

ST. LUKE Catholic Church

First Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2023

PARISH OFFICE: 615-459-9672

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, - 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. • Wednesday - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. • Friday - 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil

4:00 p.m.- English

7:30 p.m. - Spanish

Sunday

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.- English

12:00 Noon - Bilingual

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday

6:30 p.m. - Bilingual

Tuesday thru Friday

8:30 a.m. - English

Misa en Español

Jueves 7:00 p.m.

Sabado 7:30 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thurs. 9 a.m. until Fri. 8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday

3:10 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. - English

6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. - Bilingual

Wednesday

After 8:30 a.m. Mass

or by appointment

ANUNCIOS PERMANENTES

Platicas Pre-Bautismales

Para niños menores de 7 años. Cada 2^{do} y 4^{to} Sábado del mes a las 5pm en el Salón Social. Los padrinos tienen que ser mayores de 16 años y haber recibido los Sacramentos de: Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación. Más información se le dará en la clase o llamar al 615-459-9672 Ext.104

Grupo Mujeres de Fátima

Lunes a las 6:30pm

Grupo de Parejas

Martes a las 6:30 p.m.

Misa Mensual de Fieles Difuntos

4.º Jueves de cada mes a las 7 p.m.

Adoración Eucarística continua de 24 Hrs

Jueves a las 8:00 am hasta Viernes 8:00am

Renovación Carismática

Viernes a las 7:30pm

Ministerio de la Adoración Nocturna

3º Sábado del mes, de 9:30 p.m. a 7:00 a.m. del día Domingo.

Llama de Amor

Rosario - 2.º y 4.º Sábado del mes después de misa de 7:30 p.m.

Vigilia mensual - 1er Sábado del mes después de misa de 7:30 p.m.

Programa de Educación Religiosa

Miércoles, Sábados y Domingos



MASS INTENIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 2

4:00 p.m. † Ed Stiller
by *The Tennessee Cousins*
7:30 p.m. Blanca Baños
by *Marisol Magaña*

Sunday, December 3

8:00 a.m. † JoAnn Bardet
by *Jim and Connie Noyes*
10:00 a.m. The elderly & aging parents who are shunned by their adult children
by *Catherine Skarbek*
12:00 p.m. † Milagros Acosta

Monday, December 4

6:30 p.m. Priest Intentions

Tuesday, December 5

8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Wednesday, December 6

8:30 a.m. † Paul and Alison Walton

Thursday, December 7

8:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus
by *Divine Mercy Assembly #2936*
7:00 p.m. † Alexis Bravo
by *The Bravo Family*

Friday, December 8 - Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (A Holy Day of Obligation)

8:30 a.m. † Ildefonso Vergel De Dios
6:00 p.m. People of the Parish

LET US PRAY

For the Health & Recovery of our Parish Family

III Marge Hoffman, III Aileen Such, II Belaa Meneses Sequeiro, II Ace Gonzalez

**Names remain on this list for 6 weeks. Please call the office at 615-459-9672 or e-mail the frontoffice@stluketn.org to add or remove someone on this list.*

For Those on Active Duty in the Military

Benjamin Anderson, Cody Hopper, Charles Lane, Michael Leaver, Jeremy Minner, Manuel Pineda, Mike Plouff, Johnathan Stark, Dylan Williams, Matthew Moshea, Alek Nochowicz, Patrick Rissler, Jeff Hineman, Carl Templeton, Justin Laprise, Liam Smith, Caroline Simmons, Logan Garrett, Jeb Sloan, Tom Janssen, Eric House

We must be active in our hope for Christ's return.

Hope is a theological virtue: "We desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit" (CCC 1817). Hope is an active state of being, not passive. During this Advent season we must be fully alive and fully engaged. We must be committed in our pursuit of the Lord; we must be people of hope!

New to the Parish? WELCOME!

To register as a parishioner of St. Luke Catholic Church, Please contact the church office 615-459-9672 or visit our website at :
<https://www.saintlukesmyrnatn.com>

Liturgical Ministry

Anyone interested in being a part of the St. Luke Liturgical Ministry serving as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector or Altar Server, please contact Laura Nota by email: liturgy@stluketn.org.

