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August 8, 2021

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die." - Jn 6:48-50

Welcome to St. Luke

Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM
	10:30 AM
Tues.	8:00 AM
Wed.	8:00 AM

Sacraments

BAPTISM

Please arrange with the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00-4:30 PM and by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding date. Saturday wedding schedule: 1:00 PM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call to arrange

Devotions

Mother of Perpetual Help
Tuesday 6:30 PM

Office Hours

Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.
9:00 AM-5:00 PM
Tues. 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

After hours for emergencies requiring a Priest
(262) 782-0032 ext.102

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Noon on Monday

Membership

People new to the area are invited to register at St. Luke by contacting the Parish Office or stopping at the Welcome Table in the Narthex.

We welcome you to journey with us in faith!

We have both Sunday and weekday Masses available for 2021.

Please call the parish office if you would like to have a Mass celebrated for your deceased loved one or for your special intention.

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINAL TIME

1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30--5:2/Jn 6:41-51

Eucharists for the Lord's Day

5:00 PM	† Joe Huber
8:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Luke & St. Pius X, Nigeria
10:30 AM	† George & Shirley Lewandowski

Monday, August 9

Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27

No Morning Mass

Weekday

Tuesday, August 10

2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26

8:00 AM † George & Joanne Grinker

St. Lawrence

Wednesday, August 11

Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20

8:00 AM † Tom Boos

St. Clare

Thursday, August 12

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18:21--19:1

11:00 AM † Memorial Mass for Mary Concetta Meyer

Weekday

Friday, August 13

Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12

No Morning Mass

Weekday

Saturday, August 14

Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15

St. Maximilian Kolbe

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Eucharists for the Lord's Day

5:00 PM	† Karl Ebenhoch
8:00 AM	† Bob & Jim Alexander
10:30 AM	Parishioners of St. Luke & St. Pius X, Nigeria
	Baptism: Samanta Liseth Moths

Guests? Possible New Members? Have you been worshipping with us and thinking about joining us? 'Sign-up' as members of St. Luke at the 'NEW MEMBERS TABLE' after Mass. WELCOME! JOIN US!

This Week at St. Luke

Sun., August 8 **Vacation Bible Camp**
 8:00 AM - Noon Classrooms
Mon., August 9 **Auction Committee**
 6:00 PM Narthex Meeting Room
Tues., August 10 **Perpetual Help Devotions**
 6:30 PM Chapel
Wed., August 11 **Scripture Study**
 7:00 PM Activity Center
Sat., August 14 **Vacation Bible Camp**
 8:00 AM - Noon Classrooms
Sun., August 15 **Vacation Bible Camp**
 8:00 AM - Noon Classrooms



In this Gospel, the love that Jesus reveals through the symbol of bread is: self-giving, sacrificial, healing, forgiving, in solidarity with the weak, confident in the power of God.

When you place your donation in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box in the Narthex you are partnering with the St. Luke Conference to provide the love of Jesus to our neighbors in need.

Justice Corner



Compassion

When we work for justice we can become tired and discouraged like Elijah. Our lives may be threatened because our message is so countercultural. We can become angry at the perpetrators of injustice but St. Paul reminds us not to become bitter or hard.

Today's readings speak of nourishing "bread." Elijah gets a hearth cake and a jug of water to sustain him while Jesus promises to be our "living bread." It is important to feed our souls as we go about working for justice and peace. And it is important to ensure that all souls are fed.

It can be tempting to think that because we succeeded, others should be able to succeed too.

Lord,
 help us to understand that while some people "work the system" the vast majority of our world's poor are destitute because they did not get a fair shake. Without proper nutrition, education, healthcare, and shelter it is difficult to thrive.

Deepen our compassion Lord, so we may see and respond to your poor as you would.

AMEN.

Thank You for Social Gathering of Reconnection (7-31-21)



Thanks a million to everyone that came forward to help make the "Social Gathering of Reconnection" such a tremendous success. Thanks certainly to everyone who participated; young children and older – 'more mature' members and friends. Hopefully you reconnected with longtime friends and made some new friends!

May God Bless You, Mary Szajna

P.S. Heartfelt Thanks to Mary Szajna for heading up the Committee, the Pastoral Council, and to Mary and Greg Szajna for donating the refreshments and snacks for our 'Social Gathering of Reconnection.'

Save the Date

Next Sunday, August 15, you are invited to watch our Vacation Bible Camp Travelers and Crew perform some songs and share what their three weekends of Camp have been like. Following their performance, we will have an Ice Cream Social. All of this will take place following the 10:30am Mass.



You do not need to reserve a space, but if you have any questions, please contact Cathy Smith csmith@stlukebrookfield.org or 262-782-0062 ext. 106.



