



PRESENCE IN FAITH

Evangelizing through Stewardship

St. Luke Catholic Church

Indianapolis, Indiana

ST. LUKE

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MISSION

As Christ is present in His Church, Saint Luke Parish is the presence of the Church in our community. Through our Catholic tradition we are devoted to prayer and worship, committed to joyful service, generosity, and all works of Evangelization to make Christ present to His people.

Parish Information

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(317) 259-4373

School Information

7575 Holliday Drive East, Indianapolis, IN 46260
(317) 255-3912

Preschool Information

7575 Holliday Drive East, Indianapolis, IN 46260
(317) 974-9937

Website

stluke.org

Clergy

Reverend Joseph Moriarty, Pastor
Reverend Jayaraju Bandari, HGN, Associate Pastor

Additional information about our parish, schools, and ministries can be found on our website stluke.org.

All staff, clergy and volunteers who work directly with children must complete Safe Parish, the archdiocesan online Safe Environment Training Program, and are required to complete a criminal background check.

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Welcome to St. Luke!

As you explore this booklet, we invite you to join us in our mission to make Christ present to His people with our spiritual gifts of evangelization and through the stewardship of material gifts of time, talent and treasure.

By gratefully acknowledging God's goodness and returning your gifts with increase to Him, you become a witness of Christ to others. Rooted in prayer, may you answer His call to serve in the ministerial life of the parish.

For information on ministries and how to join, please contact Therese Hartley at thartley@stluke.org or 317-259-4373 x248.

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SACRAMENTAL OPPORTUNITIES

Mass and the Eucharist

“The Eucharist is the heart and the summit of the Church’s life, for in it Christ associates his Church and all her members with his sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving offered once for all on the cross to his Father; by this sacrifice he pours out the graces of salvation on his Body which is the Church.”

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1407)

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM (Sunday Vigil)
Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Weekday Mass Schedule

Mon, Wed, Fri 11:30 AM
Tues, Thurs, Sat 8:15 AM
Monday-Friday 5:30 PM

Communion Service

Monday - Saturday 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

24 hours a day, 7 days a week
(Perpetual Adoration Chapel)

Rosary

Monday-Friday 7:40 AM, 5:15 PM
Saturday 7:40 AM, 4:45 PM

Confession

Opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation are offered everyday. Appointments can also be made with our priests by calling the Parish Office.

Confession Schedule

Monday-Friday 5:00 PM
Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 11:00 AM

Anointing of the Sick

Those in need of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick should call the Parish Office to arrange a visit with one of our priests. If you or a loved one is hospitalized, please contact the Parish Office. Due to HIPAA laws, hospitals can no longer notify us of your hospitalization. *In case of emergency after hours, please use the emergency option on the Parish Office voicemail.*

Baptism

To inquire about and schedule a Baptism, please contact Evelyn Burton at (317)259-4373, ext. 256 or eburton@stluke.org. This can be done before your child is born so you can complete the necessary formation.

Holy Matrimony

Couples wanting to schedule a wedding and/or marriage preparation must contact Erin Jeffries at (317)259-4373, ext. 218 or ejeffries@stluke.org. This should be done at least 6 months in advance of your wedding date.

COUNCILS

Father Joe Moriarty, jmoriarty@stluke.org

St. Luke Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council consults with our Parish Pastor to foster full participation of the entire parish in the life and mission of the parish and of the Universal Church including planning and policy-making affecting the parish. The Council is comprised of representatives from the Finance Council and the seven Commissions. At-large members are appointed by the Pastor.

Intercessory Saint: St. Thomas More

Ministry Leader: Mark Garza, mgarza@draco-llc.com

Finance Council

The Finance Council is a consultative body appointed by the Pastor to aid in the administration of parish goods. This group is mandated by the Code of Canon Law.

Intercessory Saint: St. Matthew the Apostle

Ministry Leader: Dean Weseli, dean.weseli@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ACTION COMMISSION

Therese Hartley, thartley@stluke.org

Beggars for the Poor

Our mission is to serve with respect and care to the poor and the homeless of Indianapolis who have needs they are unable to fulfill. We serve by providing food, clothing, and personal care items to all who come without question of their need. We seek to see the face of Jesus in each person that we serve.

Intercessory Saint: St. Benedict Joseph Labre

Ministry Leader: Marilyn Traylor, nanamare@att.net

Care for Creation

The Care for Creation ministry aims to heighten awareness of Church teachings on environmental stewardship, and the interconnectiveness of environmental and social issues of social justice for the common good. This mission is lived out through environmentally-friendly Church operations, the encouragement of individual responsibilities, and community outreach.

