

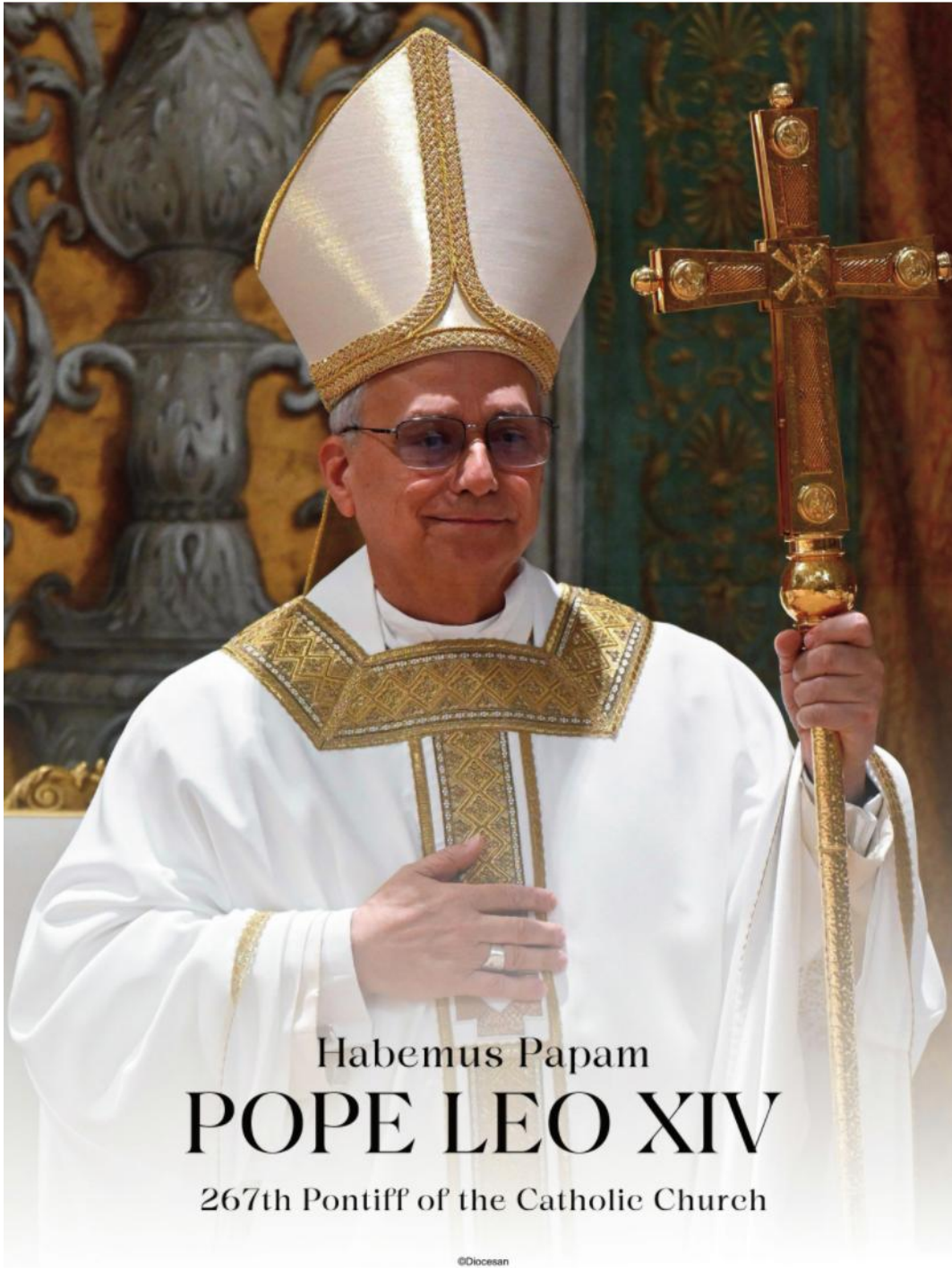


Fifth Sunday of Easter | May 18th, 2025



St. Luke Catholic Church

Iglesia Catholica de San Lucas



Habemus Papam
POPE LEO XIV
267th Pontiff of the Catholic Church

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Mission Statement

As Catholics committed to a sacramental life, we are called to be disciples of Christ and help one another as we journey to Heaven under the mantle of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Communion of Saints.

