

Saint Luke Catholic Church

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September 26, 2021

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 and 2022. 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, SEPTEMBER 26 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINAL TIME

Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Eucharists for the Lord's Day

5:00 PM	McGavock Family
8:00 AM	† Rose Forgette
10:30 AM	† Monica Wieczorek/Parishioners of St. Luke & St. Pius X,
	† Jack Doffing

Monday, September 27

Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50

No Morning Mass

St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, September 28

Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56

8:00 AM † Margaret Boos

Weekday

Wednesday, September 29

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Jn 1:47-51

8:00 AM † Joe Huber

Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

Thursday, September 30

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12

No Morning Mass

St. Jerome

Friday, October 1

Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16

No Morning Mass

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Saturday, October 2

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Mt 18:1-5,10

The Holy Guardian Angels

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3 TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINAL TIME

Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Eucharists for the Lord's Day

5:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Luke & St. Pius X, Nigeria
8:00 AM	† Jack Doffing
10:30 AM	† Nancy Kohlbeck

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!



Respect

Sometimes the spirit of God is revealed in the most unlikely people, like Eldad and Medad in the first reading. This should not surprise us as the King of Kings was born in a manger to humble parents. God lives in all people, especially those that the world deems to have little value.

The second reading highlights an issue that affects laborers who are least respected - unjust wages. James reminds the rich that God will not forget their mistreatment of their workers. Catholic Social Teaching tells us that all workers deserve a living wage. Sweatshop conditions, wages that are insufficient to support a family, lack of affordable health care, etc. are inconsistent with our social teaching.

As we contemplate God’s presence in the most unlikely people, think about all those with whom you interact – especially those whom you may consider inferior in some way. In who among them do you find it most difficult to imagine God’s presence in? Why?

Ask God to reveal to you the Divine presence in this person in a most recognizable way.

- Sun., September 26** **Faith Formation Classes**
9:15 - 10:15 AM Classrooms
- Mon., September 27** **Handbell Rehearsal**
7:00 PM Church
- Tues., September 28** **Scripture Study**
9:00 AM Room 204
- Tues., September 28** **Finance Council**
6:00 PM Conference Room
- Tues., September 28** **Perpetual Help Devotions**
6:30 PM Chapel
- Tues., September 28** **Choir Rehearsal**
7:00 PM Church
- Tues., September 28** **Pastoral Council**
7:00 PM Narthex Meeting Room
- Wed., September 29** **Scripture Study**
7:00 PM Activity Center
- Wed., September 29** **Blood Drive**
3:00 - 7:00 PM Narthex
- Sun., October 3** **Intergenerational Faith Formation**
11:45 - 10:15 AM Carpenter Hall/Gym

In today’s Gospel Jesus tells his disciples: “Anyone who gives you a drink of water because you belong to Christ will not, I assure you, go without his/her reward”. On September 27, the Church will celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are on the front line in laboring for the poor. They are among the first to know their real needs.



This month, through your gifts, the St. Luke Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 8 families with rent, food, clothing, bus tickets and gas. God Bless You!

Please remember in prayer **Ella Mae ‘Stella’ Thorpe** of St. Luke, who has died; her husband Jack, and their family.



Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.
R./And let perpetual light shine upon her.
May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
R./ Amen.

Recycling TV’s for Our Common Home

Pope Francis has said that we need “an environmental conversion” to protect our common home and change our mentality when it comes to recycling. That is why we are looking for your help in properly disposing of our old televisions. These old televisions are not compatible with the new digital signals and are sitting around collecting dust. Many electronic devices contain toxic substances such as lead, mercury, beryllium and cadmium, to name a few. The City of Brookfield is collecting old televisions for proper disposal and recycling, but charging a \$35 fee per television. We are looking for a few Brookfield residents willing to pick up a television beginning after Masses on October 3rd and drop it off at the recycling center October 13th between the hours of 11 and 2 along with the \$35 fee. If you do not live in Brookfield, you can still help by contributing towards the \$35 disposal fee. If you have any questions, please contact Paul Zarling at 262.352.4579 or zarling3@sbcglobal.net . Thank you.