Intercessory Saint: St. Francis of Assisi

Ministry Leader: Jack Hill, popindyofs@gmail.com

Christmas Store

This ministry supports the Catholic Charities Christmas store that serves the under-privileged in providing Christmas gifts for their families. During Advent, gifts are purchased by St. Luke members to supply store inventory. Every Advent, volunteers are needed to help distribute donation ornaments, collect donated gifts and deliver to the Xavier Building/Catholic Charities Christmas Store.

Intercessory Saint: St. Nicholas

Ministry Leader: Rachel Koch, rkoch@stluke.school

First Sunday Sharing

On the weekend of the first Sunday of the month, St. Luke parishioners support the First Sunday Sharing collection of food and clothing to those in need by bringing in non-perishable food and men's clothing to support the missions of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and Boulevard Place Food Pantry.

Intercessory Saint: St. John the Merciful

Ministry Leader: Marilyn Traylor, nanamare@att.net

St. Luke Pro-Life Ministry

The St. Luke Pro-Life Ministry purpose is to support and uphold the sanctity of life from birth to natural death. The ministry draws particular awareness to the undeniable tragedy of abortion, recognizing the devastating physical and psychological trauma to post-abortive mothers and the effect of abortion on society as a whole, with efforts on imitating Christ by providing prayerful spiritual and material support to mothers in crisis pregnancies, and standing as witness for babies of abortion in a variety of pro-life public events.

Intercessory Saints: Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. John Paul II, St. Gianna Molla
Ministry Leader: Carol Feick, cfeick@sbcglobal.net

St. Vincent de Paul

Our parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference seeks to serve the poor of our community by providing material and financial assistance to those in need. By personally serving with dignity and humility those seeking our help and providing support and consolation to them in their time of need, we strive to live the Gospel message of love for all Christ's people and to demonstrate our Catholic faith in action to those we serve and to our community.

Intercessory Saint: St. Vincent de Paul

Ministry Leader: Ken Crook, crook.ken@gmail.com

Thanksgiving Sharing

The St. Luke Thanksgiving Sharing ministry annually provides Thanksgiving food baskets to food-insecure families in central Indiana, inclusive of turkey and all the trimmings. One of the parish's longest-standing ministries, the group utilizes volunteers throughout November to acquire food and monetary donations, develop recipient lists, assemble the food baskets, and deliver the week of Thanksgiving.

Intercessory Saint: Moses, Patron Saint of Thanksgiving

Ministry Leader: Steve Hartley, shartley5400@comcast.net

CSAC AFFILIATES

Endowment Program

The Christian Social Action Endowment for St. Luke Catholic Church was established by the *Legacy of Hope* Campaign to fund Christian Social Action initiatives at the parish, national, and international levels. Up to 5% of the endowment fund earnings is given each year in grants to various programs. This ministry accepts grant applications and makes recommendations to the Christian Social Action Commission on the disbursement of endowment funds.

Intercessory Saint: St. Francis of Assisi

Ministry Leader: Bill Spangler, srmdoc1@mac.com

Indiana Catholic Conference

Indiana Catholic Conference (ICC) is a statewide coordinating body serving as liaison between the five Roman Catholic dioceses in Indiana and national Catholic groups in areas of common public policy. This cooperative relationship promotes the common good where public policy interests collaborate with religious and civic, social and governmental missions.

Contact: Roarke LaCoursiere, 812-870-0535, indianacc.org

For more information on *Christian Social Action* ministries, please contact the ministry leader or Therese Hartley, thartley@stluke.org, 317-259-4373 x248.

EVANGELIZATION COMMISSION
Therese Hartley, thartley@stluke.org

Evangelization Commission

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.” (Matthew 28:19-20)

The Evangelization Commission purpose is to keep the Church’s mission of making the presence of Jesus known by proclaiming his word and through our personal example, the *Follow Me* Campaign, and small faith-sharing groups.

Intercessory Saint: St. Luke

Ministry Leader: Tom Hirschauer, tom@tfhirschauer.com

Follow Me Campaign

The Follow Me campaign is designed to inspire and empower through the testimonies of fellow parishioners and the opportunity to learn from their faith journeys, along with resources to enhance your own. Weekly emails include personal video testimonials from St. Luke parishioners, followed by a short scripture passage, and a modern commentary on the passage, as well as relevant citations from the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Also provided are convenient links to informational and inspirational content from Bishop Robert Barron, Father Mike Schmidt, Sister Miriam, and the prayer apps Hallow and Formed. Please visit stluke.org for *Follow Me* content.

