

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 p.m.

Chapel open from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Benediction on Thursday & 1st Friday

Pastoral Staff

Pastor

Rev. Jonathan G. Paala

Special Associate

Rev. Kieran McCormick

Deacon

Deacon Mar Tano

Director of Religious Education

Sister Maria Ruth Linaac, RVM

Secretaries

Maria Teresa Alvarez

Maryvee Estacio

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

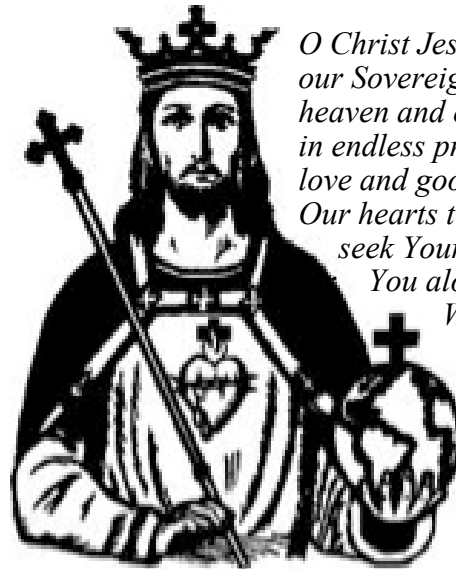
Thank you.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 24, 2019

I rejoiced because they said to me,
“We will go up to the house of the LORD.”

— *Psalm 122:1*



*O Christ Jesus,
our Sovereign King,
heaven and earth echo
in endless praise of Your
love and goodness.
Our hearts turn to You and
seek Your merciful gaze.
You alone can save us.*

*We desire to be
with You forever,
worshiping You
in Your eternal
Kingdom in
Heaven
for eternity.
Amen.*

Month of November

Pray for the Souls in Purgatory

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 - Saturdays 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

November 24, 2019

OF KINGS AND KINGSHIP

Americans have an uncomfortable relationship with kings. The American Revolution was fought for independence from King George, after all. Nonetheless, today every Catholic church around the world celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Today’s feast invites us to look beyond our national loyalties and rejoice in our primary identity. We are children of God in Jesus, Christ the King. Our readings help us consider what it’s like to belong to God’s kingdom. The book of Samuel captures the deep longing of the Israelites for a king to shepherd them. Saint Paul reminds the Colossians that we belong to the kingdom of Christ, whose power he praises in a beautiful hymn. Finally, Luke’s Gospel calls to mind the kind of king Jesus chooses to be—a suffering servant, a man for others. By sacrificing his life for us, Jesus throws open the gates of Paradise. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord said to David, “You shall shepherd my people Israel” (2 Samuel 5:1-3).

Psalm — Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord (Psalm 122).

Second Reading — Thanks to the Father who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light (Colossians 1:12-20).

Gospel — Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom (Luke 23:35-43).

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- Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
- Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
- Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
- Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28
Thanksgiving Day. Suggested:
Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
- Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
- Saturday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
- Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9;
Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
- Monday: Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time; St. Catherine of Alexandria
- Thursday: Thanksgiving Day
- Saturday: St. Andrew

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intention

Universal – Communication and Reconciliation

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Mass Celebrants

Saturday, November 30, 2019

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Paala

Sunday, December 1, 2019

7:30 am Fr. Jonathan Paala

9:00 am Fr. Al Furtado

10:30 am Fr. Jonathan Paala

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Paala



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Holy Mass Intentions for Nov. 25 – Dec. 1, 2019

Date	Time	Intention	Pray for your priests
MON 25	8:30 a.m.	† All Souls	Fr. Kieran McCormick
TUE 26	8:30 a.m.	† Michael Patrick Winters	Fr. Anthony Chung
WED 27	8:30 a.m.	† Antonella Saraco	Fr. Al Furtado
THU 28	9:00 a.m.	† Paul Luu	Fr. Francis Njua
FRI 29	8:30 a.m.	† Roy Fong	Fr. Joseph Cardoza
SAT 30	8:30 a.m.	Joseph Kavanagh, Jr. BD	Fr. Joseph Kengah Mumba
	5:00 p.m.	† Adrian Sison	
SUN 1	7:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo	Fr. Jonathan Paala Pastor, St. Luke Catholic Church Foster City
	9:00 a.m.	† Darrel Dorsett	
	10:30am	† Carlos Jimenez	
	5:00p.m.	† Maruko Yoshida	

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

Adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament

every **Thursday** and on the **First Friday** of the month after the 8:30a.m. Holy Mass

Benediction is at 7:00PM

Our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is longing to shower upon us the divine light of His grace, love and peace. For “Christ is truly the Emmanuel, that is, God with us, day and night, he is in our midst. He dwells with us full of grace and truth. He restores morality, nourishes virtue, consoles the afflicted, strengthens the weak.” (*Pope Paul VI, Mysterium Fidei*). He is our greatest friend, our Healer, our Savior who is waiting for us to come and abide in His Eucharistic Love, until He comes again to bring all of us to His eternal home in heaven.

“For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” — John 6:33

We need people who will commit as
“**Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament.**”

Sign-up sheets are located in the Chapel foyer.

