

# ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

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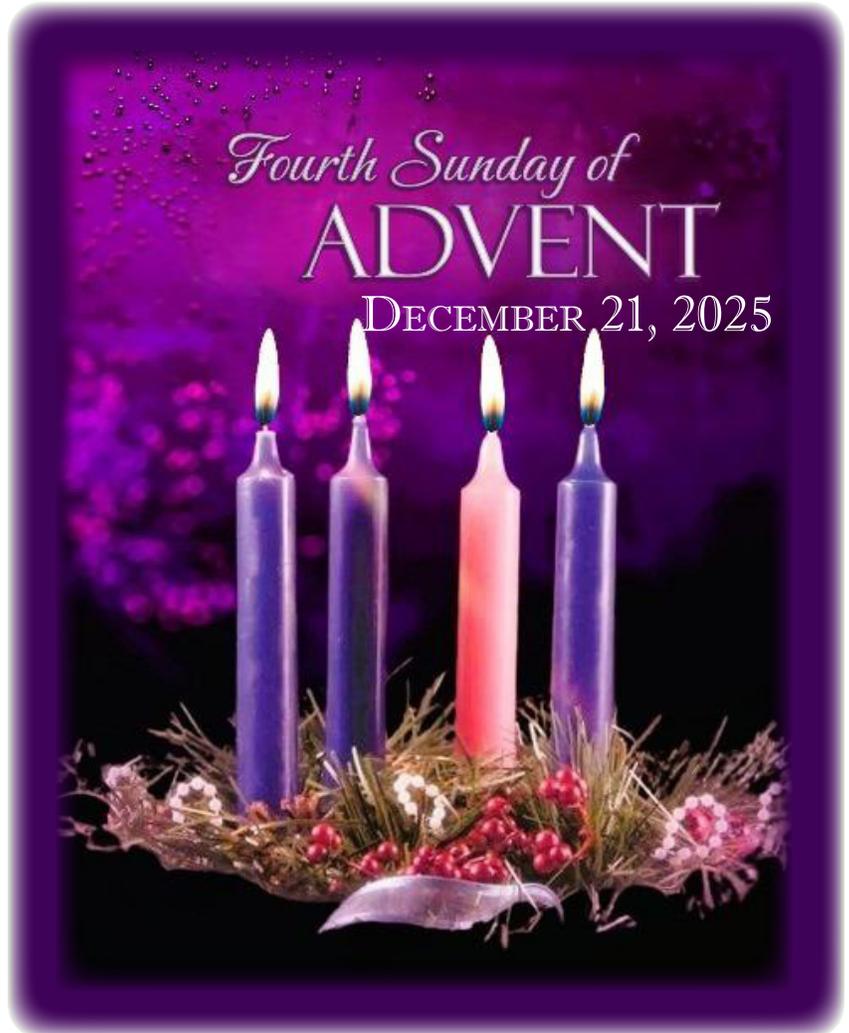
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### *Weekend Mass Schedule:*

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

### *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 at 919-848-1533 for more information.

### *Sacrament of Anointing:*

Please call the Parish Office at 919-848-1533

### *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 at 919-848-1533 for additional information.

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*St. Luke's Vision Statement: Joyfully living the Gospel through sacraments, service, and love.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, DEC. 20, 2025

4:00 PM Reconciliation  
5:30 PM Mass Pro Populo

### SUNDAY, DEC. 21, 2025 *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent*

8:30 AM †Walt Ostack  
by Randi Ostack  
11:00 AM Mass Pro Populo

### MONDAY, DEC. 22, 2025

No Daily Mass

### TUESDAY, DEC. 23, 2025 *St. John of Kanty*

5:30 PM Lee Schiek  
by Woodburn Family

### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24, 2025 *Christmas Eve*

5:00 PM Mass Pro Populo  
9:00 PM †Walt Ostack  
by Randi Ostack

### THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 2025 *The Nativity of the Lord*

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

### FRIDAY, DEC. 26, 2025 *St. Stephen*

8:30 AM †Raymond Andruk  
by Lambertus Family

### SATURDAY, DEC. 27, 2025 *St. John, Apostle and Evangelist*

5:30 PM †Al Przytulski  
by Randi Ostack

### SUNDAY, DEC. 28, 2025 *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

8:30 AM Mass Pro Populo  
11:00 AM †Michael Haugh  
by Kelly Family

## PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

### SATURDAY, DEC. 20, 2025

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

### SUNDAY, DEC. 21, 2025 *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent*

ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
MASSES .....8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