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR PARISH NEEDS AND GENERAL OPERATIONS FROM NOVEMBER 19, 2023.

\$ 28,068.07 - Weekly Collection for Parish needs and general operations (includes online giving)

\$ 20,320.00 - Weekly Expenses for Parish needs and general operations

\$ 7,748.07 = Weekly surplus (deficit) for Parish

WEEKLY DESIGNATED DONATIONS:

\$ 1,093.00 Restricted Designated Donations (Includes online giving).

\$ 342.00 Last Resource Deposit (Includes online giving)

\$ 514.00 Food Pantry Deposit (includes online giving)

\$ 30,017.07 Total revenue collected (general operations & designated donations)

\$ 59,330.00 - Weekly Overall Goal for Parish (see formula below)

\$ (-29,312.93) = Overall weekly goal surplus (deficit) for Parish.
(Goal is based on 7.5% of average family income of \$47,000 x 875 families)

To make a quick Online Donation just scan this QR code for Vanco, to the right, with your smart phone!

You may also make a donation by PayPal — just scan this QR code to your left, or log in to your PayPal account and search for stluke123@comcast.net



There will be a 2nd collection on the last weekend of every month for the Bishop's Annual Appeal / Legacy Campaign.

COFFEE & DONUTS



Please come join us in the Social Hall after the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Mass for coffee and donuts. This is a great opportunity to meet and mingle with fellow parishioners. Donations appreciated to help cover the cost. **Thank you!**

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK DECEMBER 9 & 10, 2023

Altar Servers

4:00 PM Lily and Graham Claytor, Emiliano Hineman
8:00 AM Blaise, Drew, and Nolan Brackman
10:00 AM Bryson Parker, Bailey Parker, RJ Schultz

Lectors

4:00 PM Jennifer Banker, Joe Perroni
8:00 AM Margaret Guitard, Emily Dauerer
10:00 AM Jim and Connie Noyes

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 PM L. & S. Johnson, J. & D. Knost, C. & V. Logsdon
8:00 AM J. Ezzell, M. Fell, M. Guitard, A. Kornau, J. Speer, G. Wisniewski
10:00 AM Ty Anderson, J. Schultz, Lopez-Starr, Macaspac, J. Rost, A. Parker

Ushers / Greeters

4:00 PM Joey Albanese, Mark Moshea, Dave Ristau, Leonard Persinger
8:00 AM Johnny Gerald, C. Rivera, Gary and Donna Wisniewski
10:00 AM Adam Parker, JR Gerald, Jr., Vinnie DiCarlo, Craig Rost



Primera lectura

Is 63, 16b-17. 19b; 64, 2b-7

Tú, Señor, eres nuestro padre y nuestro redentor; ése es tu nombre desde siempre. ¿Por qué, Señor, nos has permitido alejarnos de tus mandamientos y dejas endurecer nuestro corazón hasta el punto de no temerte? Vuélvete, por amor a tus siervos, a las tribus que son tu heredad. Ojalá rasgaras los cielos y bajaras, estremeciendo las montañas con tu presencia. Descendiste y los montes se estremecieron con tu presencia. Jamás se oyó decir, nadie vio jamás que otro Dios, fuera de ti, hiciera tales cosas en favor de los que esperan en él. Tú sales al encuentro del que practica alegremente la justicia y no pierde de vista tus mandamientos. Estabas airado porque nosotros pecábamos y te éramos siempre rebeldes. Todos éramos impuros y nuestra justicia era como trapo asqueroso; todos estábamos marchitos, como las hojas, y nuestras culpas nos arrebatában, como el viento. Nadie invocaba tu nombre nadie se levantaba para refugiarse en ti, porque nos ocultabas tu rostro y nos dejabas a merced de nuestras culpas. Sin embargo, Señor, tú eres nuestro padre; nosotros somos el barro y tú el alfarero; todos somos hechura de tus manos.

