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.

CHAPEL: Open from 7:00AM to 7:00PM everyday

Pastoral Staff

Pastor
Rev. Jonathan G. Paala

Special Associate
Rev. Kieran McCormick

Deacons
Deacon Paul Lucia
Deacon Mar Tano

Parish Manager
Deacon Paul Lucia

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.

The Epiphany of the Lord
January 8, 2017

They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

— Matthew 2:11b

Prayer

We adore You O Christ Jesus, our Lord and King, and offer You our hearts in humble homage of Your greatness. Enlighten our path and lead us, by Your Star, into the eternal treasures of Your divine love—until we praise You forever in Your celestial abode. Amen.

Month of January
Dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus

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 - by appointment
Sacrament of Baptism - every Saturday; and every Sunday (after the 10:30 a.m. Mass)

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 six (6) months before the desired wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
Please call the parish office at (650) 345-6660
THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God’s presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This year, in the United States the celebration of the Epiphany falls on January 8, but the traditional date for the Epiphany is January 6. The date we know as January 6 was established as the solstice in Egypt in 1996 BC, but the Egyptian calendar lost a full day every 128 years. Twenty centuries later the actual solstice had migrated to December 25. People still kept January 6 for the solstice celebration, but December 25, matching nicely with the Roman pagan feast of the Unconquered Sun, launched an extended solstice holiday. By the time of the early church, the whole period of twelve days was celebrated just about everywhere.

Christians began to celebrate Christ as the true light of the world in four themes: the Nativity, the manifestation to the Gentiles, the baptism of the Lord, and the wedding feast at Cana. That was entirely too much for one day to handle. A twelve-day season was ready to be adapted, so Christians borrowed from the pagan calendar for their own season of light. Thus early Christian celebrations of the Christmas season extended from one date for the solstice, December 25, to the older date, January 6. The darkest time in the Northern Hemisphere could now be filled with the Christian observance of the arrival of the Light of the World.

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THE WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS OF ST. LUKE!

Our Pastor Father Jonathan, our Deacons, Paul Lucia and Mar Tano, and our parishioners extend a very warm welcome to the newest members of our Saint Luke community in the month of December:

★ Juliana and Paul Herickhoff
★ Michelle Ong
★ Mercy Parasdas
★ Kellylynn Wheeler

Holy Mass Celebrants

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

Mass Intentions for January 9 — January 15

Mass for the People

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over 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 (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).
Gospel — Magi from the east arrive looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

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January 8, 2017

Please pray for the recently deceased of St. Luke parish, Dorothy Harrison, Garvin McClain, Virginia Briones & Elizabeth Chin, that they may rest in peace and be brought to the final resurrection where God will be all in all.

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


2016 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Thanks to your generous response, we were able to reach our 2016 Annual Appeal goal ($59,393.00).

Through your loving sacrifices and commitment to the AAA, the Archdiocese of San Francisco is able to continue serving the Universal Church and the local community. A million thanks to all who contributed! God reward you a hundredfold!

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intentions

General: That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord’s teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

Mission: That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

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.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week
Monday: The Baptism of the Lord
Tuesday: First Week in Ordinary Time begins
Friday: St. Hilary
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38;
Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28
or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9;
Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
Friday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3;
Jn 1:29-34

COFFEE & DONUTS

Every Sunday, all are invited for FELLOWSHIP
after the 9:00am and 10:30am Holy Masses.
January 8, 2017

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

ATTENTION: The Knights meet every 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM in the St. Luke community center except for January. The meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 10th. All are invited to attend. Please contact Shane Ahern at: (650) 766-7592 or shane@shaneahern.com

January 2017

➤ Confirmation 2 - Classes
3:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
• January 8th, 15th and 22nd

➤ Religious Education Classes
5:30PM—6:30PM Grades 1—4
6:45PM—7:45PM Grades 5—8
• Wednesday, January 11th, 18th and 25th

➤ Family Mass—Sunday, January 15th
9:00AM (Grades 4 & 5)

