

Catholic Church of St. Luke

4408 Highway 86 Easley, SC 29642

April 29, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Dear Parishioners,

Catholics were first forbidden to be Freemasons by Pope Clement XII in 1738. Why? Because Masons enforce religious indifferentism: the belief that all religions (and none) are of equal worth, and that in Masonry all are united in service to a higher, unifying understanding of virtue. Catholics, as members, would be required to the lodge above the Church — Who is the Body of Christ on earth! This is precisely the type of warning Jesus gives through the image of the vine and the branches: apart from me you can bear no fruit. Doing “good” outside of the Church may be objectively good, but God wants more from Christians. To give food to the hungry is good — but the Holy Spirit will bring about much more good when we give food to the hungry while being faithful in the Church.

Our parish outreach is a great service. A few weeks ago we received a nice thank you letter from one person. Another posted a review on google noting that we are “just the best.[and we] see no color no greed no gender or disability.” It is good that people recognize what we do, and how we do it — but God wants us to be attentive to a deeper spiritual reality that the world will not recognize. St. Thomas Aquinas gives us a great prayer to remind us of this need: “Prompt our actions with Your inspiration, we pray, O Lord, and further them with Your constant help, that all we do may always begin from You and by You be brought to completion.” As Confirmation approaches for our young parishioners, let us pray that they will stay faithful to God’s inspiration.

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	4/29	9 AM 10 AM 11:30 AM	Mass <i>Deceased members of Stancil Family</i> Confirmation Class Mass @Holy Cross <i>For the People</i>
• Mon	4/30	12:15 PM	Mass @Holy Cross <i>Michael & Karen Buckley</i>
• Tue	5/1	7 PM	RCIA
• Wed	5/2	12:15 PM 6:30 PM	Mass @Holy Cross <i>Allison & Matthew Buckley</i> Parish Retreat (Education wing)
• Thu	5/3	12:15 PM	Mass + <i>Janice Sewell</i>
• Fri	5/4	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 5 PM	Mass @Holy Cross <i>Ginger Touzeau</i> Eucharistic Adoration @Holy Cross Funeral Mass for Audrey McConnell
• Sat	5/5	2:30 PM 4 PM 6 PM	Confession @Holy Cross Mass @Holy Cross <i>Family Unity</i> Mass <i>For the People</i>
• Sun	5/6	9 AM 9 AM 10 AM 11:30 AM	Mass <i>Joe Mueggenborg</i> May Crowning Blood Drive/Pancake Breakfast Mass @Holy Cross <i>For the People</i>

Readings for Week of April 30

Mon	Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26
Tue	Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31A
Wed	Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8
Thu	1Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14
Fri	Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17
Sat	Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21
Sun	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

Stewardship Report

April 21-22	\$3,361
Online Giving	\$1,210
<i>Thank you for your generosity and support!</i>	

The family of Lorine Stout extend their thanks for the cards, meals and prayers. Your support during this time was most appreciated.

- ❖ **Thank you** to those who loaned us your decorative trees for our Holy Thursday Eucharistic Adoration. You may pick up your trees from the entrance of Annunciation Hall after Sunday Mass or during office hours.
- ❖ **Parish Retreat:** “Consoling the Heart of Jesus”. Please come out and join us on Wednesday evenings through June 6th. You may also access the videos on Formed through the parish website, holycrossstluke.org.
- ❖ **May Crowning:** Children of all ages are invited to join in the May Crowning Procession during the 9 AM Mass on Sunday, May 6. Please bring flowers and meet in the 2nd grade classroom in the education wing at 8:45 AM. The First Communion class will lead the procession.
- ❖ **Our next BLOOD DRIVE** is scheduled for Sunday, May 6 from 10 AM - 2 PM. All parishioners 17 years or older are invited to become a blood donor. One pint of your blood can save up to 3 lives! Please bring your blood donor card or picture ID. To schedule a donation time please email Liz Kyle at Ekyle@charlestandioocese.org or call 855-9039. **The Knights of Columbus will host a pancake breakfast during the blood drive.**
- ❖ **Please don't forget to notify the church office** if you have a change of address, phone number or email address or you can register for “My Own Church” to make these changes. It is very important that the church have updated information for any important communications from the church.
- ❖ **Going on vacation or out of town?** To find a church near your favorite vacation spot or business location, check out masstimes.org. You can use Online Giving to continue your donations while you are traveling. Go to holycrossstluke.org and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy! Your support helps sustain the parish.