

SAINT LUKE - SACRED HEART CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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TODAY: **SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**
Saturday Mar 7 4:00 p.m. +Dee & Jim Baudhuin
Requested by Barb Laluya

DAILY MASS
Thurs Mar 12 8:30 a.m. +Jack Lampman
Requested by Lee Hofer

NEXT WEEK: **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**
Saturday Mar 14 4:00 p.m. +Richard Laluya
Requested by Tom & Judy Humpal

+ 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

STEWARDSHIP for February 29, 2020

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be" (Luke 12:34)

Adult Envelopes \$ 680.00 Loose Collection \$ 54.00

Ministries: **Ushers for March:** Joe Adams & Joe Boesl

Lector: March 7 – Joe Pieters March 14 – Rita Zimmerman

Eucharistic Ministers: March 7 – J. Humpal, S. Anderson, G. Williams
March 14 – B. Laluya, K. Adams, K. Hansen

Rosary Leader: March – Joe Pieters

St Luke News: UPCOMING LENTEN EVENTS

Stations of the Cross, Wednesdays at 6 p.m. with Lenten Soup Supper to follow. All are welcome.

Lenten Confessions: Saturday March 28th from 3-4 p.m. Mass following at 4 p.m.

Senior food boxes will be packed on Tuesday, March 10 beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the West Cap building on Main Street. In light of the Lenten season, please consider this worthwhile work of mercy. Many hands make light work.

Mass Intentions can be scheduled for family or friends who have gone on to their eternal reward. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a Mass

Other News:

TRI PARISH MISSION to be held on Sunday March 8 from 6-8 p.m. at Sacred Heart in Spring Valley. A light supper will be served at 5 p.m. preceding the retreat in the Brother Michael Center.

There are many Retreat options posted on the back table that you might consider adding to your Lenten routine.

Annual Appeal Update: We remain at 68% collected of the \$7580 that we owe for the Annual Appeal. For those of you who have not yet contributed, please give prayerful consideration to helping us reach our target amount.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is my beloved son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." ~Matt 17:5

PASTORAL REFLECTION

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus,

On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration. On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The report of Jesus' Transfiguration is found in each of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The context for Luke's Transfiguration story is similar to that found in both Matthew and Mark. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery.

The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death.

As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets.

On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus "master" instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death.

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Rev. Arockia Stanislaus.

Please pray for: Jim Smith - effects of chemo for colon cancer, David Buck - Cancer, Corinne - sister of Dennis Hill who had a stroke, Terry Mohn's son-in-law who is dealing with leukemia, Bruce - Cancer, Debbie McNamara - Cancer, Betty Jean Smith - recovery after knee surgery, Kaleb Humpal - eye/sight issues, Repose of the souls of Lynn Zimmerman and Doris Squillace. The work of: Options for Women, pregnancy care center

St Patrick's Day Dinner - March 15th

Sacred Heart of Spring Valley will host its annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner on **Sunday, March 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Brother Michael Center.**

Please come and join us for a good meal of bone in Ham, real mashed potatoes with Ham gravy, homemade baked beans, sweet corn and PIE. Try an Irish coffee at our Coffee Bar! Spread the word! We look forward to seeing you, your family and friends.

Food for thought: "Love has to be put into action and that action is service. A mission of love can come only from union with God. From that union, love for the family, love for one's neighbor, and love for the poor is the natural fruit." ~St. Teresa of Calcutta

March 7-8, 2020