DEVOTIONAL MINISTRIES & PRAYER APOSTOLATES

First Saturday Devotion

On the First Saturday of every month, the ministry prays in reparation for offenses against the Immaculate Heart of Mary as requested by our Blessed Mother to Sister Lucia, a Fatima visionary, on Dec 10, 1925. She promised graces to those who fulfilled the requirements of confession (within 7 days), communion, and praying and meditating on the Rosary for 5 consecutive months. The devotion begins with 7:15 AM prayers in the Church prior to Mass in the Magnificat Chapel. A pitch-in breakfast follows.

Intercessory Saint: Venerable Lucia dos Santos

Ministry Leader: Barbara Hendrickson, bhendrickson526@comcast.net

EVANGELIZATION COMMISSION

Millions of Monicas

Our mission is to encounter God through prayer for ourselves and our children; to grow in holiness and humility. Like St. Monica, we pray for our children to return to the practice of their Catholic faith, and for our children to always stay close to their faith. We are a group of mothers, young and old, who believe in the mother's power of prayer.

Intercessory Saint: St. Monica

Ministry Leader: Patty Cochran, travelpatty2247@gmail.com

Prayer Chain

The St. Luke Prayer Chain shares our faith in God and in His loving and healing presence within our lives and community. Through weekly, emailed communication, we intercede for the needs of those challenged by illness and other difficulties and offer prayers on their behalf. This prayerful act of love and caring may bring comfort, faith and healing while bringing others closer to Christ.

Intercessory Saint: Raphael the Archangel

Ministry Leader: Carolyn O'Neil, caoneil@iu.edu

St. Peregrine Prayer Group

The prayer group gathers every Saturday immediately following the 8:15 AM Mass to pray specifically for those affected by cancer. All are welcome! Please contact the ministry leaders to add someone to the prayer intention list.

Intercessory Saint: St. Peregrine, Patron of Cancer Patients

Ministry Leaders: Ida and Joe Lamberti, jandidalamberti@gmail.com

EVANGELIZATION AFFILIATES

Cursillo

Cursillo started in 1944 in Majorca Spain, as a "small course" (the literal English translation of the word). It involves a three-day retreat meant to empower Catholics by strengthening their faith and giving them the tools and encouragement to live their faith in their daily lives.

Intercessory Saint: Blessed Eduardo Bonnín Aguiló

Ministry Leader: Carolyn Molander, carolyn@molanders.net

For more information on *Evangelization ministries*, please contact the ministry leader or Therese Hartley, thartley@stluke.org, 317-259-4373 x248.

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION
Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

Adult Faith Formation

Adult formation in the Catholic Church is to support and guide adults in their ongoing journey of faith, fostering a deeper relationship with God and equipping them to live as active disciples of Jesus Christ. This lifelong process aims to integrate faith with daily life, promoting both personal growth and active participation within the Christian community.

Intercessory Saint: St. John Paul II

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

Adult Confirmation

Adult Confirmation serves to complete the Sacraments of Initiation, strengthening the baptized individual's bond with the Church and empowering them with the Holy Spirit to live out their faith as an adult. It's a public affirmation of one's commitment to the Catholic faith and a deepening of one's relationship with Christ. This is intended for active practicing Catholic adults who have not received the sacrament of Confirmation.

Intercessory Saint: St. Therese of Avila

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

Baptismal Preparation

Catechists help prepare parents for the Baptism of their children, including coming to a greater understanding of the theology of Baptism, belonging to the Church, the responsibilities that Baptism brings, and the role of Godparents. Parents are also advised on skills in catechizing young children, and on resources and opportunities available to them through the parish and school.

Intercessory Saint: St. John the Baptist

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a Montessori-based approach to religious formation for children, aiming to foster a deep, personal relationship with God. It emphasizes the child's existing relationship with God and provides a space, called the atrium, where children can encounter scripture and liturgy through hands-on materials. CGS helps children understand the meaning and significance of sacraments and rituals, such as the Eucharist. The program aims to cultivate a love for God and a desire to grow in faith.

Intercessory Saint: St. Charles Borromeo

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

Children's Religious Education (SMRE)

The purpose of religious education for children in the Catholic faith is to help them develop a deeper understanding and love of Jesus Christ, the Church, and the Catholic faith, ultimately leading to a lifelong relationship with God and a commitment to living as disciples of Christ. This formation is a partnership between the family, the parish, and the Catholic school, each playing a distinct role in nurturing the child's faith. The program is offered for children kindergarten through eighth grade.

