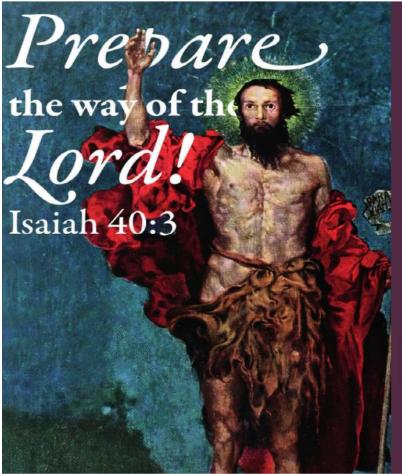
SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent



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Comfort My People! So rarely do we remember that the commands of the Lord to embrace faith, hope, and charity are not for a time past, but for us NOW.

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah shouts out to God's people that the job of mercy is ours! In the second reading, St. Paul asks us to be the kind of people who embrace the "crazy" idea that our God transforms people who live out the mercy and compassion Isaiah spoke of, and in the Gospel, we meet the greatest of the prophets, St. John the Baptist, who everyone thought was "crazy" for proclaiming a message of HOPE!



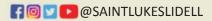
Advent is a time for going a little "crazy" and kicking off the established "normal" of selfishness, greed, and pride. Over the next DPA few weeks, embrace a "crazy" idea - work at a soup kitchen, read the Christmas story in the Gospel of Matthew or Luke with your children every night, or visit a sick neighbor or elderly person you know, so you can prepare the way for the Lord in your own life - BEYOND Christmas.

Welcome to Saint Luke!

CONTACT US 910 Cross Gates Boulevard Slidell, Louisiana 70461 985-641-6429

www.saintlukeslidell.org

OFFICE HOURS 12:30pm-3:30pm Monday Tuesday-Friday | 9:30am-3:30pm



MASS SCHEDULE

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

December 25, 2023 -Holy Day of Obligation: Christmas See page 2 or 7 for Mass Times

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 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

"We attended the Senior Thanksgiving Meal today and it was great! The decorations & table settings were nice and showed a lot of work & planning. The meal preparation was time consuming and well done. The servers were super: courteous, swift, cheerful, and very nice to the more challenged guests. Please know that this is a fine example of how great our youth & adult volunteers are."

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SAINT LUKE IS A PARISH ON FIRE!

FIRE (FAMILY INVOLVED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION) is held once a month on Sundays from 5:00 to 7:00 pm - and always includes dinner! www.saintlukeslidell.org/FIRE

TO MAKE SURE YOU MAKE IT TO MASS ON THE IMPORTANT DAYS OF CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR CHOOSE ONE FROM EACH BOX!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23 5 pm Vigil

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 7:30 AM | 9 AM | 11 AM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 4 PM | 6 PM CHURCH OR FLC CHURCH

Monday, December 25 Midnight | 8 am | 10 am

Beginning

Jun. 2021

Gathering list of all necessary capital expenditures.

Decision to renovate finance council

Request capital be opened + approved

Feb. 2023 by pastoral/ campaign account then hired

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

FROM YOUR PASTOR 2

Hey, Saint Luke Family!

They said that St. John the Baptist was "crazy".

But, if YOU believe that the God who created all of the universe became a Man, was born of a Virgin, was crucified, died, was buried, and rose from the dead, people might think you're "crazy". If you believe in the True Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the world might think you're "crazy." If you love your wife or your husband and refuse to talk badly about her or him, people might think you're "crazy".

If you give up everything to pursue a Love like no other, and become a priest amid so much suffering and so many scandals, people often say you're "crazy".

Crazy.

There was a lot of this kind of "crazy" in St. John the Baptist's family. He had a father who became a priest. His mother believed that God made her a mother when she was barren. He had a cousin who believed an angel who told her that God would send the world a Messiah through her. Her husband believed the angel and married her.

His story is a history of "crazy" ideas that really, if you think about them, aren't crazy at all.