Guided by St. Luke, we evangelize by showing God's love, mercy, and generosity, through the traditions of the Catholic Church. We grow the faith through our love for the Eucharist and community outreach.

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Welcome!

We are glad you are here to worship with us. Whether you are a cradle Catholic, or this is your first time at a Catholic Mass; whether you are a lifelong member of St. Luke or a visitor to our parish we are blessed by your presence. If you are new to our parish or a visitor, be sure to introduce yourself to Fr. Aldrin, Deacon Gary, or Deacon David on your way out of Mass. If you are interested in joining our parish, please visit our website to register or registration cards may be found in the vestibule.



This Week's Reflection *Reflexión De Esta Semana*

No Stunt Man for Jesus

Today's first and second readings seem to contradict each other. In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and Barnabas remind the other disciples that they would "undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). But in the second reading from Revelation, John says there will be "no more . . . mourning, wailing or pain" (Revelation 21:4). These two sides of the Kingdom show how real our faith is. Life is frequently contradictory. A woman in labor moves from pain to joy in seconds after her child is born. She doesn't forget the pain, but knows it is necessary for the joy of new birth. Only the artist knows how much effort and pain went into the creation of a painting, sculpture, or symphony. Married couples know that their love is measured as much by the sacrifices they make as by the joy they receive.

This also explains how difficult it is for the wealthy to get into the kingdom of God. If everything comes easily to you, if you never have to work for anything, you may not be capable of the sacrifices that true love entails. Some may have had life so easy, they don't know how to make the effort it takes to love God or people. And some who worked hard to acquire wealth don't understand the deeper joy that comes from sharing with others.

That's why Jesus in the Gospel talks of his coming death on the cross as the way that God will glorify him. Even God does not do things the easy way. Jesus didn't send a stunt man to take his place on the cross. The cushy jobs went to the angels who announced the birth of the Savior (Luke 1:26-32), or told the women at the tomb that he was risen (Luke 24:4-7). It was God who was born in poverty, in a time of high infant mortality (even higher when Herod tried to kill the Child). It was God who suffered, from the Agony in the Garden through the Crucifixion.

So when Jesus tells us to love one another as he has loved us, he knows what it cost. And he also knew that his death on the cross would be the beginning of a way of love that will eventually lead to "no more death or mourning, wailing or pain." We're not there yet, but we know we are not alone in our suffering for "God himself will always be with them" (Revelation 21:3).

Tom Schmidt

Jesús no tiene doble de riesgo

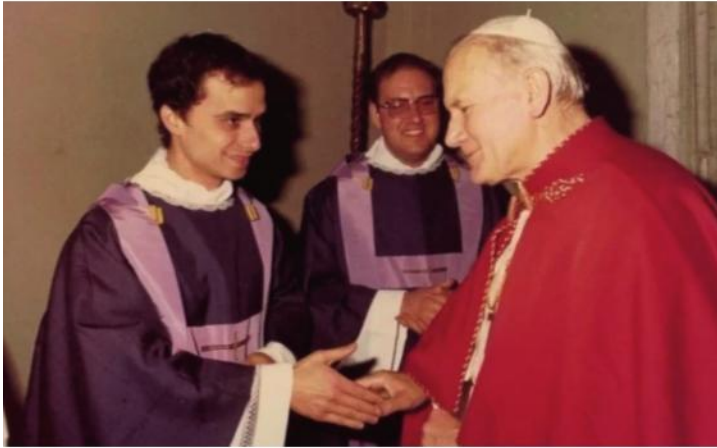
La primera y la segunda lectura de hoy parecen contradecirse. En los Hechos de los Apóstoles, Pablo y Bernabé recuerdan a los demás discípulos que "hay que pasar por muchas tribulaciones para entrar en el Reino de Dios" (Hechos 14,22). Pero en la segunda lectura del Apocalipsis, Juan dice que "ya no habrá muerte ni duelo, ni penas ni llantos," (Apocalipsis 21,4). Estos dos lados del Reino nos demuestran que tan real es nuestra fe. La vida es frecuentemente contradictoria. Una mujer que está de parto pasa del dolor a la alegría en segundos después de que nazca su hijo. No se olvida del dolor, pero sabe que es necesario para llegar a la alegría que trae el recién nacido. Solo el artista sabe cuánto esfuerzo y dolor ha invertido en crear una pintura, escultura o sinfonía. Las parejas casadas saben que su amor se mide tanto por los sacrificios que hacen como por la alegría que reciben.

