



St. Luke Catholic Church

Iglesia Catholica de San Lucas



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

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Jesus, Remember Me

The man who hung on the cross next to Jesus asks him to “remember me when you come into your kingdom.” Of all the people who took part in the crucifixion of Jesus, only this man sincerely acknowledges Jesus as King. Only he receives the promise of joining Jesus in paradise that very day. I wonder if he knew what Jesus’ kingdom meant?

The second reading gives us a better idea of the extent of that kingdom. Paul uses images of things visible and invisible, of dominions, principalities, and powers. While the latter terms refer to types of angels, we can stretch our imagination even further. Notice one short phrase that appears six times in that reading: “all things.” So do we really believe that Jesus is King of all things?

Some astronomers say that the universe is infinite. At first I thought, “That couldn’t be right; only God is infinite.” But it occurred to me that an infinite God would want the universe to be a sign of divine glory, so why couldn’t God make an infinite universe? So Jesus is King of that universe. While that sounds impressive, it might tempt us to forget about things closer to home.

If Christ is King of all things, that includes our possessions. We might keep that in mind, not only when deciding how much we give to the poor or to the Church, but also how we use the things we own. The things we watch on TV, the foods we eat, the books we read—all are under Jesus’ kingship. Our own bodies belong not just to us, but also to Christ. I might even drive more carefully if I remember that my car belongs to the Lord.

Even our life is under his reign. That can remind us to trust Jesus more, as well as to ask for the guidance of his Spirit in our decisions. If we let the Lord guide our lives, we know that anything that happens to us is either God’s will or something that Jesus can lead us through, on our way to paradise.

Tom Schmidt

Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo
Jesús, Acuérdate de Mí

El hombre que colgaba de la cruz junto a Jesús le pide: “Señor, cuando llegues a tu Reino, acuérdate de mí”. De todas las personas que participaron en la crucifixión de Jesús, solo este hombre reconoce sinceramente a Jesús como Rey. Sólo él recibe la promesa de unirse a Jesús en el paraíso ese mismo día. Me pregunto si sabía lo que significaba el reino de Jesús.

La segunda lectura nos da una mejor idea de la extensión de ese reino. Pablo usa imágenes de cosas visibles e invisibles, de dominios, principados y potestades. Si bien estos últimos términos se refieren a tipos de ángeles, podemos ampliar nuestra imaginación aún más. Observen la palabra corta que aparece varias veces en esa lectura: “todo”. Entonces, ¿realmente creemos que Jesús es el Rey de todo?

Algunos astrónomos dicen que el universo es infinito. Al principio pensé: “Eso no puede ser cierto; solo Dios es infinito”. Pero se me ocurrió que un Dios infinito podría querer que el universo fuera un signo de gloria divina, entonces, ¿por qué Dios no pudo crear un universo infinito? Jesús es el Rey del universo también. Aunque suene impresionante, podría tentarnos a olvidarnos de las cosas más cercanas.

Si Cristo es Rey de todas las cosas, eso incluye nuestras posesiones. Debemos tenerlo presente, no solo al decidir cuánto damos a los pobres o a la Iglesia, sino también cómo usamos nuestras posesiones. Lo que vemos en la televisión, lo que comemos, los libros que leemos: todo está bajo el reinado de Jesús. Nuestros cuerpos no solo nos pertenecen a nosotros, sino también a Cristo. Incluso podría conducir con más cuidado si recordara que mi carro pertenece al Señor.

Incluso nuestra vida está bajo su reinado. Eso puede recordarnos que debemos confiar más en Jesús, así como pedir la guía de su Espíritu en nuestras decisiones. Si dejamos que el Señor guíe nuestras vidas, sabemos que todo lo que nos sucede o es la voluntad de Dios o Jesús puede guiarnos a través de ello en camino al paraíso.