Blood Drive



The semi-annual St. Luke blood drive is coming up on Wednesday, September 29th, from 3:00-7:00pm. The St. Luke community has had record setting donations for our last 4 drives. Let's keep up the great work.

Each attempting donor will get a FREE sickle cell t-shirt as a “thank you”, so please donate and ask your colleagues to step up as well.

Thank you for your life-saving partnership!”
The Blood Center has policies and procedures in place to keep everyone safe. There are 3 ways to sign up:

- Sign up in the Narthex after Mass today
- Email Bill Kirsch: kirsch.family@sbcglobal.net
- or go to https://donate.wisconsin.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/209281



From Cathy's Desk

What's your prayer style?

Next Sunday, October 3 we will have our first Intergenerational/Whole Parish Catechesis session following the 10:30am Mass. Come and find out more about the types of prayer and your own personal prayer style. During this year in addition to understanding your own prayer style, you will have an opportunity to participate in a number of different prayer experiences. During the 3rd and 4th sessions we will delve into the Mass to gain greater understanding of the words, rituals, and actions that are part of each Mass. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy Smith csmith@stlukebrookfield.org (262) 782-0032 ext. 106.

Adult Question: What are the three most important values motivating your daily decisions?

Child Question: Could a poor person who is wise be richer in a way than a foolish person who has many things? Why?

Cathy Smith

Director of Faith Formation/Pastoral Associate

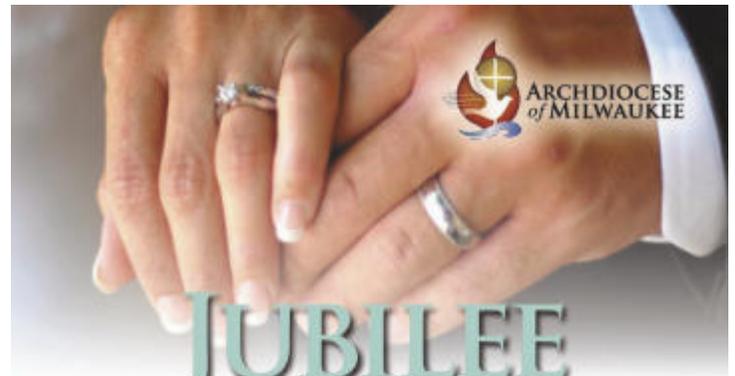
Jars Needed

I am still in need of 32 oz. Plastic Jars from Miracle Whip or Mayonnaise for the Christian Faith Formation program. Please bring cleaned Plastic Jars as soon as possible. If you have questions, please contact Cathy Smith csmith@stlukebrookfield.org (262) 782-0032 ext. 106



Human Concerns Grocery Collection

At all Masses today, September 26, we will be collecting needed groceries for the St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program, the Mini Vinnies Little Food Pantry and the Waukesha Food Pantry. Please drop off your donation in the Narthex. Non-perishable food items are requested especially canned fruits and vegetables, soups, canned meat/tuna, pasta, peanut butter and cereal. You may also drop a monetary donation in the Poor Box located in the Narthex near the Baptism of Jesus carving. Thank you in advance for your support.



