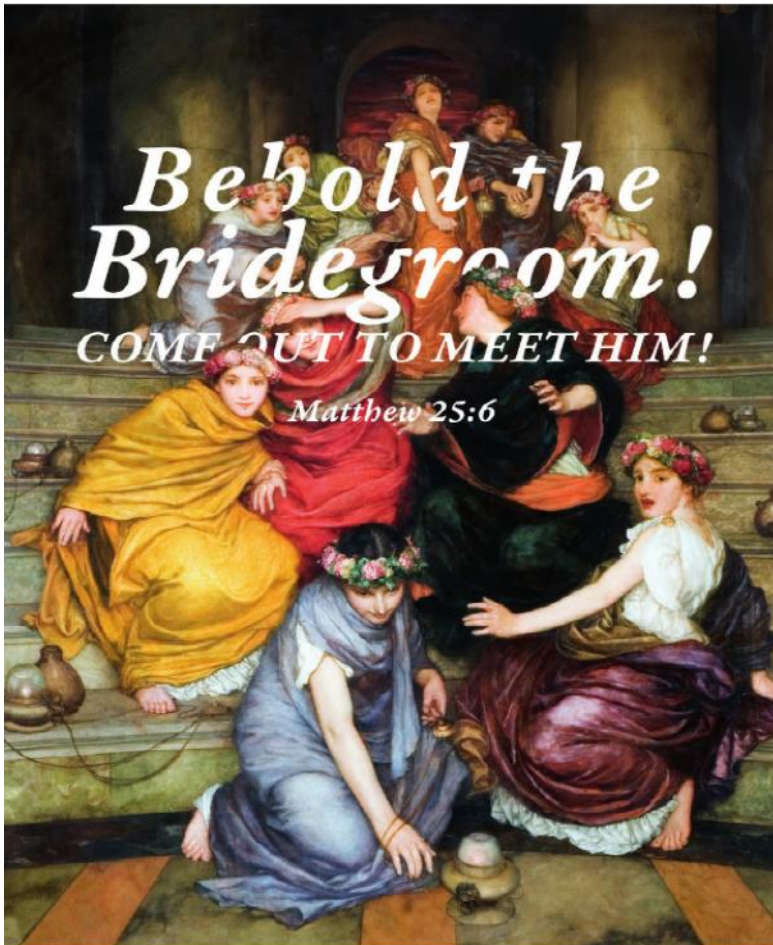




SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

November 12, 2023

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Of all the words that the Lord uses to express His relationship with His people, *Bridegroom* is the most persistent. He refers to His faithfulness in terms of the love of a groom for his bride, or in painful times, our unfaithfulness in terms of the betrayal of a bride of her groom. The readings this week invite us to become the worthy bride awaiting the coming of the Bridegroom with a light in our hearts.

In the first reading, God calls us to see that Wisdom is the initial step to *prudence*, a virtue so necessary in relationships. In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that even in our death, God is faithful, and in the Gospel, Jesus tells us the parable of the bridesmaids - who like us - are caught sometimes unprepared to receive the Bridegroom when He comes.



Jesus wants a faithful, loving relationship with us. This week, take a look at the reading from the Book of Wisdom, and ask what you can do to prepare your heart for the coming of Jesus and to develop prudence in your daily decisions.

Welcome to Saint Luke!

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DAILY

MON | TUE | THU | FRI 8:45 am

WED 6:00 AM | 8:45 AM

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

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
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1 ABOUT YOUR PARISH

Your Clergy



WELCOME HOME

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Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



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

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SAINT LUKE IS A PARISH ON FIRE!

Our parish has 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 by pastoral/finance council

Request capital campaign account be opened + approved

Feb. 2023

Interviewed then hired architects + consultants

Gathered steering committee + discussed options

Input/Listening Sessions

Q & A document

Surveys begin

Interviews with top FY2022 donors

Completed Feasibility Report shared with parish

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FROM YOUR PASTOR 2

Hey, Saint Luke Family!

