



Catholic Church of St. Luke

4408 Highway 86 Easley, SC 29642

June 25, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

Today we begin a mini-series on postures and gestures at Mass. This week, let's look at the postures and gestures shared between the priest and people. How many can you list?

First, on entering the church, all the faithful -- including the priest -- make the sign of the cross using Holy Water. Second, before getting to a seat, we genuflect, touching the right knee to the floor with hands folded. Just as the priest does not make the sign of the cross while genuflecting, the faithful should not do so.

All stand for the entrance procession, introductory rites including the Gloria, Alleluia, Gospel, Creed, and intercessions. The people stand with the priest from the final part of the preparation of the gifts until they kneel at the end of the "Holy, Holy, Holy." All stand for the start of the Communion Rite -- the Our Father -- through the "Lamb of God." And finally, all stand for the "Prayer after Communion" and the "Concluding Rite." We stand out of respect, and showing a readiness to act.

All sit for the Old Testament reading, the Psalm, and the New Testament Reading. (Of course, the Lector and Cantor stand for these!) All respond to the verses of the "Responsorial Psalm". All kneel/sit for a time of silence after Communion.

The first words of the Mass are the priest saying, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," while all make the sign of the cross. All sign themselves with three small crosses after the words "A reading from the Holy Gospel according to" These are made on the forehead, lips, and breast. The sign of the cross reminds us that we have agreed to pick up our cross daily, and follow Jesus.

When the "I confess" is used for the penitential act, all strike their breast at the words "through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault." This is a sign of sorrow for our sins.

All pray together the "Our Father", and also the words "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." This is an important reminder that no one -- not even the Pope -- is worthy for God to enter his soul. We all rely on the saving action of God.

Everyone makes a physical sign of reverence before receiving the Eucharist. The priest genuflects before "Behold, the Lamb of God...", and the faithful either genuflect or bow while the person before them is receiving the Eucharist.

At the end of Mass, all should spend some time thanking God for the gift of the Eucharist. Upon leaving all should genuflect while facing the Tabernacle.

In the next weeks, we will look at what the people do and the priest does not do, then at what the priest does and the people do not do!

Fr. Jim

Readings for Week of June 25

Monday	Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22; Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday	Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday	Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 7:15-20 Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19
Thursday	Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
Friday	Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mt 8:1-4
Saturday	Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55; Mt 8:5-17
Sunday	2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

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This Week in Our Parish

Wed	6/28	10 AM	Prayer Shawl Meeting
Thu	6/29	6:30 PM	Choir Practice
Sat	7/1	2:30 PM 4 PM 6 PM	Confession @ <i>Holy Cross</i> Mass @ <i>Holy Cross</i> †Joe Christ Mass
Sun	7/2	9 AM 11:30 AM	Mass †Joseph & †Eleanor Kiesznoski Mass @ <i>Holy Cross</i>

Stewardship Report

June 17-18 \$2,815

Online Giving \$1,175

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Please welcome Msgr. Christopher Lathem to St. Luke. We thank him for celebrating Mass with us while Father Jim is away.

Schedule Change: No weekday Masses at St. Luke and Holy Cross from June 26th - July 7th.

Heart to Hands Prayer Shawl ministry will have their next meeting on Wednesday, June 28 from 10 AM- 1 PM. All ladies of the parish are invited to come for fun and fellowship! Bring your lunch if you like!

Bishop's Annual Appeal: Your gifts will provide critical funding to accomplish things such as: pay for the education and formation of seminarians and deacons, help our brothers and sisters in need through Catholic Charities services, evangelize future generations through Youth and Young Adult Ministry programs, and provide pensions and healthcare for our retired priests. Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Together, we are doing the Lord's work and building His kingdom.

CWO'S GARAGE SALE was a huge success! A huge thanks to all who donated goods and a special thanks to less than a dozen hard-working ladies who baked goods, & enlisted their husbands to help with item collections, organization, room set-up, pricing, or sales. Keep your calendar open for a repeat performance next April 2018. **Also**, thanks to all of the CWO ladies who continued the Father's Day tradition of greeting parishioners, ushering during collections, and distributing St. Joseph prayer cards to fathers after Mass. You are appreciated.