Intercessory Saint: St. Thomas Aquinas

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is to strengthen and deepen the grace received at baptism, and to empower the recipient to be a witness to Christ. The process of initiation includes the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation. The Sacrament of Confirmation completes the process of initiation into the Catholic Christian community. It also confers the gifts of the Holy Spirit, helping the confirmed to live a more mature Christian life and spread the faith. This sacrament is typically conferred by the archbishop in eighth grade.

Intercessory Saint: St. Philip Neri

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

First Eucharist

The Holy Eucharist is the Source and Summit of our Catholic faith. It is the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Christ. The Eucharist is seen as a way for Catholics to participate in Christ's sacrifice and receive his grace and salvation. Holy Communion unites us with Christ and with one another. First Eucharist/Holy Communion is typically received around age seven or in second grade following First Reconciliation.

Intercessory Saint: St. Therese of Calcutta

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

First Reconciliation

First Reconciliation (also known as Penance or Confession) is to introduce children to God's forgiveness and mercy through the sacrament, allowing them to experience the joy of being reconciled with God and the Church after acknowledging and confessing their sins to a priest. This initial experience helps them understand the importance of contrition, confession, penance, and absolution in the process of seeking forgiveness and spiritual healing. This initial sacrament is done before First Eucharist around age seven or in the second grade.

Intercessory Saint: St. Padre Pio

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA; formerly known as RCIA) serves as the process for adults to become fully initiated into the Catholic Church. It's a journey of faith formation, guiding individuals through the discovery of Catholic beliefs and practices, and, ultimately, leading to the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

Intercessory Saint: St. Robert Bellarmine

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

Order of Christian Initiation for Children (OCIC)

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA), adapted for children, is a process that welcomes children and young people (typically 7 and older) into the Catholic Church. It differs from the adult OCIA process, focusing on age-appropriate catechesis and formation to help them understand and embrace the Catholic faith. The goal is to guide them toward full participation in the Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

Intercessory Saint: St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Maria Goretti

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

SPREAD

The Special Religious Education and Discipleship (SPREAD) program wishes to assist our parish in its efforts to welcome adults with developmental disabilities. We hope to make these adults aware of God in their lives and His love for them. This will enhance their dignity and value in our faith community. Our parishioners, who serve as catechists, become a small community of faith and grow in an awareness of the experience of God in their own lives.

Intercessory Saint: St. Angela of Merici, St. Margaret of Castello

Ministry Leader: Margie Bates, margiebates3@gmail.com

FAITH-SHARING GROUPS

SLAMMERS (St. Luke Men's Morning Sharing)

The aim of SLAMMERS is the magnification of faith and fellowship by collective study and application of scripture, in order to bring others closer to Christ through the example of our lives.

Intercessory Saint: St. Paul, the Apostle

Ministry Leader: Scott Tod, scottgeorgetod@gmail.com

That Man Is You (TMIY)

Under the guidance of St. John Bosco, the men of *That Man is You* strive to discover the superabundance of God's power and mercy in our lives, and to live in ever closer harmony with His will as fathers, husbands and brothers.

Intercessory Saint: St. John Bosco

Ministry Leader: Phil Poirier, poirierp@stanfordalumni.org

Small Faith-Sharing Groups

Groups are continually being formed for those in similar demographics and/or with similar topical interests. If you are interested in small group participation, please contact Evelyn Burton, Director of Religious Education.

Ministry Leader: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org

FAITH FORMATION RESOURCES

Formed.org Parish Subscription

Formed.org has tremendous content from well-known Catholic speakers and evangelists. First-time users should visit formed.org and choose the *Find Your Parish Subscription* option. In the provided search box, enter the zip code 46260 and then find St. Luke in the drop down box. Follow the prompts to set up your own password; the password 298816 can be used for St. Luke parishioners if needed.

Contact: Evelyn Burton, eburton@stluke.org, 317-255-3912 x256

For more information on *Faith Formation* ministries, please contact the ministry leader or Evelyn Burton at eburton@stluke.org or 317-259-4373 x256.

PARISH LIFE COMMISSION
Erin Jeffries, ejeffries@stluke.org

Adult Basketball

Basketball for men in the "over 30" crowd is scheduled for every Tuesday evening with a focus on friendly competition in a faith-filled environment.

Intercessory Saint: St. Sebastian

Ministry Leader: Jay Snyder, jsnyder@stluke.school

CYO Sports

St. Luke participates in athletic and enrichment opportunities of the Catholic Youth Organization, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, whose mission is to deepen relationships with Jesus Christ and one another, celebrate the God-given gifts of each individual, and enhance the faith formation and personal development of youth.

