

Saint Luke Catholic Church

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Welcome!

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our faith Community here at St. Luke Parish. Whether you are a long time resident or have newly arrived in the parish, we thank God for you. If you are not registered, please stop by, or call the parish office.

Mission Statement

The Mission of St. Luke's Catholic Faith Community is to provide the environment where the community joins together to fulfill the spiritual and social needs of all by living and sharing the message of Christ.

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. —4:00 p.m.

Saturdays

9:00 a.m.—12:00 Noon

CHAPEL OPEN: 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. EVERYDAY

Pastoral Staff

Pastor

Rev. Jonathan G. Paala

Special Associate

Rev. Kieran McCormick

Deacons

Deacon Paul Lucia

Deacon Mar Tano

Director of Religious Education

Sister Maria Ruth Linaac, RVM

Secretaries

Maria Teresa Alvarez

Maryvee Estacio

Sheila O'Neill

Bulletin Deadline: All announcements must be approved by Father Jonathan and must be submitted two weeks prior to the desired bulletin of your choice.

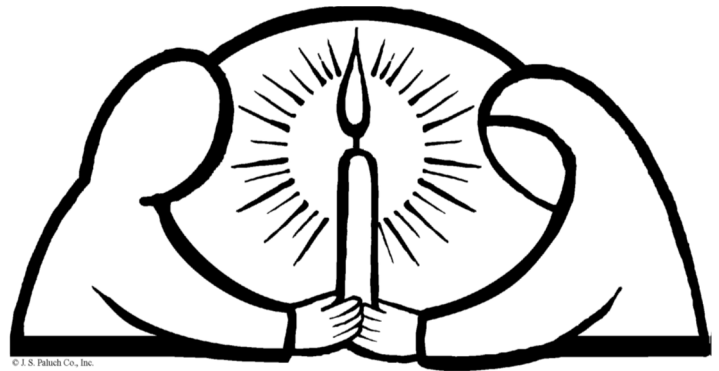
Thank you.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 10, 2017

“If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.”

— Matthew 18:19



Lord Jesus Christ, fount of love and goodness, look with mercy upon us sinners and free us from the bondage of evil. Fill the void in our hearts with Your Spirit and empower us to fulfill Your will, until You call us back to Your Kingdom. Amen.

~ Month of September ~

Devotion to the Seven Sorrows of Mary

Schedule of Sacraments

Eucharistic Celebrations

Monday through Saturday - 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Anticipated Mass

Sunday - 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism (Infants)

Baptismal Preparation Class - call the Parish Office

Sacrament of Baptism - Saturday only at 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Sacrament of Marriage

Please call the Parish Office at least 8 - 12 months before the desired wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office at (650) 345-6660

September 10, 2017

GOD’S WATCHERS

In the ancient world watchmen were extremely important people. They kept communities safe, and were there to alert them to any impending danger or attack. Before locks, alarms, and security systems, watchmen were the protectors, the safety measure. So when the Lord charges Ezekiel as a watchman today, it is a weighty charge. So weighty, we learn, that if Ezekiel fails to sound the alarm for those around him and they perish in a state of wickedness, Ezekiel will be held responsible! This profound connection between God’s will on earth and in heaven is repeated in today’s Gospel, where Jesus instructs us that we are to be the security force, the watchers placed on alert that nowhere in the Body of Christ, the church, will there be any two members of the one Body who are not reconciled. Scripture tells us that Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth through the blood of his cross. But we are given the mission to continue that reconciliation on earth as in heaven through our ceaseless efforts to be, as Paul would write, ambassadors of reconciliation. Let us not get too comfortable thinking that we are responsible only for keeping our own lives from the path of wickedness and disagreement. We are also held accountable for the lives of the members of Christ’s body around us.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

On Good Friday, at the heart of the Triduum, the commemoration of the Lord’s Passion is colored by sobriety and decorum, but this Thursday the mystery comes in a luminous celebration of Christ’s victory. In its deepest origins, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is the feast of a dedication of a church, since in the year 335 the Church of the Holy Sepulchre was dedicated on September 13, and on the following day the “true cross” discovered by St. Helena was brought outside to the faithful for veneration. It is a great feast of the Eastern Church, which often marks it by having the whole assembly prostrate themselves on the floor honoring the life-giving cross.

