



Saint Luke Catholic Parish
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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – NOVEMBER 29, 2015

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Father Homer Blubaugh, retired
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SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30-4:30pm
and by appointment
Marriage: Call Parish office or contact Father six months
before the wedding date; Instruction is required.
Baptism: Call Greg Henkel at 740-372-4711 ext. 5 or
gregmhenkel@gmail.com; instruction required.
In Case of Sickness: Call parish office if you are sick
or hospitalized; also, inform us about the sick or
aged who are unable to attend church.

LITURGY OF THE MASS

Saturday Evening: 5:00pm
Sunday Morning: 10:00am
Daily: Tues. 8am, Wed. 11am, Thurs. 8am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday 9:30am to 4:30pm

MISSION STATEMENT – We are St. Luke Church, people of God, created in the image and likeness of Christ, and committed to living our faith in the Roman Catholic tradition under the authority and direction of the Pope, Bishop and Pastor.

As people baptized in Christ, gifted with many talents and rooted in strong families, we reach out and welcome all. Our mission is to proclaim the good news, as a prayerful and caring community celebrating Christ's presence in worship, sacraments, and service.

Readings for November 29, 2015
First Sunday of Advent



Readings for December 6, 2015
Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16
Responsorial: Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2
Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

First Reading: Baruch 5:1-9
Responsorial: Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
Second Reading: Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

	NOV-DEC		MASS INTENTIONS	OFFERED BY	ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday	28	5pm	Gary Hurley	Norrita Hurley	Rachel Mickley-Erin Mickley
Sunday	29	10am	Donald R. Sprang		Regina Worley-Darian Warnock
Monday	30		<i>No Mass</i>		
Tuesday	1	8am	Robert Durbin	Carol Durbin	
Wednesday	2	11am	Harold Mickley	Joanna Mickley	
Thursday	3	8am	Norma Beck	Charlie Beck	
Friday	4	8am	Shawn Blubaugh		
Saturday	5	5pm	Deceased children of Floyd & Sally Mickley	Floyd Mickley	Joey Hilberg-Megann Hilberg Nathen Butts
Sunday	6	10am	People of St. Luke		Carol Ann Durbin-Macy Higgins

St. Vincent de Paul Website: www.st-vincentdepaul.org

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St. Vincent Mass times

Saturday at 4:30pm, Sunday, 8:00am, 10:00am, 11:30am

Monday, Tuesday at 12:15pm, Wednesday at 8:30am, Friday at 5:30pm

Liturgy of the Hours, Thursday at 8:00am in Rectory Chapel

Church of the Nativity Mass times

Friday at 5:30pm in the rectory, Sunday at 8am at the Utica Elementary School, 367 Church Street

Your Stewardship to God – Week of November 21-22

\$3,091.00 Weekly Offering, Thank you!

847.10 Catholic Campaign for Human Development

60.00 Immaculate Conception-30, Retirement Fund for Religious-30

Prayers are requested for... Chris Allison, Ray Anderson, Denise Bates, Bill Bennett, Annette Campbell, Diana Coleman, James Crawford, Tom Dixon, Lois Fox, Tom Gardner, Tommy Gault, Lisa/Ken Hall, Liza Heffelfinger, Mick Kanuckel, Hannah King, Kathy Kosman, Bill Lang, John Leslie, Eva McGinnis, Patty Merriam, Louie Mickley, Barb Miller, Eileen Miller, Josh Moore, Chris Neitzelt, Dave/Lorna Patton, Carol Roberts, Beth Sapp, Wayne Sapp, Jackie Shackle, Father Snoke, Shirley/Rodger Stoner, Martha Stutz, Melvin Troyer, Connie Turner, Bruce Worthington, Anna Zimelis, the unborn & closure of abortion clinics. *When admitted to a hospital please identify yourself as Catholic & call the parish office if you wish to have a visit.*

Danville Interchurch is in need of funds. The Danville branch of Interchurch serves persons in Eastern Knox County, where there are many low-income households. Please consider a donation to Danville Interchurch. Contributions may be mailed to PO Box 52, Danville or you may put it in the collection and we will forward it to Interchurch. Remember, each dollar buys \$8.00 worth of groceries from the Mid-Ohio food bank.