Intercessory Saint: Mary, Our Lady of Victory

Ministry Leader: Jay Snyder, jsnyder@stluke.school

GLYMMERS

Our mission is to provide our senior parishioners, men and women alike, with opportunities for prayer, fellowship and learning through speakers on various topics. To do this we meet once a month for Mass, a meal, and various learning and social opportunities.

Intercessory Saint: St. Jeanne Jugan, Patroness of the Elderly and Destitute

Ministry Leader: Erin Jeffries, ejeffries@stluke.org

Good Samaritans

The Good Samaritans would like to be like angels providing comfort food to the families and friends who haven't taken the time to eat and take care of themselves during their time of loss. Our ministry participants prefer to stay anonymous and as invisible as possible so that families are not obligated to show appreciation, but can spend needed time with loved ones and fellow mourners. Our aim is for families to finally sit down and share a warm meal while reminiscing and sharing stories about those who are no longer with us.

Intercessory Saint: St. Gertrude the Great

Ministry Leader: Sharon Richey, blessedfourx@comcast.net

Knights of Columbus

We are Catholic men formed around our core commitments to Evangelization & Faith Formation, Defending Right to Life & Religious Freedom, Pastoral Support, Parish Family & Youth Enrichment, and Charitable Service to our surrounding community. These commitments are achieved based upon four core principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Intercessory Saint: Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney

Ministry Leader: Joe Cahill, joekhill@gmail.com

Mothers of St. Luke

We strive to provide a supportive and loving community for mothers to gather for prayer, guidance and strength in faith, and growth in relationship with God. We provide space for fellowship and encouragement in our vocation as mothers in our Catholic Tradition through prayer, theological discussion, and social events.

Intercessory Saint: Mary, Mother of Jesus

Ministry Leaders: Katie Schrage, kreasone@gmail.com; Patty Fritzsche, plawlar6@gmail.com; Jenna Hellekson, jjhellek@gmail.com; Brie Anne Varick, bvarick@archindy.org

Scouting: Boy Scouts of America (BSA)

The mission of the BSA Scouts (Boy Scouts of America) is to prepare young people – both boys and girls – to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Intercessory Saint: St. George

Ministry Leader: Chase Downham, chase.downham@gmail.com

Scouting: Girl Scouts of the USA

The Mission of Girl Scouts is to inspire girls with the highest ideals of character, conduct, patriotism, and service so that they may become strong, confident, and resourceful women and future leaders.

Intercessory Saint: St. Agnes

Ministry Leader: OPEN

St. Luke Athletic Committee (SLAC)

The St. Luke Athletic Committee (SLAC) is being re-established as the policy-making and planning body for St. Luke Parish Athletics including the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) athletic programs for parish youth. SLAC policies are binding throughout the parish upon written ratification by the Pastor.

Intercessory Saint: Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

Ministry Leader: Jay Snyder, jsnyder@stluke.org or jsnyder@stluke.school

St. Luke Men's Forum

Originating from a Disciples in Mission group, St. Luke men meet monthly for a social gathering with a spiritual bend including speakers from around the archdiocese with information on a variety of topics.

Intercessory Saint: St. Anthony of Padua

Ministry Leaders: Sandy Miller, swmiller10@gmail.com; Al Capuano, alcapuano65@gmail.com

Young Adult

Through Scripture, faith, and friendship, the St. Luke Young Adult Ministry encourages and empowers young adults on their personal spiritual journeys, seeking to hold each other accountable, and striving to live the Gospel daily.

Intercessory Saints: St. Therese and St. Padre Pio

Ministry Leader: Leighann Eckrich, leckrich@stluke.org

Youth Ministry

St. Luke Youth Ministry provides spiritual, social and service opportunities for junior high and high school youth to grow in relationship with Christ and His Church by encouraging a virtuous and sacramental life, and accompanying them to active discipleship.

Intercessory Saints: Pope St. John Paul II and St. Joan of Arc

Ministry Leader: Leighann Eckrich, leckrich@stluke.org

For more information on *Athletic ministries*, please contact Jay Snyder, jsnyder@stluke.org, 317-259-4373 x226.

For more information on *Young Adult/Youth ministries*, please contact Leighann Eckrich, leckrich@stluke.org, 317-259-4373 x244.

For more information on all other *Parish Life ministries*, please contact the ministry leader or Erin Jeffries, ejeffries@stluke.org, 317-259-4373 x218.

