

# SAINT LUKE – SACRED HEART CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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**TODAY:**                      **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Saturday Jan 25              4:00 p.m. +Richard Laluya  
    Requested by mary Byrne

**DAILY MASS**

Thurs Jan 30              8:30 a.m. +David Hill  
    Requested by Dennis & Joyce Hill

**NEXT WEEK:**              **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 Saturday Feb 1              4:00 p.m. +Dean & Alice Adams  
    Requested by Joe & Karen Adams  
    + Rest in Peace \* Holy Mass of the Living

**CONFESSIONS:**

Sunday: Before Mass

**ADORATION**

Monday 6:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK & EMERGENCIES:**

Contact Father Amir at 715-598-4877

**New Parishioners** – Please contact the parish office to register.

**RCIA:** Please contact the Parish Office at St Luke’s for more information.

**Baptism Classes:** First time parents must attend a baptism class. Please contact the Parish office to schedule.

**Marriage Instructions:** Couples anticipating marriage must contact the Pastor 6 – 12 months in advance of the wedding. One person, of the couple, asking to be married must be a registered member of the Parish. Please contact the St Luke Parish Office to schedule.

*Web address: [www.saintlukebv.org](http://www.saintlukebv.org)*

<b>STEWARDSHIP for January 18, 2020</b>	
<i>“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be” (Luke 12:34)</i>	
Adult Envelopes \$ 145.00	Loose Collection \$ 25.00

**Ministries:**

**Ushers for January:** Mike & Paul Boesl  
**Lector:** January 25 Karen Hansen February 1 – Dennis Hill  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** January 25 – J. Fisher, V. Kujawa, K. Adams  
    February 1 – S. Anderson, J. Humpal, B. Laluya  
**Rosary Leader:** January: Marge Sykora

**St Luke News:**

**St Jessica Circle** will meet on Wednesday, January 29 at 9:30 a.m. in the Church dining room to cut our mittens. Please be sure to bring your scissors along! See you there.

**Next weekend**, February 1 & 2, during Mass, there will be “Blessing of the Throats” – Feast of St Blaise. The blessing of St Blaise is a sign of our faith in God’s protection and love for us and for the sick.

**World Day for Consecrated Life** will be celebrated the weekend of February 1-2. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God’s gift of their vocation.

**St Jessica Circle** donated 19 hats and 18 pairs of mittens to Tiffany Creek Elementary through your generous contributions to the mitten tree. Thanks so much for your generosity.

**13<sup>th</sup> Annual Right to Life Breakfast** will be held on *Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. until Noon* in the Brother Michael Center in Spring Valley. A free will offering will be accepted, proceeds going to support area women in need of pregnancy assistance.

Congratulations to the newly formed Spring Valley Council of the Knights of Columbus.



"Come after me, and I will make  
you fishers of men."

~Matt 4:19

### **PASTORAL REFLECTION**

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

In the first reading this Sunday, prophet Isaiah announced a future of liberation and great joy for all of Galilee, through the image of light that dispels the darkness in which the people walk. The Gospel presents Jesus as the Light that was promised to dispel the darkness of sin and to free man from the obscurity in which he is enclosed.

The light becomes an efficacious means to express God's involvement in human history. God manifests Himself as 'The Light' that disperses the darkness. The light illuminates, encircles, defines things, emphasizes the colors and gives depth to space. The light heartens and comforts: to be in an enlightened place helps us to accept reality for what it is and makes one feel happier, more certain and protected.

But many people still walk in darkness. Many people choose to walk in darkness. There are many who do not want to know the truth. They would rather stay in the dark. Those who have been called by Christ to be his disciples, all of us, have to have the courage to bring the light of His Truth to those who choose darkness.

There are many people who are thrown into darkness. Due to no fault of their own, they are put into horrible situations. There are many children who have been shuffled from home to home in the foster system and then forced to make their way alone in the world when they turn 18. There are many elderly people who are left with hardly any income to support themselves. Just the other day a thin lady in her late 80's living on \$1,100 a month and avoiding necessities like decent food told me that her fondest hope was that she would die soon so she would not have to worry about her bills any longer. That is no way for a person to finish his or her life. By the way, the money you give to the poor was used to help her. Your generosity has brought light to many who are in darkness.

The world is beautiful for those who are in the light. The world is horrible for those who are in darkness. We are in the light. We need to bring this light to others. We need to let people know about Jesus Christ who is alive and active in the world. We need to let them know that He loves them and He is calling them to come into His Light. We are not followers of Jesus Christ for ourselves. We have not been called to embrace a selfish relationship with the Lord. We have been called so we can use our own unique talents to bring others to Christ.

We need to use our unique gifts for the Lord's Kingdom. One person can write well. Another is an organizer. A third handles finances brilliantly. One works well with his hands. Another is a great auto mechanic. One person is naturally caring and personable. Another has the gift of remaining calm when turmoil hits. A third easily sees through people's masks and helps them be their true selves. Whatever our gifts are, we must use them for the Lord. We must bring light to those in darkness. We must become fishers of men, and women, and children and Teens.

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Rev. Arockia Stanislaus.

*Please pray for: Jayme Closs, Jim Smith - effects of chemo for colon cancer, Mark Hellmann - recovery from kidney cancer, David Buck - Cancer, Connie Sykora - recovery, The Boesl family during this time of grief, Corinne - sister of Dennis Hill who had a stroke, Terry Mohn's son-in-law who is dealing with leukemia, Bruce - cancer. The work of: Options for Women, pregnancy care center*

### **Other News:**

St Bridget's in Wilson will be having their Annual Chili & Soup Supper after Mass on Saturday, February 1. You are invited to join them for homemade chili and a variety of soups, cheese and crackers, and desserts.

*January 25-26, 2020*