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MASS SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Anticipation) 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. Sunday

8:15 a.m. Weekdays: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 11:30 a.m. Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5:30 p.m. Weekdays: Monday Through Friday

COMMUNION SERVICE

7:30 a.m. Monday - Saturday

ROSARY

7:45 a.m. Monday - Saturday 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

8:00 a.m. Tue. - Thur., Sat. 4:45 p.m. Monday - Friday

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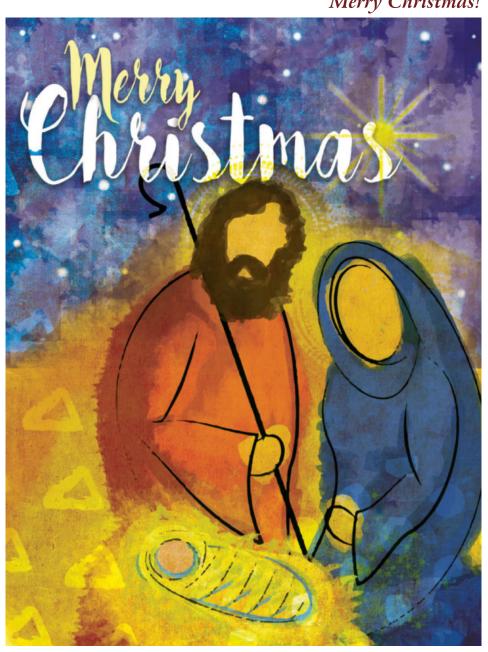
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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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SAINT LUKE SUNDAY STEWARD

Stewardship... Something We Do December 26,2021 Merry Christmas!



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Sanctuary Lamp

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If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp dedicated for someone living or deceased, please contact the Parish Office.

Offering is \$10.



Forrest Alan Davis II



St. Luke Magnificat Chapel

Adoration is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

Can you commit to a weekly hour of adoration in the St. Luke Adoration Chapel? Please prayerfully consider. With only a few spots left to fill, your weekly hour will be instrumental in achieving true perpetual adoration. For more information, contact Mark Grider at jalica48@yahoo.com or 317-432-3639.





Remember the power of prayer! If you would like to have our Prayer Chain pray for your

intention, please email prayerchain@ stluke.org or call the Parish Office with your request.

Meet Our Parish Council



Hi! I'm Katie Naughton and I've been a parishioner of St. Luke since 2014 when my family moved here from West Lafayette. I grew up in Indianapolis and am a Brebeuf graduate. I became Catholic in 2004 through the RCIA program before my husband, Jim, and I were married at St. John the Evangelist in downtown Indianapolis. I am an equine veterinarian and work with the racehorses at the Indiana Grand Racetrack in Shelbyville during their yearly meets. Jim and I have two boys, Jimmy (7th grade) and Will (4th grade) who attend St. Luke School. I am honored to represent the Stewardship commission on the Pastoral council.



Bereavement Groups Start Up 2022

We are looking to have 2 groups this year. Due to it getting darker earlier and the weather, we would like to offer those in need with two options. We are hoping to have a day group and an evening group. Both groups will meet on Tuesdays...but we would like to know what time would be best for you. Please email or call Diane Schafer in the parish office no later thank January 4th to register. There will be a 1:30pm to 3pm group and a 6:15pm to 7:30pm group. Groups will start on Tuesday December 28, 2021. 317-259-4373 or dschafer@stluke.org

Sisters of Strength Starts Back up in 2022

2022 will be a great year! Sisters of Strength or SOS, will return after a pandemic break. This group is open to women of the parish 18 and older. We will meet on Thursday Evenings this year from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. We will read the scriptures for the upcoming weekend and share how they impact our daily lives. We start up January 20th in the Church Staff Lounge.

A Letter from Msgr. Schaedel

PROVIDENCE NEVER FAILS

Dear Parishioners,

Merry Christmas!

May the peace and love that is Christ Our Savior be with you and your families during this holy season! This weekend we celebrate the *Feast of the Holy Family* on the day after Christmas. May the Holy Family of Nazareth: May Jesus, Mary, and Joseph be the model for all of our families!

Welcome to the many visitors who attend Christmas Masses at Saint Luke Parish. We hope you will come back often

To begin, let me *thank* all of those who make our Christmas Liturgies so special: Diane Schafer, Tom Nichols, the Liturgy Committee, the Church Environment Committee, our instrumentalists at the various Masses, our parish choir, and our Children's Choir, plus the altar servers and other liturgical ministers at the Masses.

