

# 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](mailto: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 at 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](mailto: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.



## The Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025

### *Pastoral Staff*

*Fr. David M. Chiantella, Parochial Vicar*  
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# MASS INTENTIONS



Watch our Live-Streamed Masses Here:  
[stlukesraleigh.org](http://stlukesraleigh.org)

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

5:30 PM Vigil Mass Pro Populo

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 *THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD*

8:30 AM Mass Pro Populo

11:00 AM Mass Pro Populo

## MONDAY, JANUARY 13 *St. Hilary*

No Daily Mass Pro Populo

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

5:30 PM + Diana Castro  
 By Castro-Buzitsky family

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

12:00 PM + Ray & Margaret Frederick  
 By Kevin Frederick

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

8:30 AM + Renee Spratt  
 By Karen Perritt

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 17 *St. Anthony*

8:30 AM + Anne Hakenewerth  
 By Walt & Randi Ostack

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 *Blessed Virgin Mary*

5:30 PM Vigil Mass Pro Populo

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30 AM Mass Pro Populo

11:00 AM Mass Pro Populo

## Parish Weekly Calendar

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

MIRACLES OF THE EUCHARIST DISPLAY.....10:00 AM - 7:00 PM  
 RECONCILIATION.....4:00 PM  
 ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....5:00 PM  
 VIGIL MASS.....5:30 PM

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 *THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD*

ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
 MASSES.....8:30 AM & 11:00 AM  
 CY1 & CY2 (CONFIRMATION).....9:45 AM  
 SANCTI SIMUS (ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION).....9:45 AM  
 HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL GROUP.....12:15 PM

### MONDAY, JANUARY 13 *St. Hilary*

LEGION OF MARY.....6:30 PM

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

REGNUM CHRISTI (WOMEN).....9:30 AM  
 MAGNIFICAT PRAYER GROUP.....1:30 PM  
 EVENING MASS.....5:30 PM  
 REGNUM CHRISTI (MEN).....6:30 PM  
 CHOIR PRACTICE.....6:30 PM  
 SCHOLA PRACTICE.....7:30 PM

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

CATHOLIC SCHOOLHOUSE.....8:00 AM  
 NOON MASS.....12:00 PM  
 CATHOLIC SCHOOLHOUSE.....1:00 PM  
 WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORD.....6:15 PM  
 OCIA.....6:30 PM

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

MORNING MASS.....8:30 AM  
 G.I.F.T.S.....9:30 AM  
 LADIES BIBLE STUDY.....11:30 AM  
 WALKING WITH PURPOSE.....6:30 PM

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 17 *St. Anthony*

MORNING MASS.....8:30 AM  
 ADORATION.....9:00 AM  
 RECONCILIATION.....9:30 AM

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 *Blessed Virgin Mary*

RECONCILIATION.....4:00 PM  
 ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....5:00 PM  
 VIGIL MASS.....5:30 PM

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
 MASSES.....8:30 AM & 11:00 AM  
 COFFEE & DONUTS.....9:30 AM  
 ALTAR SERVER TRAINING.....12:15 PM  
 IGBO CATHOLIC COMMUNITY MASS.....1:00 PM

**Adoration of  
 the Eucharist:**

**Fridays 9 AM - 4 PM**



Attention:

Bulletin announcements are due by Friday for  
 the following Sunday bulletin.  
 Thank you.

**Weekly Readings, January 12 - January 19**

**Sunday:** Is 42: 1-4, 6-7/Ps 29 (28): 1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 . VIII/Acts 10: 34-38/Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22

**Monday:** Heb 1: 1-6/Ps (96): 1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9/ Mk 1: 14-20

**Tuesday:** Heb 2: 5-12/Ps 8: 2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9/ Mk 1: 21-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 2: 14-18/Ps 105 (104): 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1: 29-39

**Thursday:** Heb 3: 7-14/Ps 95 (94): 6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1: 40-45

**Friday:** Heb 4: 1-5, 11/Ps 78 (77): 3, 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2: 1-12

**Saturday:** Heb 4: 12-16/Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2: 13-17

**Next Sunday:** Is 62: 1-5/Ps 96 (95): 1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 . VII/1 Cor 12: 4-11/Jn 2: 1-11

**If you would like to:**

- Remember a loved one (living or deceased)
- Help celebrate a special birthday
- Honor an anniversary

Please consider **donating flowers** for our beautiful altar by signing up on the flower calendar located in the hall near the elevator.

For further information, please contact Carol Blando at [cbblando@gmail.com](mailto:cbblando@gmail.com). Thank you.