Advent is a time for *embracing* the "crazy" idea that we are loved by a God who is okay with turning the world on its head to offer comfort to His people even if they have done nothing to deserve it. It's the time to ponder "crazy" ideas that the impossible is possible - and that mercy is not only a necessary reality but a living Person who embraced the crazy messy life we live and made it - and us - holy.

Advent is the time to set aside all the things that this world says are "normal" and stand up and cry out with St. John that God is Worthy of our trust, Worthy of our love, and Worthy of our Adoration even if everyone else says we're "crazy". Sing a song of Praise with me, and shout out into the darkness of dapression, heartache, and evil with me that a Baby born in a manger is the Keason to live a life of joy, hope, and charity! Reach out to the poor with me, offer forgiveness with me, bow down before the Lord in the Adoration Chapel with me.

This Advent, let's go a little "crazy."

Let's level the mountains of unbelief, raise up the valleys of sorrow, and proclaim the goodness of God to the world!

Because THIS kind of "crazy" is exactly what this world needs.

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

12 - 18 months

If feasible, Fr. Jared will present to Ärchdiocese

WE ARE HERE Campaign Organization Begins

Fundraising completed

FLC renovation begins

Masses in FLC during church construction Church and courtyard rooms complete

Furnishing + artwork in church

complete

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



First Mass in

new church

3 LITURGY READINGS + MUSIC

MUSIC

ENTRANCE: PREPARE THE WAY

1: Prepare the way, Prepare the way, Prepare the way of the Lord.

2: You are the light of the world, You are the light of the world, You are the light of the world, Jesus.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

OFFERTORY: COMFORT, COMFORT, O MY PEOPLE (#413)

1: Comfort, comfort, O my people, Speak of peace, now says our God. Comfort those who sit in darkness, Mourning under sorrows' load. Speak unto Jerusalem Of the peace that waits for them. Tell of all the sins I cover, And that warfare now is over.

2: Hark, the voice of one who's crying In the desert far and near, Bidding all to full repentance Since the kingdom now is here. Oh, that warning cry obey! Now prepare for God a way! Let the valleys rise to meet him And the hills bow down to greet him.

3: O make straight what long was crooked, Make the rougher places plain.
Let your hearts be true and humble,
As befits his holy reign.
For the glory of the Lord
Now o'er earth is shed abroad.
And all flesh shall see the token
That his word is never broken.

READING 1: Is 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people,

says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the Lord double for all her sins. A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the Lord! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken. Go up onto a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord God, who rules by his strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

READING 2: 2 Pt 3:8-14

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard "delay," but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out. Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE INTENTIONS:

POPE FRANCIS: For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

FATHER JARED: For parish families who are struggling to stay together Please pray for marriages, parents, and children in families where discouragement is prominent, that God may encourage them to find hope in His mercy and that we may be a place of reconciliation and support.

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LITURGY READINGS + MUSIC 4

GOSPEL: Mk 1:1-8

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way. A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."



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MUSIC

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

"Jerusalem arise, and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God."

COMMUNION: O LORD, I AM NOT

- 1: O Lord, I am not worthy That thou should'st come to me; But speak the word of comfort, My spirit healed shall be.
- 2: And humbly I'll receive thee, The Bridegroom of my soul, No more by sin to grieve thee Or fly thy sweet control.
- Eternal Holy Spirit, Unworthy though I be, Prepare me to receive him And trust the Word to me.
- 4: Increase my faith, dear Jesus, In thy real presence here, And make me feel most deeply That thou to me art near.

COMMUNION 2: LIKE A SHEPHERD (#402)

Refrain:

Like a shepherd He feeds His flock and gathers the lambs in His arms, holding them carefully close to His heart, leading them home.

- 1. Say to the cities of Judah: "Prepare the way of the Lord." Go to the mountain top, lift your voice: "Jerusalem, here is your God."
- 2: I myself will shepherd them, for others have led them astray. The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds and pasture them, giving them

PREPARE HIM ROOM

Let every heart, let every heart, prepare him room. Let every heart, let every heart, prepare him room. We're making room. We're making room.

