



# Catholic Church of St. Luke

4408 Highway 86 Easley, SC 29642

February 25, 2018

Dear Parishioners,

Fairly often, the Sunday readings at Mass are abbreviated. We see that in this week's first reading about the sacrifice of Isaac. Get "the rest of the story" in Genesis 22:1-19. Reasonable believers are puzzled by 1) God's request that Abraham offer Isaac as a holocaust — a sacrifice burning the victim entirely as a way to give only to God; 2) Abraham's willingness to offer Isaac; 3) Isaac's willingness to be offered. The letter to the Hebrews, 11:8-12, puts this in perspective. Pull out your Bible and read these two brief sections. As soon as he heard God's command, Abraham resolved to give Isaac into God's care — as a holocaust. Isaac carried the wood of his sacrifice up the hill just as Jesus would carry His cross. On the third day, God told Abraham not to kill Isaac — it was as if Isaac had returned from the dead just as Jesus would later rise on the third day.

At St. Luke this year, we are praying the Stations in Annunciation Hall. I am available for confessions in "Holy Apostle's Hall" — directly across from the Fr. Travis Conference Room. This allows us to be in the same building for everything, but also is a reminder of what the Stations of the Cross really are. First documented by Egeria in the third century, Christians in Jerusalem followed along the places where Jesus accepted, carried, and died upon the cross. The original Stations of the Cross are not in a church. You may find it helpful to bring a kneeling pad, or feel free to sit in a chair if the knees just don't work!

This year, Holy Thursday adoration following the Mass of the Lord's Supper will be in Annunciation Hall. We'd like to have more of a garden appearance for that night — will you lend us a tree or shrub that doesn't need water? It will be a big help. (Please put your name on the pot, and bring it by during the stations on March 2 or 16.

Have a blessed Lent,

Fr. Jim

**The facilities of St. Luke are available to all ACTIVE parishioners. This includes the use of the church for Baptism, Weddings and other Sacramental events. Active Membership is determined as follows:**

1. Registered in the parish for 6 months.
2. Faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
3. Financial support of the church according to your means.

**Baptism:** Parents must complete training prior to having a child baptized. Please call the parish office to schedule a meeting with the Pastor.

**Marriage:** Those contemplating marriage should contact the office at least EIGHT months prior to the wedding date to schedule an appointment with the priest.

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## This Week in Our Parish

Sun	2/25	9 AM 10 AM 10 AM 11:30 AM	Mass Jr. High Youth Mtg. Sr. High Youth Mtg. Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> +James Moran
Mon	2/26	12:15 PM	Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b>
Tue	2/27	7 PM	RCIA
Wed	2/28	10 AM 12:15 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	Heart to Hands Prayer Shawl Mtg. Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> Teresa Bravo Religious Education (grades 1-6) Adult Bible Study
Thu	3/1	12:15 PM	Mass
Fri	3/2	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 4:30-6 PM 6:30 PM	Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> Terry Anderson Eucharistic Adoration <b>@Holy Cross</b> Confessions –Annunciation Hall Stations of Cross/Meal –Annunciation Hall
Sat	3/3	2:30 PM 4 PM 6 PM	Confession <b>@Holy Cross</b> Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> +Bernadette Kovalyak Mass
Sun	3/4	9 AM 10 AM 11:30 AM	Mass +Charlotte Hirsch Sr. High Youth Mtg. Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b>

### Readings for Week of February 26

<b>Mon</b>	Dn 9:4B-10; Lk 6:36-38
<b>Tue</b>	Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
<b>Wed</b>	Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
<b>Thu</b>	Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
<b>Fri</b>	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13A, 17B-28A; Mt: 21:33-43, 45-46
<b>Sat</b>	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
<b>Sun</b>	Ex 20:1-17; 1Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

### Stewardship Report

February 10-11	\$4,748
Online Giving	\$1,555

*Thank you for your generosity and support!*

**Heart to Hands Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet on Wednesday, February 28 from 10 AM until 1 PM. No experience required, all ladies of the parish welcome!

**40 Days for Life Candlelight Vigil:** Thursday, March 8, 7 pm, public right-of-way Greenville Women's Clinic, 1142 Grove Road; praying the Rosary in different languages. Cam Nguyen will provide accordion accompaniment and Gary Dentrement will lead the singing. Be sure to visit the parish website to see the video and song that are posted for Respect Life.

**2018 Catholic Women's Conference:** Keynote speaker, workshops, vendors, Mass and confession. Cost is \$40 if registered before March 1. Includes breakfast and catered lunch. Join us this Lent to be renewed and refreshed. Saturday, March 3, 9-5, St. Joseph's Catholic School, Greenville. To register, visit [www.SCCatholicWomensConference.com](http://www.SCCatholicWomensConference.com).

**SC Catholic Men's Conference:** March 3 – Our Lady of the Lake Church – Chapin, SC. Register online at [www.sccatholicmensconf.org](http://www.sccatholicmensconf.org). National speakers: Most Reverend Robert Guglielmone, Bishop of Charleston, Gus Lloyd, Radio Host, and Tom Leopold, TV Comedy Writer.

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat:** Retreat for post abortive women and men, March 16-18, 2018 in Greenville, SC. The retreat is confidential and non-judgmental. For more information, please contact Christy 803-554-6088, [grace4healing@gmail.com](mailto:grace4healing@gmail.com) or Kathy at 803- 546-6010. Limited space available.



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#### Bishop's Annual Appeal

For complete information about the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal, go to the church website tab News/Events. All 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal Info is available.