**Liturgy & Prayer**

Adoration	Mary Kate Travers	919-528-1068	mktravers@nc.rr.com
Altar Flowers	Carol Blando	919-427-3865	cbblando@gmail.com
Altar Linens	Joan Beebe	316-347-9060	arkg14@yahoo.com
Altar Preparers	Beverly Weiland	919-454-7136	baweiland@gmail.com
Altar Servers	David Sofra	919-847-9978	dsofra@bellsouth.net
Eucharistic Ministers	Virginia Todd	Please Email	vtodd1789@gmail.com
Family Rosary	Savage Family	919-431-9883	acatholicfamily8@gmail.com
Mass Coordinator	Randi Ostack	919-559-7745	rgo@nc.rr.com
Ministers of Hospitality	Luke Masinick	919-971-8155	luke.masinick@ushadvisors.com
Prayer Line	Teres Scofield	919-412-6542	teres.scofield@gmail.com
Readers	Jim Mooney	510-774-5613	mooney.james.e@gmail.com
Live Streaming	Joe Jacobs	919-400-6327	jjoe.ja@gmail.com

**Outreach**

Bereavement	Parish Office	919-848-1533	Please Call
Catholic Parish Outreach	Ken Low	919-397-4018	Please Call
G.I.F.T.S.	Peggy Miller	501-762-1635	peg.miller@outlook.com
Habitat for Humanity	Randy Giggard	919-637-1893	randygiggard@gmail.com
Hospital Ministry	Winnie Lewis	919-263-8102	Please Call
Nursing Home Ministry	Rick Beebe	919-418-0845	bbgunrtb@yahoo.com
Reception Committee	Allison Agnelli	919-244-3149	agshag@gmail.com
Respect Life	Phyllis Gaukel	919-616-6427	phyllisrgaukel@gmail.com

**Community Life & Facilities**

God's Housekeepers	Dan Schubert	919-847-0282	dan.molly@att.net
Knights of Columbus	Rick Beebe	919-418-0845	bbgunrtb@yahoo.com
Parish Kitchen	Missy Savage	919-431-9883	acatholicfamily8@gmail.com
Parish Library	Allison Coates	612-418-8201	Please Call
Wedding Coordinator	Barbara Bower	919-841-2202	weddingcoordinator@stlrmc.org

**Evangelization**

Legion of Mary	TBD	919-744-6998	Please Call
RCIA Coordinator	Mike Sanchez	Please Email	dcnmikes7@gmail.com

**Pastoral Council**

Dave Olechovsky	stlukepc@gmail.com	919-420-7410	
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**Finance Council**

Andy Kleitsch	akleitsch@gmail.com	919-274-9766	
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**Mary's Corner**



*" Peter was entrusted with the Church, the Mother of human beings, but John was entrusted with Mary, the Mother of God. John loved her like his own mother and was loved by her as her own son."*

- St. Peter Damian

**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@stlrmc.org](mailto:communications@stlrmc.org) or contact the Parish Office.

Names will be kept on the list for **3 weeks**. If they need to remain longer or if a name has been removed in error please contact the parish office. Thank you.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**



**Those Who Are Sick:**

Donald Albert, Stephen Frank, Katherine Fitzgerald, Teresa Green, Michael Boyle, Dan Ritchie, Bill Shultz, Jeanette Shultz, Michele Wallace, Benjamin Fitzharris, Patrick Newman, Letty Phillips, Martha Sinclair, Ashleigh Lucas, Peggy Kearney, John Loeffler, Joy Boyette, Mary Prevatt, Gretchel Leathers, Barbara Lucas, Barbara Osolinski, Christine Constable, Joan Morris, Anna Weiss, Dorothy Kanop, Milo Orzol, Kathleen Pitz, Barry Herchenrober, Peter Kraehenbuehl, Agnes Synowicz, Walt Ostack, Bill Wolf.

**Repose of the Soul:**

Dave Knudson.

**Those Who Are Actively Serving In The Military:**

Nathan Thomas, Brendon Burns, Bret Marrow, Lt. Colonel Brad Miller, Lane Wade, Madeline Chafin, Nico Muzo, James Boland, Caroline Todd.

## Reflection for the Baptism of Our Lord

On the Baptism of the Lord Year C, we reflect on the baptism of Jesus. This event reveals Jesus' humility, marks the start of his mission, and shows the Trinity. By looking at Jesus' baptism, we can understand more about our own baptism and the call to serve and love others.

