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Welcome to St. Luke's at Immaculate Conception.
We are delighted to have you with us.

We are a parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter, which was established on January 1, 2012 by Pope Benedict XVI in response to repeated requests by Anglicans seeking to become Catholic. Ordinariate parishes are fully Catholic while retaining elements of their Anglican heritage and traditions, including liturgical traditions.

MASSES: Sunday—Friday, 8:30 am
CONFESSIONS: Sundays & Wednesdays,
7:45-8:15am

Schedule for Immaculate Conception Church

Fr. Charles Gallagher, Pastor

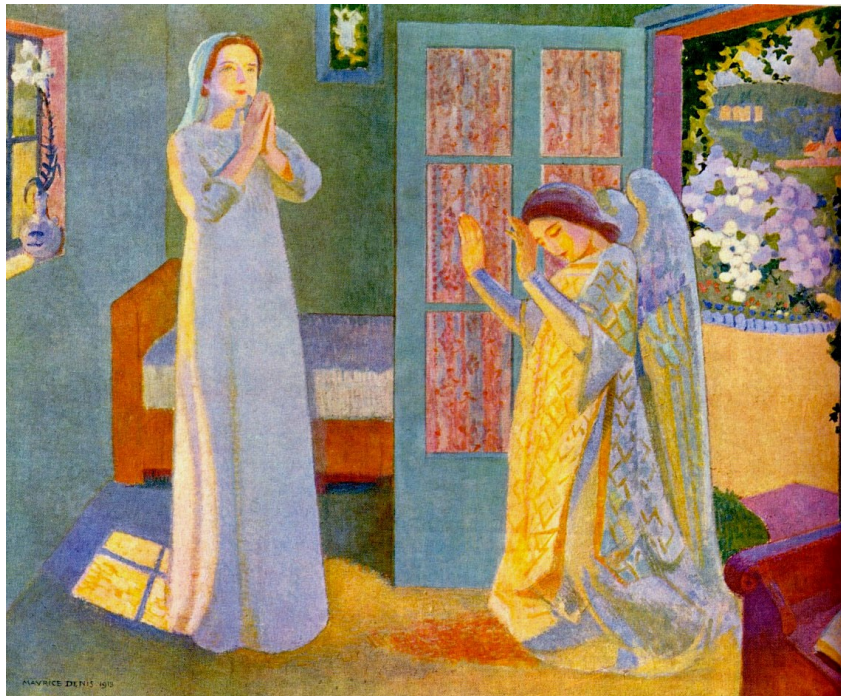
Masses: Weekdays 12:15pm
Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 11am & 6pm

Confessions: Saturday 5pm,
Sunday 10:30am & 5:30pm

THE PERSONAL ORDINARIATE OF
THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER
That we all may be one



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 24, 2017



MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Christmas Day [holyday of obligation]: Mass with Carols, 8:30 am
The Feast of the Holy Family (Sunday, December 31st): Sung Mass
8:30 am

The Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God, Monday, January 1st,
[not a holyday of obligation this year]: Low Mass, 8:30 am

Please note: you cannot fulfil both the Sunday and Christmas obligations in just one Mass. You must attend Mass on Sunday morning and Christmas Eve/Christmas Day.

SUNDAY MORNING ROSARY

Helene Vidal will be leading a recitation of the rosary every Sunday morning before Mass, starting at 8:10 am. Meet her at the front of the church on the Epistle side. [N.B.—A plenary indulgence (under the usual conditions) is granted for the public recitation of five decades of the Rosary. So make a plan to join Helene in this wonderful devotion.]

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THIS WEEK

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26TH

Stephen, the First Martyr

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27TH

John, Apostle and Evangelist

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28TH

Holy Innocents, Martyrs

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29TH

Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

KNOW YOUR FAITH

The Feast of the HOLY INNOCENTS, on December 28th, also called Childermas, commemorates Herod's execution of all young male children in the vicinity of Bethlehem, so as to avoid the loss of his throne to a newborn King of the Jews whose birth had been announced to him by the Magi. According to the Gospel of Matthew, the



massacre is understood as the fulfillment of an Old Testament prophecy: "Then was fulfilled that which was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet, saying, 'A voice is heard in Ramah,

mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because her children are no more.'"