Wedding Banns

Karin Schwalbach - Eric Bednar - I

St. Luke Prayer Network

The prayer network is a group of people who pray for the intentions requested. Only the first names are used. Anyone who wishes to join the phone network is always welcome. Call Janice Theisen 262 521-8095



(jreader66@hotmail.com) with your intentions or to join us.

But when does flesh receive the bread which He calls His flesh? The faithful know and receive the Body of Christ if they labor to be the body of Christ; and they become the body of Christ if they study to live by the Spirit of Christ: for that which lives by the Spirit of Christ is the body of Christ. - St. Augustine of Hippo



From Cathy's Desk

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (Jn 6: 51)

During this third week of our Johannine, Bread of Life Gospels, we hear Jesus go further in his description of his purpose in being sent from our Creator. Jesus is inviting each of us to feed not only on the Bread of life which is "flesh for the life of the world," but also on the word and wisdom he shares with us in the scriptures.

Adult Question: When has the bread of life given you the strength you needed to face a difficult situation in your life?

Child Question: What will you ask Jesus to help you with when you receive Holy Communion this week?

Cathy Smith

Director of Faith Formation/Pastoral Associate

Children's Liturgy of the Word

At the 10:30am Mass each Sunday, the children of the parish are offered an opportunity to hear the Gospel and one additional reading as well as participate in the Psalm in language which is easier to understand. Currently, we are in need of high school students and/or adults to share in this ministry. Ideally, we are seeking 4-6 people and people willing to act as substitutes. Please contact Cathy Smith csmith@stlukebrookfield.org or (262) 782-0032 ext 106.

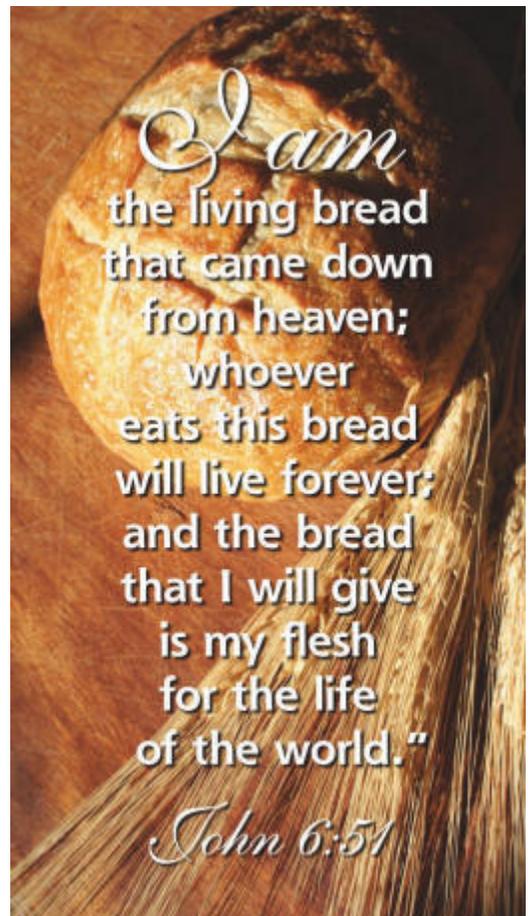
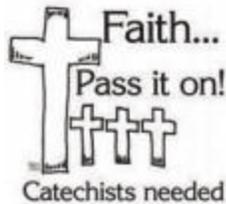


Will you please give me a name?!?!

As a member of the F. R. O. G. Squad, I need a name and Toad will not do! Near the board with my picture in the Narthex are slips of paper and a container for you to share your name idea for me. Please put your first and last name on the other side so we know who came up with the great idea. Remember membership into the **F. R. O. G** Squad is easy! Just start praying and depending on God right now!

Catechists Still Needed

We have been fortunate enough to have a few people step up to share their faith as a Catechist. Please prayerfully consider if this is a ministry to which God is calling you to participate as you live out your Baptismal promises. We are using wonderful materials from the publisher, Our Sunday Visitor, and assistance is available to help you get acclimated to this ministry.



Grade	Catechist	Catechist
K3	Marina Moths	Meggie Teasdale
K4-K5	Elizabeth Mortag	Michelle Rojas
1 st	Beth Scherr	YOUR NAME HERE
2 nd	Robin LaRose	Nikki Nguyen
3 rd	YOUR NAME HERE	YOUR NAME HERE
4 th -5 th	Chis Coyle	Jenson Kuriakose
Middle School	YOUR NAME HERE	YOUR NAME HERE
High School	YOUR NAME HERE	YOUR NAME HERE

Dear People of St. Luke and Guests, Friends - ALL!

Last Saturday and Sunday were jammed packed with activity here at St. Luke along with many other family activities as well, I would imagine.

Bright and early Saturday morning (8AM - Noon) the children and parent passengers and crew boarded the Rocky Railway for Vacation Bible Camp. "All aboard: Toot-toot!" "Jesus' power gives us hope: TRUST JESUS!" Our little ones are learning in a very interactive way that with God's help in Christ Jesus and through the power of the Holy Spirit even life's big challenges are 'do-able.' Together we support one another on life's journey.

