St. Luke the Evangelist

CATHOLIC CHURCH COMMUNITY

St. Luke's Vision Statement:

Joyfully living the Gospel through sacraments, service, and love.

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday: 5:30 pm, Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:00 am

Daily Mass Schedule: Tues. 5:30 pm, Wed. 12:00 pm, Thurs. 8:30 am, Fri. 8:30 am, First Sat. 9:30 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Friday 9:30 - 10:00 am, Saturday: 4:00 - 5:00 pm, Or by appointment

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Closed for lunch 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Bulletin Announcements: Due by Friday for the following Sunday bulletin: communications@stlrnc.org

Baptism: Parents must be active and registered in the parish for at least three months prior to the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism. Please call the Parish Office 919-848-1533 for more information.

Sacrament of anointing: Conferred upon request prior to surgery or at any time of illness. Please call the Parish Office **919-848-1533** to set up an appointment.

Marriage: Catholic parties should be registered and active parishioners for at least six months before the wedding to allow enough time in the formation of the sacrament. Please contact Barbara Bower at weddingcoordinator@stlrnc.org for additional information.

Sacrament of Holy Orders: If anyone is discerning a call to the priesthood, please contact the Parish Office 919-848-1533 for additional information.



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MASS INTENTIONS



Watch our **Live-Streamed Masses Here:** stlukesraleigh.org

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25 St. Catherine of Alexandria,

Blessed Virgin Mary

5:30 PM Vigil Mass Pro Populo

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of

the Universe

8:30 AM Mass Pro Populo 11:00 AM Mass Pro Populo

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

No Daily Mass

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

+ Mona Carey 5:30 PM By Karen Perritt

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

+ Joan Bender 12:00 PM

By Richard Bender

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 St. Andrew, Apostle

8:30 AM + Irene Roman Cudabac By Richard Bender

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 First Friday

8:30 AM Bill & Ursula Haag (25th Wedding

Anniversary) By Jim & Terri Haag

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 Blessed Virgin Mary, First Saturday

5:30 PM + Lucy Boge

By Jim & Terri Haag

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 1st Sunday of Advent

8:30 AM Mass Pro Populo 11:00 AM Pro Populo Mass

SCAM Alert

Scammers are at it again sending malicious emails to parishioners. You will NEVER get a soliciation email from our Pastor, Staff or Bishop asking for a "favor" or for emergency help in the form of money. Please do not open or click on them -Mark them as spam or simply trash them.

Parish Weekly Calendar

<u>SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25</u> St. Catherine of Alexandria, Blessed Virgin Mary
RECONCILIATION4:00-5:00 PM VIGIL MASS5:30 PM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of
the Universe
MORNING MASS8:30 AM & 10:30 AM SACRAMENT FAMILY MEETING (HOLY COMMUNION ONLY)9:45 AM
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27
WALKING WITH PURPOSE9:00 AM
MAGNIFICAT MOMS PLAYGROUP10:00 AM
LEGION OF MARY6:30 PM FAMILY ROSARY7:30 PM
FAMILI ROSARI
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28
REGNUM CHRISTI (WOMEN)9:30 AM
BIBLE STUDY9:30 AM
G.I.F.T.S9:30 AM MAGNIFICAT PRAYER GROUP1:30 PM
EVENING MASS
WALKING WITH PURPOSE6:30 PM
CHOIR PRACTICE6:30 PM
SCHOLA PRACTICE7:30 PM
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29
NOON MASS12:00 PM & 7:00 PM
RCIA6:30 PM
WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORD6:45 PM
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 St. Andrew, Apostle
MORNING MASS8:30 AM
WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY12:30 AM
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 First Friday
MORNING MASS8:30 AM
ADORATION9:00 AM-4:00 PM
RECONCILIATION9:30 AM-10:00 AM
BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT4:00 PM
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 Blessed Virgin Mary, First Saturday
RECONCILIATION4:00-5:00 PM
VIGIL MASS5:30 PM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 1st Sunday of Advent
ROSARY BEFORE MASS8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
MORNING MASS8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
SACRAMENT FAMILY MEETING (HOLY COMMUNION ONLY)9:45 AM
ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION9:45 AM

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



Those Who Are Sick:

