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 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.
January 6, 2019

FINDING GOD

The splendid magi, all sparkle and dash and solemnity, march right up off the pages of Matthew’s Gospel and into our churches today. Matthew alone tells us this grand and seductive story so that we might see the light and know that the child these magi visited is the fulfillment of prophecy, the king of the world that stretches to the magi’s home country and beyond, right down the ages to us.

We too see and understand anew. Like the magi, our patron saints for this day, we see in the newborn child the king of the universe and light of the world. Like them, we find in ourselves a new faith and a new life. Like them, we return to our home by a new route.

We are asked to come away from this festive season ourselves renewed and awake to the presence of God among us. We are asked to find God where God is to be found, to be attentive and surprised and ready to bow down in adoration and to offer our gifts.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheirs, co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
The Wise Men followed the star, and thus came to Jesus, to the great Light which enlightens everyone coming into this world (cf. Jn 1:9). As we live with Christ, bound to Him anew in this sacrament, then we too will become wise men. O Lord, fill us with the light of Your faith and love. O Blessed Mother, who showed to the Wise Men the new King of the world (cf. Mt 2:11), show your Son Jesus Christ also to us and help us shine as Christ’s stars to the world.

Amen. (adapted from Pope Benedict XVI’s Homily, 6 January 2013)

Monday: St. Raymond of Peñafort;
Julian Calendar Christmas

Holy Mass Celebrants

Saturday, January 12, 2019
5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan

Sunday, January 13, 2019
7:30 am Fr. Jonathan
9:00 am Fr. Kieran
10:30 am Fr. Kieran
5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan

Mass Intentions for January 7 - January 13

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Legend: † - Deceased, SI-Special Intention, BD-Birthday

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 7:00p.m.

When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now. (St. Mother Teresa) If we only knew how much Jesus loves us in the Blessed Sacrament we would never want to leave His Eucharistic presence. For nowhere on earth are we more welcomed than in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Nowhere can we find comfort and healing than in His Heart overflowing with love for us.

We need people who will commit as “Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament.” Sign-up sheets are located in the Community Center during weekends, and in the Chapel foyer during weekdays.
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Please pray for our recently deceased, especially:

†Miguel Gil, †Thomas Heffernan
and †Marlo Marcelino

Eternal rest grant unto the souls of the departed, O Lord.
And let Your perpetual light shine upon them.

Please pray for God’s healing upon our sick parishioners:

Keri Ables  Derrick Lee  Ronald Rea
Peter Allum  Andres Mendez  Jocelyn Reyes
Juris Arcilla  Leah Mercado  Rolando Reyes, Jr.
Patrick Banks  Craig Midghall  Kathy Sampson
Jennifer Barry  Angela Mihelcic  Priscilla Touchstone
Jacquelyn Conway  Bozidar Mihelcic  Charles Toves
Dolores Detruz  Jon Miller  John Toves
Julia Ho  Sheila O’Neill  Macrima Toves
Dennis B. Huang  Diana Pineda  Jim Tremont
JoAnn Kozloski  Josephine Rea  Michael Veprin
Josephine Kozloski

“...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 4 weeks. If you want us to continue praying for them, please notify the office.

Thank you.

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**ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL**

Thank you for supporting the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2018. It is a great blessing to know that through your loving sacrifices, we were able to reach our goal ($59,277.00). Your inspiring gifts will help sustain the various ministries of our Archdiocese and our Universal Church. Thank you for being a vital part in carrying out Christ’s work and helping thousands of people experience the goodness of the Lord.

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**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, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., to discuss various books of the Bible, the scripture readings, and to provide prayer support for its members and the community. Bible Study resumes: Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019 at 9:30a.m. (Patti Villano: 650-341-6913)

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Monday of this week is Christmas Day in Russia and in much of the Orthodox world. This curious difference in schedule has a lot to do with how calendars have been developed and changed over the years. In the year 45 B.C. Julius Caesar gave the empire his Julian Calendar, with the winter solstice on January 6. This put an end to a system in which officials called “pontiffs” were able to tweak the calendar by adding extra days in as needed. He invented two new months at that time, December and January; and in order to correct the mess the pontiffs had made, forced a year of 445 days on the empire in what he named “The Last Year of Confusion.” The new months varied in number of days according to a complex schedule, but the calendar was still off by nearly twelve minutes a year, and lost a full day every 130 years. Pope Gregory XIII reformed the calendar in 1583, but not everyone appreciated his efforts. England held out for two hundred years. The year 1700 was a leap year in England, but not in France; they were eleven days apart! George Washington was really born on February 11; when the Gregorian calendar was finally adopted in the English colonies shortly before the Revolution, he had to move his birthday to February 22. Now the calendars are thirteen days apart, which accounts for Russia’s Julian calendar Christmas. And Caesar thought he had brought confusion to an end!