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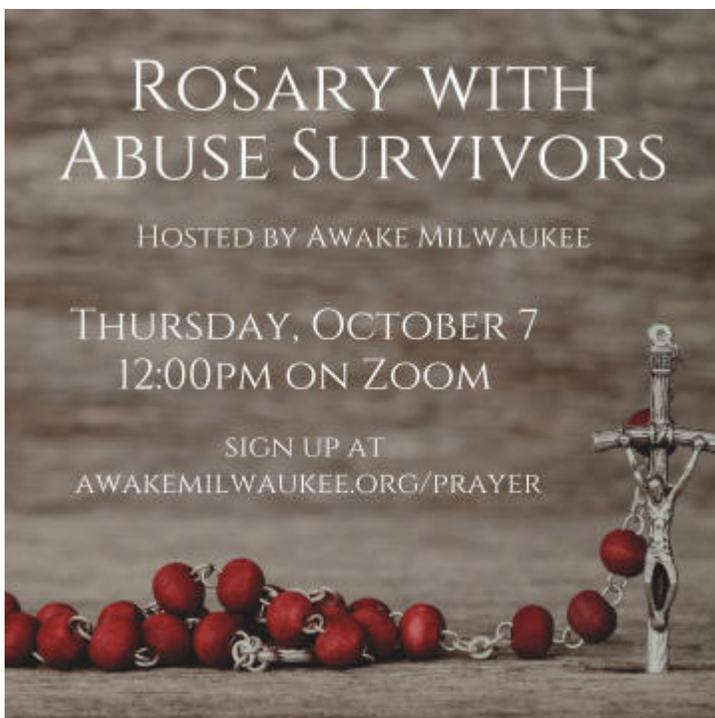
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by October 4. Questions? Call Emily at 414-758-2213.





Usually at this time of we feel a chill in the air, but this year; more warmth than chill. Those concerned with our environment; those studying our climate and climate change, storms and the like would most likely say this change is related to Global Warming. September 1st through October 4th has been designated as A Celebration of the Season of Creation. With this in mind, amidst everything else that is happening in our world, (including COVID-19 and aerosol effect) I offer the following reflective article on something we often take for granted; our breath.

At Home in Creation: God is as close as your next breath

Sep 20, 2021 by [Brenna Davis](#) This article appears in the [At Home in Creation](#) feature series and published by The National Catholic Reporter (NCR).

PAUSE

This week's reflections focus on air

READ



Fran, the author's cat, pauses to delight in the breeze near a window. (Brenna Davis)

*All praise be Yours, my God, through Brothers Wind and Air,
And fair and stormy, all the weather's moods,
By which You cherish all that You have made. — St. Francis of Assisi, "Canticle of the Sun"
Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and
breathed into his nostrils
the breath of life, and the man became a living being- Genesis 2:7
Another world is not only possible, she is on her way.
On a quiet day, I can hear her breathing.— Arundhati Roy, author*



REFLECT

God is as close as our next breath, and the intimate scene of God's *breath of life* becoming our own in Genesis reminds us of the sacredness of air.

The average person breathes about 20,000 times a day; thankfully, we do this mostly unconsciously. Because breathing is so natural to us, however, we can easily disregard or forget the holiness of the air around us.

The air that you are breathing right now possibly contains some of the same atoms that passed through the lungs of Jesus and the disciples. These same molecules have passed through the Earth's lungs, the trees and plants, who have turned the carbon dioxide we exhale into oxygen for our next breath. We are connected to past and future generations of people and nature through the air and the breath of life.

The air and wind are also a part of an intricate system that makes weather possible and that brings water to sustain life. Jesuit theologian Pierre Teilhard de Chardin uses the phrase "the breathing together of all things" to convey the interconnected nature of all of creation and to remind us of the truth that we flourish and suffer together. The health of our planet and of the air are inextricably tied with our own health, and we know that the air is a sacred gift that we must protect.

For me, the air right before a storm, as the cool wind picks up and the temperature drops, always makes me pause to give thanks for this gift of the breath of life. And even indoors, whenever a breeze blows through a window and my cat lifts her head to sniff the air, I am struck by an unexpected feeling of thanksgiving as she notices and delights in what I often ignore.

- ◆ Pause and take a few deep breaths. Take a moment to express gratitude for this interconnected system that God created to sustain life. Then reflect on the following questions:
- ◆ When are you most aware of the sacredness of air?
- ◆ How will you use the gift of the *breath of life* to build God's dream of justice and love for the earth?
- ◆ Sit in silence for a few moments, aware of your breath. What new world can you hear breathing?