Advent is fast approaching. When I was a kid, I used to look forward to the Christmas season — what little kid doesn't, right?! — but now, as St. Paul says, I have put aside the thoughts of childhood and look at the world and my life with the anticipation of a greater Christmas... the arrival of Christ in my heart, in my life, and, in His generosity, into my world. Don't skip Advent in your rush to Christmas — there's a lot to be learned in this beautiful season of ever-growing wisdom — and its reflection on *prudence*.

Prudence is an often overlooked virtue in the discernment process. Of the four cardinal virtues (prudence, temperance, fortitude, and justice), *prudence* is the one most often misunderstood. Prudence, according to the Catechism, is "the virtue that disposes practical reason to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it" [CCC 1806]. Prudence is being aware of who you are and *Whose you are*, and choosing to make decisions about the best way to give what is due to God and what is due to others. In this day and age of "you be you," *prudence* is the better advice: "Be careful not to lose sight of how much God loves you and then choose the road that allows you to love others in the way He has loved you."

The parable in the Gospel this weekend reminds us that relationship takes work. If you're a wife or a husband, you know better than anyone how easy it is to get distracted from the focus of our lives. A husband or a wife can get lost in the weeds of "the project at work," or "the kids' sports," or "dinner at the in-laws," or "the mountain of bills or laundry," or "the football game," or "one more scroll through social media," or ... You only meant to spend an hour on whatever it was, and the next thing you know, it's been three weeks since you had a meaningful conversation together. The beautiful bride that made her groom cry because of her loveliness, now never gets seen past his game time with the guys. The groom whose gaze made his bride see her incredible worth, now can't get past her wall of screens. Sometimes, the biggest — and worst — decisions we make are the decisions that never get made at all.

Love gets lost when we lose focus.

Jesus says to us, "*I am the Bridegroom*." The Church is the Bride. What happens when the bride loses focus of her Bridegroom? Where is her identity, then? Where is her worthiness, then? The things we focus on are the things we value. We put our hearts, our minds, our strength, our souls on the things that we think are worthy, and if we're not careful — if we lose the virtue of prudence — we'll lose the light that guides us to the Lord — and the people — that will be the focus of our regrets as we lay on our deathbeds.

They say that home is where the heart is. But if we're doing it right, though, it should be, **THE ONE** in my home is where my heart should be. The bride in your home is where your heart should be. The groom in your home is where your heart should be.

The Bridegroom in our Church is where your heart should be.

The Lord waits patiently to be the center focus of our lives, He from Whom all good things come. Of all the things that make us a parish family, our worship should be the focus of everything we do on this campus. This Advent, dream of what this church ought to be — and who we ought to be as Church.

This Advent, welcome the Bridegroom home and discover the love that welcomes you here.

To Jesus through Mary, in union with St. Joseph,
Your Pastor,

Fr. Jared

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
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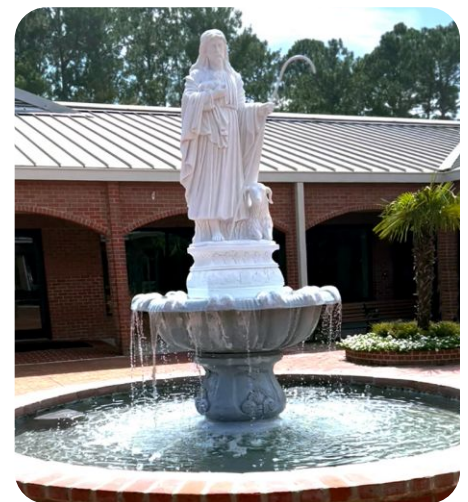
MARRIAGE

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

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3 LITURGY READINGS + MUSIC

MUSIC

ENTRANCE: LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING (#641)

1: Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us your humble dwelling;
All your faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, source of all compassion,
Love unbounded love all pure;
Visit us with your salvation;
Let your love in us endure.