November 24, 2019

Eternal rest grant unto the souls of Your beloved, O Lord.

†**Maria Isabel Lopetegui** & † **Ben Mendoza**

We pray for God's healing upon our sick parishioners:

Juris Arcilla	Evangeline B. Lopez
Minerva Barnhart	Arturo Martin
Jim Bortak	Andres Mendez
Ruben Calderon, Jr.	Angela Mihelcic
Elizabeth Fong	Bozidar Mihelcic
Dennis B. Huang	Jon Miller
Barbara Keefer	Angelina Paguio
Tom Keefer	Rosetta Parisian
JoAnn Kozloski	Diana Pineda
Josephine Kozloski	Tom Pope
Jackie Kuo	Angela F. Reyes
Courtney LaTour	Estrella Reyes
Derek Lee	Kathy Sampson
Patricia Joy Lee	Jennifer Shamway
Celia Leones	Priscilla Touchstone
Dancy Lim	Aurora Villegas
Christian Liwag	Dr. Francis Walls

"...for by His wounds you were healed." (1 Peter 2:24)

If you have sick relatives whom you want us to include in our prayers, please call or email our Parish Office. Their names will be on our list for the month of November. If you want us to continue praying for them, please notify the office. Thank you.



November 16/17	\$ 3,717.50
St. Patrick's Seminary	\$ 1,190.00

Your generous contribution helps us fulfill Christ's mission.

Thank you! God bless you!

"Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD." (Psalm 4:5)

Dear Parishioners of St. Luke's:

Since my health is not so good and gradually getting worse, I have decided to stop presiding at Masses.

I am grateful for the warm welcome and continuing support you have shown me. You have helped make these years very happy ones.



~ Father Kieran McCormick

With heartfelt gratitude, we give tribute to our dear Fr. Kieran for all his selfless and dedicated service to St. Luke. All are invited to join in thanksgiving as Fr. Kieran celebrates his final Mass at St. Luke on December 8th, Sunday, at 10:30 a.m. An Appreciation Fellowship follows immediately in the church community center.

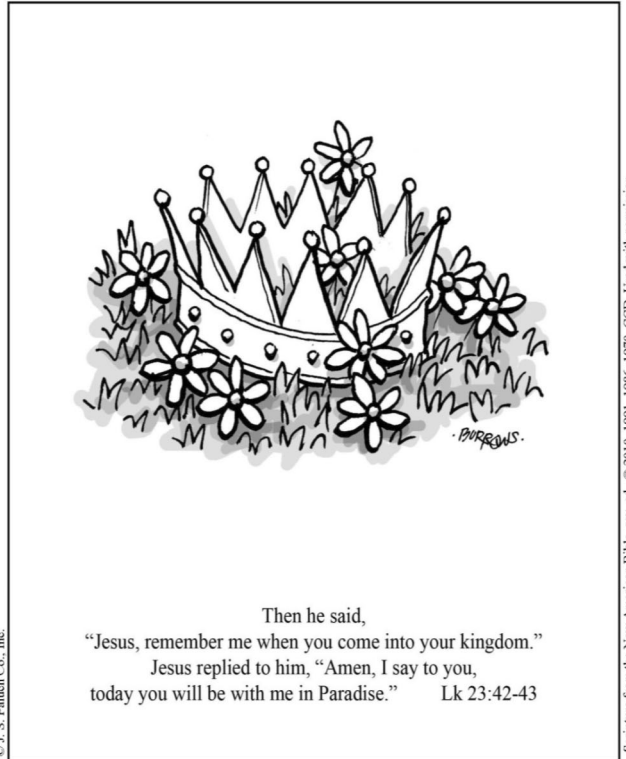
Women's Bible Study Group



The Women's Bible Study and Discussion Group meets in Room 4 of the St. Luke Parish Center on Thursdays, 9:30a.m. to 11:30a.m., September to May, to discuss various books of the Bible, the scripture readings, and to provide prayer support for its members and the community. **Patti Villano: 650-341-6913**

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Then he said,
"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
Jesus replied to him, "Amen, I say to you,
today you will be with me in Paradise." Lk 23:42-43

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's solemnity, the final feast of the Church year, is a youngster as feasts go. In 1925, Pope Pius XI was distressed by global political upheaval and the de-Christianizing of society. That year was a "Holy Year," keyed to the sixteen hundredth anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, when the words "and of his kingdom there will be no end" were added to the Creed. The Pope explained that although most feasts had developed over many centuries, the Church sometimes provided a new feast to address new needs. He pointed to the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, showing Christ's love and compassion in a time when many people embraced a cold and gloomy spirituality. Originally on the last Sunday of October, in the late 1960s the solemnity of Christ the King was moved to the last Sunday of the year.

Fresh from baptism's waters, we are anointed with chrism "as Christ was anointed priest, prophet, and king." This feast is a key to our identity. On this feast, we recognize Christ as a king who breaks the usual mold of kingship, and who shapes his kingdom with our hands, our words, our deeds of love and service.