### **A Sign of Love and Humility**

In the Baptism of the Lord Year C, we reflect on the special event of Jesus' baptism. Jesus, though sinless, chose to be baptized by John the Baptist, who called people to repent. Why did Jesus, who had no need to repent, decide to be baptized?

One reason is that Jesus wanted to show his support and understanding for us. He wanted to share in our humanity and weaknesses. By being baptized, Jesus stood with those who were seeking forgiveness and a new start. He showed that he was not distant from us but very close, sharing in our struggles.

Another reason is that Jesus' baptism was a way to begin his mission. It was a public sign that he was ready to do God's work. The heavens opened, and the Holy Spirit came down like a dove. A voice from heaven said, "You are my beloved Son; with you, I am well pleased." This showed that Jesus was chosen by God for a special purpose.

Through Jesus' baptism, we see how much God loves us. Jesus showed that he is with us in our joys and our difficulties. He came to save us and to show us the way to God. By being baptized, Jesus showed that he was one of us, sharing in everything we go through.

### **A Call to Serve and Love**

Jesus' baptism marked the beginning of his important work. When Jesus came out of the water, he prayed, making it clear that this was a special moment in his life. The Holy Spirit came down on him like a dove. This is similar to how the Spirit empowered the disciples at Pentecost for their mission.

Jesus' baptism prepared him to spread the good news, heal broken hearts, and set people free. He was ready to do God's work and to show God's love to everyone. Jesus cared for people like a shepherd cares for sheep. He was gentle, kind, and always ready to help those in need.

### **A Glimpse of the Trinity**

In Jesus' baptism, we see a special moment where the Trinity is revealed. The baptism of Jesus shows us the presence of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. This gives us a glimpse into the Trinitarian nature of God.

As Jesus is baptized, the heavens open, and the Holy Spirit comes down like a dove. At the same time, a voice from heaven speaks, saying, "You are my beloved Son; with you, I am well pleased." Here, we see the Father speaking from heaven, the Son being baptized, and the Holy Spirit descending. This moment shows us how the three Persons of the Trinity are present and working together.

Reflecting on the Baptism of the Lord Year C helps us see Jesus' love, the beginning of his mission, and the unity of the Trinity. It reminds us of our own baptism and our call to live in love and service. We are invited to join in Jesus' mission and share God's love with everyone.



# PARISH FINANCE REPORT

January 12, 2025

Our Parish Website:  
[www.stlukesraleigh.org](http://www.stlukesraleigh.org)

## End of Year

Please advise the office of any address or family status changes by emailing:  
[Accountant@stlrc.org](mailto:Accountant@stlrc.org)

## Upcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections

**Church in Latin America  
 January 26, 2025**

### Online Giving

Please visit our Parish website today: [stlukesraleigh.org](http://stlukesraleigh.org) (click on Give) to sign up and get started!

## Offertory Counting Ministry Volunteers Needed!

One of our teams has retired from our ministry. Therefore we are asking for parishioners to please join our count teams! Our volunteers in teams of 3 or 4 sort, count, and record weekly offertory collections. The time commitment is small but the support to St. Luke's Parish and staff is Huge!

If you are called to help, please contact Cyndy Aremia by email : [Accountant@stlrc.org](mailto:Accountant@stlrc.org) or call between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays: 919-848-1533 Thank you for your prayerful consideration of joining our team.

FY24-25 Weekly YOY					
November 371,205.08		November 371,939.86			
Current Year (FY 2025)		Prior Year (FY 2024)		Difference	
Dec-24	Total 2025	Dec-23	Total 2023	\$ YOY by WK	% YOY by WK
1st	23,530.35	3rd	17,388.03	6,142.32	35%
8th	16,839.00	10th	32,603.13	(15,764.13)	-48%
15th	18,343.75	17th	22,132.00	(3,788.25)	-17%
22nd	41,196.74	24th	26,901.26	14,295.48	53%
Christmas 29th-32st	18,687.63	Christmas 31st	12,268.00	6,419.63	52%
			17,070.56	(17,070.56)	-100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>118,597.47</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>128,362.98</b>	<b>(9,765.51)</b>	<b>-8%</b>
Thru Dec-24 489,802.55		Thru Dec-24 500,302.84		(10,500.29)	-2%

Budget Comparison		
Dec 2024	Mo Budget	127,451.00
	Actual	118,597.47
	Over Un-	(8,853.53)
	YTD Budg-	496,748.00
	YTD Actu-	489,802.55
	Over/ Budget	(6,945.45) -1.40%