At the core of the tradition is the quest of Helena, mother of the Emperor Constantine, to acquire the cross and the nails of the Crucifixion from the ruins of Jerusalem. When she was satisfied that she had found them, thanks to the healing of a sick man whose body was placed on the cross, she had her son fund the building of the great basilica. The history of the relic is complicated, especially because it was carried off by invading Persians in the year 614 and “went missing” for fifteen years. Thursday’s feast does not celebrate the relic, but rather the life-giving cross from which salvation flows. It’s a good day to look around your house or office: Don’t those walls look bare without a cross? What better day to remedy that?

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Come Let Us Adore our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament every **Thursday**, after the 8:30AM Holy Mass and on the **First Friday** of the month. Benediction is at 7:30PM.

Holy Mass Celebrants



Saturday, September 16, 2017
 5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Mario & Co.
Sunday, September 17, 2017
 7:30 am Fr. Jonathan
 9:00 am Fr. Kieran Children’s Choir
 10:30 am Fr. Kieran Emmaus Choir
 5:00 pm Fr. Kengah Kevin’s Flock

Mass Intentions for September 11 — September 17

Date	Time	Intention	Pray for your Priests
MON 11	8:30 a.m.	Helen Elises	Fr. Kieran McCormick
TUE 12	8:30 a.m.	† Virgilio Nicolas	Fr. Anthony Chung
WED 13	8:30 a.m.	Victor Say	Fr. Joe Gordon
THU 14	8:30 a.m.	Sheila O’Neill & Family	Fr. Larry D’Souza
FRI 15	8:30 a.m.	† Virgilio Nicolas	Fr. Joseph Cardoza
SAT 16	8:30 a.m.	† Jutta Pickthall	Fr. Joseph Kengah Mumba
	5:00 p.m.	† Virgilio Nicolas	
SUN 17	7:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo	Fr. Jonathan Paala Pastor, St. Luke Catholic Church Foster City
	9:00 a.m.	† Cleofe & Silverio Garcia	
	10:30 a.m.	† Virgilio Nicolas	
	5:00 p.m.	† Alejandro Bravo	

Legend: † - Deceased, SI-Special Intention, BD-Birthday
 Missa Pro Populo-General Intentions/Mass for the People

“The effect of our sharing in the body and blood of Christ is to change us into what we receive.”

— Pope Saint Leo the Great

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Warn the wicked, trying to turn them from their ways (Ezekiel 33:7-9).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (Romans 13:8-10).

Gospel — If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (Matthew 18:15-20).

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September 10, 2017

Please pray for our recently deceased, especially, **Virgilio Nicolas, James De Martini, David Consunji & Estella Pangilinan** that they may rest in peace.



May they be strengthened and comforted by their trust in the Lord.

Keri Ables, Juris Arcilla, Rori Arcilla, Patrick Banks, Jose Barcelona Jr., Michael Carmody, Gail Castro, John Copeland, Cynthia Connor, Marge Cowart, Marvin Crockett, Marie Ghiozzi, Cora B. Huang, Dennis B. Huang, Mary Lou Kaufer, Nini Kuzmich, Elizabeth Liwag, Veronica Maguire, Arturo & Natividad Martin, Katie McNamara, Bozidar Milhilic, Bridgette Negar, Ken Parker, Kathy Raymor, Josephine Rea, Connie Rojas, Jason Sahayaraj, Kathy Sampson, Rosa Santos, Jameson Sham, Sally Stevens, Sue Techlin, Priscilla Touchstone, Lana Vorrises, Vallery Washington & George Zughbaba.