2: Come, Almighty, to deliver;
Let us all your life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore your temples leave.
You we would be always blessing,
Serve you as your hosts above,
Pray, and praise you without ceasing,
Glory in your precious love.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R. My soul is thirsting for you,
O Lord my God.**

OFFERTORY: YOUR WORDS ARE SPIRIT AND LIFE

Refrain:

*Your words are spirit and life, O Lord:
richer than gold, stronger than death.
Your words are spirit and life, O Lord;
life everlasting.*

1: God's law is perfect, refreshing the soul,
reviving the weary spirit.
God's rule can be trusted: bringing us wisdom,
bringing God's wisdom to birth.

2: God's precepts keep us; their purpose is
right. They gladden the hearts of people.
God's command is so clear it brings us new
vision; bringing God's light to our eyes.

3: Living by God's truth is holy and sure;
God's presence is everlasting.
God's truth is eternal, bringing us justice;
bringing God's justice to earth.

4: God's word is precious, desired more than
gold; worth more than we dare imagine
and, sweeter than honey, this word will feed
us, bringing fulfillment and joy.

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READING 1: Wis 6:12-16

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom,
and she is readily perceived by those who love her,
and found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire;
whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed,
for he shall find her sitting by his gate.
For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence,
and whoever for her sake keeps vigil
shall quickly be free from care;
because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her,
and graciously appears to them in the ways,
and meets them with all solicitude.

READING 2: 1 Thes 4:13-18

[We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters,
about those who have fallen asleep,
so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope.
For if we believe that Jesus died and rose,
so too will God, through Jesus,
bring with him those who have fallen asleep.]
Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord,
that we who are alive,
who are left until the coming of the Lord,
will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep.
For the Lord himself, with a word of command,
with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God,
will come down from heaven,
and the dead in Christ will rise first.
Then we who are alive, who are left,
will be caught up together with them in the clouds
to meet the Lord in the air.
Thus we shall always be with the Lord.
Therefore, console one another with these words.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

POPE FRANCIS: For the Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to
accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit..

FATHER JARED: For the Pastor and Parochial Vicar

Please pray for us and we try to serve God and care for His people in our parish,
teach and spread the Gospel, and provide worthily the sacraments necessary for
the pursuit of holiness.

LITURGY READINGS + MUSIC 4

GOSPEL: Mt 25:1-13

Jesus told his disciples this parable:
"The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins
who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.
Five of them were foolish and five were wise.
The foolish ones, when taking their lamps,
brought no oil with them,
but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps.
Since the bridegroom was long delayed,
they all became drowsy and fell asleep.
At midnight, there was a cry,
'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!'
Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps.
The foolish ones said to the wise,
'Give us some of your oil,
for our lamps are going out.'
But the wise ones replied,
'No, for there may not be enough for us and you.
Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.'
While they went off to buy it,
the bridegroom came
and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him.
Then the door was locked.
Afterwards the other virgins came and said,
'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!'
But he said in reply,
'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'
Therefore, stay awake,
for you know neither the day nor the hour."

MUSIC

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

*"The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose,
near restful waters he leads me."*

COMMUNION: THE SUPPER OF THE LORD

Refrain:

*Precious body, precious blood,
seen as bread and wine;
here the Lord prepares the feast divine.
Bread of love is broken now,
cup of life is poured:
come, share the supper of the Lord.*

1: This is the bread of God
coming down from heav'n,
giving life to us, to all the world.

2: "I am the living spring
of eternal life;
you that drink from me shall not thirst again."

3: "I am the bread of heav'n
giving life to you;
you that eat this bread shall never die."

4: "All those who feed on me
have their life in me,
as I have my life in the living God."

