



# Catholic Church of St. Luke

4408 Highway 86 • Easley, SC 29642

July 29, 2018

*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Dear Parishioners,

This week we welcome a new parishioner -- an infant. At his baptism, God forgives original sin, unites him to the Catholic Church, adopts him as a son of the Father, makes him a member of the Body of Christ, and gives him a share in the life of the Holy Spirit. His parents promise to bring him up to practice the entire Catholic faith, teaching him love of God and neighbor. The minimal basics of living the Catholic Faith are the five precepts of the Church, namely:

- 1) participate in the Mass in a Catholic Church every Sunday and Holy Day of obligation;
- 2) observe the practices of fasting and abstinence -- including the fast before Communion;
- 3) confess personal sins through the sacrament at least once per year;
- 4) receive the Eucharist at least once between Easter and Pentecost;
- 5) financially support the parish and Church, according to your ability.

Just after baptism, parents receive a lit candle and are reminded that their child has received the light of Christ -- and it is their responsibility to take care that the light not be extinguished. Observing the five precepts of the Church are the bare minimum for every Catholic to keep that flame alive.

Additionally, every Catholic who desires to marry is required to follow the Church's marriage practices. To this end, at least 6 months before marriage, Catholics should meet with their pastor to begin formal preparations for marriage. This meeting should certainly take place before a date is chosen! If either party is not Catholic, or has been married before, the Catholic should speak with the pastor before even discussing engagement! This rarely happens, and many hurt feelings occur when people act without knowing the basics. A precept of the Church? No -- but only because not every Catholic gets married. Still, for Catholics who do marry, this rule is as basic and as important as the 5 universal precepts.

A candle flame is quite fragile, and keeping these 5 (or 6) basics will allow a relatively protected candle flame to continue burning. Over the next 6 weeks I hope to comment in more detail on each of these 6 basic practices of all Catholics, and of all married Catholics. Then, I will look to the Church's teachings on how we can go from a delicate candle flame to the flame of a charcoal fire capable of surviving wind and rain!  
Fr Jim Dubrouillet

***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 7/29	9 AM 11:30 AM	Mass +Leonard N. Snavelly Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> For the People
Mon 7/30	12:15 PM	Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> +Anarita & Bernard DesRoches
Wed 8/1	12:15 PM	Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> +Anna Ferraro
Thu 8/2	12:15 PM	Mass Priest Intention
Fri 8/3	12:15 PM 12:45 PM	Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> Fr. Jim Dubrouillet Eucharistic Adoration
Sat 8/4	2:30 PM 4 PM 6 PM	Confession <b>@Holy Cross</b> Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> +Patsy Chapman Mass For the People
Sun 8/5	9 AM 10 AM 11:30 AM	Mass +Bill Beebe Blood Drive/ Pancake Breakfast Mass <b>@Holy Cross</b> For the People

## Readings for Week of July 30

<b>Mon</b>	Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35
<b>Tue</b>	Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43
<b>Wed</b>	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13: 44-46
<b>Thu</b>	Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53
<b>Fri</b>	Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58
<b>Sat</b>	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12
<b>Sun</b>	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

## Stewardship Report

July 21-22      \$3,073  
Online Giving    \$1,225

*Thank you for your generosity  
and support!*

**Blood Drive:** Our next blood drive will be held on Sunday, August 5 from 10 AM to 2 PM. **All donors will receive a \$20 Wal-Mart Gift Card!** All parishioners 17 years or older are invited to become a blood donor. Please bring your blood donor card or picture ID. To schedule a donation time please email Liz Kyle at [Ekyle@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:Ekyle@charlestdiocese.org) or call 855-9039, or sign up online at <https://thebloodconnection.org/>. **Pancake Breakfast:** The Knights of Columbus will host a pancake breakfast during the blood drive.

**Rachel's Vineyard:** Do you keep thinking about your abortion experience? Rachel's Vineyard Retreats bring spiritual healing and strengthening of faith to individuals who have had or participated in an abortion. The retreat is a journey to healing, peace and reconciliation. August 10-12, 2018 in Charleston, SC For information or to register: call Christy 803-554-6088 or Kathy 803 546 6010 or [grace4healing@gmail.com](mailto:grace4healing@gmail.com), [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

**6<sup>th</sup> Marian Eucharistic Conference:** Sat., November 10 – Sun., November 11 at the Hilton Hotel in Greenville. General admission is \$80/ youth is \$40 and it includes a buffet lunch on Saturday and Sunday. Register by October 27 by mail. Registration after Oct. 27: \$90. *We offer gluten free meals.* For more information, call (864)354-7160 or go to [www.meconferencesc.net](http://www.meconferencesc.net)

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