# Faith Formation

## This Week in Faith Formation

## OCIA

<b>Sunday, 1/12</b>	9:45a.m. Sancti Simus & Confirmation	
	12:15p.m. Carpe Diem & Vita Nova	
<b>Monday, 1/13</b>	10:00a.m. Magnificat Moms	
<b>Tuesday, 1/14</b>	---	-----
<b>Wednesday, 1/15</b>	6:30p.m. OCIA	
<b>Thursday, 1/16</b>	6:30p.m. Walking with Purpose	
<b>Friday, 1/17</b>	---	-----
<b>Saturday, 1/18</b>	---	-----
<b>Sunday, 1/19</b>	9:45a.m. NO FAITH FORMATION	

### Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Join us to learn more about Catholicism and entering full-communion with the Church.

**Wednesdays**  
6:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

**Contact:**  
Lydia Tatum (DRE@STLRNC.org)  
or  
Cecile Hosey (cawalc@gmail.com) - Inquiry



### Confirmation Retreat

Saturday, February 8, 2025  
8:30a.m.-3:30p.m.

## Sancti Simus

**Elementary Faith Formation**  
Kindergarten-5th Grade  
**Sundays at 9:45a.m.**

Register Online:  
[osvhub.com/stlukestraleigh/forms/2024-25--sancti-simus](https://osvhub.com/stlukestraleigh/forms/2024-25--sancti-simus)



### Elementary Sacrament Prep

A Two Year Curriculum for  
First Holy Communion Preparation

**Sundays at 9:45a.m.**

Contact Lydia Tatum to register at  
DRE@STLRNC.ORG



### High School Sacrament Prep

A Two Year Curriculum for  
Confirmation Preparation

**Sundays at 9:45a.m.**

Contact Lydia Tatum to register at  
DRE@STLRNC.ORG

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DRE@STLRNC.ORG

**Contact Us**

**Katja Mulligan**

Faith Formation Assistant  
FaithAssistant@STLRNC.ORG

# Faith Formation

## *Wednesdays in the Word*

### **2025 Lenten Mission**

Co-Sponsored by  
Adult Faith Formation and the Knights of Columbus

#### **Jesus and The Jewish Roots of The Eucharist**

**by Dr. Brant Pitre**  
**NO HOMEWORK!!**

**Wednesdays 6:15p.m.-8:00p.m.**  
**January 29-April 8 with a semester break on 3/5**

In this incredibly important study delving into the Source and Summit of our faith, Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching. "The Lamb of God", "The Bread of Life", "The Body and Blood of Christ" are phrases we know. Through this study, we will discover how Christ's Body and Blood are a wondrous part of God's plan for Salvation.

**Find Brochures with the Session Outline and Registration Form in the Upper Gathering Space, and return to the Office by Friday, January 19, 2025.**

## *Tuesday Morning Bible Study*

### **EPIC: The Early Church**

**January 21– April 1 with a semester break on 2/25**

Over the course of ten sessions, you will discover places and events that were a part of the formation of the Church and gain a greater understanding her teachings. The study leader, Steve Weidenkopf, is recognized for his scholarship and articulation of the theology and players in the Early Church.

**The deadline for enrolling has passed; however, new participants may join anytime. Workbooks are available while supplies last.**

**Email Katja at [FaithAssistant@STLRNC.org](mailto:FaithAssistant@STLRNC.org) to register.**

## *Walking With Purpose*

### **Thursdays: Opening Your Heart**

(Women's Study)  
6:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

## *Knights of Columbus*

### **Journeymen Into the Breach**

**The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary**  
A **PARADISUS DEI** Study

**1st and 3rd Saturdays**  
**7:30a.m.-9:00a.m.**  
**In the Holy Family Room**

**Beginning February 1, 2025**

**Enter into the Mysteries of Christ and  
Rediscover the Power of the Rosary**

An authentic encounter with Christ leads to our transformation and sanctification. Mysteries of the Rosary integrates deeply reflective insights on the life of Christ, theological truths, and captivating stories together with breathtaking scenery, illuminating sacred art, and inspiring music. By filming on location in the Holy Land, our aspiration is to make the Rosary come alive in the hearts and minds of the participants. Encounters with Christ in the episodes and discussions will lead to even deeper encounters with Him in personal prayer and contemplation.

Knights of Columbus sharpens Catholic men into holy men who strengthen the family, our parish, our communities, and the witness of the Church throughout the world. Together, we will learn and devote ourselves to the powerful prayers of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the salvation of our souls, the defense of our families, and the sanctification of our world.

