

SAINT LUKE - SACRED HEART CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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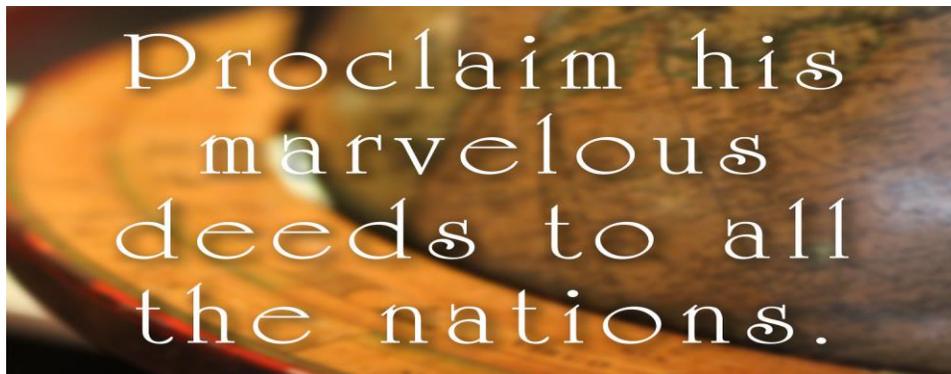
Paul Zimmerman, Joey Boesl, Karen Adams

Mass Intentions This Week:

Saturday	Jan. 15	5:00 p.m.	Al and Virginia Zimmerman In honor of their birthdays Requested by Paul and Rita Zimmerman
Thursday	Jan 20	10:00 a.m.	For the Parishioners of St. Luke's
Saturday	Jan 22	5:00 p.m.	+ Bob Squillace Requested by Paul and Rita Zimmerman

Sacrament of the sick will be administered to all who are interested after Mass on January 15th

ADORATION: Mondays from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Dear Parishioners of Spring Valley, Elmwood and Boyceville,
Today we celebrate the second Sunday of ordinary time year C. On this Sunday, we rejoice in God who never abandoned us to fate because God allowed his son to come to our aide. We also rejoice that God has blessed and equipped us with different gifts of the Holy Spirit so that we could participate in the ministry of Christ.

The first reading is from the "third Isaiah" in which God assures us of his willingness to continue to protect and save us his people. Therefore it is a message of hope and restoration. So God reminds us today that he has not abandoned us. The tone here is very romantic and simply reminds us of how much God loves us. So like a man or woman who vowed to protect his beloved, God vowed to protect and save us at all cost: "About Zion I will not be silent; about Jerusalem I will not grow weary...until her salvation flames like a torch..." The reason for this strong assurance is simple. We are God's Bride and Delight. We are his chosen ones. So, Isaiah exalts us today that God is ready to sacrifice anything for our sake and salvation. This is exactly what he has done by sending us his only son Jesus Christ in other to accomplish this mission.

In the second reading today, Paul reminds us that out of love for us and his church, God has generously lavished each and every one of us with gifts of the Holy Spirit. In other word's God did not stop at sending us his only son, He also anointed us with the same spirit with which he anointed Christ. One important point that Paul makes here is that the gifts that we have received comes from one and the same Holy Spirit. However, we must bear in mind that these gifts are given to us for a purpose. They are given to us in order to participate in the Christ's mission. They are for the edification and growth of the church of Christ. They are not our personal properties, and so must not be used for selfish reasons. They are given to us generously by God. So we must also use them generously in serving the church.

Today's gospel from John is centered on the first miracle of Jesus Christ. This miracle was a product of Christ's generosity. Although it was not yet time for Christ to commence his public ministry, he generously accepted to help out with his gift of miracle. Through this, Christ taught us exactly how we should use our gifts for the good and growth of God's people. Also, another important lesson we should learn from today's gospel is the role the Blessed Virgin Mary played in this miracle. She had the gift of prayer or intercession. She knew that her son will not refuse her anything good. So, she immediately, interceded on behalf of her people.

We are therefore called upon today to emulate both the example of Christ and Mary who used their gifts for the growth and edification of the people of God. Also, we must constantly ask our lady for intercession as those at the wedding did. Most importantly, we must be ready to take her advice: "Do whatever He tells you to do!"

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,
Rev. Arockia Amirtha Raj Stanislaus.

STEWARDSHIP

"We walk by faith, even when we cannot see" 2 Corinthians 5:7

Everything is a gift from God.

You may drop your envelopes in the offertory box which is on the back table in church, or you may mail your contribution to St Luke at: PO Box 316, Boyceville, WI 54725

Loose Collections	Envelope Collection	Special Collections
\$	\$	\$

Web address: www.saintlukebv.org

For the faithful departed we pray:

Dustin Berends, Frances Knopps, Anthony Robert Squillace, Frank Hellman, Dawn Squillace, Margaret Poeschel

For the sick we pray:

Mark Nelson – Infection
Karen Erickson ~ MS

In Thanksgiving:

Barb Laluya – Recovering at Home
*Continued prayer for Options for Women

St. Luke's is looking for a person to play the keyboard for the Saturday and Sunday evening Mass. Please contact the office if interested.



2021-2022 Annual Appeal

Target Amount	6,725.00
Amount Pledged	4,016.00
Unpledged	2,712.00

The Contribution Statements

These are on the back table, if you do not find yours, it has been mailed

Tri- Parish Pastoral and Finance Council meeting on Wednesday, January 26th at 6:30 p.m. in Elmwood.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Saturday, January 15th after the 5:00 p.m. Mass, Father will administer the Sacrament of the Sick to anyone who would like to receive it. In the Sacrament of the Sick, the person who is ill or suffering is anointed. Anointing with oil is intended to strengthen the sick person. The person may be strengthened to face the illness or surgery. The person might also be strengthened to face death. Anointing is also often a healing act, and, once again, that can mean healing of body, mind and spirit.

BECOME INVOLVED: MEMBERSHIP AND SACRAMENTAL

Joining Our Parish: If you are new to the parish, please call the parish office to register. We are glad you are here.

Celebrating Baptism: Baptism is celebrated throughout much of the liturgical year. If you want to raise your child in the Catholic faith and celebrate your child's baptism, please call the parish office, 715-643-3081 for more information. Parents celebrating the baptism of their first child are asked to complete a baptism orientation class.

Caring for the Sick: If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound or anticipating surgery, please call 715-598-4877 or email Father Amir at pastor@svecatholic.org to schedule a visit and/or the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Celebrating Marriage: We eagerly welcome couples seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. Contact Father Amir to talk about scheduling your wedding and to learn more about marriage preparation.

Becoming Catholic: If you are baptized in another Christian tradition and seek to become Catholic, or are interested in becoming a Christian through baptism, contact Father Amir at pastor@svecatholic.org.



Pray for Dobbs, Pray for our Supreme Court Justices by Name Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health is the Supreme Court case that could overturn Roe v. Wade—the decision that made abortion legal in all 50 states. Nine Justices stand between life and death for millions of innocent children and their mothers, with a ruling expected in June.

Please contact the parish office with Mass intentions you may have for 2022. Currently there are openings on the calendar.

Pot Luck

After Thursday 10:00 morning Mass, there will be a morning potluck breakfast. All are welcome, come and enjoy!



ANNUAL **PRO LIFE** breakfast

SAVE THE DATE Please join the Sacred Heart of Jesus community in helping to support the right to life as we hold the 15th annual Right to Life Breakfast on Sunday, January 30th from 9:00 am-12:30 pm. More information next week.

January 15-16, 2022