The **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** program is ongoing. We meet every **Tuesday at 7:00p.m.** here at the Church. This program addresses enhancement of your spiritual growth and increases your knowledge of the teachings of the Catholic Church. Refreshments are provided. Contact Kevin Lucia at 650-740-9071 for further information.



The Little Ones

Jim Burrows

PRAYER GROUP
and
CONFLICT RESOLUTION
7pm

THEY ARE THE SAME THING,
OF COURSE

Jesus said to his disciples: "Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Mt 18:19-20



Sunday, September 10, 2017 \$ 4,714.00
Church Maintenance & Repairs \$ 2,022.00

*Your generous contribution helps to make our ministries possible.
Thank you! God bless you!*

*"It is an act of justice
for the rich to help the poor"*

St. Josephine Bakhita

Priests' Retirement Fund Collection

Retirement years can be difficult for senior priests. No longer in active priestly ministry or supported by the parish communities which they served with such dedication, some of these men must rely on minimal Social Security benefits and their pension from the Priests Retirement Program.



Like Social Security and so many pension plans in today's world, our priests' retirement program faces similar challenges.

Next weekend, September 16/17, St. Luke will take up this special collection to support our Priests' Retirement Fund.

Pray for Pope Francis's Intentions



General: Artists

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day
- Monday: Patriot Day
- Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Mary
- Wednesday: St. John Chrysostom
- Thursday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows
- Saturday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
- Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
- Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
- Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49
- Sunday: Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

September 10, 2017

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sister Maria Ruth Linaac, RVM
Director of Religious Education
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September 2017

Religious Education Class Days

Grades One - Eight
First Three Wednesdays
September 13th and 20th

5:30PM to 6:30PM, Grades 1 - 4
6:45PM to 7:45PM Grades 5 - 8

Confirmation Two Class

First Three Sundays
3:30PM - 6:00PM including Youth Mass
September 10th and 17th



LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN (LWC)

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered at our 9:00AM Mass on Sundays. This is an opportunity for children to listen and interact with the Sunday morning Scripture Reading in their own level. There is no fee or registration and it is open to all children at Mass who are preschoolers (4yrs. old) through children in 2nd grade.

Children's Liturgy of the Word starts when the priest presider at Mass invites the children to gather in front of the altar after the opening prayer. With the dismissal blessing, the children process out of the Church and proceed to the Religious Education Office for their own Scripture Readings. The children return to their families at Mass in time for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.



Every Sunday, all are invited for
FELLOWSHIP
after the 9:00am and 10:30am
Holy Masses.
(except for secular holiday weekends)

ATTENTION: The Knights meet every 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in the St. Luke community center. **Except for September ~ Meeting is Sept. 11th** All Knights are invited to attend. Please contact Tom Consunji at: (650) 892-3312 or email: tconsunji@gmail.com



St. Luke Pastoral Parish Council

All parishioners are welcome to attend the **parish council meetings** held on the **3rd Monday** of most months in the Church community center at **7:00PM**. Parishioners wishing to speak or make a presentation to the council must register to do so at least one (1) week prior to the meeting. Please fill out the request form available at the parish office, indicating the topic you are wanting to discuss. Your presentation will be the first order of business under our "open forum" session.

MANAGING BEHAVIORS WITH DEMENTIA PATIENTS

This free, 2-hour overview introduces acute or chronic health problems / illnesses that can cause behavioral changes. Also offered are coping strategies including effective communication, managing challenging behaviors, stress reduction techniques, and where to find additional resources. Presented by Patty Clement-Cihak, Catholic Charities Division Director, Aging Support Services. Designed for caregivers with all levels of Experience, who are caring for a family member or friend.