Rosemary McDermott, Marilyn Struckmeyer, Charles Fogarty, Mitch Galligan, Michael Dale, Bill Wolf, Thomas Quirk, Renee Raith, Eric Raith, Patrizia Dovinola, Phyllis Flanagan, Nicole Trojanowski, Helen Will, Joan Davis, Susie Burnette, Marie Antoinette DeYoung, Karen Huber, Chris Phillips, Bob Moser, Ro Marsiglia, Michael Miklosko, Nick Rodriguez, Sal Morici, Charlotte Boland, John & June Lefeber, Sue Schultz, Joseph Rothengast Jr., Lillian Hill, Lou Schultz, Eduardo Rodriguez, Daniel Wallace, Shannon Morock, Greg Lape, Joyce Ricci, Daniel Chorba, Susan Riordan, Lily Keas, Peggy Kearney, Saoirse Doherty, Luke Galligan, Luke Carusillo, Marilyn Flowers, John Loeffler, Rob Beyer, Noah & Flavia Langan, Debra Marsh, Vicky Loebach, Gloria Bannister, Al Przytulski, Doug Knoop, Walt Ostack, Gary Donaldson, Erin Bower, Joe Jacobs, Barry Johnson, Joseph McGurty, Dave Slater, Robert Beyer, Lisa Hensley-Gregoire, Mike Lewis, William Michael Schultz, Hilda Irrizary, Emma Sepúlveda.

Repose of the Soul:

Lynne Loebach, Joan Tullo.

Those Who Are In The Military:

Grace Washburn, Nico Muzo, James Zenker, Hannah Zenker, Andrew Burgess-Wise, Garrett Barrios, Brice Anthony, Jake Foscato, James Boland, Gregory Boland, Kathleen M. Mills, Madeline E. Chafin, Abbey Moran, Bret Morrow, Devon Zillmer, Joseph Carmona, Adam R. Thompson, Heather Prior, Joel Chapman, Michael McMorrow, Thomas Phillips, Ryan A. Beale, Peter A. Beale, Jeffrey A. Beale, Derek Heinz, Cathy Crilley, Sean Crilley, Kevin Crilley, Caroline Todd.

Please Pray For Our Family, Friends & Our Parish

If you would like to have someone's name added or removed from our prayer list, please email: communications@stlrnc.org or contact the Parish Office. Names will be kept on the list for 3 weeks, if they need to remain longer please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you.

	Liturgy & Prayer	
Adoration	Mary Kate Travers	919-528-1068
Altar Flowers	Carol Blando	919-427-3865
Altar Linens	Joan Beebe	316-347-9060
Altar Preparers	Beverly Weiland	919-294-4398
Altar Servers	David Sofra	919-847-9978
Eucharistic Ministers	Virginia Todd	919-845-1279
Family Rosary	Savage Family	919-431-9883
Mass Coordinator	Randi Ostack	919-559-7745
Minsters of Hospitality	Luke Masinick	919-971-8155
Prayer Line	Teres Scofield	919-412-6542
Readers	James Mooney	510-774-5613
Live Streaming	Joe Jacobs	919-272-8314
	Outreach	
Bereavement	Parish Office	919-848-1533
Catholic Parish	Ken Low	919-397-4018
Outreach	Dennis Jacobs	408-823-4865
G.I.F.T.S.	Grace Benigno	919-426-7874
Habitat for Humanity	Randy Giggard	919-637-1893
Hospital Ministry	Winnie Lewis	919-263-8102
Nursing Home Ministry	Rick Beebe	919-418-0845
Reception Committee	Allison Agnelli	919-244-3149
Respect Life	Diane Masinick	919-971-7792
St. Luke's Parish	Community Life &	Facilities
God's Housekeepers	Diane Johnston	919-847-2488
Knights of Columbus	Chris Taurence	919-349-9851
Parish Kitchen	Missy Savage	919-431-9883
Parish Library	Allison Coates	612-418-8201
Wedding Coordinator	Barbara Bower	919-841-2202
	Evangelization	
Legion of Mary	Dennis Moya	919-740-2471
RCIA Coordinator	Mike Sanchez	Email on Front
	Pastoral Council	
Dave Olechovsky	stlukepc@gmail.com	919-420-7410
	Finance Council	
Andy Kleitsch	akleitsch@gmail.com	919-274-9766



Mary's Corner

"Therefore let all men, the learned and the ignorant, the just and the sinners, the great and the small praise and honor Jesus and Mary, night and day, by saying the Most Holy Rosary." - The Secret of the Rosary, A Rosebud for Little Children

Want to learn more about the Legion of Mary.

