



# Catholic Church of St. Luke

4408 Highway 86 Easley, SC 29642

September 17, 2017

*Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday afternoon, I head to Atlanta for the International Catholic Stewardship Conference. Stewardship is meant to be much more than asking people to give money to the Church. Stewards are responsible to care for valuables belonging to another. All that we have, all that is valuable, all that we are — everything in the world — belongs to God. Catholic stewardship is about using all that God has given to produce fruit for God.

This week, I will not be free to celebrate daily Mass in our parish. If you need a priest for an emergency — imminent danger of death or a funeral — call our emergency number (864) 897-7980. Recently I was asked why we do not have communion services when I am not free for Mass. In short, it is because the Eucharist is so much more than receiving the host. The Eucharist — the Mass — is our obedient public thanksgiving for all that God has given us. At Mass, we are called to offer fruits of our work — and even ourselves — in union with Jesus' gift of Himself for the forgiveness of sin.

Catholics who arrange their weekends around the celebration of the Mass give a profound witness to our faith. Quite a few rely on family or friends to help them get to Mass, and we need to respect their sacrifice. I have been asked to switch the Sunday Mass times for Holy Cross and St Luke for only the day of a party marking the Feast of St. Luke. The convenience of a party, even to mark an important feast, is not sufficient reason to switch Sunday Mass times. Join me in praying for successful efforts to celebrate St. Luke's feast while we witness that the Mass is the source and summit of our lives.

Fr. Jim



[Holycrossstluke.org](http://Holycrossstluke.org)



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**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 attend a training class prior to having a child baptized. Please call the parish office to schedule the training.

**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

Tue	9/19	7 PM	RCIA Inquiry Class (Annunciation Hall)
Wed	9/20	6:30 PM	Religious Education (grades 1-6) Adult Bible Study
Sat	9/23	2:30 PM 4 PM 6 PM	Confession Mass @ <b>Holy Cross</b> +Erma Skelton Mass
Sun	9/24	9 AM 10 AM 11:30 AM	Mass +Joseph & Gladys Egan Sr. High Youth Mtg. (Annunciation Hall) Jr High Youth Mtg. (Annunciation Hall) Mass @ <b>Holy Cross</b>

**No weekday Mass at St. Luke or Holy Cross this week.**

- ❖ **Catholic Outreach** "Putting your faith into action" From May through August, we received \$12,689.38 which enabled us to help 173 people with utility bills and 140 people with food. Thank you for your ongoing support. God Bless you.
- ❖ **40 Days for Life:** You are invited to join other Christians throughout the Upstate to take part in our local 40 Days for Life effort from September 27 through November 5. **40 Days for Life Kickoff Rally** will be held on Sept 30; 9:30 am–10:30 am, Greenville Women's Clinic, 1142 Grove Rd. Parking is at the empty shops across the street from Piedmont Women's Center and at Grove Road Baptist Church. **Rosaries for Life** - Remember to pray your Rosaries for Life this fall during the 40 Days for Life. Pray 5 decades daily from Sept 27<sup>th</sup> – Nov 5<sup>th</sup>. Turn in your counts at your local parish or email your count each week to [rosaries4life@gmail.com](mailto:rosaries4life@gmail.com).
- ❖ **Religious Education News:** Classes for grades 1-6 have begun and meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM. **Junior High Youth Meetings** (grades 7-8) will begin on Sunday, September 24 after the 9 AM Mass. **Jr High** group meets in Annunciation Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month. **Confirmation students should attend the youth group meeting appropriate for their grade.**
- ❖ **Adult Bible Study** meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 PM.
- ❖ **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) Inquiry Sessions:** "I have called you by name, you are mine." (Isaiah 43:1) The invitation to respond to God's call is extended to all who are interested in exploring the Catholic way of life. We invite you to join us for our Inquiry Sessions which are opportunities to ask questions about God, Jesus, the Catholic Church, the Mass, Saints, Sacraments, prayer, etc. The sessions DO NOT expect or require a commitment to join the Catholic Church. They are informal conversations about any questions you may have. We welcome any and all inquiries about the Catholic Faith. Please join us on Tuesdays at 7 PM for a series of inquiry sessions. We'll meet at Annunciation Hall, and all are welcome. If you'd like more information, contact Stan Brooks at 864-979-2586, [stanbrooks@bellsouth.net](mailto:stanbrooks@bellsouth.net).
- ❖ **5<sup>th</sup> Marian Eucharistic Conference:** November 4-5, 2017 at the Hilton Hotel in Greenville. For more information, please call 864-354-7160 or visit [www.meconferencesc.net](http://www.meconferencesc.net). Registration by October 24 is required; \$75/adult, \$40/youth.

### Readings for Week of September 18

<b>Monday</b>	1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9; Lk 7:1-10
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 7:31-35
<b>Thursday</b>	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13
<b>Friday</b>	1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20; Lk 8:1-3
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 8:4-15
<b>Sunday</b>	Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18, 18a; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

### Stewardship Report

September 9-10           \$3,167  
 Online Giving             \$860  
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