SCHOOL COMMISSION

Mark Paras, mparas@stluke.school

St. Luke Catholic School Mission Statement:

St. Luke Catholic School, with the love of Jesus Christ as our model and guide, is devoted to teaching Catholic Doctrine and practice to each student by providing a curriculum dedicated to academic excellence.

Intercessory Saints: St. Luke the Evangelist, St. Mother Theodore Guerin

Ministry Leader/Interim Principal: Mark Paras, mparas@stluke.school

The St. Luke Catholic Preschool

With the love of Jesus Christ as our model and guide, St. Luke Preschool is dedicated to serving the St. Luke staff and families of the St. Luke Catholic Church, School, and community. This ministry seeks to provide a joyful and secure environment for young children to commence a love of learning through a play-based curriculum. We believe play is the work of children and is essential to their healthy development that will guide each child towards a successful start at St. Luke Catholic School. With teachers as a Catholic guide, every child at the St. Luke Catholic Preschool will develop a lasting relationship with Jesus as they pray, play, explore, question, and learn together.

Intercessory Saint: Mary, Mother of God

Ministry Leader/Director: Jamie Ruff, jruff@stluke.school

**For more information on *School* ministry, please contact
Mark Paras, mparas@stluke.school, 317-255-3912.**

**For more information on *Preschool* ministry, please contact
Jamie Ruff, jruff@stluke.school, 317-974-9937.**

SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMISSION
Erin Jeffries, ejeffries@stluke.org
Tom Nichols, tnichols@stluke.org

Liturgy Committee

The primary purpose of the Liturgy Committee is to provide and maintain an environment, guided by the Sacred Liturgy and other established norms, and a prayerful focus which encourages “full conscious and active participation” in the liturgical celebrations to help nourish the hearts and minds of St. Luke parishioners.

Intercessory Saint: St. Giuseppe Maria Tommasi

Ministry Leaders: Molly Evans, molly.e@comcast.net; Donna Kruse, krusedonna@aol.com

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Arts & Environment

The Arts & Environment Committee directs and implements the liturgical seasonal decorating of the Church, especially at Easter, Christmas, and special Holy Days.

Intercessory Saint: St. Catherine of Bologna

Ministry Leader: Jessica Pfunder, jpfunder@gmail.com

Altar Servers

The role of an Altar Server is to assist the priest in the celebration of Mass through actions and active participation in the liturgy. Servers carry the cross, processional candle(s), the incense and censer; hold the book for the priest celebrant; present the bread, wine and water during the preparation of the gifts. ***Sacramental requirements must be met, and training is provided.***

Intercessory Saint: St. John Berchman, the patron saint of Altar Servers

Ministry Leader: Ashley Dirks, adirks@stluke.org

Communion to the Sick

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist literally bring Jesus to the sick and homebound through the Sacrament of the Eucharist as recommended in the revised rite for the “Pastoral Care of the Sick”. ***Sacramental requirements must be met, and training is provided.***

Intercessory Saint: St. Tarcisius

Ministry Leader: Erin Jeffries, ejeffries@stluke.org

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Bringing the immense joy of Jesus in the sacramental gift of our faith, formally Commissioned Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) may be called upon to assist our priests in the administration of the Sacred Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion to those in a state of grace during Mass and to those unable to receive the Sacrament in church due to illness or infirmity. Sacramental requirements must be met, and training is provided.

Intercessory Saint: St. Teresa of Avila

Ministry Leader: John Koke, koke.john@gmail.com

Lectors

Our purpose is to clearly and prayerfully communicate God's Word by proclaiming the Scriptures at Holy Mass, in order to share God's love with our community in a way that enables parishioners to open their hearts and minds to the words and messages of the readings. Through proper training and prayerful review of the lectionary, lectors deliver Scripture in a manner that aids understanding, reflection, and recollection of the message of God's Word. ***Sacramental requirements must be met, and training is provided.***

Intercessory Saint: St. John Chrysostom

Ministry Leaders: Beth Wehlage, Elizabethwehlage@gmail.com; Jennifer Kugar, jenkugar@gmail.com

Linen Care

Linen Care Sacristans take care of the washing and folding of the purificators, towels, and other liturgical linens used during all Masses.

Intercessory Saint: St. Hunna

Ministry Leader: Josette Snellen, joleesuz26@gmail.com

Ministers of Hospitality

Welcome visitors to St Luke and assist with their participation in the liturgy. This ministry works with other Liturgical Ministries and the Welcoming Committee.