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OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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December 2019

Religious Education Classes

Grades One - Eight

December 4th, 11th, and 18th

Grades 1-4 (5:30PM to 6:30PM)

Grades 5-8 (6:45PM to 7:45PM)

Confirmation Two Classes

December 4th, 11th, and 18th

6:45PM to 7:45PM



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Let us bring the hope and love of the Infant Savior to those in need! As we approach Christmas, we invite everyone to once again share with our needy brethren your blessings from God, through our annual "GIVING TREE."

This year, our Giving Tree supports the Catholic Worker House charity drive, the poor & homeless families (Queen of Peace Shelter) and hospice men (Gift of Love Home). **Simply take an ornament** (or more if you are able) to help grant a needy brethren's wish. The Giving Tree will be in place throughout the Advent Season.

Please put your UNWRAPPED GIFT ALONG WITH the ORNAMENT TAG under the Giving Tree

ON or BEFORE DECEMBER 15th, SUNDAY.

If you have **GIFT CERTIFICATES**, drop them off at the Office of Religious Education or at the Parish Office,

or put them in the Sunday Collection Basket **ALONG WITH THE ORNAMENT TAG.**

God's generosity can never be outdone...

Thank you and GOD be your reward!

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

Come and spend time with the Lord this coming Advent season. Allow Him to prepare your heart for the Feast of His Birth...

St. Luke will have a Parish Advent Retreat on **December 7, Saturday**, from **9:00am to 12:00pm**, with **Fr. Peter Tieng** as Retreat Master. All are welcome to attend this Retreat which is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Please sign up in the sheets located in the church community center.

ATTENTION:

The **Knights** meet every 1st Monday of the month at 7:30PM in the St. Luke community center. All Knights are invited to attend. Please contact Eddie Torres at: Tel. No.: 650-823-3911



THANKSGIVING DAY

**Thursday, November 28
Holy Mass is at 9:00A.M.**

*Let our Lord fill our Hearts with
THANKS and GIVING*

All throughout the year, we celebrate the Eucharist each day. Eucharist means THANKSGIVING. On this Thanksgiving Day, God calls us to gather at His Eucharistic table and GIVE Him THANKS for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us.

A blessed and Spirit-filled holiday to all!

It is good to give thanks to the LORD and to sing praises to Your name, O Most High.

—Psalm 92:1

Once, St. Teresa was overwhelmed with God's goodness and asked Our Lord "How can I thank you?"

Our Lord replied, "ATTEND ONE MASS."

The Women's Bible Study Group

is inviting all women to attend the final session of its 3-series preparation for the Advent season on Dec. 5, 10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. in St. Luke's Church Meeting Room (Room 4). With Dr. Ellen Six as presenter, we will examine the stories of Zechariah and Elizabeth and Joseph and Mary. We will look at how they said YES to God and we will have the opportunity to see how we are preparing for the coming of Christ. *Contact Mary Ann Fitzgerald phone (650) 759-3912 or rmafiz@sbcglobal.net*

St. Luke Advent Penance Service

Prepare for the coming of the Lord...

Receive God's gift of peace, reconciliation and healing mercies...

CONFESSIONS: 6:00PM, Thursday, Dec. 12, 2019

ST. LUKE CHRISTMAS POTLUCK

December 14th, after the 5PM Holy Mass

Join our St. Luke Community in celebrating the coming feast of our Lord's birth. Bring your favorite dish and share with the community. Sign-up sheets are located in the church community center.

PRAYER FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

Prayer of St. Gertrude

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family.
Amen.

PARISH EVENTS

November 26 — December 1, 2019

Tuesday (November 26)

3:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting

Wednesday (November 27)

7:00 a.m.—8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Thanksgiving Day (November 28)

9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Mass
No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Offices Closed

Friday (November 29)

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

Saturday (November 30)

9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Offices reopen
4:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 p.m. Anticipated Mass

Sunday (December 1)

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 5:00pm Holy Masses
Join us for fellowship, donuts, coffee and refreshments after the 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Holy Masses

Contact People

Altar Linens: Mary True (650) 571-8783

Altar Servers: Tony Belo (650) 345-6660

Anointing of the Sick: If you know of 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 the office for preparation class information – prior registration required.

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

Cursillo: Kevin & Jo Moran (650) 477-0493

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

Finance Council: John Bernat (650) 678-5840

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

Knights of Columbus: Eddie Torres (650) 823-3911

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 parish office at least 8-12 months before the desired date.

Music Ministry: Contact Elysabeth Allen (650) 578-0123

Pastoral Council: Eddie Torres (650) 823-3911

Religious Education: Sister Maria Ruth (650) 574-9191

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

SVdP Conference: Peggy Simkins (650) 573-5370

Women's Bible Study: Patti Villano (650) 341-6913

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. _____

"Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before him with thanksgiving
and extol him with music and song." Psalm 95:1-2



Offices are Closed

on **Thanksgiving Day**, November 28th and **Friday**, November 29th. Offices will reopen for regular service hours on Saturday, November 30th.

saint snippets

God always speaks to you when you approach him plainly and simply.

St. Catherine Labouré

19th-century French religious sister who cared for the sick and relayed Mary's request that the Miraculous Medal be commissioned

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