Esto también explica lo difícil que es para los ricos entrar en el reino de Dios. Si todo te resulta fácil, si nunca tienes que trabajar por nada, puede que no seas capaz de hacer los sacrificios que implica el verdadero amor. Algunos pueden haber tenido una vida tan fácil que no saben cómo hacer el esfuerzo que se requiere para amar a Dios o a las personas. Y algunos que trabajaron duro para adquirir riquezas no entienden la alegría más profunda que proviene de compartir con los demás.

Es por eso que Jesús en el Evangelio habla de su muerte en la cruz como la forma en que Dios lo glorificará. Incluso Dios no hace las cosas de la manera fácil. Jesús no envió a un doble para tomar su lugar en la cruz. Los trabajos cómodos eran para los ángeles que anunciaron el nacimiento del Salvador (Lucas 1,26-32), o dijeron a las mujeres en la tumba que Jesús había resucitado (Lucas 24,4-7). Fue Dios quien nació en la pobreza, en una época de alta mortalidad infantil (aún más alta cuando Herodes intentó matar al Niño). Fue Dios quien sufrió, desde la Agonía en el Huerto hasta la Crucifixión.

Por eso, cuando Jesús nos dice que nos amemos unos a otros como él nos ha amado, sabe lo cuesta. Y también sabía que su muerte en la cruz sería el inicio de una forma de amar que eventualmente llevará a que "ya no habrá muerte ni duelo, ni penas ni llantos". Todavía no hemos llegado a ese punto, pero sabemos que no estamos solos en nuestro sufrimiento porque "vivirá con ellos como su Dios" (Apocalipsis 21,3).

Tom Schmidt



Pope Leo XIV



- † **September 14, 1955**
Born in Chicago, Illinois
- † **June 19, 1982**
Ordained a priest in Order of Saint Augustine
- † **1987-1998**
Served in Peru as formation director, community prior, professor, and judicial vicar.
- † **1999**
Elected Provincial Prior of the Augustine Province of "Mother of Good Counsel" (Chicago)
- † **2001 & 2007**
Elected Prior General of the Order of Saint Augustine
- † **December 12, 2014**
Ordained bishop after being appointed Apostolic Administrator of Chiclayo, Peru
- † **April 15, 2020**
Appointed Apostolic Administrator of Callao, Peru
- † **January 30, 2023**
Appointed Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops and President of the Pontifical Commission for Latin America
- † **September 30, 2023**
Created Cardinal by Pope Francis, assigned the Deaconry of Santa Monica
- † **May 8, 2025**
Elected the 267th Pope, taking the name Leo XIV

Lord, source of eternal life and truth, give to your shepherd a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he, as successor to the Apostle Peter and Vicar of Christ, build your Church into a sacrament of unity, love and peace for all the world. Amen.

Saint Luke Catholic Church

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, May 17

4:30 pm † Marquita Stafford

Sunday, May 18• Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am † Don Moore

10:00 am For the People

4:00 pm Misa en español

Tuesday, May 20

12:00 pm † Jack & Madeline Ward

Wednesday, May 21

12:00 pm † Bill & Monica Taylor

Thursday, May 22

12:00 pm † Pat Riley

Friday, May 23

12:00 pm † Bill & Ruth Tolle

Saturday, May 24

4:30 pm Living and Deceased of Dzuik and
Garrett Families

Sunday, May 25• Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:30 am † Christine Cruz

10:00 am For the People

4:00 pm Misa en español

Reconciliation

Confessions are heard for 30 minutes before each weekend Mass time and may be heard upon request. Please call Fr. Aldrin to make an appointment.