Intercessory Saint: St. Meinrad

Ministry Leader: Jon Crawford, jvc61477@yahoo.com

Sacristans

Sacristans undertake the overall preparation of liturgical celebrations, including Holy Days, by preparing the altar, ambo, credence table, and gifts for the offertory. Sacristans work in harmony with the pastor, making sure the vestments, linens, church furnishings, liturgical vessels, and decorative objects are kept in good condition. Sacramental requirements must be met, and training is provided.

Intercessory Saint: St. Therese of Lisieux

Ministry Leader: Elizabeth Whaley, swhaley1@comcast.net

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Music Ministries

Music ministries enhance the liturgical life of our church during Mass, devotions, and other times of communal prayer. Volunteers who play an instrument or sing encourage and support the participation of everyone present by expressing through music that which cannot be expressed by words alone. Music ministry is not about performing; it is about creating an atmosphere of prayerful worship, and unifying the gathered people of God through song and instrumental music.

Intercessory Saint: Pope St. Gregory the Great

Ministry Leader: Tom Nichols, tnichols@stluke.org

🎵 Cantors

They encourage the singing of the assembly and also serve as the psalmist by proclaiming the Responsorial Psalm during Mass. They occasionally sing the verses of a song alone, while the assembly sings only the refrain. Sometimes they also sing an appropriate solo piece, perhaps as a prelude before Mass. Cantors must therefore possess confident and appropriate singing skills. Most cantors also participate in one of the parish choirs as well, and are offered paid opportunities at weddings and funerals.

🎵 Funeral Choir

This choir sings for Funerals and Memorial Masses to help encourage the singing of the assembly. Most funerals are typically scheduled for weekday late mornings or early afternoons, and some Saturdays, as well.

🎵 **Instrumentalists**

Do you play a musical instrument? In addition to using the organ and/or piano as our primary accompaniments at Mass, other instrumentalists are encouraged to be part of our music ministry. Possibilities include: piano accompanists, flute, oboe, violin, viola, cello, trumpet, trombone, French horn, guitar, and bass. Nearly any instrument can contribute positively to our worship when played well.

🎵 **Parish Choir**

Open to men and women from high school age and up, the Parish Choir sings at the Sunday 9:30 AM or 11:30 AM Mass from September (the Sunday after Labor Day) through Pentecost (late May or early June). They also participate in the Corpus Christi Procession and Holy Hour in early summer.

The Youth Choir and the Children's Choir mission is to offer an opportunity of service to the Church during the Holy Mass; expose young singers to the rich heritage of music of our Church; develop a sound music foundation, building upon the skills they are learning in their school music classes; and provide education and formation of Church music and its role in the liturgy.

🎵 **Children's Choir**

Open to students in grades 3-4, the children sing regularly at the weekday School Masses on Tuesdays at 8:15 AM, and at one weekend Mass per month (during the school year). They will also sing at certain special events. Rehearsals are during the school day Music Class time in the church.

🎵 **Youth Choir**

Open to students in grades 5-8, the youth sing regularly at the weekday School Masses on Thursdays at 8:15 AM, and at one weekend Mass per month (during the school year). They will also sing at certain special events. Rehearsals are on Mondays after school, from 3:20 - 4:15 in the church.

SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES

Martha Ministry

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” (Matthew 5:4)
When a death occurs, life for those who live on, changes forever. The mission of Marth Ministry is to offer prayers, support, and bereavement resources to those who grieve the loss of a loved one. Just as Jesus comforted Martha and Mary, we reach out to comfort those who mourn. Martha Ministry is a ministry of grace and healing during times of heartache and loss of a loved one.

Intercessory Saint: St. Martha

Ministry Leaders: Mary Ann Atkins, matkins@stluke.org; Nancy O’Bryan, obryan.nancy@gmail.com

Mary’s WAY

Mary’s Way is a Catholic Women’s Ministry whose mission is to deepen our love and faith in Jesus Christ, by following the perfect example of His mother, our Blessed Mother, Mary. Our ministry is faithful and obedient to the Magisterium of the church and receptive to the work of the Holy Spirit. We joyfully strive to integrate the fullness and beauty of our Faith into our lives while fulfilling our God-given vocations to know, love, and serve God within our families, parishes, and community. Dinner, fellowship, song, prayer, and an inspirational speaker assist us when we gather.

Intercessory Saint: Mary, the Blessed Mother

Ministry Leaders: Kathy Streiff, kstreiff314@gmail.com; Teresa Schutzman, tschutzman3@gmail.com

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

The St. Luke Adoration Chapel provides an intimate setting to adore Christ - truly present in the Eucharist - through prayer, reading, conversation, and silence, allowing him to pierce hearts with His love and mercy. Our vision is full parish participation, where true perpetual adoration is revived and realized. The *Adoration Pro* scheduling app is at adorationpro.org/lukeindy.