### MONDAY, DEC. 22, 2025

LEGION OF MARY.....6:30 PM  
ADVENT BIBLE STUDY-YOUNG ADULT GROUP...7:00 PM

### TUESDAY, DEC. 23, 2025 *St. John of Kanty*

EVENING MASS.....5:30 PM  
CHOIR PRACTICE.....6:30 PM  
SCHOLA PRACTICE.....7:30 PM

### **BUILDING CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK DEC. 24 - JAN. 2**

### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24, 2025 *Christmas Eve*

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS.....5:00 PM  
CHORAL PRELUDE.....8:30 PM  
CHRISTMAS EVE MASS.....9:00 PM

### THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 2025 *The Nativity of the Lord*

CHRISTMAS MORNING MASS.....8:30 AM  
CHRISTMAS MORNING MASS.....11:00 AM

### FRIDAY, DEC. 26, 2025 *St. Stephen*

MORNING MASS.....8:30 AM  
ADORATION.....9:00 AM  
RECONCILIATION.....9:30 AM  
BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT.4:00 PM

### SATURDAY, DEC. 27, 2025 *St. John, Apostle and Evangelist*

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

### SUNDAY, DEC. 28, 2025 *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

ROSARY BEFORE MASS.....8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
MASSES .....8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

**ADORATION OF  
THE EUCHARIST:  
FRIDAYS 9AM - 4PM**



### **SCAM ALERT**

Scammers are once again sending fake emails to parishioners. You will NEVER get a solicitation 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 these emails — mark them as spam or delete them right away.

**WEEKLY READINGS: DEC. 21-28**

**Sunday 12/21:** Is 7:10-14 / Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24

**Monday 12/22:** 1 Sam 1:24-28 / 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd / Lk 1:46-56

**Tuesday 12/23:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 / Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/ Lk 1:57-66

**Wednesday 12/24:** 2 Sam 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 / Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 / Lk 1:67-79

**Thursday 12/25:** Is 52:7-10 / Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 / Heb 1:1-6 / Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

**Friday 12/26:** Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 / Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/ Mt 10:17-22

**Saturday 12/27:** 1 Jn 1:1-4 / Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 / Jn 20:1a and 2-8

**Next Sunday 12/28:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 / Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 / Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 / Mt 2:13-15, 19-23



Liturgy & Prayer			
Adoration	Mary Kate Travers	919-528-1068	mktravers@nc.rr.com
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Habitat for Humanity	Randy Giggard	919-637-1893	randygiggard@gmail.com
Homebound	Parish Office	919-848-1533	Please Call
Hospital Ministry	Jeanne Rodriguez	919-434-5017	jeanner517@gmail.com
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Respect Life	OPEN	919-848-1533	Please Call
Community Life & Facilities			
God's Housekeepers	Dan Schubert	919-847-0282	dan.molly@att.net
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Parish Library	Allison Coates	612-418-8201	Please Call
Wedding Coordinator	Barbara Bower	919-841-2202	weddingcoordinator@stlrc.org
Evangelization			
Legion of Mary	Tammy Huffman	919-744-6998	Please Call
OCIA Coordinator	Dcn. Mike Sanchez	Please Email	dcnmikes7@gmail.com
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Dave Olechovsky	stlukepc@gmail.com		919-621-1778
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Andy Kleitsch	akleitsch@gmail.com		919-274-9766



**Mary's Corner**

*"Let thy soul thirst for devotion to Mary; preserve it always, never abandon it until you arrive in heaven and receive her maternal benediction."*

- St. Bonaventure

**Please Pray For Our Family, Our Friends and Our Parish**

If you'd like to add or remove a name from our prayer list, please email [communications@stlrc.org](mailto:communications@stlrc.org).

Names are kept on the list for 3 weeks. Contact us to extend or update. Thank you!