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5 DAILY LITURGY + INTENTIONS

MUSIC

SENDING FORTH: ON JORDAN'S BANK (#418)

1: On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry Announces that the Lord is nigh; Awake and hearken, for he brings Glad tidings of the King of kings. 2: Then cleansed be every soul from sin; Make straight the way of God within, And let each heart prepare a home, Where such a mighty guest may come.

MONDAY

Is 35:1-10, Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14, R. Is 35:4f, Lk 5:17-26

Entrance Antiphon:

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations; declare it to the distant lands: Behold, our Savior will come; you need no longer fear. Responsorial Psalm:

Our God will come to save us!

Communion Antiphon:

Come, O Lord, visit us in peace, that we may rejoice before you with a blameless heart.

TUESDAY- Our Lady of Guadalupe

Zec 2:14-17, Jdt 13:18bcde, 19, R. Jdt 15:9d, Lk 1:26-38

Entrance Antiphon:

A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

Responsorial Psalm:

You are the highest honor of our race. Communion Antiphon:

The Lord has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.

WEDNESDAY

Is 40:25-31, Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10, R. v. 1, Mt 11:28-30

Entrance Antiphon:

Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified for us, powerful in virginity, modesty her offering, a sacrifice on the altar of chastity.

Responsorial Psalm:

O bless the Lord, my soul!

Communion Antiphon:

The Lamb who is at the center of the throne will lead them to the springs of the waters of life behold, the Bridegroom is coming; come out to meet Christ the Lord.

THURSDAY

Is 41:13-20, Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab, R. v.8, Mt 11:11-15

Entrance Antiphon:

May I never boast, except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is gracious and merciful; slow to anger, and of great kindness.

Communion Antiphon:

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord.

FRIDAY

Is 48:17-19, Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6, R. see Jn 8:12, Mt 11:16-19

Entrance Antiphon:

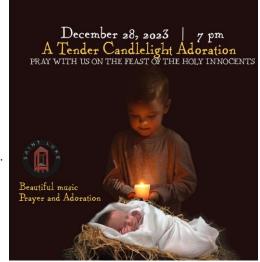
Behold, the Lord will come descending with splendor to visit his people with peace, and he will bestow on them eternal life.

Responsorial Psalm:

Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.

Communion Antiphon:

We await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will change our mortal bodies, to conform with his glorified body.



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023

5:00 pm Patrick Flanagan; Ruby DiMarco; Gary Verzwyvelt; Craig Taffaro, Sr.; Melvin Schiel; Mary Barbara Hanlon; Walter "Jimmy" Champagne; Wayne Arena; Robert Boos, Sr.; Nicholas Walling; Jesse & Regina M; Beatrice Schell; Marjorie "Mart" Markway

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023

7:30 am Marie Gardner

9:00 am Anna Bonnette

11:00 am SLE Parishioners (INT)

4:00 pm John Haslauer; Gloria Mascaro; Maria Tin Nguyen; Theresa Nhan Le; John Jacob; Craig Taffaro, Sr.; Melvin Schiel; Jesse & Regina M; Karen N. Mullins (INT); Elizabeth Strahan; Marjorie "Mart" Markway; Carlos & Deborah Cobette (INT)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2023

8:45 am Alex & Jenn Baker (INT)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023

8:45 am Francis Xavier Thuan Nguyen

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023

6:00 am The Nguyen Children (INT)

8:45 am Cathy Darragh (INT)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2023