Intercessory Saint: Pope St. John Paul II

Ministry Leaders: Stephanie Engelman, stephanie.l.engelman@gmail.com; Mark Grider, jalica48@yahoo.com

St. Joseph's M.V.P.S.

The St. Joseph's MVPS (Men Valuing Prayer and Service) hosts an annual evening of camaraderie and fellowship for the men of our parish and guests. The Catholic men's ministry strives to follow St. Joseph's example of faithfulness to families, service to parish and community, and prayer. Guest invitations are also extended to St. Luke CYO coaches, male administrators and coaches of Bishop Chatard, Cathedral, and Brebeuf High Schools and seminarians and local priests. Inspirational speakers fill the soul, and a great dinner nourishes the body.

Intercessory Saint: St. Joseph

Ministry Leader: Bob Roberts, rprjr910@yahoo.com

Vocations Committee

The St. Luke Vocations Committee is committed to praying for and promoting an increase in religious vocations including a Holy Hour for Vocations following the 5:30 PM Mass on the 4th Tuesday of the month. Under the leadership of the pastor, the committee supports the vocation programming in the parish and school.

Patron Saint: St. Junipero Serra

Ministry Leaders: Kevin O'Brien, kobrien61@aol.com; Nancy O'Bryan, obryan.nancy@gmail.com

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For more information on all other Spiritual Life ministries, please contact the ministry leader or Erin Jeffries, ejeffries@stluke.org, 317-259-4373 x218.

STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION
Therese Hartley, thartley@stluke.org

Buildings & Grounds

In conjunction with the Parish Facilities Manager, the Buildings & Grounds Committee is the policy-making and planning body for the St. Luke property and facilities.

Intercessory Saint: St. Joseph

Ministry Leader: Mark Paras, mparas@stluke.org

Coffee and Doughnuts

Coffee and Doughnuts is a ministry that brings people together to enjoy the treat of doughnuts and casual fellowship following the celebration of the liturgy on alternate Sunday mornings after the 7:30am and 9:30am Masses.

Intercessory Saint: St. Nicholas

Ministry Leaders: Caroline Bryan, caromurphy1@gmail.com; Chau Morris, chaumorrisevv@gmail.com

Fall Festival

The Fall Festival Steering Committee organizes, plans and implements the Annual Fall Festival on the 3rd weekend of September. Proceeds benefit parish ministries, yet the emphasis is on creating an opportunity for all parishioners and friends to enjoy wholesome entertainment, food, fellowship, and fun while kicking off our parish stewardship season.

Intercessory Saint: St. Medard, patron of good weather!

Ministry Leaders: Lauren Brown, laurenabrown2@gmail.com; Marty Brown, martybrown1@gmail.com

Hot Dog Nights

The Hot Dog Night ministry provides a summer opportunity for food, fun and fellowship for parishioners in a casual, outdoor environment. The ministry coordinates weekly hosts from various parish ministries to cook hot dogs and brats for participants, who in turn bring a pitch-in item to share.

Intercessory Saint: St. Lawrence

Ministry Leader: Kari Bauer, kutnage@hotmail.com; Ruth Ann Scott, raalexander71@gmail.com

Trivia Night

The annual Trivia Night is a fun evening filled with laughter and joy as the attendees partake in trivia and fellowship. Food and drinks are plentiful as the participants dress up St Luke-style and work together as a team to win the bragging rights of being that year's winner! Ministry members plan, coordinate, and host the event with proceeds benefitting St. Luke ministries, especially our parish school.

Intercessory Saint: St. Philip Neri, Patron Saint of Laughter and Joy

Ministry Leader: Melissa Jennings, melissa.jennings20@gmail.com; Meg Kelly, mferguskelly@gmail.com

Welcoming Committee

Welcoming Committee members provide hospitality to new parishioners and help orient them to parish activities. Members greet new registrants at registration tables after Masses once a month; provide follow up phone calls to new members; and host quarterly New Member Events where parish information is shared. Tours of the facility are given, and questions are encouraged of those entering our faith community.

Intercessory Saint: St. Benedict

Ministry Leader: Heather Pantano, heather.berke@gmail.com

For more information on *Stewardship* ministries, please contact the ministry leader or Therese Hartley, thartley@stluke.org, 317-259-4373 x248.



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