

SAINT LUKE - SACRED HEART CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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TODAY:

Sunday Apr 21

EASTER SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. +Diane Schmidt
Requested by Joe & Gloria Pieters

DAILY MASS

Thurs Apr 25 8:30 a.m. – Parishioners of St Luke's

NEXT WEEK:

Sunday Apr 28

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. *Tom & Judy Humpal
In Honor of their 40th Wedding Anniversary

+ Rest in Peace * Holy Mass of the Living

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

STEWARDSHIP for April 14, 2019

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all He has done for me?" (Psalm 116:12)

Adult Envelopes \$ 1,314.00 Loose Collection \$ 29.00

Ministries:

Ushers for April: Jerry Smith & Joe Pieters

Lector: April 21 Easter Sunday - Volunteer April 28 – Joe Pieters

Eucharistic Ministers: April 21 Easter Sunday – Volunteers

April 28 – V. Kujawa, B. Laluya, G. Williams

ST LUKE NEWS:

Please return your "filled" baby bottle within the next week or two. The money will be returned to Options for Women in Menomonie for the work that they do educating and supporting families with unplanned pregnancies.

Knights of Columbus News:

The annual Knights Tootsie Roll sale starts on Sunday April 28th!

St Luke's Altar Society will be hosting the Spring Durand Deanery meeting on Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:30 p.m. All women of St Luke's are welcome to attend.

There will be a second collection on Sunday, April 28th (Low Sunday) taken up by the Altar Society for the Annual La Crosse Council of Catholic Women. The funds are used to help our Parish, Deanery and Diocese. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

St Jessica Circle will meet on Wednesday April 24th at 9:30 a.m. Please bring ideas for projects.

St Luke's will help to pack **WEEKEND MEAL BAGS** at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24th at the West Cap building on Main Street. The building is accessible during the street reconstruction; parking is available on Race Street. Contact Joe Pieters for more information 715-643-4431.

OTHER NEWS:

Tri-parish Pastoral council will meet on Tuesday, April 30th at 7p.m. in Spring Valley. Please inform the Parish office if you are unable to attend.

EASTER SUNDAY

The other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. ~Jn 20:8

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

We celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord.

Love has triumphed over hatred, life has conquered death, and light has dispelled the darkness!

Out of love for us, Jesus Christ stripped himself of his divine glory, emptied himself, took on the form of a slave and humbled himself even to death, death on a cross. For this reason God exalted him and made him Lord of the universe. Jesus is Lord!

By his death and resurrection, Jesus shows everyone the way to life and happiness: this way is humility, which involves humiliation. This is the path which leads to glory. Only those who humble themselves can go towards the “things that are above”, towards God (Col 3:1-4). The proud look “down from above”; the humble look “up from below”.

On Easter morning, alerted by the women, Peter and John ran to the tomb. They found it open and empty. Then they drew near and “bent down” in order to enter it. To enter into the mystery, we need to “bend down”, to abase ourselves. Only those who abase themselves understand the glorification of Jesus and are able to follow him on his way.

The world proposes that we put ourselves forward at all costs, that we compete, that we prevail... But Christians, by the grace of Christ, dead and risen, are the seeds of another humanity, in which we seek to live in service to one another, not to be arrogant, but rather respectful and ready to help.

This is not weakness, but true strength! Those who bear within them God’s power, his love and his justice, do not need to employ violence; they speak and act with the power of truth, beauty and love.

From the risen Lord we ask the grace not to succumb to the pride which fuels violence and war, but to have the humble courage of pardon and peace. We ask Jesus, the Victor over death, to lighten the sufferings of our many brothers and sisters who are persecuted for his name, and of all those who suffer injustice as a result of ongoing conflicts and violence.

We ask for peace and freedom for the many men and women subject to old and new forms of enslavement on the part of criminal individuals and groups. Peace and liberty for the victims of drug dealers, who are often allied with the powers who ought to defend peace and harmony in the human family. And we ask peace for this world subjected to arms dealers.

May the marginalized, the imprisoned, the poor and the migrants who are so often rejected, maltreated and discarded, the sick and the suffering, children, especially those who are victims of violence; all who today are in mourning, and all men and women of goodwill, hear the consoling voice of the Lord Jesus: “Fear not, for I am risen and I shall always be with you”

MAY THE RISEN LORD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Rev. Arockia Stanislaus.

Please pray for: [For healing of body, mind and soul of Jayme Closs](#), [Debbie McNamara – Cancer](#),
[Repose of the soul of Richard Laluya](#), [For the health of Gloria Pieters](#), [College Students](#)
[The work of: Options for Women, pregnancy care center, Menomonie and the Baby Bottle Campaign](#)

April 20-21, 2019