**Contact Jim Haag for More Info:**  
**[jjmthaag1@gmail.com](mailto:jjmthaag1@gmail.com)**



MYSTERIES  
of the ROSARY



# Youth Ministry

## St. Luke's Youth Group

## 2025 Spring Retreat

**Carpe Diem**  
6th-8th Grade

**Vita Nova**  
9th-12th Grade

### Next Youth Meeting

**Sunday, January 12 at 12:15p.m**

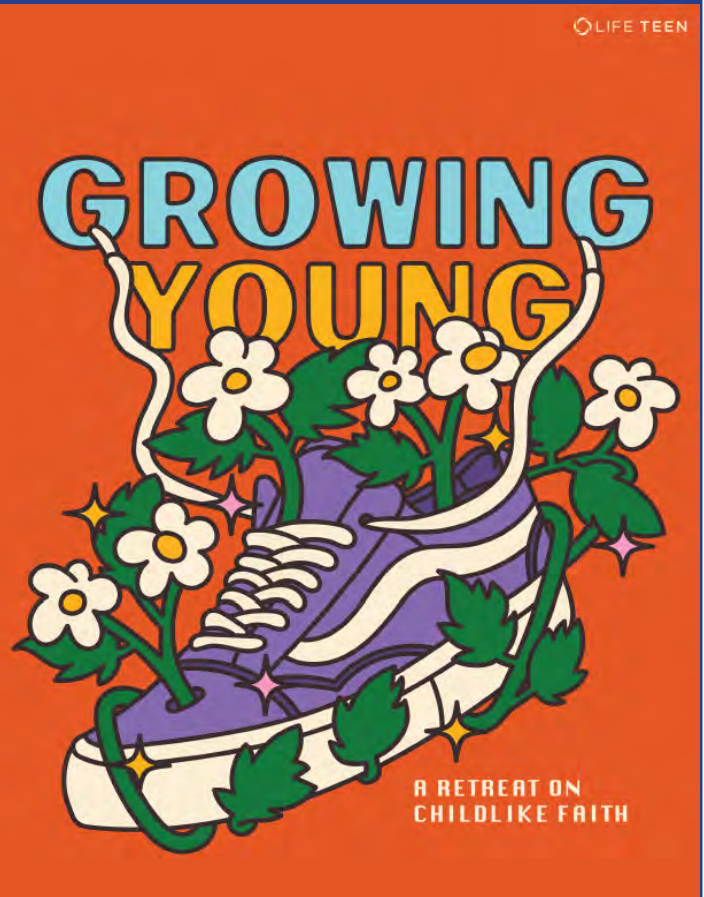
Join us for Games, Lunch, and  
Theology of the Body Part 5!

### Calendar of Events

<b>Sunday, 1/12</b>	12:15p.m.	YOUTH GROUP! <i>Theology of the Body Part 5</i>
<b>Sunday, 1/19</b>	---	<b>Long Weekend (MLK)</b> <i>No Youth Group</i>
<b>Sunday, 1/26</b>	9:45a.m. 12:15p.m.	Fundraiser: Coffee & Donuts Leaders' Meeting
<b>Sunday, 2/2</b>	12:15p.m.	YOUTH GROUP! <i>Theology of the Body Part 6</i>
<b>Sunday, 2/9</b>	12:15p.m.	YOUTH GROUP! <i>Theology of the Body Part 7</i>

Register for Youth Group

Join our Email List



**March 21-23, 2025**

Camp Rockfish  
Parkton, NC

**Cost: \$225/person**

All 9th-12th graders are invited to join us on retreat this spring as we gather to deepen our faith by "Growing Young" - seeking after a childlike faith as sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father.

**Registration Deadline: January 12, 2025**



**Youth Ministers: Conor Mulligan and Nick Aremia**

Contact Us: [Youth.Ministry@STLRNC.ORG](mailto:Youth.Ministry@STLRNC.ORG)

[www.stlukesraleigh.org/middle-school-youth-group](http://www.stlukesraleigh.org/middle-school-youth-group) or [www.stlukesraleigh.org/high-school-youth-group](http://www.stlukesraleigh.org/high-school-youth-group)



# At St. Luke the Evangelist

## Miracles of the Eucharist Display

Jan. 11-12

After all masses this weekend, there will be a Miracles of the Eucharist Display in St. Luke's parish hall!