Segunda lectura

1 Co 1, 3-9

Hermanos: Les deseamos la gracia y la paz de parte de Dios, nuestro Padre, y de Cristo Jesús, el Señor. Continuamente agradezco a mi Dios los dones divinos que les ha concedido a ustedes por medio de Cristo Jesús, ya que por él los ha enriquecido con abundancia en todo lo que se refiere a la palabra y al conocimiento; porque el testimonio que damos de Cristo ha sido confirmado en ustedes a tal grado, que no carecen de ningún don, ustedes, los que esperan la manifestación de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Él los hará permanecer irreprochables hasta el fin, hasta el día de su advenimiento. Dios es quien los ha llamado a la unión con su Hijo Jesucristo, y Dios es fiel.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio

Sal 84, 8

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Muéstranos, Señor, tu misericordia y danos tu salvación.

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Evangelio

Mc 13, 33-37

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: "Velen y estén preparados, porque no saben cuándo llegará el momento. Así como un hombre que se va de viaje, deja su casa y encomienda a cada quien lo que debe hacer y encarga al portero que esté velando, así también velen ustedes, pues no saben a qué hora va a regresar el dueño de la casa: si al anochecer, a la medianoche, al canto del gallo o a la madrugada. No vaya a suceder que llegue de repente y los halle durmiendo. Lo que les digo a ustedes, lo digo para todos: permanezcan alerta".



La Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María

DÍA DE SOLEMNIDAD

8 de Diciembre, 2023

Horarios de Misa :

Jueves, 7 de Diciembre, 2023 - 7:00 p.m. Misa Vigilia en Español

Viernes, 8 de Diciembre, 2023 - 8:30 a.m. (en Ingles)

6:00 p.m. (en ingles)



INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), is for any adult who is interested in becoming full participating members of the Catholic Church. Participants will go through the process of studying the gospel and nurturing their relationship with God, becoming familiar with Catholic teaching and practices, professing their faith in Jesus and the Church and receiving the sacraments of initiation; Baptism, Communion and Confirmation. **St. Luke extends an invitation to anyone who is interested in RCIA.** Meetings are held every Thursday evening, beginning in **October 19**, from **7 to 8 pm**, until Easter, 2024. For more information and to register, please contact Deacon Roger Huber at 615-605-6545 or email: rogerhuber258@msn.com.

Salmo Responsorial

Sal 79, 2ac y 3b. 15-16. 18-19

R. (4) Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

Escúchanos, pastor de Israel, tú, que estás rodeado de querubines, manifiéstate, despierta tu poder y ven a salvarnos.

R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

Señor, Dios de los ejércitos, vuelve tus ojos: mira tu viña y visítala, protege la cepa plantada por tu mano, el renuevo que tú mismo cultivaste.

R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

Que tu diestra defienda al que elegiste, al hombre que has fortalecido.

Ya no nos alejaremos de ti; consérvanos la vida y alabaremos tu poder.

R. Señor, muéstranos tu favor y sálvanos.

PROFESIÓN DE FE

Creo en un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso, Creador del cielo y de la tierra, de todo lo visible y lo invisible. Creo en un solo Señor, Jesucristo, Hijo único de Dios, nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos: Dios de Dios, Luz de Luz, Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero, engendrado, no creado, de la misma naturaleza del Padre, por quien todo fue hecho; que por nosotros, los hombres, y por nuestra salvación bajó del cielo,

y por obra del Espíritu Santo se encarnó de María, la Virgen, y se hizo hombre;

y por nuestra causa fue crucificado en tiempos de Poncio Pilato; padeció y fue sepultado, y resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras, y subió al cielo, y está sentado a la derecha del Padre; y de nuevo vendrá con gloria para juzgar a vivos y muertos, y su reino no tendrá fin. Creo en el Espíritu Santo, Señor y dador de vida, que procede del Padre y del Hijo, que con el Padre y el Hijo recibe una misma adoración y gloria, y que habló por los profetas. Creo en la Iglesia, que es una, santa, católica y apostólica. Confieso que hay un solo Bautismo para el perdón de los pecados. Espero la resurrección de los muertos y la vida del mundo futuro. **Amén**

**PROGRAMA DE EDUCACION
RELIGIOSA**



DIVISION DOMINGO

- No habrá clases el 24 de Dic, 31 de Dic y el 7 de Enero
- La clases regresan el 14 de Enero, 2024

¡Feliz Navidad!

