

Catholic Church of St. Luke

4408 Highway 86 • Easley, SC 29642

September 23, 2018

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings found on page 1059 of St. Augustine Hymnal



Mass Times:

Saturday 6 PM

Sunday 9 AM

Thursday 12:15 PM

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HOW TO REPORT ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE

REPORT IMMEDIATELY!

**REMEMBER: YOUR ROLE IS
TO REPORT. THERE IS TO BE
NO INVESTIGATION BY YOU
OR ANYONE ELSE AT THE
PARISH/SCHOOL LEVEL**

**If you suspect abuse has occurred
within a family:**

Contact the Department of
Social Services within the
county the abuse took place.
Contact the Diocese, to report
status at (843) 261-0430.

**If you suspect an abuse has
occurred that involved
diocesan personnel (priests,
deacons, teachers, employees
or volunteers) contact:**

The local police department
immediately.
Call the Victim Assistance
Coordinator at (843)856-0748
or (800)921-8122

Dear Parishioners,

Consider the start of the story of Cain and Abel:

In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel brought some of the firstlings of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is lurking at the door; its desire is for you, but you must master it." Genesis 4:3-7

The story continues with Cain killing Abel, and we suffer the consequences just as we suffer the consequences of the sins of Adam and Eve. Verse 7 contains three important reminders: 1) when we do well, we will be accepted; 2) sin is lurking at the door; 3) sins desire is for us, and we must master it. Beyond the basic precepts of the Church, every Christian must remember these three points — and follow the advice God gave Cain lest we follow his example!

The daily examination of conscience is important, but we must also continue to learn what sin is and what occasions lead us to sin. To keep sin from mastering us, we need to avoid the near occasion of sin — and so we must know the near occasion of sin. Alcoholics need to avoid bars and liquor stores. Thieves need to avoid being alone around items of "interest". When we put ourselves in the near occasion of sin, God will not prevent us from sin. When we resolve to avoid the near occasion of sin, God will help us!

Our goal should be to enjoy life in this world and eternal life in heaven — to do well and be accepted! Mastering sin is necessary to do well!

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.

This Week in Our Parish

Sun 9/23	9 AM 10 AM 11:30 AM	Mass +Joseph & Gladys Egan Jr. High Youth Mtg. Sr. High Youth Mtg. Mass @ Holy Cross For the People
Mon 9/24	12:15 PM	Mass @ Holy Cross +Marie Sanchez
Tue 9/25	7 PM	RCIA Inquiry Sessions (Annunciation Hall)
Wed 9/26	10 AM 12:15 PM 6:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg. Mass @ Holy Cross +Anna Ferraro Religious Education (grades 1-6) Adult Bible Study
Thu 9/27	9 AM 12:15 PM	Catholic Outreach @ Holy Cross Mass +Lucille Carrier
Fri 9/28	12:15 PM	Mass @ Holy Cross (M. Noyce funeral)
Sat 9/29	2:30 PM 4 PM 6 PM	Confession @ Holy Cross Mass @ Holy Cross Judy Masterson Mass For the People
Sun 9/30	9 AM 10 AM 11:30 AM	Mass +George Furr Sr. High Youth Mtg. Mass @ Holy Cross For the People



Classroom assistants are needed for our elementary program on Wednesday evenings. If you would like to help, please call Faye Fazio at 855-9039 or FFazio@charlestdiocese.org

Stewardship Report

September 8-9 \$3,345
Online Giving \$1,360

Thank you for your generosity and support!

Readings for Week of September 24

Mon	Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
Tue	Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21
Wed	Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
Thu	Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
Fri	Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
Sat	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51
Sun	Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

40 Days For Life: The Fall 40 Days for Life effort runs from **September 26 through November 4**. Prayer, fasting and public vigil at the abortion facility are key components. For info, www.40daysforlife.com/greenville or call Judy Masterson 864-506-0964. Help to spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. **Rosaries for Life** - Pray 5 decades daily from Sept 26 – Nov 4. Turn in your counts to your parish office or email them to rosaries4life@gmail.com.

RCIA: When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher) "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." (John 1:38-39a)

If you or someone you know would like to hear more about Jesus and His church, we invite you to join us for our Inquiry Sessions. Inquiry Sessions 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.

Our sessions will be held in the Fr. Travis room of Annunciation Hall Tuesdays starting on September 25, 2018 at 7:00PM.

Save the date: Parish Square Dance Saturday Oct 27, 7 PM

Craft Bazaar: The St. Luke Bazaar on November 10-11 is currently seeking crafters and product distributors. Pass the word to all those you know who are crafty or selling distributor products. Visit the Church's website or call/email Karen Brons (864-616-4236; kbrons@pridestaff.com).



Online Giving

Visit the parish website, www.holycrossstluke.org to learn more about online giving and sign up today! Online giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be at Mass. Thank you to all who are using Online Giving!