ACT

Bring to mind anyone who is affected by air pollution, poor air quality due to wildfires or an increase in air temperatures and humidity, and say a prayer for them. Include specific members of your own community if you're currently affected by any of these issues.

Pause and intentionally take a deep breath a few times throughout the day today to reconnect with the breath of life. Let the gift of air be a reminder that God is with you and as close as each next breath.



Brenna Davis is the Director of Education for Justice and Environmental Initiatives at the Ignatian Solidarity Network. She is a certified spiritual director, Cuyahoga County Master Recycler and a member of NCR's EarthBeat Advisory Panel.

With a deep breath!
Fr. Augustine

Archangels

Every September 29 the Catholic Church celebrates a feast of three archangels: Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. The word *archangel* appears once in the Bible, in reference to Michael (Jude 9). Tradition has added the other two names to the list because both play significant roles with him in the bible.

Raphael appears in the Book of Tobit, where he is both matchmaker and healer. Gabriel is best known for his appearances in the New Testament. He announces to Zechariah the forthcoming birth of John the Baptist (Luke 1:13, 19), and most famously he announces to Mary that she will conceive Jesus (Luke 1:26–38).

Michael appears in the Book of Daniel as a defender of the chosen people (see chapters 10 and 12). In Jude he disputes with the devil over the body of Moses. And in Revelation he and his angels fight the dragon. Michael is the patron of police and others who protect the welfare of people.

No church had ever been dedicated to Michael until the sixth century, when the faithful erected one on the Via Salaria in Rome. It was dedicated on September 29, which became the Feast of St. Michael on the Roman calendar. The other two archangels were added to this day after the Second Vatican Council. The Collect for the Mass stresses two functions of the archangels: They defend the Christian people, and they minister to God in heaven.

A fourth archangel, Uriel, is acknowledged in Christian tradition, though he does not appear in the Bible, and hence has no place on the liturgical calendar. The apocryphal gospels say he carried John the Baptist and his mother Elizabeth to join Jesus, Mary, and Joseph on the flight into Egypt. Uriel is one of the characters in Leonardo de Vinci's masterpiece, *Virgin of the Rocks*.

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St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Thérèse of Lisieux was so diminished by illness during her nine years in a Carmelite convent in Normandy, that she even signed some letters as the “completely little” Thérèse. Through meditating on the scripture, she came to realize that it was in her smallness that Jesus could lift her in his arms to heaven. This spiritual path bears some resemblance to the words of John the Baptist: “[Jesus] must increase; I must decrease” (John 3:30). Thérèse once called this view, “The Little Way.”

Upon entering religious life at the age of fifteen, she was given the title Thérèse of the Holy Face. Her contemplation of the suffering and glorious face of Jesus developed her spirituality.

In her brief twenty-four years of life, Thérèse left behind a trove of writings that have inspired many people to follow her path. *The Story of a Soul* collects her autobiographical works. Pope Pius XI canonized her less than thirty years after her death. Although she never traveled farther than Rome, she is a patron of the missions because of her concern for the salvation of every human. Although she had little formal education, she has been named a doctor of the Church.

The Collect for her memorial Mass acknowledges that God opens the Kingdom to those who are humble, and asks God to lead the faithful “trustingly in the little way of Saint Thérèse.” Perhaps in reference to her title “of the Holy Face,” the prayer also asks that “we may see Your eternal glory revealed.”

Normally, the date of a saint's death is the preferred date for his or her feast. Thérèse died on the feast of St. Jerome, September 30, so the Catholic Church observes her memorial on the next available day, October 1.

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Date: Saturday, November 6, 2021

Time: 8:30 AM- 6 PM

Price: \$75 per person

For reservations and information, please contact Amy Nikolai at 414.276.9814, ext. 306 or amynikolai@stjohncathedral.org



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St. Luke Mission Statement

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.

We accept our responsibility as Christian Stewards in the sharing of our time, talents, and treasure as we journey together 'living into our Baptism'. We honor our past, celebrate our present, and embrace the future as together we build a household of faith and a world in which all are welcome.

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