



February 3, 2013 ~ Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Share Your Story. Find Your Way.

Each day I question my faith, and my ability to make sense of the crazy world in which we live becomes more and more challenging. I find myself constantly asking God, "Why?" as I search for solace and stability. I wish it were as simple as downloading an app on my iPhone that would explain why my life's path takes such unexpected twists and turns. I thought I knew where I was going!

As a wife, mother, daughter, and friend, I need the time and energy to believe that God has a plan for me. Joshua 22:5 instructs us to *"...Love the Lord and follow His plan for your lives. Cling to Him and serve Him enthusiastically."* How can I follow the plan if I have no idea what it is, and the only thing I can be sure of is that it constantly changes? Where can I find guidance and support to go forward and live the life God asks me to? While I know that God speaks to us through prayer, I never feel I have enough time to reflect upon my life and the direction God asks me to take. Imperfect and struggling, I have often felt alone in my quest, until I became aware of and involved in Women's Cornerstone.

Women's Cornerstone is an experience where women, at various stages in their faith life and with unique life experiences, can pause and truly think about the plan God has for them. It is a 24-hour period of time, during which we are able to reflect, share and celebrate our amazing Catholic faith. And, importantly, all that is shared is done so in a completely confidential and non-judgmental manner.

As daughters of God, we rejoice in the gifts of the Spirit, the sacrifice of the Son and the abundant love of the Father. We are not the Saturday Night Live "church ladies," the Rosary Society of the past, a cult or social clique. We are frail and sometimes broken, lost and sometimes found. We are young, old, and somewhere in between. We are married, single, divorced, separated and widowed. We share in the struggle to be the best we can be, and learn together, with God's help, to make the best of what we have. Sometimes individually we are in need of prayers, and sometimes we pray for the needs of others. We each have a unique journey, and through prayer and solidarity, try to make some sense of how we fit into God's design.

Please consider attending Women's Cornerstone April 19-20.

Judy Falk, Parishioner

SAINT LUKE PARISH

Embracing the Vision ~

Nourishing our Faith



Our Mission

STATEMENT

The mission of St. Luke Parish is to create a welcoming, faith filled, religious environment where relationships – both spiritual and personal – are built upon the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are a vibrant Catholic community open to diverse attitudes, approaches and paths, centered on Catholic principles and beliefs. Works of charity, human concerns and spiritual development are fostered and nurtured through participation in the sacraments, our parish liturgies and ministries. We are a people of dreams, seeking to experience Christ in ourselves, our families, the community and the world around us.