + SACRAMENTS

- + SACRED SERVERS assist priest in the sanctuary for the Mass and other liturgical functions. Contact: Dave Vedros or Kay Guard
- + COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND Contact: Mimi Fritchie
- + COMMUNION FOR THOSE IN HOSPITAL/NURSING FACILITIES Contact: Kay Guard
- + ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND RETREATS: www.neworleans.engagedencounter.com Contact: Chris and Stacey Hebert
- + READERS + EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION serve the Holy Mass. Contact: Kay Guard
- + USHERS assist families coming to worship at Saint Luke. Contact: Gene Bellisario
- + IS GOD CALLING YOU TO RELIGIOUS LIFE? INTERESTED IN BEING A DEACON OR PRIEST? Contact: Pastor's Office.
- + WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH OR WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC? Contact: Tressie Karl

PRAYER

- + BIBLE STUDIES are available throughout the year. Contact: Mandi Troyani, FIRE Coordinator
- + ENDOW empowers Catholic women to live out their feminine genius through friendship and prayer. Contact: Pastor's Office
- + **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** grows our love for Jesus. To take an hour: <u>www.stluke.weadorehim.com/en</u> Contact: Sylvia Riera
- + LITURGY OF THE HOURS is the rich daily prayer of the Church, every day at 6 am in the Adoration Chapel. Contact: Carl Cucullu
- + LORD TEACH ME TO PRAY is a 3-part series, rooted in Ignatian spirituality. Held throughout the year. Contact: Carol Weiler
- + ST. JOSEPH ALTAR occurs March 19 each year. Volunteers begin preparation in January. Contact: Margaret Long

SUPPORT

- + ANNULMENT INFORMATION is available for Saint Luke parishioners. Contact: Pastor's Office
- + **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT** offers comfort to those who have lost a loved one. 2nd Monday of each month, 6:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes parish, 400 Westchester Place. Contact: Diane St. Germaine at 985-643-4137
- + CANCER SUPPORT is for survivors and caregivers, 1st Wednesday of each month at 7 pm at our FLC. Contact: Cynthia Hingle
- + HALOS SUPPORT GROUP is for those who have lost loved ones to overdose or suicide. 2nd Monday of each month at St. Margaret Mary parish in the Evangelization Building, 1050 Robert Blvd. Contact: Donna Oster at 985-201-2143
- + LUX YOUNG ADULTS offers support and great events for adults (18-39). Contact: Mandi Troyani, FIRE Coordinator
- + LUX YOUTH MINISTRY equips and strengthens young hearts (Grades 4-12). Contact: Mandi Troyani, FIRE Coordinator
- + RETROUVAILLE is for troubled marriages and helps couples reconnect. Contact: Mike and Judy Diedling
- + SAFE ENVIRONMENT is necessary for any work with minors or vulnerable adults at Saint Luke. Contact: Kay Guard
- + SANCTITY OF LIFE GROUP offers support for ProLife programs and services in southeastern Louisiana. Contact: Eileen Bruno
- + **SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB** offers friendship and events for adults (55+), 2nd Wednesday of each month, 1 pm in our FLC Conference Rm. Contact: Donna Gonzales
- + **SUBSTANCE ABUSE MINISTRY** is available for those who want recovery and their families at St. Margaret Mary parish, 1050 Robert Blvd, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7 p.m. in the Evangelization Building. Contact: Dcn. Louis Bauer

SERVICE

- + GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY (please see page 8)
- + KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is a global fraternal service order for Catholic men. Contact: Rick VanArsdale.
 - + FOURTH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS encourage a love of country + the duties of citizenship. Contact: Chuck Sabadie.
- + SLE LADIES CLUB offers friendship for women through service to the parish and prayer. Contact: Sandra Watson.
- + SLE MEN'S CLUB offers opportunities to develop friendships and serve Saint Luke and the community. Contact: Neil Otillio
- + SLE MULTICULTURAL COMMITTEE is a social outreach organization that welcomes anyone interested in learning about other cultures and races and who would like to make Saint Luke a welcoming community for everyone. Contact: Kay Guard
- + SLE SAFETY helps assure a secure campus. Contact: Darryl Stoltz
- + SLE WELCOMING COMMITTEE visits and calls new parishioners to help them connect with the parish. Contact: Charlene Stein



GREAT THINGS TO COME

CALENDAR 10

MON - FRI, 1st SAT	8 am	Rosary and Novena	Church
Sunday, AUG 20	5:00 pm	Challenge/Conquest	Rm. 6 - courtyard
	7:00 pm	LUX Youth	Youth Center
	8:00 pm	Teen Adoration	Adoration Chapel
Monday, AUG 21	9:30 am	Altar Society meets to make the Church beautiful!	Church
	11:00 am	Intercessory Prayer Group	Adoration Chapel
	6:00 pm	Ministry/Organization Leaders Meeting	Rm. 4 - courtyard
Tuesday, AUG 22	9:30 am	Ranger Rosary	Rm. 3 - courtyard
Wednesday, AUG 23	6:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Church
	7:00 pm	Men's Club	FLC Auditorium
OUR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED SEPTEMBER 4 FOR LABOR DAY			LABOR DAY

LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY SPIRITUAL JORNEYS WITH ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

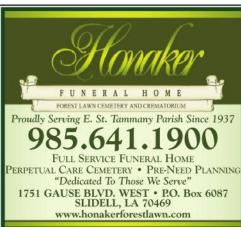
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TUE AM SESSION	TUE PM SESSION	TUE AM SESSION	WED AM SESSION	PM SESSION
10 am 131A Cross Creek	7 pm SLE Rm 1/Conf Call	10 am 59505 Neslo Rd	9:30 am 6 Log Cabin Ln	12:30 pm
Donna Robin, Kimberly	Lynn Boudreaux	Reid Noble, Janice Roper	(Pearl River)	Stephanie Guillot,
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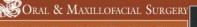
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