Contact Dennis Moya for more information. Join us in the

St. Charles Borromeo room on Mondays at 6:30pm



Christmas Craft Fair

St. Joseph Catholic
Church, 2811 Poole Road,
Raleigh, NC is hosting
the Joy of Christmas
Craft Fair on Saturday
December 2 at 9am
until 3pm. Come shop
local unique crafters.
Concessions offered.



CLASSICAL CONCERT

Eric Genuis, gifted composer and concert pianist, will perform at **St. Luke** on **Thursday, December 7, at 7pm** in the parish hall, immediately following the 5:30pm Vigil Mass for the Immaculate Conception.

Eric is a faithful Catholic who incorporates hope-filled messages and stories between musical pieces. A cellist, violinist, and singer will accompany Eric. To see a sample of his work,

please check out his website, www. ericgenuis.com.

Please RSVP by contacting Adriana Lee at adrianamlee501@ gmail.com so that we can plan an appropriate amount



of refreshments and hors d'oeuvres to serve. Free-will donations are graciously accepted.

Weekly Readings, November 26 - December 3

Sunday: Ezek 34: 11-12, 15-17/Ps 23 (22): 1-2, 2-3, 5-6. II/1 Cor 15: 20-26, 28/ Mt 25: 31-46 **Monday:** Dn 1: 1-6, 8-20/Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55,

56/Lk 21: 1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2: 31-45/Dn 3: 57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk

21: 5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:

62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/ Lk 21: 12-19

Thursday: Rom 10: 9-18/Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 11/

Mt 4: 18-22

Friday: Dn 7: 2-14/Dn 3: 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80,

81/Lk 21: 29-33

Saturday: Dn 7: 15-27/Dn 3: 82, 83, 84, 85, 86,

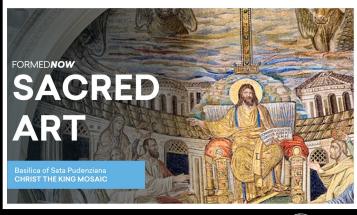
87/Lk 21: 34-36/

Next Sunday: Is 63: 16b-17, 19b; 64: 2-7/Ps 80

(79): 2-3, 15-16, 18-19 . III/1 Cor 1: 3-9/Mk 13:

33-37





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Jesus Christ, King of the Universe | Sacred Art

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they explore Catholic theology through the lens of Sacred Art. In this episode, they discuss the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

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PARISH FINANCE & FACILITIES REPORT

November 26,2023

Our Parish website: www.stlukesraleigh.org

Advent Giving Tree



Nov. 26th—Dec 22nd

Please select a gift from the Advent Giving Tree and return your unwrapped gift to the tree by December 22, 2023.

Thank you for your generosity!

These gifts will help support those in need.

Christmas Flowers for the Church



Donation Envelopes are available in the gathering space.



During the weekend of December 9-10, 2023, a special collection will be taken that supports the Retirement Fund for Religious. You can use the envelopes that are provided for you in the parish's upper and lower gathering spaces, a collection basket on December 9th and 10th, and online through OSV, where we accept credit card payments or ACH payments. Please be generous this year. Our women and men religious have spent their lives serving others in prayer, ministry, education, and cared for those in need—usually for little or no pay. Please be generous. Thank you!!



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Bud	get	Com	parison

November 2023	Mo Budget	77,860.00
Through	Actual	50,218.78
11/19/2023	Over Under	(27,641.22)
	YTD Budget	389,300.00
	YTD Actual	344,766.60
	Over/Under	(44,533.40)
	Rudget	-11 44%

First Reconciliation Liturgy - 12/9 from 10-11 am - Please arrive 15 minutes early! Small reception to follow.

Sancti Simus I Sundays, 9:45 - 10:45 am

Elementary (K-5) Faith Formation focused on raising a holy generation who desires to be saints together

Open Registration - online or in-person

Upcomina Dates:

No Faith Formation Sunday, 11/26 Sunday, 12/3 Lesson 9 Sunday, 12/10 Lesson 10

RCIA | Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you are (or someone you know is) seeking to learn more about Catholicism or to enter the Church, welcome!

Please contact:

Rebecca Grant (FaithDirector@STLRNC.org) or Cecile Hosey (cawalc@gmail.com) - Inquiry

Upcoming

Dates:

Wed. 11/29 Sun. 12/3 Wed. 12/6

Wed. 12/13

Meeting Rite @ 11AM Mass

Meetina Meeting

Sundays, 9:45 - 10:45 am Confirmation I

Sacrament Preparation for high schoolers who desire to complete their Christian initiation into the Catholic Church Years 1 & 2 meet together.