➤ Jessica Munn Pro-Life Info,
5:30PM and 6:45PM
• Wednesday, January 18th

➤ First Reconciliation Talk for Parents
• Thursday, January 19th, 7:00PM

Welcome to the Family of Christ!
Taylor Grey Kalugdan
Makayla Rosemary Faustino
Gavin Alexander Rollan
Jaiden Desai
Liliette Pomfret
Antonio Santos-Soto
Eddy Daniel Santos-Soto
Annabelle Santos-Soto
Azana Hedy Santos-Soto
Meadow Grace Kearby Mercouillier
Jaxon Eames Dellera

Our Newly Baptized Infants
and Members
of the St. Luke Community

SAVE THE DATE and book your babysitter for the St. Luke annual

CRAB FEED
Saturday, March 4th!!!

Look in future bulletins for more details.

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.

An Evening with Patrick Madrid
January 21st at 7:00PM in St. Timothy’s Gym
1515 Dolan Avenue, San Mateo, CA. 94401

Best-selling author and radio host will visit St. Timothy Church to present a seminar on the topic: Why Be Catholic?

A question-and-answer session with audience participation will follow the presentation.

Mr. Madrid has authored or edited 23 books on Catholic themes including, Why Be Catholic? (Doubleday), Pope Fiction, Search & Rescue, Does the Bible Really Say That? and The Godless Delusion.

Tickets can be purchased after Masses or from the following website (processing fee will apply)
http://sttimothypatrickmadrid.eventbrite.com
$25.00 in advance; $30.00 at the door

Wedding Anniversary Celebration
All husbands and wives celebrating a “5-year wedding anniversary” (5,10,15...35, 40), or over 40 years in 2017 are invited to attend and be recognized.

Saturday, February 4, 2017
10:00AM Mass followed by reception
$20 suggested donation per family

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption
1111 Gough Street, San Francisco
Principal Celebrant:
His Excellency Carlos Sevilla, S.J.
Bishop Emeritus, Yakima

Registration required
www.anniversarymass.info or call (415) 614-5680
Please register by January 27, 2017
Questions/information: (415) 614-5680
**Contact People**

**Adult Rosary Making:** Kevin and Sally Lucia (650) 740-9071

**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 and Sundays. 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:** Saturdays, 10:30 am, Sally (650) 349-3090

**Junior Rosary Making:** Sally Lucia (650) 349-3090

**Knights of Columbus:** Call Shane Ahern (650) 766-7592

**Legion of Mary:** Fri. at 4:30p.m. Georgie Unson (650) 345-2613

**Lectors & Ministers of Holy Eucharist Captain:** Peggy Simkins (650) 573-5370

**Marriages:** Contact the office at least 6 months before the desired date.

**Music Groups:**
- Children’s Choir, Kevin’s Flock—Kevin Lucia (650) 740-9071
- Emmaus Choir Elysabeth Allen (650) 578-0123
- Pastoral Council: Tom Consunji (650) 345-1441
- Sandwiches on Sunday: Peg Culver (650) 349-1408
- SVdP Conference: Peggy Simkins (650) 573-5370
- St. Luke Church Email: saintlukefc@gmail.com

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**Prayer In Honor of The Holy Name Of Jesus**

May the most holy, most sacred, most adorable, most mysterious and unutterable Name of God be always praised, blessed, loved, adored and glorified in heaven, on earth and under the earth, by all the creatures of God, and by the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ in the most Holy Sacrament of the altar. Amen.

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**This Week in Our Parish**

**January 9 – January 14, 2017**

**Tuesday**

1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. Adult Rosary Making
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation
7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Conference
7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting

**Wednesday**

1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary
CCD Classes & Events—Refer to Page 4

**Thursday**

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel
7:30 p.m. Solemn Benediction

**Friday**

7:00 p.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

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**Travel Plans**

Go to [www.masstimes.org](http://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.

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**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) ______________________

(First) __________________ (Last) __________________

Address: ____________________________________________

City: ______________________ Zip: _________________

Telephone No. ______________________

**Update Member Information**

Name: (First) ______________________ (Last) __________________

Address: ____________________________________________

City: ______________________ Zip: _________________

Telephone No. ______________________

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