Tom Schmidt

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

Mass Schedule & Intentions**Saturday, November 22**

4:30 pm † Luzuiminda Garcia

Sunday, November 23: The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30 am † Imogene Blakely

10:00 am For the People

4:30 pm Misa en español

Tuesday, November 25

12:00 pm Intentions of Dian and Greg Crane

Wednesday, November 26

12:00 pm † Janice Clayton Smith

Thursday, November 27

12:00 pm † Marquita Stafford

Friday, November 28

12:00 pm Intentions of Helen Palmer

Saturday, November 29

4:30 pm † Marilyn Hanna

Sunday, November 30: The First Sunday of Advent

7:30 am † Charles Knott

10:00 am For the People

4:30 pm Misa en español

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 Fort Campbell, Ky., 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; and **Patrick McGrath (and family)**, son of Bob McGrath, serving as the Army Assistant Military Attaché in Stockholm, Sweden.

**Please Pray
For:**

Gertie Deeken

Steve White

Gilda McCowan

Rosa Hernandez

Francis Barber

Steve Sheiko

Tyler Greenhouse

Carolyn Large

St. Anthony Perpetual Adoration Chapel*Could you not watch with me one hour? (Mt 26:40)***Available Hours**Friday 12:00AM AND
1:00 AM

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.

**THE MEMORARE**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions**November: For the prevention of suicide**

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.



Our Stewardship

Sunday Collection (Nov 8/9).... \$6,854

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

Attendance.....379

Capital Campaign

Goal: 4.1 million

Pledged: \$3,426,249

Parish Calendar of Events

Calendario de eventos parroquiales

Monday, November 24

6:00pm Spanish Bible Study
6:30pm OCIA

7:00pm Magnify

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6:30pm OCIA

7:00pm Magnify

Tuesday, December 2

1:00pm Millions of Monicas
7:00pm Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, December 3

7:00pm Fiat

Thursday, December 4

1:00pm Women's Group

6:30pm Young Adults

Lunes 24 de noviembre

18:00h Estudio bíblico en español
18:30h OCIA
19:00h Magnify

Lunes 1 de diciembre

18:00h Estudio bíblico en español
18:30h OCIA
9:00h Magnify

Martes 2 de diciembre

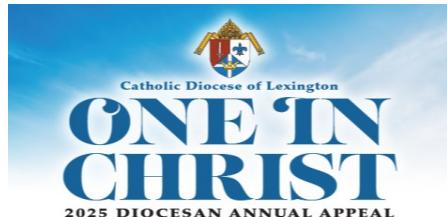
13:00h Millones de Mónicas
17:00h Caballeros de Colón

Miércoles 3 de diciembre

19:00h Fiat

Jueves 4 de diciembre

13:00h Grupo de Mujeres
18:30h Jóvenes adultos



Goal - \$34,850

Pledged - \$16,500

Participation Goal – 229 families

Current Participation – 59 families

Millions of Monicas (MOM) Meetings

Reuniones de Millones de Mónicas (MOM)

ONE HOUR - ONE PURPOSE

Inspired by St. Monica, we gather with rosaries and open hearts to pray for our children's return to the Catholic faith. All women are welcome. Meetings are held twice monthly on the first Tuesday at 6:30pm and the third Tuesday at 1:00pm in the church.

Tuesday, December 2 at 1:00pm

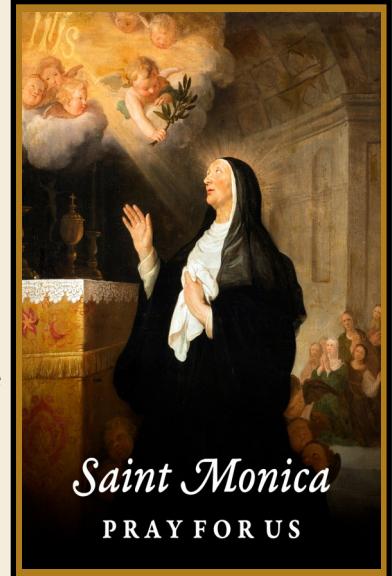
Tuesday, December 16 at 1:00pm

UNA HORA - UN PROPÓSITO

Inspirados por Santa Mónica, nos reunimos con rosarios y corazones abiertos para orar por el regreso de nuestros hijos a la fe católica. Todas las mujeres son bienvenidas. Las reuniones se realizan dos veces al mes: el primer martes a las 18:30 y el tercer martes a la 13:00 en la iglesia.