Must attend Sacrament Family Meeting to register!

Upcoming Dates:

Sunday, 11/26

No Faith Formation

Sunday, 12/3

Kerygma: Sin Separates Us from God Part 1

Sunday, 12/10

Kerygma: Sin Separates Us from God Part 2

Community of Young Catholics

Catholic young adults in their 20s and 30s who desire meaningful, Christ-centered friendships

Upcoming Dates:

Sat. Dec. 2 Trivia Night @ St. Luke (7-9pm) followed by social (TBD)

Sat. Dec. 16 | Christmas Party @ The Grants (6pm)

To stay updated on events, please join our GroupMe: St. Luke's CYC.

Adult Bible Studies

Please continue checking for other 2023-2024 opportunities!

Opportunities for men and women to grow in Christian maturity through ongoing conversion to Jesus, active membership in Christian community, and preparation to be Christ's missionaries to the world

walking with purpose

Enabling women to know Christ personally through Scripture

Mondays 9-10:30am & Tuesdays 6:30-8pm

Upcoming Dates:

Lesson	Mon.	Tues.
8	11/27	11/28
9	12/4	12/5
10	1/8	1/9

There's always an open chair for youl

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Tues. mornings from 9:15-11am in the Holy Family Room

Psalms: The School of Prayer

Upcoming **Dates:**

Tuesday, 11/28

Session 9

Tuesday, 12/5

Session 10

Wednesdays in the WORD

Wed. evenings from 6:30-8pm

<u>**Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Christmas**</u>

Join us for this 2-session study (Dec. 6 & 13) as Dr. Pitre leads us through the Jewish roots of Christmas.

Registration on the next page or online:

osvhub.com/stlukesraleigh/forms/wednesdaysintheword

Strengthening men as disciples of Christ through prayer, spiritual formation, and brotherhood 1st/3rd Sat. mornings from 8-9am in the Holy Family Room

> Upcoming Dates:

Sat. 12/2 Sat. 12/16 Leadership

Sat. 1/6

Fatherhood Family

Rebecca Grant

Director of Faith Formation FaithDirector@STLRNC.org **CONTACT US!**

Katja Mulligan

Faith Formation Assistant FaithAssistant@STLRNC.org

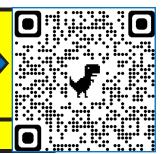


YOUTH GROUP (6TH-12TH)

Join for Free! Signup for Our Email List

Questions? Contact our Youth MinisterConor Mulligan @ Youth.Ministry@STLRNC.org

NO MEETING: 11/26



Adopt-a-Family | Annual Youth Ministry Service Project

Youth and Parents, please sign up below to let us know you will be coming to our Adopt-a-Family Event. If you know how much money you plan to bring, please let us know when you sign up.

For more information:

https://stlukesraleigh.org/adopt-a-family/

St. Luke Parishioners, if you would like to contribute to this event to help make these families' Christmases even more special, we welcome your generosity. Thank you!

To sign-up or contribute:

https://www.osvhub.com/stlukesraleigh/forms/adopt-a-family

PECAN & POINSETTIA & CATHOLIC SOCK YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER

Funds raised through this sale will go towards St. Luke's Faith Formation & Youth Ministry.

We thank you for your generous support!

Ways to Order: Online at https://osvhub.com/stlukesraleigh/forms/pecan-poinsettia-fundraiser or pick up a paper form at the office and submit form and payment to Katja Mulligan.

PECANS, POINSETTIAS, AND CATHOLIC SOCKS WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER ALL MASSES 12/2 & 3!

TRIVIA NIGHT - FAN ERENZY

Date: Saturday, December 2nd, 2023
Time: 7-9pm
Location: Parish Hall
Cost: \$10 per person or \$80 per table
The proceeds of this event go to
St. Luke's Faith Formation & Youth Ministry.

Sign-up your team:

signupgenius.com/go/10C0F45A4A72FABF85-45334344-trivia

Pay for seats / tables / Chick-fil-A sandwiches: osvhub.com/stlukesraleigh/forms/trivia-night

PARISH EVENTS!!

<u>Sat. 12/2</u> Trivia Night {7-9pm}

Sat. 12/2 & Sun. 12/3
Pecan + Poinsettia
+ Catholic Sock
Fundraiser
{After all Masses}

Please check back for more events!