Saturday, September 23, 2017 10AM to 12PM
San Mateo Senior Center
2645 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo

To Register:
www.sanmateorec.org (Course #542032-A1)
For help with registration call 650.522.7490

Grief Ministry News

"Moving Through the Loss of A Loved One: The Next Step" is a focused support group being offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry this fall. This session is intended for those who have previously attended a Grief Support group session and/or would like to participate in a support group focused on progression through their personal grief journey. This session will be held on Monday evenings at St. Pius beginning Monday, September 18 at 7:00PM in the Parish Center.

For more information or to register, please contact the Grief Ministry at 650-361-0655 or griefministry@pius.org.

Prayer to our Sorrowful Mother

O, most holy and sorrowful Mother, you who stood by your Son as He agonized on the cross; by the sufferings of your life, by that sword of pain that pierced your heart, by your perfect joy in heaven, look down on us kindly as we kneel before you, sympathizing with your sorrows and offering you our petitions with childlike trust. Dear Mother, since your Son refuses you nothing, ask of His Sacred Heart to mercifully grant what we ask, through the merits of His sacred passion, along with those of your sufferings at the foot of the cross. Offer Jesus, for us, but one drop of His most precious blood flowing from His loving heart. Remind Him that you are our sweetness, our life and our hope, and your prayer will be heard. Amen.

Parish Events

September 11 – September 16, 2017

Monday

7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday

7:00 p.m. Faith Formation

7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Conference

Wednesday

Religious Ed Classes Begin (Gr 1–8)

Thursday

9:00 a.m. All Day Eucharistic Adoration/Chapel

9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary

7:30 p.m. Solemn Benediction

Friday

7:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal

Saturday

10:30 a.m. Junior Legion of Mary

Travel Plans

Go to www.masstimes.org to find local Mass times at Catholic churches wherever your travels may take you. Simply enter the city and country and nearby Mass times will be displayed.

CONTACT PEOPLE

Altar Linens: Mary True (650) 571-8783

Altar Servers: Tony Belo (650) 345-6660

Anointing of the Sick: If you know of any parishioners who are sick or hospitalized or are unable to attend Mass due to illness or age, please call the office.

Archdiocesan Pastoral Assistance Coordinator:

For persons who have suffered sexual abuse from members of the Catholic clergy. Call (415) 614-5506.

Baptism: Saturdays only, at 11:00AM. Contact office for preparation class information – prior registration required.

Christian Burial: Kindly call the parish office before meeting with the funeral director.

Cursillo: Duncan Fife: (650) 345-3345

Faith Formation: Kevin Lucia (650) 740-9071

Filipino Cursillo: Deacon Mar Tano (650) 867-5542

Finance Council: John Bernat (650) 341-4045

Grief Support Ministry: Ellen Six (650) 341-0683

Jr. Legion of Mary: Sat.10:30am, Sally Lucia (650) 349-3090

Knights of Columbus: Call Tom Consunji (650) 892-3312

Legion of Mary: Thurs. 9:00 am Georgie Unson (650) 345-2613

Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Eucharist

Peggy Simkins (650) 573-5370

Marriages: Contact the office at least 8-12 months before the desired date.

Music Groups: Mario & Co.; Michelle; Couples for Christ; Children's Choir; Kevin's Flock - Kevin Lucia (650)740-9071;

Emmaus Choir - Elysabeth Allen (650) 578-0123;

Youth Ministry Choir - Jana Cadiz (650) 572-1216; Angels;

Pastoral Council: Dan Linkhorn ~ dlinkhorn@comcast.net

Sandwiches on Sunday: Peg Culver (650) 349-1408

SVdP Conference: Peggy Simkins (650) 573-5370

Youth Ministry: Amabel Goell (650) 740-7751

Welcome in Jesus' Name!!

If you wish to join the parish, or if you want to update your information, please fill out this form and either return it to the parish office, or drop it in the collection basket.

Register

Name:(First) _____

(Last) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone No. _____

Update Member Information

Name:(First) _____ (Last) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone No. _____