Ladies Advent Tea: Please join us for our 5th Annual Church Ladies Advent Tea, Sunday, December 6 from 3-5pm. RSVP to Theresa Mehringer at 740-507-9656 or Cyndi Atkinson at 740-668-4942, home or 740-485-2581, cell. The tea will be held at Theresa's home, 23254 New Guilford Rd, just outside of Martinsburg.

MINISTRIES			Ushers	Minister/Word	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday	12/5	5pm	Bob Blubaugh Joy Blubaugh	John Higgins	Deacon Tim-Mark Latorre-Jim Puster Annette Puster-Keith Miller
Sunday	12/6	10am	Don Blanchard Ed Blanchard	Meralyse Dessert	Deacon Tim-Phil Keogh-Kathy Keogh Amy Mickley-Cindy Adrian

Cantors: Saturday, December 5 at 5pm: Guitar Group

Sunday, December 6 at 10am: Laura Wills and Choir

Offertory Counter Team: December 6 – Don & Janet Hawk, Susan Roach

Church Choir: If anyone is interested in joining the Church Choir, please call Judy Hedge at 740-398-4549. The choir usually sings the first Sunday of the month. They will also sing for the Christmas Day Mass at 9am.

Anyone interested in playing the piano or organ for St. Luke Masses, please call the parish office.

Vocational Views: The Lord is near! Am I able to read the signs of the times? What is God Asking of me?
(Luke 21:25-36)

Blessing Cup Devotion for Vocations Schedule – Sign-up in back of church or call the parish office.

November 29 – Mosher Family

December 12 or 13 –

December 5 or 6 – George, Marcia, & Bronson Durbin

December 20 – Dessert Family

Vocations Web site: www.seekholiness.com - Visit this web site for answers to questions about vocations, information on what makes marriage work, and ways to nurture and strengthen your marriage.

Children Are a Gift: Children are the joy of the family and of society. They are not a question of reproductive biology, nor one of the many ways to fulfill oneself, much less a possession of their parents. . . . No. Children are a gift, they are a gift: understood? Children are a gift. Each one is unique and irreplaceable; and at the same time unmistakably linked to his or her roots. In fact, according to God’s plan, being son and daughter means to carry within oneself the memory and hope of a love which was fulfilled in the very kindling of the life of another, original and new, human being. And for parents each child is original, different, diverse.

Allow me to share a family memory. I remember what my mother said about us—there were five of us—“I have five children.” When they asked her, “Which one is your favorite,” she answered, “I have five children, like five fingers. Should they strike this one, it hurts me; should they strike that one, it hurts me. All five hurt me. All are my children and all are different like the fingers of a hand.” And this is how a family is! The children are all different, but all children.

A child is loved because he is one’s child: not because he thinks as I do, or embodies my dreams. A child is a child: a life generated by us but intended for him, for his good, for the good of the family, of society, of mankind as a whole.
~Pope Francis, General Audience, St. Peter’s Square, February 11, 2015

St. Luke March for Life – January 20-23, 2016: You are invited to come on the bus trip to Washington D.C. Cost is \$320 per person for a double room & \$280 each for a room with 3-4 persons. Cost includes the bus ride, a three night motel stay with breakfast each morning, and a tour guided by John Durbin. The group will attend Mass at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Thursday evening and the March for Life on Friday at noon. There will be a stop at the Flight 93 Memorial on the trip home. Please contact the St. Luke Parish office at 740/599-6362 or Bobbie Thomas at 740/398-9710 or 740/427-4044 for further information.

The Giving Tree is up! Once again St. Luke’s has been assigned families for the gift portion of the Danville Interchurch Christmas Basket Project. A tree is set up in church with paper ornaments for parishioners to take and buy for an individual from one of the families. Each ornament represents a gift for a particular boy or girl up to age 18. Marcia Durbin is coordinating the gift portion of the Christmas Baskets. Call her at 599-6459 if you have any questions about the giving tree. Gifts are to be brought in (wrapped with the paper tag attached) no later than Sunday, December 13.