DIVISION MIÉRCOLES:

- La Clase de Pre-Confirmación ahora es la nueva Clase de Confirmación 2024 (Con24).
- Las clases comienzan el Miércoles 17 de Enero, 2024 a las 6:30p.m.

Celebrant: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: For we have sinned against you.

Celebrant: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

All: And grant us your salvation.

Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

Reading 1

IS 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7

You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways! Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have become like unclean people, all our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves, and our guilt carries us away like the wind. There is none who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to cling to you; for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us up to our guilt. Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.

Reading II

1 COR 1:3-9

Brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you firm to the end, irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia

PS 85:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Show us Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

MK 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"



The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
December 8, 2023

Mass Times:

Thursday

December 7, 2023 - 7:00 p.m. Vigil (Spanish)

Friday

December 8, 2023 - 8:30 a.m. (English)
6:00 p.m. (English)

Responsorial Psalm

PS 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

R. (4) Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.
Rouse your power,
and come to save us.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;
take care of this vine,
and protect what your right hand has planted
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

May your help be with the man of your right hand,
with the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
Then we will no more withdraw from you;
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten son of God, born of the father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

SUNDAY DIVISION:

- No Classes on Dec 24, Dec 31 & Jan 7
- Classes return on Jan 14, 2024
Merry CHRISTmas!!

WEDNESDAY DIVISION:

- Pre-Confirmation Class is now the new Confirmation 2024 Class (Con 24) and will begin Wednesday, January, 14, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

For more info. you can email
Religious Ed. at:
religioused@stluketn.org.



Emmanuel

Steve Angrisano

**Come come Emmanuel
Son of God appear
Heaven and earth rejoice
Salvation is drawing near
Salvation is drawing near**

O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

O come O Wisdom from on high
Who ordered all things mightily
To us the path of knowledge show
And teach us in her ways to go

John Mason Neale, Steve Angrisano

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In Every Age

Janet Sullivan Whitaker

Long before the mountains came to be
and the land and sea and stars of the night,
through the endless seasons of all time,
you have always been,
you will always be.

***In every age, O God,
you have been our refuge.
In every age, O God,
you have been our hope.***

Destiny is cast, and at your silent word
we return to dust and scatter to the wind.
A thousand years are like a single moment gone,
as the light that fades
at the end of day.

Teach us to make use of the time we have.
Teach us to be patient even as we wait.
Teach us to embrace our ev'ry joy and pain.
To sleep peacefully,
and to rise up strong.

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Sanctuary

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy tried and true
With thanksgiving I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You

It is you Lord, who came to save
The heart and soul of every man
It is you Lord, who knows my weakness,
Who gives me strength with thine own hand

Lead me on Lord from temptation
Purify me from within
Fill my heart with your Holy Spirit
Take away all my sin

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Taste and See

Steve Angrisano

***Taste and see the goodness of the Lord,
the goodness of the Lord.
Taste and see the goodness of the Lord,
the goodness of the Lord.***

I will bless the Lord at all times.
Praise will be on my lips.
My soul will glory in the Lord.
The poor will hear and be glad.

I sought the Lord who answered me,
delivered me from my fear.
Look to God that you might shine
with the radiance of God's joy.

The Lord has eyes for justice,
ears to hear your cry.
God knows your broken heart.
The Lord redeems a loyal servant.
Take refuge in your God.

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Soon And Very Soon

Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King
Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King
Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King

***Hallelujah hallelujah
We're going to see the King***

No more crying there
We are going to see the King
No more crying there
We are going to see the King
No more crying there
We are going to see the King

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STEVE ANGRISANO

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**December
3rd & 4th
6:30 PM**

**At St. Luke
Catholic Church**

Smyrna, TN



**Begin your Advent
Journey with a
special mission
featuring
Steve Angrisano,
with stories, song,
laughter and prayer.**

**It's a time to
prepare our hearts
for the coming of
our King!**

Steve Angrisano is an internationally recognized Catholic composer, presenter, and passionate music missionary. For over two decades, Steve has traveled around the world, sharing his unique blend of humor, story, and song. Connecting head to heart, renewing faith and inspiring young and old alike. Steve's daily work is dedicated to presenting parish missions, leading groups to the Holy Land, 25 years of composing music for the Oregon Catholic Press. Steve holds a Master of Arts in Theology as well as a graduate specialization certificate in Liturgical & Sacramental Theology from Saint Meinard Seminary & School of Theology.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

The Women of Faith has a tradition of collecting donations "in memory of" or "in honor of" friends or family members. The donated money is used to purchase flowers to decorate our parish for Christmas. We will be accepting donations starting November 25th through December 17th.