The story's first appearance in any source other than the Gospel of Matthew is in the apocryphal Protoevangelium of James of c.150 AD:

"And when Herod knew that he had been mocked by the Magi, in a rage he sent murderers, saying to them: Slay the children from two years old and under. And Mary, having heard that the children were being killed, was afraid, and took the infant and swaddled Him, and put Him into an ox-stall. And Elizabeth, having heard that they were searching for John, took him and went up into the hill-country, and kept looking where to conceal him. And there was no place of concealment. And Elizabeth, groaning with a loud voice, says: O mountain of God, receive mother and child. And immediately the mountain was cleft, and received her. And a light shone about them, for an angel of the Lord was with them, watching over them."

The first non-Christian reference to the massacre is recorded by Macrobius (c. 395–423), who writes in his Saturnalia:

"When he [emperor Augustus] heard that among the boys in Syria under two years old whom Herod, king of the Jews, had ordered killed, his own son was also killed, he said: it is better to be Herod's pig, than his son."

Purple Insert **PROCESSIONAL** Advent Prose

Missal p.36 **RITE OF SPRINKLING HOLY WATER** *Asperges me* [cream insert]

cantor **INTROIT** *Rorate, caeli* Isaiah 45; 8; Psalm 19: 1

Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and bring forth a Saviour. Ps. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth his handy-work. Glory be....Drop down....

Missal p. 1 **INTRODUCTORY RITES** Collect for Purity & Summary of the Law

all **KYRIE** *Messa a 4 da capella* [Monteverdi]

Missal p.2 **COLLECT**

Raise up, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us: that whereas, though our sins and wickedness, we are sorely hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; who livest and reignest with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

sit **FIRST READING** 2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

When King David dwelt in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies round about, the king said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells in a tent." And Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is in your heart; for the LORD is with you." But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, "Go and tell my servant David, "Thus says the LORD: Would you build me a house to dwell in? I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. I will be his father, and he shall be my son. And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure for ever before me; your throne shall be established for ever."

all **APPOINTED PSALM** Psalm 89: 1-4, 27-29 *Misericordias Domini.*

MY song shall be alway of the loving-kindness | of the | Lord; * with my mouth will I ever be showing thy truth from one gener- | a- tion | to a- | nother.

2 For I have said, Mercy shall be set | up for | ever; * thy truth shalt thou | stablish | in the | heavens.

3 I have made a covenant | with my | chosen; * I have sworn | unto | David · my | servant:

4 Thy seed will I | stablish · for | ever, * and set up thy throne from one gener- | a- tion | to a- | nother.

27 He shall call me, | Thou art · my | Father, * my God, | and my | strong sal- | vation.

28 And I will make | him my | firstborn, * higher | than the | kings of · the | earth.

29 My mercy will I keep for | him for | evermore, * and my covenant | shall stand | fast with | him.

SECOND READING Romans 16: 25-27

Brethren: To him who is able to strengthen you according to my

Gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed and through the prophetic writings is made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God be glory for evermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

cantor **ALLELUIA** *Veni, Domine* [Cf. Habakkuk 3: 3]
stand Alleluia, alleluia. Come, O Lord, and tarry not: forgive the misdeeds of thy people. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 1: 26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end." And Mary said to the angel, "How shall this be, since I have no husband?" And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, your kinswoman Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible." And Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

sit **HOMILY**

Blue insert **THE NICENE CREED** *Anglican Folk Mass* [Shaw]

Missal p.25 **THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

Missal p.5 **THE PENITENTIAL RITE**

cantor **OFFERTORY CHANT** *Deus tu convertens* Psalm 85: 6, 7
sit Wilt thou not turn again, O God, and quicken us: that thy people may rejoice in thee? Show us thy mercy, O Lord; and grant us thy salvation.

Hymnal #2 **OFFERTORY HYMN** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

Missal p.7 **THE OFFERTORY**

Missal p.12 **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER [ROMAN CANON]**

all **SANCTUS** *Messa a 4 da capella* [Monteverdi]

Missal p.19 **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

all **AGNUS DEI** *Messa a 4 da capella* [Monteverdi]

Missal p.20 **THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS**

cantor **COMMUNION** *Ecce, virgo* Isaiah 7: 14
Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son: and his Name shall be called Emmanuel.

choir **COMMUNION ANTHEM** *O Radiant Dawn* [Macmillan]

Missal p.22 **POST COMMUNION PRAYER AND CONCLUDING RITE**

Missal p.35 **THE LAST GOSPEL**

Hymnal #11 **RECESSIONAL** *The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns*