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**



***Those Who Are Sick:***

Carolyn Barbarito, Peter Le, Daniel Nisbeth, Joseph Rothengast Sr., Daniel Ritchie, Jessica Fitzharris

***Rest of the Soul:***

Edward Yatta, Douglas Wipperman, Tim White, William (Bill) Schultz, Walt Ostack, Terry Miner

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

Nathan Thomas, Brendon Burns, Bret Marrow, Brad Miller, Lane Wade, Madeline Chafin, Nico Muzo, James Boland, Caroline Todd, Isaac Cade

# Parish Finance Report

## December 21, 2025

Oct-25		Oct-24			
299,580.54		296,282.12			
Current Year (FY 2025)		Prior Year (FY 2024)		Difference	
Nov-25	Total FY 2026	Nov-24	Total FY 2025	\$ YOY by WK	% YOY
2nd	17,061.88	3rd	20,745.63	(3,683.75)	-18%
9th	28,132.13	10th	14,790.95	13,341.18	90%
16th	13,775.79	17th	18,466.07	(4,690.28)	-25%
23rd	18,884.38	24th	18,357.60	526.78	3%
30th	14,974.75	25th-29th	2,562.71	12,412.04	484%
<b>Total</b>	<b>92,828.93</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>74,922.96</b>	<b>17,905.97</b>	<b>24%</b>
Thru Nov-25	392,409.47	Thru Nov-24	371,205.08	21,204.39	6%

### Budget Comparison

Nov-25	Mo Budget	83,967.17
	Actual	92,828.93
	Over Under	8,861.76
	YTD Budget	419,835.85
	YTD Actual	392,409.47
	Over/Under	<b>(27,426.38)</b>
	Budget	-6.53%

If you have moved recently, please let us know by emailing [secretary@stlrnc.org](mailto:secretary@stlrnc.org) so we can update your records.

Thank you!

### Online Giving

If you would like to give online using your credit card or through ACH, please visit our Parish website:

[stlukesraleigh.org](http://stlukesraleigh.org)

(click on Give) to sign up and get started! Thank you!!



### Christmas Flowers for the Church

Donation Envelopes are available in the gathering spaces.

### Offertory Counting Ministry Volunteers Needed!

Our volunteers record weekly offertory collections. The time commitment is small but the support to St. Luke's Parish and staff is HUGE! As the new year approaches, we are in need of at least 3 new volunteers.

If you are called to help, please contact Cyndy Aremia by email:

[Accountant@stlrnc.org](mailto:Accountant@stlrnc.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.**

# At St. Luke's



## *Christmas message from the Pastor*

*In few days, we celebrate Christmas, the feast of the Incarnation. In the quiet of Bethlehem, Jesus—the eternal Word made flesh—comes to dwell among us. He comes not with power but with humility and peace, bringing light into our darkness and hope into our hearts.*

*Let us welcome this gift of our salvation with great joy, and join our voices to the singing of the angels in heaven: “Come, let us adore him”.*

*Due to the circumstances of this time of the year, and for one reason or another, many will not be able to join the church family for the celebration. We will miss them. Wherever they are or wherever they will be we send our love, and we remain united in prayer.*

*My hope is that you all will celebrate this event with heart renewed, and welcome Jesus in your families in a new way.*

*As we look forward to celebrate the gift of our salvation, let us also remember those who have gone before us, and those who suffer. In all things, we entrust ourselves to Emmanuel—God with us—who never abandons His people*

*From the bottom of my heart, I thank each of you for your participation, in one way or another, in the life of our Christian Community. Many thanks for sharing the peace and joy of this Christmas season from your generosity.*

*May Jesus, Emmanuel, “God with us” dwell in your heart and your families. May he keep you safe and healthy, and may he shower his blessings upon you.*

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.*

*Fr. Roger Malonda Nyimi  
St. Luke's The Evangelist Catholic Church*

# At St. Luke's

## ADVENT GIVING TREE

Now - DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>



Please select a gift tag from the tree and return it with your unwrapped gift. Thank you! These gifts help support those in need in our community.

## CATHOLIC PARISH OUTREACH



CPO ALWAYS has a need for new & gently used

BABY CLOTHES—SIZES 3-6T

Please place donations in the Ministry Closet next to the women's restroom anytime of the year.

