

Dear Parishioners,

On September 4th, Pope Francis will “canonize” Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Decades before her death, she was known worldwide for her care for the poor. Care for the poor is a basic instruction from Jesus, and a basic requirement for each and every Catholic. Precisely how each Catholic does this will vary just as God makes each and every conceived human into a unique creation. Mother Teresa has been a “blessed” saint for several years. As a “blessed”, her feast day has been observed in India, and churches and schools are named after her. As a “Canonized” saint, starting September 4th, parishes and schools will be named after her throughout the world — as you are, I am as convinced that this will be the case very quickly!

Following Bishop Guglielmone’s guidance, we will accept donations to aid victims of recent flooding in LA. We will not “pass the basket” twice — but if on the weekend Sept 3 & 4 you enclose a check with “flood relief” in the memo, we will send it to our bishop and he will send it to Catholic Charities in Louisiana. Thru mid September, Holy Cross and St. Luke’s will accept online donations to this cause.

Fr. Jim

This Week in our Parish

Sun., 28	9:00 AM	Mass
Thu., 1	12:15 PM	Mass
Sat., 3	2:30 PM	Confession @ Holy Cross
	6:00 PM	Mass
Sun., 4	9:00 AM	Mass

Masses for the Week

Thu., 1	12:15 PM	Priest Intention
Sat., 3	6:00 PM	For the People
Sun., 4	9:00 AM	Bess Moll + <i>M/M Ralph Miller</i>

Readings for week of August 28-September 4

Sun	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14
Mon	1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102; Mk 6:17-29
Tue	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wed	1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thu	1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Fri	1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Sat	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21; Lk 6:1-5
Sun	Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Betty A., Anna B., Cathy C., David C., Lee C., Joan D., Jim. M., Phyllis M., Richard P., Jim R., Debra S., Shirley T., Maria T., Anne Y.

Friends/Relatives: Dale A., Kevin A., Bruce A., George C., Jr., David D., Susan D., Daniel D., Shirley D., Bobby E., Miguel F., John G., Emmett G. Jr., Helen H., Angela H., Edward K., Wayne K., David L., Lilly Grace M., Chris M., Bradley M., Maureen N., Tim & Maria N., Charles O., Louise O., Jessica P., Tom Q., Molly R., John R., Maria R., Glenn R., Tim S., Pat S., Jo T., Sarah T., Nury T., our homebound members, all current & former members of our military and those who have asked for our prayers.

Prayer Requests: We will be moving to a different bulletin format next week. Prayer requests will be made known through our current email prayer chain led by Carolyn Clements. If you would like to request prayer or become a member of the group, please email Carolyn at cclements115@gmail.com. Please do not request prayers for family/friends without their consent.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education for grades 1-12: Registration forms for the 2016-17 program are available online at our website or in the entrance to the church. Registration fees and forms must be returned to the parish office by September 18. **We are in need of a 1st grade teacher and several teacher aides. If you would like to volunteer,** please contact Faye Fazio at dre@stlukeeasley.org or 864-855-9039.

HS Youth Group (grades 9-12) will meet weekly starting Sunday, September 11th, following Mass in Annunciation Hall until 11:30 AM. **There will be a parent meeting on September 11th** following mass for all HS parents in Annunciation Hall. Dates for calendar:

- Right to Life High School Youth March - January 7, 2017
- Diocesan Youth Conference Weekend - March 10-12, 2017

Class Start Dates:

9/11 High School 9/21 Grades 1-6
 9/25 Junior High (grades 7-8)

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Rosaries before Mass: St. Luke's has lost a Rosary champion with the passing of Mr. Larry Weiler. We are in need of parishioners who would lead the Rosary before Saturday and Sunday Masses. If you would like to help, please contact Mr. Greg Bida at gregorypbida@att.net or one of the Rosary leaders.

Craft Bazaar: It's time to prepare for the Craft Bazaar!! If you or someone you know is interested in selling their handmade items, registration for the Craft Bazaar is now open on the church website. PLEASE BE SURE TO READ THE GUIDELINES when registering. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Roberson 864-915-3984.

St. Luke Parking Lot: Please help us to keep our driveways clear by parking only in designated parking spots or in the gravel lot beside Annunciation Hall. The driveways in front of the church and Annunciation Hall must be kept clear in the event that emergency vehicles are required. Thank you for your assistance!

Capital Campaign Report August 21, 2016

Cost to Date	\$1,238,471	From Growth/Dev	\$550,000
		Donations & Int.	\$487,865
<u>Loan Interest (5 yr)</u>	<u>\$ 14,902</u>	<u>Pledges Expected</u>	<u>\$ 88,296</u>
Total Cost	\$1,253,373	Total Funding	\$1,126,161
	Funds Needed		\$127,212

Stewardship Report August 20-21, 2016

Weekly	\$3,984.14
Online	\$935.00
YTD Collection...	\$31,373.43
Surplus/ (Deficit)	(\$2,611.21)

Thank you for your generosity!

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

September 3-4, 2016

6 PM	Lector:	B. Kelly
	Servers:	J. Sewell J. Swire-Clark
	Greeters:	B. Jacob D. Jacob
9 AM	Lector:	R. DeWeese
	Servers:	T. Neuburger J. McConnell J. Spence
	Greeters:	B. Brennan D. Ewing G. Pittman J. Weidemann

Holy Cross Catholic Church 558 Hampton Ave Pickens, SC Mass Schedule*

Saturday.....	4:00 PM
Sunday.....	11:30 AM
Monday.....	12:15 PM
Wednesday.....	12:15 PM
Friday.....	12:15 PM

**Check the website to confirm.*