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OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Sister Maria Ruth Linaac, RVM
Director of Religious Education
TELEPHONE NO. (650) 574-9191

January 2019
Religious Education Class Days
Grades One - Eight
January 9 and 16
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 the Youth Mass
January 6, 13 and 20

Liturgy of the Word With Children
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 (4 years 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.

Priesthood Discernment Retreat
Is God calling you? The archdiocesan Office of Vocations offers its annual weekend discernment retreat for men who want to know more about the vocation of a Catholic priest. This invitation is to single men, 21 years or older, to spend some time with like-minded men and to explore in fellowship the meaning of priesthood, with conferences given by Bishop Thomas A. Daly of Spokane, Washington. The location is St. Patrick’s Seminary; lodging and all meals are provided; and attendance does not imply further obligation. For complete information and instructions for applying, visit the website stpsu.edu/is-god-calling-you or contact Fr. Patrick Summerhayes, Vocation Director at 415-614-5683 or email summerhayes.patrick@sfarch.org.

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 Tom Consunji at: Tel. No.: 650.892.3312 or email: tconsunji@gmail.com

Save the Date: CRAB FEED 2019
St. Luke’s Annual Crab Feed Fundraising Event will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2019 in the Parish Center. Please continue to check our future Sunday bulletins for details. Plan on purchasing your tickets early to acquire your choice seats.

WALK FOR LIFE 2019
Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 15th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 26, 2019, Saturday. There will be Mass at 9:30AM celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary’s Cathedral. The rally begins at 12:30PM in San Francisco’s Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city’s Market Street, begins at 1:30PM. Last year’s Walk drew 50,000+ people.
For complete information about the Walk, visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call 415-658-1793.

2019 Catholic Men’s Conference
The Bay Area Catholic Men’s Conference in 2018 was a great success—2019 will be even better. Join men from around the Bay Area on March 9, 2019, Saturday, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at St. Bartholomew Church in San Mateo, to be energized and inspired by an outstanding lineup of speakers. The day includes Mass with Auxiliary Bishop Robert F. Christian O.P., and opportunities for Confession. Registration includes lunch; “early-bird” registration is open now and available until the end of January. Fathers are encouraged to bring their sons (teens) for a reduced rate.
For more information, and registration, visit SFBayMen.info
With questions, contact Ed Hopfner: Hopfnere@sfarch.org or 415-614-5680

THINKING ABOUT JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?
ARE YOU AN ADULT WHO HAS NEVER RECEIVED COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION?
OR, JUST HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?
St. Luke is offering the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), a process of preparation for those who are not baptized and wish to become Catholic; for those who have been baptized in another Christian Church and wish to become Catholic; and for those baptized in the Catholic Church who wish to complete their initiation by receiving the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office.
Jesus prophesies that “there shall be one fold and one shepherd.” (John 10:16)
PARISH EVENTS
January 7 – January 13, 2019

Monday
7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting

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

Wednesday
Religious Ed (Refer to page 4)

Thursday
9:00 a.m. All-Day Eucharistic Adoration
9:30 a.m. Legion of Mary
9:30 a.m. Women’s Bible Study/Rm.#4
7:00 p.m. Benediction/Chapel

Friday
7:00 p.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

Sunday
3:30 p.m. Confirmation 2 Class (Refer to page 4)

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. ______________________

Catholic Charismatic Renewal
First Friday Mass at St. Paul of the Shipwreck
January 4 is the first “First Friday” of the new year. The Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Archdiocese of San Francisco invites all to take part: 6:30pm assembly; 6:45pm recitation of the Rosary; 7:00pm Praise and Worship; 7:30pm Holy Mass at St. Paul of the Shipwreck Church in San Francisco. Healing service and hospitality to follow Mass. Main celebrant is Fr. Andrew Ibegbulem, with Deacon Ernie von Emster assisting.