

Septuagesima Sunday

Holy Communion January 28, 2018

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We are pleased that you chose to be here with us at St. Luke! We extend a warm welcome to our visitors and guests. Please sign the Guest Book located in the Narthex, fill out a Visitor Card, and join us for coffee hour after Mass in the Parish Hall.

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Mass Intentions

Prayer list: Sylvia, Sudie Leigh, Laura, William, Marjorie, Earl, Ernie, Ruth, Kristi, Rebecca, Charles, Jody, Lamar, William, Howard, April, Joyce, Mary Jo, Marcia, Kenneth, the McKinney family, Rick, Marion & family, Alex, Rebecca, Frank+, Frances, Eric+, Patrick

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Diocese of AWEIL, Sudan

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Instructed Eucharist

Next Sunday, February 4, in place of the normal mass & homily.

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Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday, February 13 at 6:00p.m. Please invite your family & friends!

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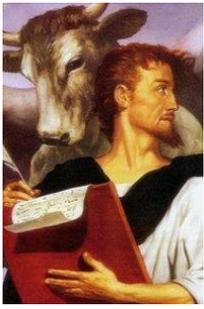
Ash Wednesday Services

Wednesday, February 14. St. Luke will be offering two masses with the "Imposition of Ashes": 11:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

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Upcoming Service & Study Schedule

Tuesday, January 30 @ 8:30 AM: Morning Prayer & Breakfast
Wednesday, January 31 @ 6:30 PM: Evening Prayer, Study & Supper
Friday, February 2 @ 11:30 AM: Mass – *Purif., B.V.M. (Candlemas)*



“The Physician’s Notes”

Ecclesiology 7:1 from Septuagesima Sunday

In the ancient world, *exile* was feared even more than death; nothing was more dishonorable or degrading. Socrates famously makes this argument in Plato’s dialogue *Crito*, insisting that to be deprived of everything—citizenship, property, social respect—was a living hell worse than death. Even in the Jewish mind, exile was worse, for it was like being Cain all over again, without friends and a fatherland, living in shame (or even slavery) under the rule of pagan enemies.

Septuagesima (meaning “seventieth”) recalls the captivity of God’s people in the Old Testament, bringing this theme of exile to the fore. We sometimes casually treat this Sunday as simply the beginning of Pre-Lent, but as day-70 before Easter, its liturgical purpose is to place us with Israel, who had to endure both seventy years of exile in Babylon and another “Seventy-sevens”, according to Daniel the prophet, before spiritual release through the Resurrection of Jesus, their Messiah. As focused as we often become on Christ’s forty days in the desert once Lent starts on Ash Wednesday, this importance of Septuagesima within the larger context of Lent is often forgotten. But for seventy days, the Church wants us to feel that sense of exile before our Easter liberation. Septuagesima is not a countdown to Lent, but the real beginning of our Lenten journey. We might not yet be required to fast or practice other ascetic disciplines, but changes are noticeable, particularly in our worship. There are no more alleluias or *Gloria in excelsis Deo*, and our colors have changed to a penitential purple. Even these three weeks before any ashes are imposed, or food is surrendered, we cannot miss that sense of solemn preparation before the joy of Easter finally arrives.

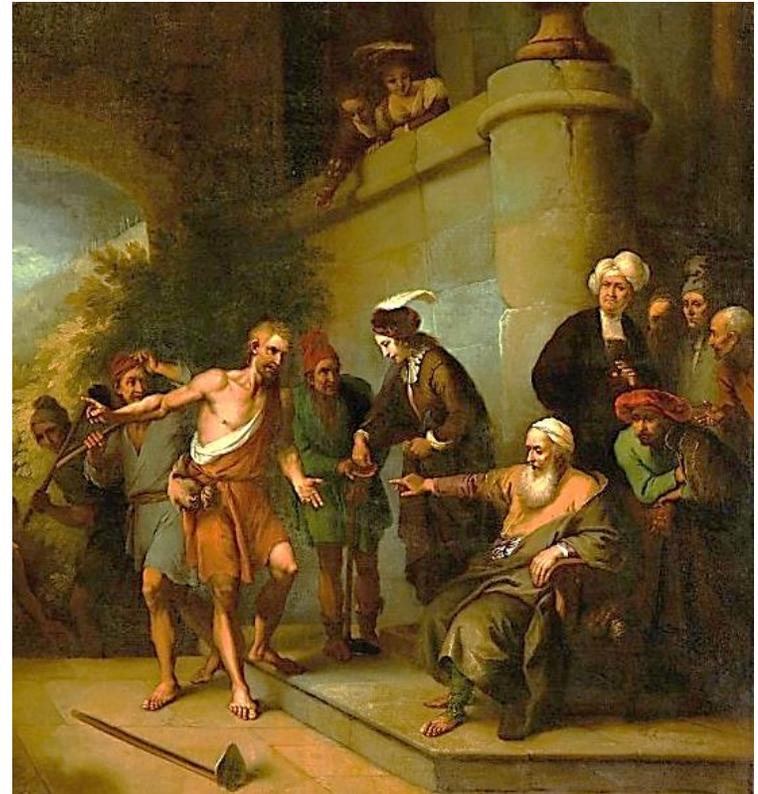
Why does Septuagesima compel us to endure this every year? Because, as the Collect for today reads: we know that we deserve to be “...justly punished for offenses,” but we ask instead to be “...mercifully delivered by thy goodness.” Beginning today, the Lenten season calls us all to forsake our selfish lives and to work with God’s grace to cultivate lives of holiness. It’s like Our Lord says in today’s Gospel from St. Matthew 20: “*Many are called, but few are chosen.*” Some people hear the call early, some hear it late, and some hear it for years before finally heeding it. But, the important thing is that we finally accept God’s opportunity to go labor for Him. That is the best way to approach Septuagesima—as a *laborer*. Working for God is how we redeem the time. And His Divine Mercy is for those who, as Jesus said, have the humility to say: “We are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was our duty to do.”

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