Baptism

Parents must be registered parishioners and must also attend instruction prior to Baptism. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

A program of formation and information (OCIA) is offered each year beginning in September. Call or email the office for more information.

Marriage

Six months notice and completion of the diocesan marriage preparation program is required. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick

Communal celebrations are held in the spring and in the autumn. Individual celebrations may be celebrated upon request at any time.

Sick Calls

Please notify the rectory when you or someone in your family is ill, in the hospital, or unable to attend Mass—especially if you would like to receive a visit and/or Communion.

Please Pray For

Fr. Bush

Gertie Deeken

Steve White

Gilda McCowan

Deanna Dobson

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions

May: For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.



Our Stewardship

Sunday Collection (5-3/4).....\$9,535

Christians in Community Service.....\$1,790

You can make your donations online at:
osvhub.com/stlukenicholasville/giving/funds

Mass Attendance

4-26/27.....416

St. Anthony Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Could you not watch with me one hour? (Mt 26:40)

Available Hours

Thursday @ 3am

Saturday @ 1pm, 5pm

Saturday @12pm Prayer Partner
Needed

If you are interested in taking or sharing in an hour with Our Blessed Lord, or would like to be a substitute, call Heidi Klug, 859-536-9214 or the office at 859-885-4892.



Parish Calendar of Events*Calendario de eventos parroquiales*Monday, May 19

6:00pm OCIA
6:00pm Spanish Bible Study
7:00pm Magnify

Tuesday, May 20

7:00am 8:00pm WiN-WiN Drop Off
1:00pm Millions of Monicas
7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, May 21

7:00pm Fiat

Thursday, May 22

6:30pm Young Adults

Monday, May 26

6:00pm OCIA
6:00pm Spanish Bible Study
7:00pm Magnify

Tuesday, May 27

7:00am-8:00pm WiN-WiN Drop Off

Thursday, May 29

6:30pm Young Adults

Lunes 19 de mayo

18:00h OCIA
18:00h Estudio bíblico en español
19:00h Magnify

Martes 20 de mayo

7:00h - 20:00h Entrega de WiN-WiN
13:00h Millones de Mónicas
19:00h Caballeros de Colón

Miércoles 21 de mayo

19:00 h Fiat

Jueves 22 de mayo

18:30h Jóvenes adultos

Lunes 26 de mayo

18:00h OCIA
18:00h Estudio bíblico en español
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Martes 27 de mayo

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Jueves 29 de mayo

18:30h Jóvenes adultos

Religion Classes (CCD/OCIC/Youth Group)*Clases de religión (CCD/OCIC/Grupo de jóvenes)*

There will be no preschool during 10:00 mass
No CCD classes, OCIC and Youth Group until the fall.

Thank you for continuing your child's Catholic education during the school year.

Important Dates:

Vacation Bible School - June 23 - 26 from 6:00-8:00pm

Sign ups will start June 1.

Habrà preescolar durante la misa de las 10:00.

No habrá clases de CCD, OCIC ni grupo de jóvenes hasta el otoño.

Gracias por continuar la educación católica de su hijo/a durante el año escolar.

Fechas importantes:

Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones - 23-26 de junio, de 18:00h a 20:00h.

Las inscripciones comienzan el 1 de junio.

Thompson-Hood Veteran's Center

In appreciation for their service, the St. Luke Women's Group will be collecting items for residents at the Thompson-Hood Veteran's Center on May 17/18 and May 24/25.

Items needed include the following and can be placed in the marked tote in the vestibule:

- Men's t-shirts in assorted sizes
- Men's underwear in assorted sizes
- Men's socks
- Individually wrapped snacks
- OR donate money and we will do the shopping (place money/check in an envelope marked "Veterans" in the collection basket)

Items will be delivered on Memorial Day. THANK YOU for helping our veterans.