Please follow the guidelines listed below:

****Envelopes will be available November 25th thru December 17th ****

- **PLACE** your donations in an envelope that is provided by the flower box in the NARTHEX
- **PRINT** your name & the names of those to be remembered on the outside of the envelope.
- **PUT** the envelope in the flower box.

THANK YOU!



Catholic Gentlemen, do the following questions interest you?

- *How can I be a better man?*
- *How can I get closer to God?*
- *Do I want to form and strengthen my Faith and Virtue?*

If you want to pursue the answers to these questions, email Tom Labrado at 9168cor@gmail.com.

LEGION OF MARY

Dec. 8th - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Dogma was defined by Pope Pius IX in 1854.

Dec. 10th - Feast of Our Lady of Loreto was added to the liturgical calendar by Pope Francis on Oct 7th, 2019 which recalls the mystery of the Incarnation.

Dec. 12th Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Blessed Virgin Mary revealed herself to St. Juan Diego in the 16th century near Mexico City in Mexico.

Dec. 25th, Celebration of the Birth of Jesus, Christmas Day.

Dec. 31st, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

Join us on Wednesday Mornings after 8:30 Mass. Adult Ed, Classroom B. **Visitors are welcome.** We also pray the rosary every weekday morning after the 8:30 am Mass.

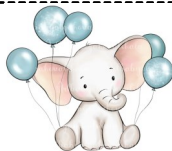
Our Lady of Light, invites all to pray the rosary every Saturday at 3:30 p.m. before the 4:00 p.m. Mass and Sunday at 7:30 a.m. before the 8:00 a.m. Mass. We meet in the cry room.

SACRED HEART ENTHRONEMENT

The Legion of Mary offers an Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus statue to be placed in your home for two weeks. Consecrating ourselves to the Sacred Heart is a personal and loving way to renew and live our baptismal vows. We acknowledge Jesus' sovereignty in our lives, pledging our love back to Him who has so graciously and sacrificially loved us. If you are interested, and for more information, please contact the front office at 615-459-9672.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

It's HAM TIME!! Its time for the St. Luke food pantry to start collecting hams for the Christmas holidays. We are beginning the process of signing up families to receive them. You may bring them to church when you come to Mass and put them in the freezer in the kitchen off the Social Hall. Please contact Theresa Stepanek at 615-653-1645 for any questions. Thank you for your donations.



Congratulations

To Lena and Daniel Francescon on their new baby boy,
Miller Brooks Francescon,
born November 18, 2023
7 lbs 1 oz.

Please join us in prayer for these expectant mothers in our parish:

~ **Bridget MacAdams**
~ **Megan Steen**
~ **Michelle Blodgett**

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If you are expecting a baby we would love to pray for you! Please call Joanne Speer at 615-300-8656 or email her at: joanne.speer@comcast.net to be added to the expectant mothers prayer list.



ADVENT NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Please join us for an evening of Adoration, Praise & Worship, and Benediction with the Sacrament of Penance Service on December 6, beginning at 6:00 p.m.



The Church office will close at 12 noon on Monday, December 4, 2023.



St Luke Parish Children's Christmas Party

Sponsored by St Luke Knights of Columbus Council 9168. We invite all children 12 and under and their families to the Annual Children's Christmas Party on Sunday, December 17th from 1:30 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall. Lunch will be served at 1:30pm There will be activities for the kids and a special treat for each child delivered by Santa and his elves. We kindly ask you to RSVP by Wednesday, December 13th, so that we have enough gifts for every child attending. Please RSVP by email to Marshall and Lori Kendall at loriannemarie72@gmail.com or via text 724-575-2301. Please leave Children's first and last names and ages when responding.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PARISH ADULT CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PARTY!

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Chicken breast stuffed with prosciutto and mozzarella in a mushroom cognac sauce or Spinach and ricotta manicotti.