Then at 2:30-4:30 over 100 hundred parishioners gathered on the soccer field and reconnected: sharing stories; catching up from months of being apart; enjoying refreshments and snacks. I heard the remark repeatedly, "we should do this again." Our next opportunity to socialize, outside of gathering for Mass, will be our Fall Festival, Friday, September 10th. About 75 participants in the Social Gathering of Reconnection joined in the Celebration of Eucharist at 5 PM. We had about 140 people at that Mass; almost the record since reopening. A Spirited celebration it was! Of course, the Blest Art Sale of olivewood carvings afforded an opportunity to add some religious art to our homes; purchase gifts and reach out to our sisters and brothers in Bethlehem, Palestine who are struggling to make a living with their carving artistry, and remain in the Holy Land.

Sunday morning the Rocky Railway again stopped and picked up even more VBC children than on Saturday with a stop for Mass at 10:30 AM. A good time was had by all as we gathered together; formed one another; worshipped together and reached out in service together. *"We make the journey together and the journey makes us one.!"*

As a follow-up to our Eucharist last Sunday serving up the second entre of our five course meal from St. John's 'Bread of Life' passage I offer Pope Francis' reflection on last Sunday's Scripture readings; so much nourishment for all who hunger in any way.

"The Lord wants a loving relationship with us" by Pope Francis (CNA Staff Vatican City, 8-1-21ACIAfrica).

Pope Francis said on Sunday that God wants us to move "beyond the logic of interest and calculation" and enter into a loving relationship with God. In his *Angelus* address on Aug. 1, the pope said that Catholics were called to mature in faith, leaving behind self-interest. "We are not able to do this on our own. But the Lord God wants a loving relationship with us: before the things we receive and do, there is God to love. There is a relationship with God that goes beyond the logic of interest and calculation," he said.

In his *Angelus* address, the pope reflected on the day's Gospel reading, John 6:24-35, in which a crowd seeks out Jesus following the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves. John noted that Jesus tells the people that they are looking for him "not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled."

The pope said: "Here then is a first question we can ask ourselves: why do we seek the Lord? Why do we seek the Lord? What are the motivations for my faith, for our faith? We need to discern this because among the many temptations we have in life there is one that we might call idolatrous temptation." "It is the one that drives us to seek God for our own use, to solve problems, to have, thanks to God, what we cannot obtain on our own, out of self-interest."

Pope Francis gave his live-streamed address at a window overlooking St. Peter's Square as he continues to recuperate from colon surgery. The 84-year-old began reading in a strong voice, pausing at one point to cough, then continuing with his reflection. The pope stressed that people with an "immature faith" prioritized their own needs ahead of their relationship with God. "It is right to present our needs to God's heart," Francis said, "but the Lord, who acts far beyond our expectations, wishes to live with us first of all in a relationship of love. True love is disinterested, it is free: one does not love to receive a favor in return."

The pope recalled that in the Gospel reading the crowd ask Jesus: "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Francis said that it was as if the people were asking how to move beyond a self-interested faith to one that pleases God. "And Jesus shows the way: He answers that the work of God is to welcome the One whom the Father has sent, that is, Jesus," he said. "It is not adding religious practices or observing special precepts; it is welcoming Jesus, it is welcoming Christ into our lives, living a story of love with Jesus Christ. It is Christ who will purify our faith."

The pope said that this applied not only to God but also to social relations. "When we seek first and foremost the satisfaction of our needs, we risk using people and exploiting situations for our own ends. How many times have we heard from a person, 'But this one uses people and then forgets'? Using people for your own profit: that's bad. A society that puts interests instead of people at its center is a society that does not generate life," Francis commented.

"The Gospel's invitation is this: rather than being concerned only with the material bread that feeds us, let us welcome Jesus as the bread of life and, starting out from our friendship with Christ, learn to love each other. Freely and without calculation. Love given freely without calculation, without using people, with gratuitousness, with generosity, with magnanimity."

After praying the *Angelus*, Pope Francis greeted groups of young people gathered in the square from different parts of Italy. Seeing Peruvian flags, Francis also acknowledged pilgrims from Peru, noting that the Latin American country had a new president, Pedro Castillo. "May the Lord bless your country always," he said. Finally, Francis wished pilgrims a peaceful August, observing that it was currently warm in Rome. "I wish everyone a good Sunday and a peaceful month of August ... Too hot, but may it be peaceful. Please don't forget to pray for me. Have a good lunch and goodbye!"

Peace! Fr. Augustine

From the Pastor





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We, the people of St. Luke Catholic Faith Community, open to the Spirit, seek to grow in faith through liturgical participation, lifelong Christian formation, and social ministries of the Church.

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