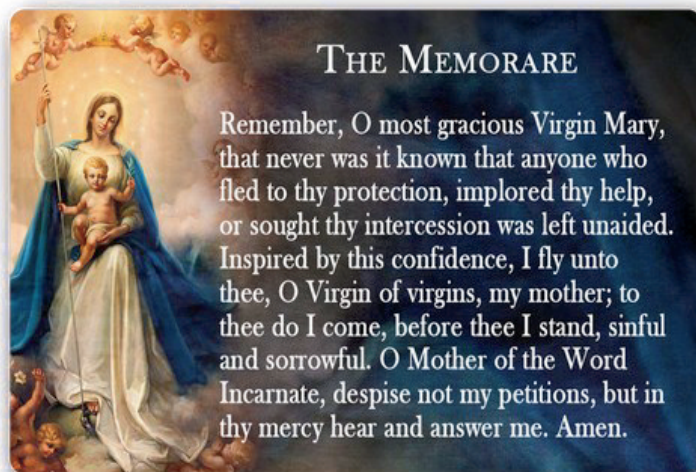
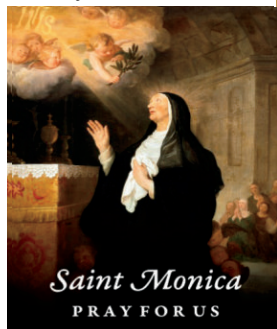
Millions of Monicas (MOM) Meetings*Reuniones de Millones de Mónicas (MOM)*

All women are invited to come and pray with other mothers for their children's return to the Catholic Faith. For more information visit: millionsofmonicas.com.

Todas las mujeres están invitadas a venir y orar con otras madres por el regreso de sus hijos a la fe católica. Para obtener más información, visite: millionsofmonicas.com.

Tuesday, May 20 at 1:00pm

Martes 20 de mayo a las 13:00 horas

**Blessings on Your Birthday!**

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| 5/19 | Michelle Suazo, Abraham Silva |
| 5/20 | Christopher Dowdy, Jack Farrell, Ronald Quinn |
| 5/21 | John Byrd, Gabriel Ginn, Dianna Sanchez, Rocky Reynolds |
| 5/22 | Chelsea Leyua, Xochitl Leyua, Carrie Dziki |
| 5/23 | Genevieve Haas, Eva Landaverde, Erin Lindsey, Federico Flores |
| 5/24 | Madison Hutchens, Raymond Lara, Kaylee Maher |



2025 Saint Luke Catholic Church Capital Campaign Case Statement

*Iglesia Católica de San Lucas 2025
Declaración de la Campaña de Capital*

Saint Luke Catholic Church in Nicholasville; has long been serving the faithful, the time has now come for our parish community to address some very needed projects. To further enhance our parish mission and support our parishioners, and based on the outcomes of the recently completed Campaign Feasibility Study we are launching a \$4.1 million dollar campaign that will begin the completion of the restoration of our church's interior and expansion our facilities.

This project will not only enhance our worship experience but also provide the space and resources we need to better serve our community. It will allow us to meet our established goals aligned with Saint Luke Church's mission, particularly in our evangelization efforts and our commitment to supporting those in need within our community.

This expansion would include essential features such as meeting space and classrooms for our youth programs and adult faith-building opportunities, a gathering hall for larger parish events, modern office spaces, updated restrooms, a new kitchen. The facilities will bring alive our mission statement.

The "Preserving Our Past – Building Our Future" campaign is focused on accomplishing the tasks associated with Phase I based on our long-range plan. The Phases are summarized in this case statement.

Phase I: Building our Parish Hall, adding new office spaces, restroom facilities, elevator, a modern kitchen, and renovating our basement to include much-needed classrooms and meeting spaces. Total cost of this phase is: \$4.1 million

Phase II: Additions to the sacristy, a new adoration chapel connected to the church and additional improvements to the interior of the church, which would include new or restored pews, painting of the interior of the church and new flooring.

For more information, please contact any member of our Campaign Cabinet, Fr. Aldrin, or the parish office.