Christmas Baskets: If you wish to donate money to the Christmas Baskets, put your donation in the collection, marked “Christmas Baskets.” Gifts may need to be purchased as well as food items for the baskets. You may also bring canned and non-perishable foods, paper products and cleaning products for the baskets. The baskets will be packed Dec. 15 and given out on Dec. 16 to the families who signed up with Danville Interchurch.

EVENTS OF THE COMING WEEK

Sunday	November 29	10am – RCIA Rite of Welcoming at St. Vincent’s
Tuesday	December 1	7pm – RCIA at St. Luke’s
Wednesday	December 2	Children’s Christmas Party – Grades K-2 6:30-8pm – PSR 3-10; 7:45pm-9:15pm – PSR 11-12
Saturday	December 5	<i>Pennies for Heaven collection at each Mass</i> 6pm – Bethlehem Christian Families Olivewood Carvings Sale
Sunday	December 6	9-11:30am – Pancake, Sausage & Eggs Breakfast 11am – Bethlehem Christian Families Olivewood Carvings Sale 6-7:30pm – Youth Group, 6pm Confessions & 6:30pm Mass

First Sunday of Advent, Weekend of November 28/29, 2015: On this first Sunday of Advent, Jesus warns his disciples about the end-time. He urges them to pray, be vigilant, spiritually awake, avoid self-indulgence, spiritual malaise, and a pre-occupation with anxiety. Jesus advises against a lifestyle of earthly pleasures and worry. These will not matter when the Lord asks for an account of our stewardship. Stewards realize their lives are not just about the here and now. They know themselves to be reflections of God’s active presence in the world and witnesses of the Lord’s promises. As we begin this season of hope, let us reflect on the practical effect of having every waking moment in our lives dedicated to the Lord.

Bethlehem Olivewood Carving Sale: Bethlehem Christian Families will be here December 5 & 6 to offer Olivewood Carving for sale. These hand carved items—nativity scenes, crucifixes, rosaries, Christmas ornaments, and figures—provide income to support the Christians in Bethlehem. Their website is www.holylandcarvings.com.

Bloodmobile: There will be a blood drive held on Tuesday, December 8th at St. Luke’s Community Center from 1:00 – 7:00 P.M. Call Julie Didingler (740-390-3114) to schedule an appointment.

Youth Group: On Sunday, November 22, 12 youth met and discussed trust. We played a game where we were blindfolded and then led through an obstacle course by our partner's voice. You had to trust the person leading you so you could move through the course safely. Everybody needs somebody they can trust in their life. We are not meeting next Sunday. Our next meeting will be on December 6. We will have reconciliation at 6 followed by mass. All high school students are welcome! Like us on Facebook: St. Luke Youth Group; Follow us on Twitter @StLYouthGroup ~ submitted by Lauren Mickley

Poinsettias: If you wish to order a plant as a memorial to a loved one who is deceased or a gift of love to the living, please place \$10.00 in an envelope, mark it ‘Poinsettia’ and drop it in the collection box or bring to the office. Please list the name of the person to be remembered and your name as you wish it to be printed.

“If we ask him, Jesus will be with us every step of the way, giving us the grace we need. And his plans are wildly more fulfilling than we can imagine” ~ USCCB 2015-16 Respect Life Program “Love, Sex, & Sterilization”

Parish Bulletin First Sunday of Advent: Religious Liberty

As we begin the new liturgical year on this First Sunday of Advent we ask all Catholics to help ensure passage of very important conscience rights legislation pending in Washington, D.C. by contacting your Congressmen and joining us in a Novena to our Blessed Mother beginning today.

Over the next two to three weeks, we need as many people as possible to send e-mail messages to their elected representatives urging them to support this final legislation defending the right of doctors and other health care providers to care for you in accordance with their best medical and ethical judgment and not to be forced to act against their deeply held religious beliefs.

This NCHLA (National Committee for a Human Life Amendment) alert on line makes it easy to inform yourself and to send e-mails to Congress www.nchla.org and go to protect rights of conscience.

We also invite everyone to join in a Novena to Mary Immaculate, praying a daily Memorare beginning today, the First Sunday of Advent, and ending the day before our celebration of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and the opening of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. Please join us in this important effort to pass legislation in defense of our religious liberty.