Registration Form—Wednesdays in the WORD

December Study—The Jewish Roots of Christmas with Dr. Brant Pitre

Fellowship at 6:15pm | Begin at 6:30pm | December 6 & 13 | St. Maria Goretti Room

This study follows our well-received "VBS for Adults" format—No Homework!!

Have you ever asked: "What is the true meaning of Christmas? Why is the birth of a Jewish boy in Bethlehem the center of human history? And why is the feast of Christmas so beloved, ... even among unbelievers?"

In this study, Dr. Brant Pitre answers these questions, and others, by going back to the Bible and ancient tradition to shed light on the little-known Jewish roots of this beloved holiday. Like many aspects of our Catholic faith, understanding the true meaning of Christmas is found in the Bible, the Old Testament and ancient Jewish tradition.

Questions: Contact Diane Johnston (CDJ8583@aol.com)

The DEADLINE for registering is Tuesday, November 28th, 2023.

You may also order online and pay by credit card: https://www.osvhub.com/stlukesraleigh/forms/wednesdaysintheword

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	Payment: Check number:	Cash:	
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Please make checks payable to: "St. Luke Catholic Church" with *WITW* in the memo line.

Payments may be placed in the Copy Room's wooden cubby labeled KATJA--FAITH ASST.,
or they may be mailed to: St. Luke Catholic Church, Attn: Katja Mulligan, 12333 Bayleaf Church Road, Raleigh, NC 27614

CATHOLIC PARISH OUTREACH

FOR SENIORS ONLY (over 70 ½) You can make a TAX FREE DONATION to CPO!

If you have a traditional IRA, then you may be able to make a NON-TAXABLE donation to CPO, a 501(c) (3) charity, from your retirement account by making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). Your QCD can qualify as part of your annual Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) but you won't have to pay income taxes on it! To save on your 2023 taxes, you must do your QCD before December 31.

For more information, visit https://www.irs.gov/retirement-plans/retirement-plans-fags-regarding-iras#Qualified%20charitable%20distributions or scan the QR code.

If you choose to make a QCD to CPO, please have the check made payable to:

Catholic Parish Outreach, 2013 Raleigh Blvd., Raleigh, NC 27604



(Please include a note with the check indicating you are a St. Luke's parishioner.)

ADVENT Penance Service		
Day	Time	Location
12/04 Mon.	7:00 pm	St. Eugene, Wendell
12/05 Tues.	7:00 pm	St. Bernadette, Fuquay Varina
12/06 Wed.	10:00 am	St. Catherine, Wake Forest
12/06 Wed.	7:00 pm	St. Francis & St. Luke @ St. Francis, Raleigh
12/06 Wed.	7:00 pm	Our Lady of LaVang, Raleigh
12/07 Thur.	11:00 am	St. Bernadette, Fuquay Varina
12/07 Thur.	7:00 pm	St. Andrew, Apex
12/13 Wed.	11:00 am	Our Lady of Lourdes, Raleigh
12/13 Wed.	7:00 pm	St. Michael & Mother Teresa @ St. Michael, Cary
12/15 Fri.	11:00 am	St. Michael, Cary
12/15 Fri.	7:00 pm	St. Catherine, Wake Forest
12/18 Mon.	6:30 pm	Our Lady of the Rosary, Louisburg
12/19 Tues.	11:00 am	St. Luke & St. Francis @ St. Luke, Raleigh
12/19 Tues.	7:00 pm	HNOJ, NCSU CCM, St. Joseph, St. Mary @ HNOJ
12/20 Wed.	7:00 pm	St. Raphael, Raleigh

Project Rachel Post Abortion Healing Retreat

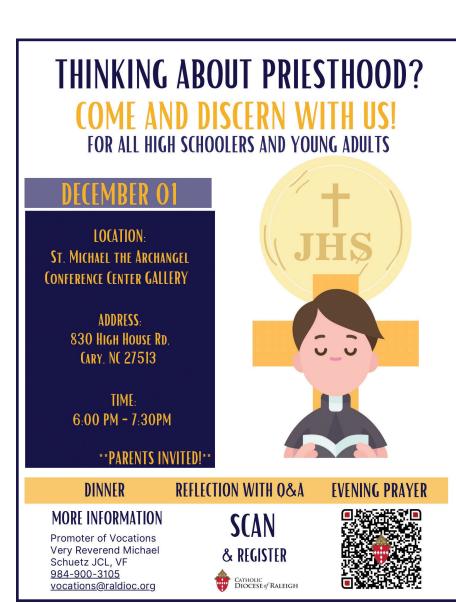
If you desire healing from a past abortion, experience the love of Jesus Christ at a Project Rachel weekend retreat **January 5-7**, **2024**, in the Raleigh area. The weekend



retreat is strictly confidential, for both women and men and includes discussions, spiritual exercises, the sacrament of

reconciliation, a Memorial Service, and a Mass of the Resurrection. Participation offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion.