BUILDING FUND MITE BOXES

Help us BUILD OUR FUTURE by participating in the Mite Box Collection, our project to collect spare change for the Building Fund. Don't have a mite box? You can get one from the ushers after mass and start collecting. Bring your offering up at the end of communion on the second Sunday of each month. And you can always just bring up whatever spare change you have in your pocket on the day. No contribution is too small to matter.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Join Fr. John Vidal on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: January 24-February 3, 2018. The 10-day trip will include visits to ·Jerusalem ·Bethlehem ·Nazareth ·Galilee ·Via Crucis ·Last Supper ·Gethsemane ·Dormition ·Nativity Church ·Capernaum ·Dead Sea ·Tel Aviv. Daily Mass at Holy Sites, with 4-Star Hotels, all inclusive with the exception of Lunch. Wine at dinner. Cost from anywhere in the US is \$3,300 per person, double occupancy. For more information contact Fr. John at fatherjohn@alferaz.com or (443) 522-9430. Or check under the Events tab on the parish website.

DC METRO CATHOLIC NEWS

FRANCISCAN MONASTERY:

NATIVITIES OF THE WORLD

Nativities of the World, a collection of more than 150 mostly-handcrafted crèches from around the globe, will be on exhibit at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America, Dec. 2, 2017-Jan. 7, 2018 (daily 9 a.m.-5 p.m.). Many are folk art, created of local materials, such as nuts, tin foil, straw and felt. See the universality of the Catholic faith through the way different cultures express the birth of Christ. The Monastery is at 1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017. Free parking; near Brookland-CUA Metro/H6 bus toward Ft. Lincoln. Information: myfranciscan.org and 202-526-6800.

CATHOLIC BEER CLUB

Are you Catholic? Do you like beer? The Catholic Beer Club may be the place for you! The Club meets monthly at local breweries to drink local beers and chat. To find out the times and places for fellowship and foam, visit catholicbeerclub.com/washington-dc/.

January's Gathering—

Monday, January 15, 2018 [MLK Day], 3pm
Saints Row, Rockville MD

ONLINE GIVING

St. Luke's now provides Online Giving, a safe and convenient way to support St. Luke's.

Getting started is easy—just visit our website and follow the simple instructions.

StLukesOrdinariate.com/online-giving/

Questions or concerns? Contact Susan White at StLukesDCOrdinariate@gmail.com for information or assistance.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Those who have asked for our prayers: Nancy Windsor, Thomas Love, Lynn Love, Dallas Love, JoAnn Lewis, Doris Johnson, J.D. Ruff; and all who are sick and all caregivers who minister to the sick.

Please call or email the office to add a name to the prayer list. **Before calling, please be sure you have spoken to the person [or a member of his family] about adding the name—we do not want to inadvertently disregard someone's desire for privacy.**

Names of those who are sick or injured will be kept on the list for 3 weeks unless you specifically request a shorter period of time or call to ask that the name be removed. Names added this week will appear in **boldface type**.

REQUEST A MASS INTENTION

You are invited to make an offering in honor of a deceased or living loved one, a person's birthday, anniversary, or any another special occasion. These Mass intentions will be offered by Fr. Vidal at our 8:30 am masses. Forms for Mass intentions [as well as mass cards to share your intention] are available on the information table at coffee hour; requests also may be emailed to StLukesDCOrdinariate@gmail.com. The usual Mass stipend is \$10. An offered mass will give both spiritual support for your loved ones and material support to our fledgling parish.

The Mass this morning (and every Sunday morning) is offered for the People of the Parish.



BULLETIN DEADLINE

All bulletin announcements and inserts must be submitted no later than the Monday before the publication date. Submissions should be made by email to StLukesDCOrdinariate@gmail.com.

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

USHERS	Karen King, Charlotte Hays
LECTOR	James Guinivan
COFFEE HOUR HOST	La-Verne Williams
ALTAR SERVERS	Patrick Delaney, David Lewis, Matt Whitehead, Randy King, Patrick Rothwell, Patrick Redmon, Mark Arbeen



THE COVENTRY CAROL [16TH CENTURY]

A carol for the feast of the Holy Innocents

Lully, lulla, thow littell tyne child,
By by, lully, lullay thow littell tyne child,
By by, lully, lullay!

1. O sisters too, how may we do
For to preserve this day
This pore yongling for whom we do singe
By by, lully, lullay?

2. Herod, the king, in his raging,
Chargid he hath this day
His men of might in his owne sight
All yonge children to slay, —

3. That wo is me, pore child, for thee,
And ever morne and may
For thi parting nether say nor singe,
By by, lully, lullay.

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