8:45 am Fletcher Cochran

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2023

8:45 am Ted & Nancy Dupont

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE PLACED THIS WEEKEND FOR

Fletcher Cochran

THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS BURNING THIS WEEK FOR

Fletcher Cochran

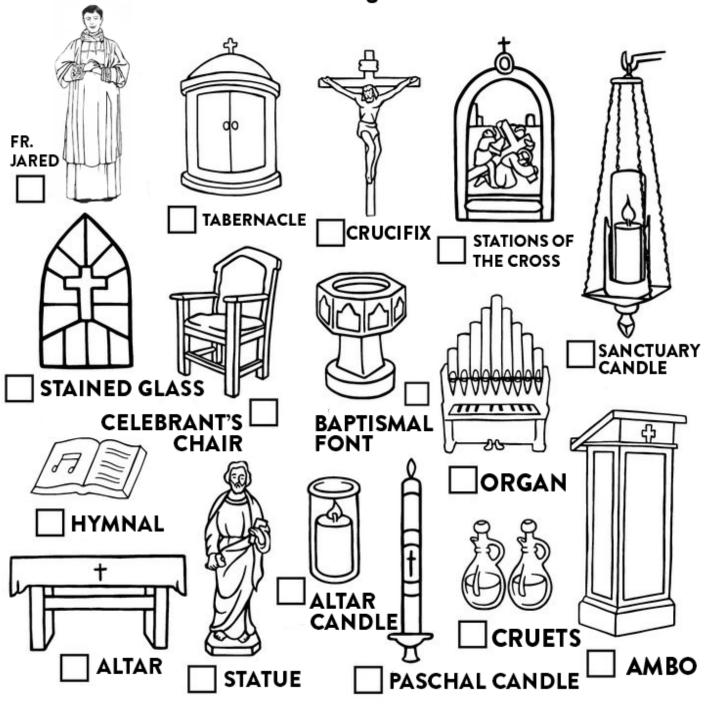
THE ADORATION CHAPEL LIGHT IS BURNING THIS WEEK FOR

Marjorie "Mart" Markway

FAITH FORMATION 6

MY SAINT LUKE MASS SCHOOL SCHOOL SCHOOL SAINT LUKE MASS

The Mass is FULL of signs that Jesus loves us!



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:

12/10/2023 The Gospel of Luke

1/21/2024 New Life 2/18/2024 Love

Living Way of the Cross 3/24/2024

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 www.saintlukeslidell.org click ADORE!

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY: **Special Collections**

December 10, 2023 Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal

PARISHWIDE RECONCILIATION

December 13, 2023 Saint Luke the Evangelist 910 Cross Gates Blvd (C H U R C H) Slidell, LA 5 pm - 6:30 pm

Univrap A Holy Christmas

TO MAKE SURE YOU MAKE IT TO MASS ON THE IMPORTANT DAYS OF CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR, CHOOSE ONE FROM EACH BOX!

> SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23 5 pm Vigil

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 7:30 AM | 9 AM | 11 AM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 4 PM | 6 PM

CHURCH OR FLC CHURCH

Monday, December 25 Midnight | 8 am | 10 am

LADIES CLUB ADVENT WREATHS

Available from Ladies Club members or by ordering at https://saintlukeslidell.org/adventwreath

Get your elegant Advent Wreath from our Ladies Club and help support a wonderful cause. The Ladies Club helps purchase beautiful items for the Liturgy and hosts great events here at Saint Luke! Your support can make a world of difference for our parish.

THANK YOU'S!

The Project Christmas Apostolate would like to thank (1) UNITS for their donation of a pod to store angel gifts and (2) the parishioners of St. Luke for adopting angels and for volunteering hours to make Christmas a special time for our community. The generosity is greatly appreciated!

AND

The Ranger Rosary Apostolate expresses sincerest thanks to all who donated to support the mission of providing rosaries to our brave members of the armed forces.

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. 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

Service projects help young kids to be creative and make the Church their own. To learn more, call our office and ask for Jaimé or Fred!

FAMILY PROMISE RAFFLE!

December 9 + 10 After all Masses

Comunity Room
There are hundreds of families/over 1,000 children living without a home in St. Tammany Family Promise is doing Parish today. everything possible to help these families and children, get back on their feet, emotionally, financially, mentally & spiritually. Please be generous to support this very worthy cause!

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS and CHRISTMAS CONCERT

December 16, 2023 following vigil Mass - 6:30 pm

Saint Luke turns on the Christmas lights and celebrates the birth of our Savior with an amazing Christmas concert to support our Music Ministry! Knights of Columbus host cookies, hot chocolate, and caroling among the lights in the courtyard!

REMINDER!

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE RESERVED ADORATION CHAPEL PARKING SPOTS

IF YOU ARE NOT AT ADORATION.

WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOU HONORING THE RESERVED PARKING SO THAT ADORERS WITH DISABILITIES CAN PARK NEAR THE CHAPEL.

PARISH LIFE + ARCHDIOCESE 8

Pregnancy Help Center December needs: 1) Lactation and Nursing needs – New electric breast pumps, 2) Baby shampoo, wash, and lotion, 3) Boys receiving blankets, 4) Girls winter outfits and sleepers – 12 months, 5) Gas cards of any amount; used to provide gas for travel for doctor's visits in and out of the local area, 6) Wal-Mart gift cards; \$15 - \$25 value; used for food or other basic needs, and 7) Prayers for mothers and families serviced by the PHC Staff

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

2024 MASS INTENTION BOOK IS OPEN

Our new Mass intention book is open for a six month period (January 1 - June 30). To make certain that everyone has the opportunity to request a single name Mass intention, there are some guidelines per Father Jared:

1. If you are requesting a Mass intention where only one name appears in the intention, there is a limit of 3 requests per visit.

If you have additional names, they will be posted for a multiple Mass intention date which allows more than one name to be listed. Those are Saturday Vigil Masses at 5pm and alternating Sunday Masses 9 am and 4 pm.



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

DATE: 11-13-23 to 11-17-23

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

Beans (15 oz. Can) Cookies (36 ct. 13 oz. +)

Mixed Fruit (15 oz. Can) Pancake Mix (1 lb Box)

Jelly (19 oz. +) Pancake Syrup (20 oz. +)

Peas (15 oz. Can)

Deodorant (1.5 oz +)

Peanut Butter (18 oz. +) Tooth brushes

Spaghetti Sauce (24 oz. Can) Tooth brush caps

Mixed Vegetables (15 oz. Can) Toothpaste (.5 to 1.5 tube)

(travel size)

Baby wipes Diapers (size 6)

Because of your generosity, we were able to provide:

Tent 1 Client Baby Formula/Diapers 9 families

Food for 18 Families

Rent/Housing for 3 Families

Optical for 1 Client

Utilities for 20 families

Shower bag for 2 clients

SNAP for 3 clients

Gas Voucher 2 Families Sleeping bag 1 Client

Referrals to other agencies for 31 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.

Good Sams Ministry benefitted from Amazon Smiles for years, but Amazon has halted that program. they still support charitable wish lists. Good Sams has a wish list includes food, diaper and office products used every day. Should you wish to be a Santa's elf and provide for our basic needs this Christmas, please visit the link. Merry Christmas to all of our supporters!



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: <u>www.neworleans.engagedencounter.com</u> 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.
- + **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 CLUB 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	8:00 am	Rosary and Novena	Church
Sunday, DEC 10	5:00 pm	Teen Bible Study	Youth Center
	5:00 pm	CHALLENGE and CONQUEST for Kids!	Rm. 4+6 - courtyard
	8:00 pm	Teen Adoration	Adoration Chapel
Monday, DEC 11	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 CLUB	FLC Conference Rm
Tuesday, DEC 12	9:30 am	Ranger Rosary	Rm. 1 - courtyard
	6:00 pm	Life in Christ Youth Choir Rehearsal (Gr. 2-8)	Church
	7:00 pm	Lord, Teach Me to Pray (Men)	Rm. 3 - courtyard
	7:00 pm	Lord, Teach Me to Pray (Women)	Rm. 4 - courtyard
Wednesday, DEC 13	5 pm	Advent Parishwide Reconciliation (Confession)	Church
	6:00 pm	Liturgical Choir Rehearsal	Church
	7:00 pm	Lord, Teach Me to Pray (Men)	Rm. 3 - courtyard
	7:00 pm	Lord, Teach Me to Pray (Women)	Rm.
	7:15 pm	Concert Choir Rehearsal	Church
Thursday, DEC 14			
Friday, DEC 15	6:00 pm	Advent Benediction	Church
Saturday, DEC 16	6:30 pm	All Is Well: Annual Christmas Concert	Church

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