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5 DAILY LITURGY + INTENTIONS

MUSIC

SENDING FORTH: BE THOU MY VISION

1: Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art: Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2: Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord: Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023

5:00 pm Phyl Trahan (INT); Dcn. Ron LeBlanc; Patrick Flanagan; Ruby DiMarco; Charles C. Johnson; Palmer Baker; Alex & Jenn Baker (INT); Noel Caruso; Holy Souls in Purgatory; Dominic Hoc Tran; Craig Taffaro, Sr.; Walter "Jimmy" Champagne; Melvin Schiel; Lucille Roberts; Louis Molaison, III; Adeline (Dee) Canada; David Newsome; Michael Paul Palmisano, Jr.; Wayne Arena; Baby Pergola; Michael Pergola; Gertrude Schafer; Joe Thibodeaux (INT); Robert Boos, Sr.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

7:30 am Francis Xavier Thuan Nguyen

9:00 am Gloria Miramon (INT)

11:00 am STL Parishioners (INT)

4:00 pm Gloria Mascaró; Bruce Abney, Sr.; Barry Autin; Marie Tin Nguyen; Theresa Nhan Le; John Jacob; Craig Taffaro, Sr.; Melvin Schiel; Lucille Robert; Edward Monnin; Mary Barbara Hanlon; Gertrude Schafer; Vicki Leleux (INT)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023

8:45 am Fr. David Frank (INT)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

8:45 am Fr. David Frank (INT)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2023

6:00 am The Nguyen Children (INT)

8:45 am Joseph Soileau

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023

8:45 am David Schlumbrecht

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023

8:45 am Isi & Joyce Guillot

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE PLACED THIS WEEKEND FOR

Alice Arostegui

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS BURNING THIS WEEK FOR

Alice Arostegui

THE ADORATION CHAPEL LIGHT IS BURNING THIS WEEK FOR

Annie Verzwylt (INT)

MONDAY

Wis 1:1-7, Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10, R. v.24b, Lk 17:1-6

Entrance Antiphon:

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number of the prudent, who went forth with lighted lamp to meet Christ.

Responsorial Psalm:

Guide me, Lord, along the everlasting way.

Communion Antiphon:

Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; come out to meet Christ the Lord.

TUESDAY

Wis 2:23-3:9, Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, R. v.2a, Lk 17:7-10

Entrance Antiphon:

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

I will bless the Lord at all times.

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

WEDNESDAY

Wis 6:1-11, Ps 82:3-4, 6-7, R. v.8a, Lk 17:11-19

Entrance Antiphon:

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Rise up, O God, bring judgment to the earth.

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

THURSDAY

Wis 7:22b-8:1, Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175, R. v.89a, Lk 17:20-25

Entrance Antiphon:

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Your word is for ever, O Lord.

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

FRIDAY

Wis 13:1-9, Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab, R. v.2a, Lk 17:26-37

Entrance Antiphon:

Come, you blessed of my Father, says the Lord: I was sick, and you visited me. Amen, I say to you: Whatever you did for one of the least of my brethren you did it for me.

Responsorial Psalm:

The heavens proclaim the glory of God.

Communion Antiphon:

Greater love has no one than to lay down his life for his friends.

FAITH FORMATION 6

A GUIDE TO GROWING IN GRATITUDE By Emily Jaminet

If you are like me, it is easy to forget how “God provides” if you are too focused on others’ blessings. We live in a culture that incessantly prompts us to want more and more of what others have – and INSTANTLY!

Temptations are thrown in our path relentlessly and we are provided many opportunities to lose perspective on our blessings, to want more, and to forget that what the Lord has given us is more than adequate. As a Christian, living a life rooted in gratitude is essential to growing in our faith. For example, when we plug into the internet we need to be well aware of ourselves and our own deadly pitfalls that lead us to personal sin. How is it that in just a few short minutes we can lose our grounding and perspective? It is easy to fall quickly into being jealous of others’ blessings whenever it is something we ourselves desire. We may find ourselves coveting, desiring, wanting, or believing that just maybe we SHOULD have those blessings ... possibly even have our neighbor’s life! Keep your mind in a grateful and thankful mode and avoid these near occasions of sin.

IT IS EASY TO FALL QUICKLY INTO BEING JEALOUS OF OTHERS’ BLESSINGS

Now more than ever, thanks to social media, we can view every single blessing of another person’s life in a flash from vacations, talents, summer camps, family life, and even what others are cooking or eating out for dinner! Social media is a tool for sharing but also a dragon well worth taming so you are not tempted to become jealous of another’s blessings. Keep a healthy perspective on your life and the life of others! Remember, life isn’t perfect on the other side of the screen and, instead, learn to cultivate gratitude in your heart so you can discover true Christian joy.