For more information or to register for the retreat, contact Project Rachel at: project.rachel@raldioc. org or call (919) 852-1021. The website is: rachelnc.org. Cost is \$200 for lodging, meals, and all retreat materials. Discount of \$50 for early registration. If there is a financial burden, assistance is available.



New Year's Retreat.

Let a certified 'coach' guide you through some time-honored spiritual practices in this year's retreat, "Spiritual Exercises for the New Year."

Enter the year spiritually renewed and well-equipped with some techniques to keep you spiritually fit throughout the year. In addition to engaging presentations, there'll be Mass, confession, Matins, Vespers, and Adoration. Plus time to simply reflect upon the New Year in our sacred spaces, enjoy the gas logs in our lounge, or explore the beautiful grounds of the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. Two nights, December 30-January 1. As a special treat, there will be a New Year's Eve banquet with some traditional festivities.

The last two years have sold out, so register now at www. catholicconference.org/new-years. For more information email info@catholicconference.org or call (828) 327-7441.

Cookies for College Care

Break out those mixing bowls and cookie sheets again! St. Luke's College Care ministry is preparing once again to send the Fall care package our students look so forward to. This package traditionally contains at least a dozen (hopefully two!) home-baked cookies from the parishioners at St. Luke's. This package is by far

the favorite one of our young adults away at school. We are sending packages to around **30** students this year, so please consider dusting off your favorite cookie recipe (the more varieties the better!!) and baking two to three dozen cookies for our college students.

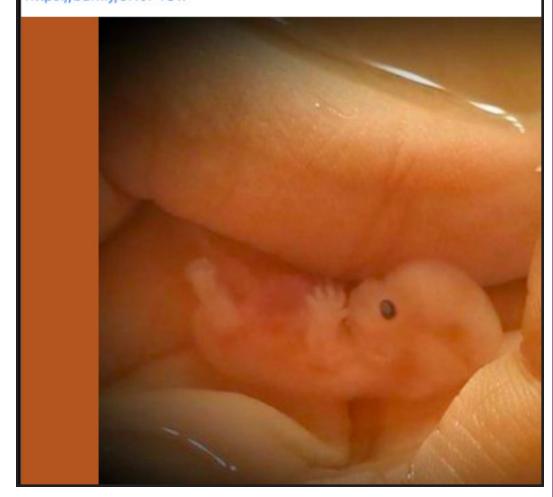
Your homemade love can be brought to the parish hall after Masses on **December 3rd.** (Due to some students with nut allergies, please do not include nuts in your cookies.)

If you will be able to help provide cookies for this care package please contact Teres Scofield at 919-412-6542 or teres.scofield@gmail.com or Suzanne Navarro at 919-522-2223 or scnavarro@truevine.net so we will have an idea how many we can expect.





This is an unborn baby 7 weeks after fertilization. NOT a "clump of cells." https://buff.ly/3N0F4Gw





Advent Festival 2023

Start Advent off right on Sunday, December 3, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in Ignatius Hall at Saint Raphael Parish in Raleigh. Learn about the liturgical season of Advent, enjoy time with St. Nicholas, sip on some hot cocoa, explore different cultural traditions, meet the saints of this season, decorate your Advent wreath, and enjoy the camaraderie with your family. The perfamily registration of \$15 covers everything, including an Advent wreath, wreath decorations & candles, one

cookie
per child,
hot cocoa,
popcorn,
and craft
activities!
Scan the



QR code to register online.

Assisted Listening Devices:

As part of our continued effort to make sure everyone has a good listening experience during Mass we wanted to make you aware that we now have several new Assisted Listening Devices.

They are very easy to use.

You basically put the earpiece on your ear, turn the little device on, and adjust the volume to your liking. Several parishioners have also found that their personal earbuds plug into the devices and work really well.

They are available at each Mass by simply asking one of our Ministers of Hospitality to get one for you.

We have had several parishioners test these, including some of our seniors. They tell us that the earpieces provide excellent enhanced sound.

Please let us know if you would like to try one!





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O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome - for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us - this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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