

# SAINT LUKE – SACRED HEART CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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## PASTORAL TEAM

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## **TODAY:**

Saturday Feb 2

## **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

4:00 p.m. Parishioners of St Luke's

## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Thurs Feb 7

8:30 a.m. +Anne McAndrew  
Requested by Tom & Karen McAndrew

## **NEXT WEEK:**

Saturday Feb 9

## **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

4:00 p.m. +Allen McAndrew  
Requested by Tom & Karen McAndrew

## CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

## 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)*

## **STEWARDSHIP for January 26, 2019**

*"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has done for me?" (Psalm 116:12)*  
Adult Envelopes \$ 466.00      Loose Collection \$ 82.00

## **Ministries:**

**Ushers for February:** John & Tom Humpal

**Lector:** February 2 – Rita Zimmerman    February 9 – Joe Adams

**Eucharistic Ministers:** February 2 – J. Humpal, J. Fisher, K. Adams  
February 9 – G. Williams, K. Hansen, BJ Smith

## **ST LUKE NEWS:**

**Pot Luck** is Saturday, **February 9<sup>th</sup>** after the 4 p.m. Mass. Please plan to stay for good food and warm fellowship on a cold winter's evening.

The **Boyceville Knights of Columbus** will be holding a **Soup Supper** following Mass on Saturday, **February 16<sup>th</sup>**. We will be serving a variety of soup, bread and desserts. Free will offering.

Please plan to join us.

**Diocesan Annual Appeal:** **To date we have collected \$5,370**, 77% of the target amount. Our balance due is \$1,620. When we combine each of our individual monetary gifts with the gifts of thousands of other parishioners throughout the La Crosse Diocese, each contributor makes a very real difference in the ability of the Diocese to provide ministries and services. If you have not yet contributed toward the Annual Appeal, your generous gift would be most appreciated.

The **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** is **this weekend**. Envelopes are on the back table and in the pews. More than 46 million people in the United States live in poverty today. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for their communities. Learn more about Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.uscbb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.uscbb.org/cchd/collection).

## **OTHER NEWS:**

St Bridget's Catholic Church in Wilson will be have their Annual Chili and Soup Supper TODAY, Saturday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, serving from 5 – 7 p.m.

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were  
all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst  
of them and went away.

~Lk 4:28, 30

## PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus,  
Some truths are often bitter. We too may be angered or agitated when someone tells us a truth that we don't want to hear. If Jesus glorified the Jews and told them that they were God's exclusively privileged people, he would probably have received bouquets instead of brickbats; appreciation rather than criticism. Jesus declared that God has no favorites, that there are no privilege cardholders to receiving love and compassion, that all are equal shareholders of God's love no matter who we are, where we come from and whatever our socio-economic status. We don't earn divine favor by the titles we hold, but receive it freely from the unconditional love of God for us.

The people shouted in villages of Galilee, 'A great prophet has arisen among us' surprised by Jesus' words and actions. However this isn't what happens in Nazareth when he appears among his neighbors as the one anointed as Prophet of the poor. Jesus observes first their admiration, and later their rejection. He's not surprised. He reminds them of a well-known saying: 'In truth I tell you, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country'. Later, when they throw him out of the town and try to do away with him, Jesus abandons them.

Jesus is and acts like a prophet. He isn't a temple priest or a teacher of the law. His life is marked by the prophetic tradition of Israel. In contrast to the kings and priests, the prophet isn't named or anointed by anyone else. His authority comes from God, insisting on encouraging and guiding the beloved people with God's Spirit, when the political and religious leaders don't know how to do that.

The marks of the prophet are unmistakable. In the middle of an unjust society where the powerful seek their welfare, silencing the suffering of those who mourn, the prophet dares to read and to live reality from the perspective of God's compassion for the least. His whole life becomes an 'alternative presence' that criticizes injustice and calls for conversion and change.

On the other hand, when religion itself gets comfortable with an unjust order and its interests no longer respond to God's interests, the prophet shakes up our indifference and self-deception, criticizes the illusion of eternity and absolutes that threaten every religion, and remembers all those that God alone saves. His presence introduces a new hope since he invites us to think about the future from the perspective of God's liberty and love.

A Church that ignores the prophetic dimension of Jesus and his followers runs the risk of being left without prophets.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Arockia Stanislaus

**Safe Environments:** The Diocese of La Crosse is committed to creating a safe environment within the Church for children and youth. We continue to have a special care for and a commitment to reaching out to the victims of sexual abuse and their families. To report allegations of sexual abuse by a member of the clergy, lay employees or volunteers of the Diocese of La Crosse please fill out the form found at [www.diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting](http://www.diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting). Alternatively, you can contact Ms. Karen Becker, Victim Assistance Ministry at 608-519-8002.

**Please pray for: For healing of body, mind and soul of Jayme Closs, Repose of the soul of Tony Curvello, Repose of the soul of Jack Lampman, Debbie McNamara – Cancer, Jeff Schmidt, brother of Gloria Pieters, Joe Wheeldon – 2<sup>nd</sup> stem cell therapy, repose of the soul of Josh Drinkman**

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 2-3, 2019