SIMPLE STEPS TO GROW IN GRATITUDE!

Prayer impacts our perspective! If you are struggling with being grateful, take this matter to your prayer time! Ask the Lord for more graces to accept each moment of your life, as it is, and to overcome whatever is holding you back from being grateful.

SURROUND YOURSELF WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE GRATEFUL FOR LIFE

Gratitude is an important virtue and flows from humility. “If souls are humble, they will be moved to give thanks,” St. Teresa of Ávila said. We need to overcome the desire to be “Pinterest-perfect” or to believe that this type of perfection will bring us happiness!

MATERIALISM FUELS OUR INGRATITUDE

Our culture and greed often lead us into a vicious circle of materialism: The more we get, the more we want. Materialism leads to the “give me” mindset in which “stuff” fills the void of our hearts. It is important to focus on the non-material world where we share our thanks with words of affirmation, kind deeds, and prayers of thanksgiving. This is especially true with raising children. In fact, we do not always need to “reward” them with things, but instead we can affirm them and their dignity as children of God. Consider praying before making a big purchase or a spontaneous one. Decide whether this item will bring me or my family lasting joy: Will it end up in the trash can within a week? Instead, reward with experiences,

be purposeful on how you express your love for others, and avoid the trap that materialism leads to happiness.

A MAJOR OBSTACLE TO BEING GRATEFUL OR GROWING IN THIS VIRTUE IS REFUSING TO FORGIVE

When we refuse to forgive it leads us to grow in hard-heartedness. Consider forgiving those who have hurt you or robbed you of your joy. Seek to mend that relationship. When we seek out to strengthen our relationships with others, we grow closer to Christ. In the meantime, we grow in gratitude.

WORRY AND ANXIETY CAN ALSO LEAD US AWAY FROM BEING GRATEFUL

There is a direct link between screen time and anxiety, especially with our teens. St. Paul says:

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)

If we are anxious and stressed out, let us take a breather and unplug. Detach and spend some time in nature or go to Eucharistic Adoration for some restful quiet before Jesus.

Let us close with these powerful words by St. John Paul II: *Remember the past with gratitude ... live the present with enthusiasm and ... look forward to the future with confidence.* (Novo Millennio Ineunte, At the Beginning of the New Millennium, 1)

When we look to the past with gratitude it not only creates beautiful memories but helps us navigate our life.



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7 PARISH LIFE + ARCHDIOCESE

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:

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

WE NEED ADORATION CHAPEL ADORERS ESPECIALLY IN THE NIGHT HOURS!

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!

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY: Special Collections

November 19, 2023
Catholic Campaign for Human Development

December 10, 2023
Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal

TRAINING FOR NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS!

December 9, 2023 (WS 5)
St. Ann Church
3601 Transcontinental Dr
Metairie, LA
9 am - 1 pm
Presenter: Fr. Nile Gross

FIRE night
is **DECEMBER 3** at 5 pm
in the FLC.

BLAZE night is this Sunday,
NOVEMBER 12
at 5 pm in the FLC.

RANGER ROSARY FUNDRAISER

November 11 + 12

Ranger Rosaries are handmade rosaries made of paracord and plastic to the specifications of the US military so that our servicemen and women can carry them in their uniforms as they travel and serve in combat. Please support this crucial ministry! The money will be used to buy supplies and pay for shipping to get these rosaries where they are most needed.

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Second Wednesday
of each Month

It's always more fun with friends - and these friends share all the fun and faith of great parties, trips to local sights, games, and terrific meals! Come join the Senior Citizens Club of St. Luke. These wonderful men and women are still contributing fun and faith to our parish community - and the Slidell and Pearl River area every single day. They meet on the SECOND Wednesday of the month from August to May. Want more information? Call our office!