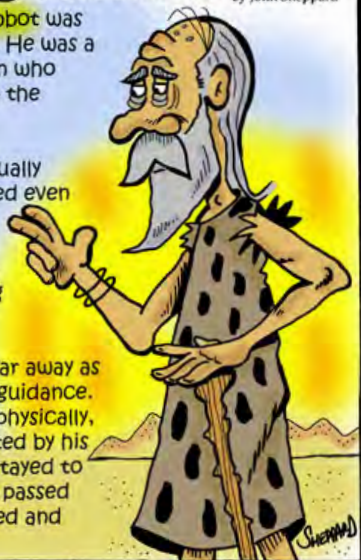
Saint Hilary of Poitiers, Bishop and Doctor  
January 13

## SAINTS FUN FACTS

St. Anthony the Abbot was an Egyptian hermit. He was a very spiritual person who believed in LIVING the Jesus life.

When people eventually found him, he moved even further away, eating only bread and water, praying, fasting and wearing skins as clothing.

Wise men from as far away as Greece sought his guidance. Some were healed physically, many were comforted by his words and others stayed to learn from him. He passed away at one hundred and five years old.



by John Sheppard

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## CATHOLIC PARISH OUTREACH



**JANUARY'S FOOD TARGET:  
CANS OF FRUIT (NO GLASS, PLEASE!)**

**A donation box is in the lower gathering space.**

CPO recycles THOUSANDS of grocery bags each week and always has a need for your plastic and paper grocery bags. These items can be placed in the CPO box in the ministry closet, next to the women's restroom.

CPO always needs volunteers! CPO is now open on Saturdays! To volunteer your time at CPO, please email [CpoVol.Coordinator@ccharitiesdor.org](mailto:CpoVol.Coordinator@ccharitiesdor.org).

**FORMED**

THE CATHOLIC FAITH.  
ON DEMAND.

Week of January 12, 2024

### The Bible (Part 1)

Join Dr. Mark Giszczak as he answers the Internet's most-asked question about the Bible

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/the-bible-part-1-what-catholics-believe>

### Interior Life

We all worship something, whether we know it or not. We are called to put God first, and that means giving him our time in prayer. The focus of this episode is developing a consistent prayer life.

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/interior-life>

### A New Creation: The Mystery of Baptism

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/a-new-creation-the-mystery-of-baptism>

St. Luke's parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit [formed.org/signup](https://www.formed.org/signup) and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



## 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 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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## Around the Diocese

### March for Life Bus Trip

**Last Call to sign up for the bus trip to the National March for Life** - The National March for Life will be on **January 24, 2025** in Washington, DC. You can join thousands at the National Mall for the concert, rally, great speakers, and march for the preborn children, and for all who still need your support for the Culture of Life in our State and Nation. The cost is \$100 per seat, and school-age children ride free with a parent or guardian. The bus will leave from St. Raphael's Catholic Church and return the same day.

Can't make it? Then please sponsor a trip for some of these kids. Sign up or donate at [www.KofC9880.org/marchforlife](http://www.KofC9880.org/marchforlife) - This QR code will directly go to the website.



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For more information about our upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program in Charlotte on Jan. 24-26th for couples, Email: 3062r@helpourmarriage.org or Call: 727-343-6701. Website: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com). Following weekend in NC will be on July 18-20, 2025 in Spanish at St Luke Catholic Church, Raleigh

### Annual Celebration of the Legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Monday, January 20, 2025  
12:00 PM - 01:30 PM

You are invited to the diocesan celebration of the annual Mass commemorating the legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., promoting justice for social issues. The event is open to the public.

“MISSION POSSIBLE: Protecting Freedom, Justice and Democracy!”

Celebrant: Most Reverend Luis Rafael Zarama

Homilist: Most Reverend Joseph E. Kurtz, D.D., Archbishop Emeritus of Louisville

Archbishop Kurtz has served on many boards including as President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). For more information, visit [dioceseofraleigh.org](http://dioceseofraleigh.org).

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- Cost:** → \$100 per adult  
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Can't attend? Consider sponsoring seats!

Reserve or sponsor seats at: [www.kofc9880.org/marchforlife](http://www.kofc9880.org/marchforlife)

Questions? Call (919) 306-1011



Scan for website

### Wedding Anniversary Mass

February 8, 2025, 10:00am at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral - 715 Nazareth St., Raleigh, NC 27606

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on Saturday, February 8, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral, with special recognition to couples with 25, 50, or 60 years of marriage. Scan the QR code to register to attend the Mass or call 984-900-3184 to receive a Commemorative Certificate.





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*Pope John XXIII*

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