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THANKSGIVING
OCTOBER 9-18

•EVENSONG AND
BENEDICTION
OCTOBER 9TH,
7PM

•MASS FOR THE
FEAST OF ST. LUKE
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OUR NOVENA OF THANKSGIVING

On October 9, 2011, the pastor and people of St. Luke's Episcopal Church were received into the Catholic Church by Donald Cardinal Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington, on a date chosen because it is the memorial of the Blessed John Henry Newman, one of the great English converts. One year ago, St. Luke's left our original home in Bladensburg, Md., to start our new mission work for the Ordinariate in Washington, D.C., at the historic Immaculate Conception Church. To mark the anniversary of our life in the Church, St. Luke's is observing our first annual Novena of Thanksgiving, nine days of prayer to thank God for our safe arrival in Rome and to beg His favor for the work of our parish in service of the visible unity of the Church. We kick off our novena on October 9 with Evensong and Benediction—offering this precious gift from the treasures of the Anglican patrimony—and conclude on October 18, the Feast of St. Luke, our patron. Monsignor Jeffrey Steenson, the Ordinary of the Personal

Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter, will be with us that Sunday to celebrate our 8:30 am Mass. A potluck brunch will follow the Mass.

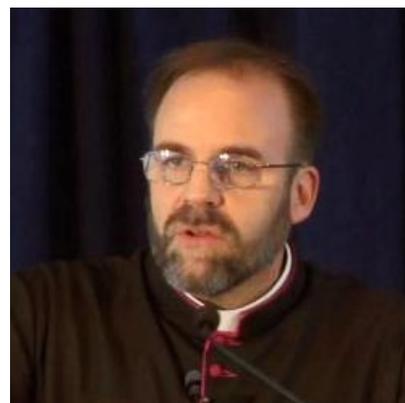


St. Luke's parishioner La-Verne Williams receiving the sacrament of confirmation from Donald Cardinal Wuerl, October 9, 2011.

Our daily novena prayer is included inside this newsletter. Prayer cards with our novena prayer are available. Please join us as we thank the Lord for all He has done for us and will continue to do.

EVENSONG WITH MONSIGNOR POPE

Renowned Catholic blogger and speaker, Monsignor Charles Pope, a priest of the Archdiocese of Washington, will be the preacher at an Evensong and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on October 9 at Immaculate Conception, beginning at 7 pm. Evensong is a much-loved liturgy in the Anglican tradition, and so it is especially fitting that St. Luke's inaugurate our first annual Novena of Thanksgiving (see above) in this manner. The service will be followed by a wine and cheese reception in the school next door. Please join us for this beautiful and solemn form of worship and adoration.



Monsignor Charles Pope

BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN



Cardinal Newman
in winter cappa

The feast day of John Henry Cardinal Newman is not celebrated, as is traditional for saints and blessed, on the anniversary of his death but rather on the day on which he was received into the Catholic Church.

Newman, who had been a leading light of the Church of England, a prolific writer and theologian revered for his intellect and eloquence, was received into the Catholic Church on October 9, 1845, after an often painful theological struggle with Anglicanism. A brilliant young man who had been ordained into the Anglican clergy in 1826, Newman rose to become the most important member of the Oxford Movement, which emphasized the Church of England's debt to the Church Fathers and sought to see the Church of England in the

most Catholic light possible. Newman, however, began to doubt this project and found himself moving towards the Catholic Church. He was such an important figure in nineteenth-century England that his reception into the Church made headlines and earned him the enmity of old friends. Newman was ordained a Catholic priest in 1846 and established the Birmingham Oratory two years later. He was named a cardinal in 1879, with the motto "Cor ad cor loquitur"—"Heart Speaks to Heart." Newman died August 11, 1890. His "Apologia Vita Sua," along with many of his other works, is still read today. Some believe that Newman deserves to be proclaimed a Doctor of the Church. He was beatified in 2010.

"To live
is to change,
and to be
PERFECT
is to have
changed
often."
—Blessed
John Henry
Newman

NOVENA PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Most gracious Lord, whose mercy is over all thy works; we praise thy holy Name that thou hast been pleased to conduct thy servants in safety, though the perils of life's journey, to the haven of thy Holy Catholic Church, the blessed company of all faithful people. We now desire to return our thanks unto thee for thy holy Church, begging thee to confirm and strengthen it in purity of faith, in holiness of life, and in perfectness of love, and to restore to it the witness of visible unity; and more especially

for the gift of the Ordinariate, planted by God, as an instrument of unity, whereof we are members; that in all things it may work according to God's will, serve him faithfully, and worship him acceptably. And may we remain duly sensible of thy merciful providence towards us, and ever express this thankfulness by a holy trust in thee, and obedience to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Luke, pray for us.

Blessed John Henry Newman, pray for us.