REDBIRD MINISTRY FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

Repeats every second Thursday
of the month

If you have lost a child from miscarriage, stillborn, infancy, young child or adult child please join us at Our Lady of the Lake Church, Mandeville at 6:30pm on the second Thursday of every month in the cafeteria. Grandparents are also welcome. For more information contact Jewell Bayhi at jbayhi@arch-no.org.

LADIES CLUB ANNUAL BAKE SALE

November 18 - 19 | after all Masses

Please support the Ladies Club by purchasing deliciousness that includes homemade cakes and brownies

SENIOR CITIZENS THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to cook 35 turkeys for the LUX Youth Ministry annual Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Luncheon. Cooked turkeys should be brought to the FLC on Monday, November 20, 2023. Your help is greatly appreciated. To pledge your help, call Mandi at 985-641-6572 or email her at youth@saintlukeslidell.org.

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS: A MORNING OF REFLECTION ON COPING WITH GRIEF

November 15, 2023 | 9 am - 12 pm

During the holidays, feelings of grief can seem fresh, even if a loved one died years ago. Join Mrs. Jewell Bayhi, Coordinator of Grief Ministry for the Archdiocese of New Orleans. At The Cenacle on the Lake, 5500 St. Mary St, Metairie.

CONQUEST/CHALLENGE: FUN AND FAITH FOR KIDS AND THEIR PARENTS

Once a month on Sundays
Family Life Center

CONQUEST and CHALLENGE are youth programs that have proven to be successful in forming young men and women with a deeper faith. We're looking to form a group for boys and their dads and girls and their moms. The groups provide an opportunity for boys and girls to grow in knowledge and love for their Catholic faith, so as to know and love:

- CHRIST with real friendship
- CHURCH + POPE with loyalty
- MARY as a son or daughter
- All PERSONS with charity + respect

There is a structured, flexible and very fun curriculum, with themes following the Church seasons. Service projects help young kids to be creative and make the Church their own. The projects are imagined and put into place by the kids with help from the grown ups. This enhances the opportunity for small group mentoring & peer ministry. To learn more, call our office and ask for Jaimé or Fred!



PARISH LIFE + ARCHDIOCESE 8

The Pregnancy Help Center needs for November are:
New Electric Breast Pumps; Baby Formula – Similac Neosure and Sensitive; New or gently used Boy and Girl summer outfits for Newborn, 6-9 month and 12-month sizes; Girl and Boy 6-9 month and 12-month onesies; boy 6-12month size shorts; Girl summer 12-month size sleepers; Maternity clothes – XL and Plus sizes only.

The Pregnancy Center also has a Giving Life Memorial honoring the life-giving work of beloved fellow staff member and co-laborer, Eileen Bruno, using the funds for limited emergency needs to help Moms in Need.
<https://crisispregnancyhelp.org/pregnancy-help-slidell-donate>

SENIOR CITIZENS THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

Registration for Senior Citizens begins Wed. Nov. 1
Senior Citizens should call our office at 985-641-6429 or visit our website at www.saintlukeslidell.org/thanksgiving

Our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon to bless our senior citizens is sponsored every year by our awesome LUX Youth Ministry who prepare, decorate, and host the event. They are in huge need of kind volunteers to donate and cook turkeys for the event, and the youth of our parish to volunteer to participate (great for school service hours!) Call Mandi at 985-641-6572 or email her at youth @ saintlukeslidell.org.

THAT MAN IS YOU on TUESDAY!

Tuesdays 6 am - 7:30 am
FLC Conference Room

Men, mark your calendars! That Man is You combines Scripture, solid research, and laughter to address the pressures and temptations facing men in our modern culture. The group forms authentic leaders capable of transforming their lives and our society and allows you to make friendships that last. We schedule the group at 6 am in the FLC so it doesn't interfere with your busy life and work schedule and even get you a quick breakfast to start your day off right. For more information, visit our website. We are also looking for wives to pray for the guys as they meet, and donations to support the ministry. The group is open to men 18 and older. Want to know more? Visit our website www.saintlukeslidell.org/tmiy

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RADIO/MEDIA IS LOOKING FOR AMBASSADORS