This edition of our bulletin, *The Sunday Steward*, is the last one for 2021. This bulletin covers Christmas weekend. Brenden Kudla, our communications czar, has a new look for the bulletin in the works. Watch for it in the coming weeks

Father George and I say a thousand thanks for your kind greetings, gifts, and remembrances during this Christmas Season. We deeply appreciate your loving-kindness to us during this Christmas Season. Father George is returning to India on Tuesday, December 28. May God be with him!

This Christmas, even though our world is in turmoil, we have much to be merry about. God has been good to Saint Luke Parish this past year. School enrollment is well above last year and even above what we projected for this year. We have more new students coming to us for the second semester, which begins on January 4.

We are gradually emerging from all of the complications caused by the pandemic. RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) has a record number of participants who will be received into the Church at Easter. The same is true for RCIC (The Rite of Christian Initiation for [older] Children). SMRE and Adult Education Programs like Bible Study are available again.

Naturally, CYO Sports are in full operation. I think some people would die without them! We had two successful Reignite Events to get folks back together in the Spring and Fall. Our Bocce

Leagues were competing again. Coffee and Doughnuts after Masses and K. of C. Pancake Breakfasts are back on. We had Hot Dog Nights on Wednesdays during the summer. Our annual Trivia Night is set to go live again on Friday, February 4, 2022. We expect to resurrect our Fall Fest in September.

Our U.S. Bishops are setting us on a three-year course of deepening our understanding and appreciation of The Holy Eucharist. This will culminate in a National Eucharistic Congress right here in Indianapolis in July 2024. We are expecting about 80,000 Catholics to descend on our city for this marvelous event!

We want the Church to refocus on the immense treasure we have in Jesus's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. He is as truly present at Mass and in the tabernacle of a Catholic Church as He was that night in the stable at Bethlehem: Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.

Christmas is a time of giving. Please remember to gift a gift to your parish and Church. May I suggest that you consider a special Christmas gift to Saint Luke? It would help us end the year "in the black."

Here is one of my favorite Christmas readings. It is entitled, "Why It's Called Christmas." I hope you like it:

- Santa lives at the North Pole; Jesus is everywhere.
- Santa rides in a sleigh; Jesus rides on the wind and walks on water.
- -Santa comes but once a year; Jesus is an ever-present help.
- Santa fills your stockings with goodies; Jesus supplies all your needs.
- Santa comes down your chimney uninvited; Jesus stands at your door and knocks, and then He enters your heart.
- You have to wait in line to see Santa; Jesus is as close as the mention of His name.
- Santa lets you sit on his lap; Jesus lets you rest in His arms.
- Santa doesn't know your name. All he can say is, "Hi, little boy or girl, what's your name?" Jesus knew our names before we did.
- Not only does He know your name, but He knows your address too. He knows your history and future, and He even knows how many hairs are on your head
- Santa has a belly like a bowl full of

jelly; Jesus has a heart full of love.

- All Santa can offer is "Ho, ho, ho!" Jesus offers health, help, and hope.
- Santa says, "You'd better not cry;" Jesus says, "Cast all your cares on Me, for I care for you."
- Santa's little helpers make toys; Jesus makes new life, mends wounded hearts, repairs broken homes, and builds mansions
- Santa may make you chuckle, but Jesus gives you joy that is your strength.
- Santa puts gifts under your tree; Jesus became our gift and died on the tree.
- It's obvious there is really no comparison. We need to remember Who Christmas is all about. We need to put Christ back in Christmas. Jesus is still the reason for the season.

Here's the verse from one of the lovely Christmas cards I received: A dusty road, a weary woman with a worried man... A sleepy town, a simple stable where it all began... An ordinary night transformed by light and angel song... All leading to the tiny Babe Who planned it all along...

God planned it all that way for His own reasons.

And now we have the wonderful—and yes, sentimental—season of Christmas each year. I love this season. It reminds us priests why we became priests.

Ask Monsignor a Question: How do you spend Christmas? (Via e-mail)

Thanks for asking. First, being with my Saint Luke Parish Family at all Christmas Masses and all that leads up to them is much of my Christmas joy.

My sister and her family live in Carmel. My brother comes home from Florida, and we all gather together with some extended family. I love it. Life at Saint Luke slows down between Christmas and New Year's.

The Providence that never fails was born at Bethlehem. And so, of course, Merry Christmas!

Faithfully yours in the Providence that so far has never failed us,

Msgr. Joseph F. Schaedel

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Providence 2021 Building Project Update for December 26, 2021



Interior Work Progressing

As the exterior reaches weather-tight condition, interior work on the East Addition continues. The above photo shows the ceiling of the new lobby. The exposed beams of the

ceiling tie this part of the facility together with the exposed wood in the narthex.

Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support.

First Sunday Sharing is Next Weekend

As we all know, poverty exists throughout the year. Our own Saint Luke Christian Social Action Commission (CSAC) and our Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVdP) work diligently to help those less fortunate than ourselves. First Sunday Sharing has been one of the primary ways in which we as parishioners have helped those in need.

Parishioners receive a CSAC-SVDP envelope in their mailings from the parish. It provides the financial support for these two ministries.

Non-perishable food and men's clothing is collected on the first weekend of each month. The food is distributed at the SVdP "Boulevard Place" Food Pantry (4202 Boulevard Place) and the clothing is given to homeless men who are served each weekend by Beggars for the Poor. The Boulevard Place Food Pantry, a St. Vincent de Paul ministry which is supported by St. Luke and four other north side parishes, provides food assistance to over 900 families in need each month.

Next weekend, January 1/2, is our monthly First Sunday Sharing collection. Thank you for your generous support!

Thanksgiving Baskets Give Hope

Thank you to all of those participated in the annual Thanksgiving Sharing Program. This year marked the 33rd year of this ministry. With the pandemic still affecting so many people's lives, there were certainly challenges for our parish distributors and the recipients in the community. But we knew the need was still there, and we reached out to those in need. We received a wonderful response and received some heartwarming feedback!

One of our recipients was a single mother with seven children! The three oldest are grown and out of the house, but she still helps care for them. Three of the younger children are students at a Catholic school. She makes the sacrifice to work the night shift (10 PM to 6 AM) so that she is available during the daytime hours in case her children need her. She cooked for five of her children as well as some other family members on Thanksgiving. She was very appreciative of our Thanksgiving basket.





Youth Ministry

North Deanery Ski Trip

Sun, Jan 2 7:30 am - 8:00 pm

Perfect North Slopes, Lawrenceburg Regular Registration: \$100

There is currently a waitlist!

Join us for the annual Ski Trip! Both Registration costs include ski/snowboard rental, helmet rental, lift ticket, and bus ride. Details, and Required Waivers and Permission Slip available at stluke.org/grow/youth_ministry.

North Deanery Pro-Life Trip

National MARCH FOR LIFE Washington, DC

January 19-22, 2022

WHO: Students in Grades 9-12

WHERE: Pilgrimage to Washington D.C.

WHEN: Arrive: St. Matthew at 10:00 PM on

Wednesday, January 19 Return: St. Matthew at 7:00 AM on

Saturday, January 22

COST: Early Bird Registration - \$175.00 due by

Friday, December 10

Regular Registration - \$200.00 due by

Friday, December 17

Registration and Permission Slips are available at stluke. org/grow/youth_ministry

DUE: Permission Slips due to Therese Hartley

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MASS INTENTIONS

December 27, Monday, St. John

11:30 AM + Kevin Schafer 5:30 PM + Lawrence Behringer

December 28, Tuesday, The Holy Innocents

8:15 AM Special Intentions of the Snyder Family 5:30 PM Special Intentions of Father Elias Mary Mills

December 29, Wednesday, St. Thomas Beckett

11:30 AM +Maureen Vedder 5:30 PM + Grace M. Short

December 30, Thursday

8:15 AM Special Intentions of the Shears Family 5:30 PM + Aldo Andretti

December 31, Friday, St. Sylvester I

4:00 PM +Becky Snyder

January 1, Saturday, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

10:00 AM Our Parishioners

January 2, Epiphany

7:30 AM + Larry Osterhaus 9:30 AM + Jerry And Margie Cahill 11:30 AM Our Parishioners

If you wish to have a Mass offered for someone, living or deceased, please contact the Parish Office. Mass offering is \$10.00.

Moved...? New Email...? Change in Family...?

Please remember to contact the Parish Office with any new information on your family. This may include a change of address or email address, the birth of a child, a change in marital status or a change in your parishioner status. By keeping our records up-to-date, we are better able to serve you.

Bulletin Deadline...

The Sunday Steward is a weekly publication of St. Luke Catholic Church. Please submit articles to bulletin@stluke.org as a Word document attachment. The deadline is Friday at 12:00 Noon, one week prior to publication.

If You Are Hospitalized

If you are in the hospital, please remember to notify the Parish Office. Due to the HIPAA laws, hospitals can no longer notify us of your hospitalization. Tell your family also, in case you cannot call, so they can call on your behalf.









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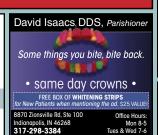


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