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

To volunteer your time at CPO, email [cpoVol.Coordinator@ccharitiesdor.org](mailto:cpoVol.Coordinator@ccharitiesdor.org).

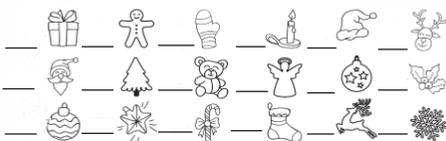
## ST. LUKE'S

Family Fun Corner

Christmas I Spy 



Find & Color the Items



## St. Luke's Mass Schedule



### DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve Mass: 5:00 PM

Choral Prelude: 8:30 PM

Christmas Eve Mass: 9:00 PM

### DECEMBER 25

Christmas Morning Mass: 8:30 AM

Christmas Morning Mass: 11:00 AM

### DECEMBER 31

Vigil Mass for Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God: 5:30 PM

### JANUARY 1

Mass for Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God: 9:30 AM

### JANUARY 2

Lessons & Carols: 7:00pm



# At St. Luke's



## CHILDREN & YOUTH

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### **Elementary Catechesis & Sacrament Prep**

Sundays at 9:45a.m.

Calendars: [www.stlukesraleigh.org/elementary-faith-formation](http://www.stlukesraleigh.org/elementary-faith-formation)

#### **Teen Confirmation Prep**

Sundays at 9:45a.m.

Calendar: [www.stlukesraleigh.org/youth-confirmation](http://www.stlukesraleigh.org/youth-confirmation)

**Classes Resume Sunday, January 4.**

## UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES

### **Sunday, January 11**

*Carpe Diem & Vita Nova*

Youth Group

12:15-2:30p.m.

### **Saturday, January 24**

*Sacraments Retreat*

3:00-9:00p.m.



## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

### **Classes Underway!**

Wednesdays—6:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

Interested in Learning more about the Catholic faith?

**Inquiry: Cecile Hosey [cawalc@gmail.com](mailto:cawalc@gmail.com)**

## TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

### **The Gospel of: Mark - Faith not Fear**

Dr. Tim Gray wrote his Master's Thesis and Doctoral Dissertation on the Gospel of Mark, so we invite you to join "...Dr. Tim Gray in this powerful 14-part series to discover the Gospel of Mark like never before. Immerse yourself in this ... Gospel that offers Saint Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching. Combining the insights of Dr. Tim Gray with the masterful artistry of the Augustine Institute..." This study is the modified Lectio format used in past studies.

#### **Questions Contact:**

Diane Johnston: [CDJ8583@aol.com](mailto:CDJ8583@aol.com) or Ann Wayer at [gwayer1@gmail.com](mailto:gwayer1@gmail.com)

**When:** Tuesdays, 9:15AM  
(Fellowship at 8:45AM)

**DATES:** 01/20, 01/27, 02/03, 02/10, 02/17, 02/24, 03/03  
**(NO CLASS 03/10/2026)** 03/17, 03/24, 03/31,  
**(NO CLASS 04/07/2026)** 04/14, 04/21, 04/28, 05/05

Participant Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Workbook: **\$25.00** per participant

# of Workbooks \_\_\_\_\_ X **\$25.00** = \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL

**ONLINE ENROLLMENTS:** <https://www.osvhub.com/stlukesraleigh/forms/tmbs-winter2026>  
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### Advent Meditation

Advent is a season of silence. That is, it is a season that calls us to seek silence-both interiorly (in our heart and mind) and exteriorly (in our surroundings). For most of us in the northern hemisphere, the weather itself is a perfect summons to this silence. The first hard frost has already taken place. Growing things lie dormant. Many birds have migrated south and we no longer hear their song. Insects are overwintering in silent places that are not visible to us. Some animals lie perfectly still in hibernation. Snow falls softly and gently. In the face of this natural invitation to silence, there is an immediate contradiction in our culture. Our ears are deafened by sounds and songs and solicitations. But we can't let the noise take over. We need silence too much to let it go without a fight. - Good Catholic Digital Content Series, Great Advent

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St Luke's Parishioner



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