Ambassadors volunteer to help promote events and programming updates for Catholic Community Media (CCM) to their parishes, schools, or organizations by handing out bumper stickers, prayer cards, and schedules which CCM supplies for others to learn more about 690 AM/101.5 and about how to download their mobile app available by searching in your App Store for "Catholic Community Radio." (You can also listen at ccradio.live.) To register as a CCM Ambassador, visit their website and click "Become an Ambassador." Fill out a form with the name of your organization. To reach out directly about the Ambassador program or if you know someone who wants to become one, email Andy Shinskie at ashinskie@catholiccommunityradio.org.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ADULT SERVER

All men interested in becoming an adult server at Mass are invited to attend the first practice in the church on Monday, **December 4th @ 6 p.m.** There will be a practice at a later date of any women interested in becoming sacristans.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

DATE: 10-30-23 to 11-3-23

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

600 Corn Bread Mix	300 Cans of Pumpkin (16 oz)
300 Cans of Sweet Potatoes (29 oz)	300 Cans of Cranberry Sauce (jellied or whole berry)
300 Boxes of Mashed or Scalloped Potatoes	600 Packets of Turkey Gravy Mix
300 Boxes of Turkey Stuffing	Chef Boyardee (15oz can)
Jelly (19oz+)	Peanut butter (18oz+)
Beans (15 oz. can)	Cookies (36 ct. 13 oz. +)
Mixed fruit (15 oz. can)	Pancake Mix (1lb box)
Pancake Syrup (20oz+)	Spaghetti Sauce (24 oz. can)
Diapers (Sz 2,3,4)	Baby wipes
Deodorant (1.5oz)	Disposable razors
Shampoo (12oz+)	Toothbrushes
Mashed Potatoes (Box or Pouch)	Disposable Razors
Toothpaste (6oz tube)	Baby Wipes (size 3,4,5)
	Mac & Cheese (7.25 oz. Box)

GREEN = THANKSGIVING DONATIONS ARE NEEDED BY SAT, NOVEMBER 18!

Because of your generosity, we were able to provide:

Food for 21 families	ID for 2 clients
Utilities for 12 families	SNAP for 9 clients
Dental for 1 client	Optical for 2 clients
Clothing for 4 clients	Rent/Housing for 4 families
Gas voucher for 3 clients	Baby Formula/Diapers for
Referrals to other agencies for 19 clients	5 families

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>

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY AT GIVING.PARISHSOFT.COM/APP/GIVING/STL910273

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
- + **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** grows our love for Jesus. To take an hour: www.stluke.weadorehim.com/en 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.
- + **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 Otilio
- + **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



CALENDAR 10

GREAT THINGS TO COME

MON - FRI, 1st SAT	8 am	Rosary and Novena	Church
Sunday, NOV 12	9:00 am	Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion	At Mass
	5:00 pm	BLAZE night!	Full Campus
	8:00 pm	Teen Adoration	Adoration Chapel
Monday, NOV 13	9:15 am	Altar Society meets to make the Church beautiful!	Church
	11:00 am	Intercessory Prayer Group	Adoration Chapel
	12:30 pm	Lord, Teach Me to Pray (women)	Rm. 2 - courtyard
	7:00 pm	Multicultural Committee	FLC Conference Rm
Tuesday, NOV 14	9:30 am	Ranger Rosary	Rm. 1 - courtyard
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir	Church
	7:00 pm	Lord, Teach Me to Pray (Women)	Rm. 4 - courtyard
	7:00 pm	Lord, Teach Me to Pray (Men)	Rm. 6 - courtyard
Wednesday, NOV 15	9:30 am	Ladies Club Meeting	FLC Conference Rm
	6:15 pm	Liturgical Choir Rehearsal	Church
	7:15 pm	Christmas Choir Rehearsal	Church
	7:00 pm	Men's Club	FLC Auditorium
	7:00 pm	Lord, Teach Me to Pray (Men)	Rm. 3 - courtyard
Thursday, NOV 16			

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