Martes 2 de diciembre a las 13:00 horas

Martes 16 de diciembre a las 13:00 horas



Religion Classes (CCD/OCIC/Youth Group)

Clases de religión (CCD/OCIC/Grupo de jóvenes)

All classes include: preschool/kindergarten during 10:00 mass, elementary 8:30-9:30am & Confirmation/OCIC 5:30pm - 6:15pm followed by Youth Group

November 23: All classes will meet on their regular schedules.

November 30: No classes will be meeting.

Todas las clases incluyen: preescolar/jardín infantil (misa de 10:00 a. m.), primaria (8:30h a 9:30 h) y Confirmación/OCIC (17:30h a 18:15h), seguida del grupo de jóvenes.

23 de noviembre: Todas las clases se reunirán según su horario habitual.

30 de noviembre: No habrá clases.

Frequently Asked Questions about St. Luke's Giving Tree

1. Where do we get the names that appear on the tags?

Groups participating this year include the following:
Rose Terrace-Nursing Home, Veterans Center, Social Services and church referrals.

2. Who decides what is asked for?

Each group determines who is included.

3. Why is it so important to keep the original gift tag?

The picture/shape determines what agency it represents.
Tree—Rose Terrace Lodge - place gifts in gift bags except community items
Angel—Veterans Center - place gifts in gift bags except community items
Mitten—Church Referrals - Please contact the church office - Wrap
Jesus & Santa—Social Services of Jessamine Co. - Wrap



ALL COMMUNITY ITEMS should be placed in a plastic/garbage bag with the tag attached. Do not wrap. Please DO NOT attach bows to any gifts. Most get ripped off as the gifts are stacked and unstacked causing the paper to be ripped.

4. Can I buy more than what is on the tag?

You are more than welcome to purchase additional items if you'd like. Please be certain to indicate on the additional gift package the tag picture/shape and the number or secure the packages with the one gift tag attached.

5. Can I select more than one tag? There is no limit to the number of tags you can select.

6. Do I have to buy all the items listed on the tag? No. These are just suggestions.

7. How are the packages delivered?

Packages are delivered to each group. The early due date allows each group enough time to deliver all the packages to each individual before Christmas.

8. How can I participate?

Select a tag(s) from the tree. Return the bagged/wrapped present, with the original gift tag attached, to the vestibule any time but final drop off is the weekend of December 6th & 7th.

9. I'd like to help but I'd rather not do the shopping. Can I donate money instead?

Yes. Each year we have a need for extra funds to make last-minute purchases. You can help by placing cash or a check (Made payable to St. Luke Church) in an envelope and marking it "Giving Tree" and placing it in the collection basket.

Questions? Kim Binzer 859-619-2306 (Angels)
Amy Frebis 859-333-2815 (Jesus & Santa, Mittens and Trees)

All Giving Tree gifts are due back December 6th and 7th.

St. Luke Women's Group News

Noticias del Grupo de Mujeres de San Lucas

2025 St. Luke Christmas Market Raffle Winners

1st Prize / \$500 in Gift Cards: Erin Gillette

2nd Prize / Nutcracker Basket: Carolyn Bryant

3rd Prize / Baking Basket: Judi Streepy

Mini raffle

UK Basket - Mary Webb

Trike - Nan Reikert

Wreath - Toni Kirk

Your donations of "Breakfast Foods" are greatly appreciated. Place them in the tote marked EJMS in the vestibule.

Sus donaciones de "alimentos para el desayuno" son muy apreciadas. Colóquelos en la bolsa marcada con EJMS en el vestíbulo.

Thank You

We are so grateful for the St. Luke community! Thanks to your support and donations, WiN-WiN recovered more than 4,000 pounds of food that went straight to families in need in Jessamine County. We could not do this work without you.

Stay tuned for announcements when we begin collecting again next spring!