When you RSVP, please tell me your dinner choice.

When: Saturday, December 16, 2023
after the 4 p.m. Mass

Where: Parish Hall

Cost: \$25.00 per person

If you plan to participate in the Dirty Santa game, please bring a wrapped present with a \$15.00 to \$25.00 value. This game is a lot of fun. Also, please feel free to bring a wrapped present for a Veteran.

Please RSVP by December 6 to Joey Albanese.

Email: jalbanese01@gmail.com

Phone: 704-493-8600



ST. LUKE HOMESCHOOL MINISTRY

St. Luke Homeschool Ministry is for homeschool families to meet the first Wednesday morning of every month from September to May with the goal of attending morning Mass, celebrating the feasts and seasons of the liturgical year, and participating in various clubs and activities. We use Kendra Tierney's Catholic All Year Compendium to guide our monthly events and celebrations. We also have separate clubs and peer-group activities to finish our morning together. Interested families do not have to be a member of St. Luke's parish to attend and we have all ages including teens participating each month. Email htgpartyof8@gmail.com for more details.



Fontanini Personal Appearance Tour Stop (December 6), 2-4 p.m., St. Mary's Bookstore, 1909 West End Ave., Nashville. All are invited to a meet Emanuele Fontanini of the Fontanini family famous for their stunning Italian nativities and collectible pieces.

Book Signing with Fr. Luke Wilgenbusch (December 9), 11 a.m.-1 p.m., St. Mary's Bookstore, 1909 West End Ave., Nashville. All are invited to a Book Signing with Fr. Luke Wilgenbusch for his new book, *Saved as Through Fire: A Thomistic Account of Purgatory, Temporal Punishment, and Satisfaction*.

Free Father Ryan Christmas Concert (December 5 & 6), 6:30 p.m., 700 Norwood Dr., Nashville.

Father Ryan Young Alumni & Senior Lunch (December 18), 11:30 a.m., 700 Norwood Dr., Nashville. Father Ryan invites current seniors and alumni from the classes of 2020-2023 back to campus. Wear your tackiest/festive attire and take part in the Christmas Cookie Decorating Contest. RSVP by Dec. 13: fatherryan.org/youngalumniilunch.

Application for Father Ryan High School is open for the 2024-2025 school year. With large numbers applying for this current school year, we encourage prospective families to apply as early as possible. Info: fatherryan.org/admissions/apply.

Save the Date - Father Ryan Legacy Gala 2024 - Join us on January 27, 2024, at the Music City Center as we honor David '66 and Linda Bohan for their work and service to Father Ryan and the entire Nashville community. Sponsorship opportunities are now available by going to: fatherryan.org/gala. Online tickets will be available in December.

Christmas with Kevin & Friends (December 9), Dinner 6 p.m.; Concert 7:30 p.m., Cathedral, Fleming Center, 2015 West End Ave., Nashville. Tickets: <https://cathedralnashville.org/event-calendar/community-events/concerts/>. Cost: dinner & show \$42.95; show only \$25. Join Kevin Raymond with some of his favorite musicians for holiday classics, comedy, and stories. Proceeds benefit the preservation and renovation of the historic Cathedral.



Retrouvaille is a marriage recovery program for struggling couples who are considering separation or divorce. It is Catholic in origin and orientation but is open to all married couples regardless of religious background. For confidential information about the program: 800-470-2230 or 615-523-

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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (INFANT - AGE 7)

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for the celebration of this Sacrament. If this is your first child to be baptized, parents are encouraged to participate in a class before a date for the Baptism can be set.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:15-3:50 pm (or following Saturday vigil Mass) and any time by appointment. Call the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Diocese of Nashville requires a minimum four month preparation period. Contact the office for details.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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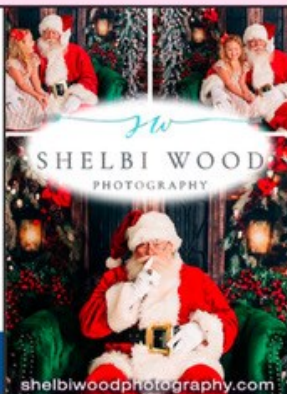
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