



ST LUKE'S & ST IGNATIUS

Oxon Hill

22 May 2022



CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9-9:45 am

in the chapel

(in the church on 1st Saturdays)

3:30-4:15 pm

in the church

Tuesday 6:30-7:30 pm

in the church

MASSES

Saturday 4:30 pm [anticipated]

Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am

Daily Mass in the chapel

Monday-Friday at 9 am

Saturday at 10 am

(First Saturdays in the church)

HOLY HOURS

*confessions &
eucharistic adoration
in the church*

Tuesday 6:30-7:30 pm

First Saturday 9 am

(followed by Mass at 10 am)

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PEACE I GIVE YOU

...It is a fact that over 40 million Americans suffer from an anxiety disorder of some kind, and there are no doubt countless others that live with severe anxiety but are undiagnosed. Our current society is one of the most stressed out, fearful, and frantically busy in the history of mankind, with the frenetic pace fueled by technology that never existed before. We may not be at war, and yet we are far from at peace.

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you,” Jesus promised his anxious disciples. But he does not stop there, he adds a caveat: “Not as the world gives do I give to you.” What is the difference between the peace Christ gives and the peace the world gives?

Put simply, the peace of the world is based entirely on circumstances, while the peace of Christ flows from the heart and can exist even in the most painful and chaotic of moments.

Keep in mind that Jesus spoke these words knowing that his disciples would suffer a great deal. He warned them that they would be beaten, arrested, and otherwise persecuted everywhere they went. Not very reassuring. And yet paradoxically, despite these trials that were yet to come, he promised them great peace.

So how are we to find peace in the chaos of life? The answer is simple, though it can be difficult in practice: We must conform our will perfectly to the will of God. In every circumstance, in every trial of life, we must say like Jesus Christ “Thy will be done,” and like Mary, “Be it done unto me according to thy word.” He who embraces God’s will completely and with the whole heart, even though he may not understand it, will remain in perfect peace.

What does this look like practically? First, it means living in the present moment. A great deal of anxiety comes from worrying about the past or the future, neither of which can be changed. Even though we know it is useless, we often expend untold emotional energy worrying. “Do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.” Face the trials of the present moment calmly, entrusting your past and your future to God.

Second, it means accepting the circumstances of life without impatient resistance, realizing that everything is either positively willed or at least allowed by God. This can be incredibly difficult to do in practice, and yet it is the only way to find true peace. Say for example you are driving to work and your tire goes flat. Practically speaking, hours of your day will likely be wasted trying to get the tire fixed. It is a huge annoyance. How could

God wish to ruin my day like this? And yet our anger and impatience accomplishes nothing. Only a humble acceptance of and submission to the will of God revealed in our daily circumstances, even if we hardly understand them, will bring us peace.

Finally, it means trust in the goodness of God. I believe many of us are afraid to completely abandon ourselves to the will of God because we are afraid of what it might mean. We are afraid that God is going to hurt us, and so we hold on to our will, never surrendering it to God. Doing so may give us a temporary illusion of control, but in reality, we are hardly the masters of our fate we like to think. In fact, we are quite helpless to bend the circumstances of our lives to our wishes, as we often experience on a daily basis. True peace can only be found in loving confidence in the goodness of God. God is good and he loves you far more than you can fathom. Trust him with your past, your present and your future. He will not let you down....

For further reading:

Abandonment to Divine Providence by Fr. Jean-Pierre de Caussade, *He Leadeth Me* by Fr. Walter Ciszek, *Searching for and Maintaining Peace: A Small Treatise on Peace of Heart* by Fr. Jacques Philippe



HOW TO FIND PEACE: A LESSON FROM DAILY LIFE by Sam Guzman

December 1, 2014 <https://catholicgentleman.com/2014/12/find-peace-lesson-daily-life/>

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *All who are suffering or sick and all caregivers who minister to the sick:*

Jackie Chancio, Mike Maine, Carollyn Grimm, Mark Mangione, Richard Thompson, Barbara Jo Russell, Marie Norment, Harold Joyce, Levi Harris, Gary Schenk, Joanne Newsom, Anne Marie Whittaker, Greg and Felicia Yohe, Joe Coleman, John Hogan, Danny Hart, Amy Howard, Mary Morehead and family, Curtis Bailey, Leondre Massey, Sister Constance Ward, Mark Anthony Turner, Rachel Fisher, Patricia Ransom, Beverly A. Woods, Kerianna Prather, Cullen Creel, Domingo G., Adrian and Barbara.; M.M., R.M., K.M., C.M., C.A., E.D., E.G., W.B., J.M., H.G., and J.G.

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 suffering will be kept on the list for one month; to keep a name on the list for longer, you must email the parish office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASCENSION THURSDAY

This Thursday is Ascension Thursday. **For members of the Ordinariate [St. Luke's], it is a holyday of obligation.**

Masses will be at 9 am and 7 pm.

The Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord is transferred to a Sunday observance for the members of the Archdiocese of Washington. They are welcome also to join in on the celebration of this solemnity on the traditional Thursday, though they are not obliged to.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENDS NEXT SUNDAY

The close of the Sunday School year will be next Sunday, May 29th. Sunday School classes, which meet each Sunday morning at 9:30 am in the school, will resume next fall.

Enjoy your summer break!

BIBLE STUDY

Fr. David Ousley leads a Bible Study session *every Wednesday at 10 am*. You can join in person in the parish house meeting room, following the 9 am Mass in the chapel. Or join us on Zoom! Email the office for the Zoom link that will be used for every meeting.

WEEKLY EMAILS Would you like to receive weekly email reminders of news and events in the parish?

Contact the office at StLukesDCordinariate@gmail.com to sign up.

THE POOR BOX

The Ladies of Charity support local non-profit agencies for the poor all year round, including the Missionaries of Charity, Christ House, Shepherd's Cove, St. Ann's Center for Children, and Forestville Pregnancy Center. A few dollars in the poor box every week or every month goes a long way toward helping do God's work.

MEMORIAL DAY The office will be closed on Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 21 May

Anticipated Mass for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

4:30 pm pro populo

Sunday, 22 May

The Sixth Sunday of Easter [Rogation Sunday]

8 am James Lawrence +

9:30 am Theresa Koshut [Rebecca Michalco]

11 am Rafael A. Madan

Monday, 23 May

Rogation Day

9 am Joseph Michael Barry +

Tuesday, 24 May

Rogation Day

9 am the needs and intentions of visitors to our parish

Wednesday, 25 May

Rogation Day

Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church

9 am Maria de las Nieves Lopez +

Thursday, 26 May

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD [OCSP]

9 am Paul Michalco +

7 pm pro populo

Friday, 27 May

Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

9 am Patricia Ford +

Saturday, 28 May

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

10 am Jeannette Arechavaleta +

Anticipated Mass for the Ascension, transferred [ADW]

4:30 pm pro populo

Sunday, 29 May

The Seventh Sunday of Easter [OCSP]

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, transferred [ADW]

8 am Graziella Heydrich de Madan +

9:30 am Dawn Chapdelaine +

11 am Arthur Woolley [anniversary commemoration]

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