WiN-WiN
WASTE NOT, WANT NOT

VOLUNTEER

DONATIONS

**You are invited
to put your
faith in action**

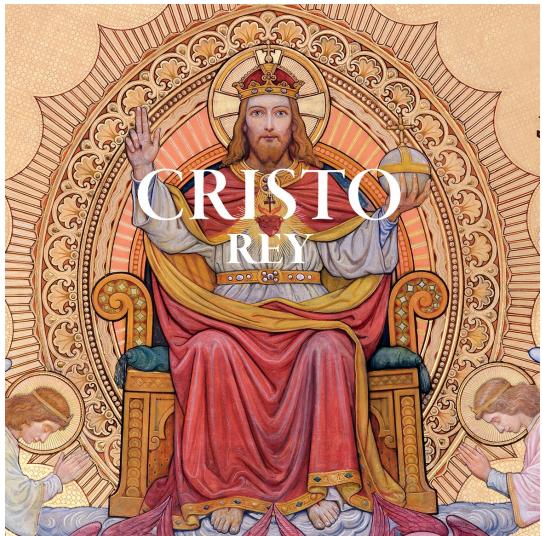
kofc.org/joinus

Knights of Columbus



Matthew Paul Smyser, a seminarian for the Catholic Diocese of Lexington, will be ordained a transitional Deacon on Saturday, November 29, at 10:30am at the Cathedral of Christ the King.

Matt continues his studies toward the priesthood at Saint Meinrad Seminary



**COME JOIN US FOR OUR MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST!
ASK A FRIEND TO JOIN YOU!**



JANET PIECHOWSKI

WHEN: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2025 AT 9:00 AM TO NOON

WHERE: CHRIST THE KING CATHEDRAL, HEHMAN HALL, 299 COLONY BLVD, LEXINGTON, KY. MASS AT 8 AM

Janet is a cradle Catholic, married and the mother of two, who attends Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish in Lexington. At an early age she discerned joining the Sisters of Mercy religious community; however, she married her husband Otto in 1981. They both worked at St. Peter and Paul Church in Danville, KY. Since moving to Lexington, she has been involved in teaching adult formation scripture classes, directing the ACTS retreat program, and the Walking with Moms in Need ministry. She also sponsors and supports women in recovery, often at the Hope Center and in other 12 Step programs, which ties in with a life-altering experience she had in 1980. What was that? Come and See!

Please contact Pat Hunt by email: magnificatsvp@gmail.com. by December 3 to reserve a spot. Catered by Suggins. Payment of \$15.00 may be made at the breakfast for those with reservations. Questions? Contact Pat Hunt at pwhun27@aol.com

FUTURE BREAKFASTS: February 7, 2026 and April 25, 2026

Blessings on Your Birthday!

11/23 Mary Perkins Luketich, Leanna Quijano, Dani Routt

11/24 Miguel Garcia, Sebastian Martinez Garcia, Matthew Reynolds

11/25 Protacia Ramirez

11/26

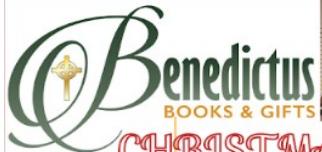
11/27 Erin Ballard, Donna Henehan

11/28 Maddie Buncher, Bob Dean, Sylvester Espinosa-Ramos, Lorena Martinez Garcia, Emma Shofner

11/29 Alexa Garcia Ramirez

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listens to my voice*

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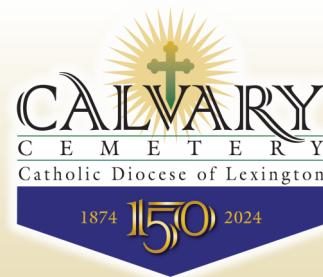
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Calvary's annual "candlelight at calvary" will be held
on Saturday, December 6, at 5pm.

Calvary Cemetery, 874 W. Main Street, Lexington, Ky.

*"Thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be absolved from
their sin."*

-2 Maccabees 12:46



Scripture Readings

For the Week of November 23rd, 2025

Sunday	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35 -43
Monday	Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs 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	Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74; Lk 21:20 -28
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
Sunday	First Sunday of Advent Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

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