La Iglesia Católica de San Lucas en Nicholasville, con una larga trayectoria sirviendo a los fieles, ha llegado el momento de que nuestra comunidad parroquial aborde algunos proyectos muy necesarios. Para fortalecer aún más nuestra misión parroquial y apoyar a nuestros feligreses, y con base en los resultados del Estudio de Viabilidad de la Campaña recientemente finalizado, estamos lanzando una campaña de \$4.1 millones de dólares que iniciará la restauración del interior de nuestra iglesia y la ampliación de nuestras instalaciones.

Este proyecto no solo mejorará nuestra experiencia de culto, sino que también proporcionará el espacio y los recursos necesarios para servir mejor a nuestra comunidad. Nos permitirá alcanzar nuestras metas establecidas, alineadas con la misión de la Iglesia de San Lucas, particularmente en nuestros esfuerzos de evangelización y nuestro compromiso de apoyar a los necesitados de nuestra comunidad.

Esta ampliación incluirá características esenciales como un espacio de reunión y aulas para nuestros programas juveniles y oportunidades de desarrollo de la fe para adultos, un salón de reuniones para eventos parroquiales más grandes, oficinas modernas, baños renovados y una nueva cocina. Las instalaciones harán realidad nuestra misión.

La campaña "Preservando Nuestro Pasado - Construyendo Nuestro Futuro" se centra en completar las tareas asociadas con la Fase I, con base en nuestro plan a largo plazo. Las fases se resumen en este informe de caso.

Fase I: Construcción de nuestro Salón Parroquial, incorporación de nuevas oficinas, baños, ascensor, una cocina moderna y renovación de nuestro sótano para incluir aulas y espacios de reunión muy necesarios. El costo total de esta fase es de \$4.1 millones.

Fase II: Ampliaciones a la sacristía, una nueva capilla de adoración conectada a la iglesia y mejoras adicionales al interior de la iglesia, que incluirán bancos nuevos o restaurados, pintura del interior de la iglesia y pisos nuevos.

Para obtener más información, comuníquese con cualquier miembro de nuestro Gabinete de Campaña, el Padre Aldrin o la oficina parroquial.



GARAGE SALE DONATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED

Monday-Friday 9am-12pm at the church
or you may bring and leave after weekend masses.

If you need to have your items picked up: email/text Carolyn Aguirre at 925-698-8035 or email rocalumas@gmail.com to make arrangements.

No TV's, computers, phones, exercise equipment, infant car seats will be accepted.

We are accepting clothing, but they must be clean with no stains or tears.

Any small appliances must be in working condition.

Proceeds will go St. Luke Church.

The Women's Group is sponsoring the event, but seeks help from all interested parishioners in sorting/pricing items and/or working a shift on the day of the event—Saturday, June 14.

A sign-up sheet will be left in the vestibule on the credenza.

Prayer for Our Troops

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Please keep in your prayers those in the Military— **Amanda and John Boone**, daughter and son-in-law of Chuck and Pam Kelly, both in the Air Force and stationed at Edwards Air Force Base in California; **Joshua Bottom**, National Guard stationed in Lexington, Ky, **Michelle Bottom**, National Guard, stationed in Jordan, son and daughter-in-law of Rosemary McCrady; Air Force **1st LT Keith Brinkman**, Peterson SFB Colorado Springs, **1st LT Wes Brinkman**, son of Tab and Julie Brinkman and his wife **1st LT Elizabeth Fantini** are both serving in England, **Maddie Buncher**, daughter of Mark and Cathy Buncher, is in the US Navy; **Zachary Lee**, Rich and Jan Berger's grandson, is stationed at Fr. Campbell; **Suzanne (Miller) and husband Jack Tully**, USAF, have been assigned to the 492nd Fighter Squadron in England; **Nick Roman**, grandson of Jim LaFountain, is in the Air Force; **CDR Dan Roseman**, son of Ken and Mary Roseman, in Japan.



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A new initiative partnering with St. Luke's to reduce waste and feed our community!

If interested in learning more about opportunities to get involved, please **call or text Dawn Brewer at 919-621-2745.**

Or visit the website:



Scripture Readings

For the Week of May 18, 2025

Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Rev 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
Monday	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday	Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

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