To be prayed daily October 9-18



NEW LIFE FOR AN HISTORIC ORGAN

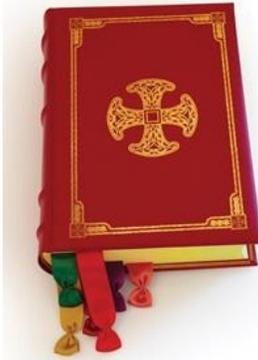
Immaculate Conception is "pulling out all the stops" to celebrate the restoration of its original, 1879 Steer & Turner Tracker organ. There will be a concert Saturday, October 17 at 7 pm and a Mass the next evening, Sunday, October 18, at 6 pm. The Mass will be offered for the repose of the soul of the Rev. Joseph A. Wysocki, former music director at Immaculate Conception.

We congratulate our friends at Immaculate Conception and rejoice that we, too, will enjoy the beautiful music from this magnificent organ. For details on the music that will be performed at the concert and Mass, visit the Immaculate Conception website: ImmaculateConceptionChurchDC.org

THE NEW MISSAL

On the first Sunday of Advent (November 29), Father Lewis will use for the first time our long-awaited new missal. The missal has been years in the making. Its official name is *Divine Worship: The Missal*. An expression of the Anglican liturgical patrimony as maintained within the Catholic Church, the new missal is approved and promulgated by Rome for use in the Personal Ordinariates established under the Apostolic Constitution *Anglicanorum coetibus*. The missal includes texts for the Order of Mass, Proper of Time and Sanctoral cycle with votive, ritual and Masses for the dead. A second compendium of liturgies, *Divine Worship: Occasional Services*, accompanies it and includes rites for Baptism, weddings, funerals, the reception of converts, and other services. According to a report in the publication of the

New Liturgical Movement, the missal “shows a genuine desire to preserve in the Catholic Church the worthy Anglican liturgical patrimony which has nourished the Catholic faith throughout the history of the Anglican tradition and prompted aspirations towards ecclesial unity.”



Although the publication of smaller, personal missals for individuals is still some time in the future, our new missal is truly a landmark event. It will be used in Ordinate parish parishes in the U.K., U.S., Canada, and Australia.

“Learn to do thy part and leave the rest to Heaven.”
—Blessed John Henry Newman

MUSIC THIS MONTH

4 OCTOBER: TRINITY 18

Missa Salve Regina [Christoph Dalitz, 2008]--a modern composition in the 16th c. style
Ave Virgo Sanctissima [Francisco Guerrero, 16th c.]

11 OCTOBER: TRINITY 19

Missa Brevis [Marxer/Rossini]
Recordare, Virgo Mater [Kristinus]

18 OCTOBER: THE FEAST OF ST. LUKE

Missa Aeterna Christi Munera [Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1590]
--a paraphrase mass using the melody of the Gregorian hymn *Aeterna Christi Munera*
Agnus Dei II from the *Missa Aeterna Christi Munera* [Palestrina, 1590]

25 OCTOBER: TRINITY 21

Missa Brevis in D Minor [Antonio Lotti, circa 1685]
Ave Maris Stella [Lorenzo Perosi, early 20th c.]



LESSONS AND CAROLS: SAVE THE DATE

It's not too early to mark your calendar for St. Luke's annual service of Advent Lessons and Carols, Sunday, December 13, at 7:30 pm. Five readings from the Prophets and two from the New Testament are interspersed with hymns and choral offerings from the Anglican patrimony, including Ralph Vaughan Williams' *This is the Truth*, James MacMillan's *O Radiant Dawn* and his 2011 composition *I am Your Mother* (based on the words of Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego), as well as selections from Palestrina and Poulenc.

A reception will follow the service.

Please check our website for more information on upcoming events! StLukesOrdinariate.com

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THAT WE ALL MAY BE ONE

St. Luke's at Immaculate Conception is 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.

FROM THE PASTOR

HOMECOMING

Every fall, high schools and colleges schedule a Homecoming football game; its main purpose is to attract, or bring back those who have graduated from the school in previous years. Homecoming is thus a way for classmates to stay connected, share in their common experience, and show their support for their school.

On Friday October 9, and Sunday October 18, St. Luke's will host its Homecoming. We are choosing two dates because October 9 is the anniversary of St. Luke's becoming a Catholic community; we will celebrate this historic event by hosting Evensong and Benediction (see the cover article). On October 18, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Luke. Msgr. Jeffrey Steenson will be with us to celebrate our Patronal Feast. For those who have become Catholic by way of St. Luke's we owe a great deal of gratitude for

her existence. I would like to invite each of you to come home on the dates mentioned above—come and enjoy a bit of our Anglican patrimony. Our Homecoming events extend far beyond those who became Catholic at St. Luke's—all Catholics who have come from Anglicanism know the joy of coming home to the Catholic Church. I invite all of you, as well as cradle Catholics to join us in celebrating these joyful events.

I hope to see all of you there.

