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: 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-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 30, 2018

The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the Lord is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

— Psalm 19:8

We adore Your great Name, O Christ Jesus, our Lord and Savior. You have done marvelous deeds and steadfast is Your love for us. Inspire us to serve with Your hands, to love with Your Heart, and to live in Your Divine Spirit. You alone are our reward and we long to praise You forever in Your Kingdom.

Amen.

Month of September

Dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

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.
NOT AGAINST US

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples’ misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time. He goes on to point out the importance of the “little ones:”; the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. “Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward” (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor.


TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Moses said, “Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!” (Numbers 11:25-29).
Psalm — The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19)
Second Reading — Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (Jason 5:1-6).
Gospel — Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-41).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

Adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday, after the 8:30a.m. Holy Mass and on the First Friday of the month

Benediction is at 7:30p.m.

The Blessed Sacrament is JESUS, the Source of all life, of all light, of all love, living in our midst to fulfill a promise made long ago: “I myself will pasture My sheep. I myself will give them rest, says the Lord God. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal.” (Ezekiel 34:15-16) Our Lord loves us so much that He humbled Himself and took the form of bread, never abandoning us, dwelling with us forever in the most Blessed Sacrament, the continuation of His Incarnation on earth, fulfilling His promise: “I am with you always, until the end of the age.” (Mt 28:20). No one can measure Jesus’ love for us. He desires to be close to us. He is waiting for us to come and be with Him.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Tuesday: The Holy Guardian Angels
Thursday: St. Francis of Assisi
Friday: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos; First Friday
Saturday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher; First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (John 3:16-17)
September 30, 2018

Please pray for our recently deceased, especially:
†Jose Romero, Jr., †Theo Cox & †Joseph Macias
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let Your perpetual light shine upon them.

Please pray for God’s healing upon our sick parishioners:
Keri Ables, Juris Arcilla, Esther Bandong, Patrick Banks, Jacquelyn Conway, Dolores Detruz, Julia Ho, Dennis B. Huang, JoAnn Kozloski, Josephine Kozloski, Andres Mendez, Leah Mercado, Maria, Craig Midghall, Jon Miller, Sheila O’Neill, Diana Pineda, Josephine & Ronald Rea, Jocelyn Reyes, Rolando Reyes, Jr., Kathy Sampson, Priscilla Touchstone, Jim Tremont & Tony Vecchio.

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.

Sunday, September 23
$ 3,561.50
Priests’ Retirement Fund $ 3,465.00

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

“What does love look like? It has feet to go to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of others.”
-St. Augustine-

A Friendly Reminder...
Please don’t forget to fulfill your pledge obligation to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA). We invite everyone to share a portion of God’s blessings with others by supporting the Annual Appeal. No gift is too small (or too big). We hope for 100 percent participation of our parish this year to reach our goal ($59,277.00)

St. Luke and the Archdiocese of San Francisco thank you for your gift from the heart! Your contributions help support our ministries and services.

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intention
Universal – Young People in Africa

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
From its earliest days, the Church has had an interest in the education of young people. In ancient Rome, teachers of boys had to resign their posts in order to become catechumens, since the education of boys was so keyed to the lore and worship of the gods. In other ages, public education has been so attuned to other values that creative solutions have arisen.

In late eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century Ireland, government schools had a goal of “Anglicizing” the Irish in culture and religion. Most Irish Catholics opted out in favor of “hedge schools.” In these largely secret schools, meeting not just in the shadow of hedges but also in cottages and barns throughout Ireland, schoolmasters provided eager students with a classical education grounded in Greek and Latin, Irish literature, the banned Gaelic language, and the catechism of the Church. The so-called penal laws forbade Catholics from teaching young people publicly or privately, and “civil disobedience” ruled the day. In 1826, a British government study showed that of half a million Irish children enrolled in schools, 403,000 were in hedge schools! A woman named Nano Nagle defied the law by opening schools for the poor. Eventually her companions became the Presentation Sisters. A layman named Edmund Rice, inspired by her courage, founded the Irish Christian Brothers for the same purpose. By 1820, the situation eased, since Irish Catholics had shown that they would defy any law that diminished their love of learning and threatened their faith.

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

ATTENTION:
The Knights meet every 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in the St. Luke Community Center. All Knights are invited to attend. Please contact Tom Consunji at: (650) 892-3312 or email: tconsunji@gmail.com

October 2018

Religious Education Class Days
Grades One - Eight
October 3, 10 and 17
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
October 7, 14 and 21

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 (4 years old) through children in 2nd grade.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament
At St. Luke, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the chapel every Thursday and First Friday of the month, from 9AM to 7PM. Much of that time, there are parishioners in the chapel venerating the Blessed Sacrament. However, there are some time gaps when there is no one in the chapel. In order that there is at least one parishioner in the chapel guarding the Blessed Sacrament during the entire time of the Exposition, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Community Center of the church at every weekend Mass, with half-hour time slots, each slot for the name of one parishioner who will visit the Blessed Sacrament, designated as a “guardian” during that time period, on the following Thursday or First Friday. This way, we can ensure that there is at least one parishioner who will act as Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament at all times during the Exposition.

8th Annual San Francisco Rosary Rally with Mass
Saturday, October 6, 2018
Saint Mary’s Cathedral, San Francisco
9:00AM Gathering and Rosary
(Confession will be available)
10:00AM Young People’s Rosary Rally Mass
by Archbishop Cordileone (In keeping with Pope Francis’ theme of Accompaniment of Youth 2018)
11:30AM Procession, Renewal of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Crowning Ritual of the Cathedral image of Our Lady of Guadalupe & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
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Blessing of Pets
In commemoration of St. Francis of Assisi’s love for all creatures (feast day: October 4th), St. Luke will have a blessing of pets on Sunday, October 7, 12:00PM at the Church. Bring your creature friends and have them experience God’s loving blessing.

St. Luke’s Women’s Bible Study Group
is offering a 6-week series on the
Theology of Women
This will cover women in the Old Testament, the New Testament and women in the Early Christian Church including Martyrs, Deacons, and Mystics. We will examine the little known leadership roles of these women and their impact on our personal spiritual journey.
Presenter: Dr. Ellen Six, Adjunct Professor at Dominican University and Author of award-winning memoir “Dancing Among the Tombstones”
Dates: Thursdays, October 4 to November 8
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Place: St. Luke Catholic Church
Contact: MaryAnn Fitzgerald
650-574-8644 or rmafitz@sbcglobal.net

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?
If you are a confirmed Catholic and you are seeking an opportunity to enhance your spiritual growth and increase your understanding of the teachings of the Church, St. Luke is offering the Adult Faith Formation program. It will be held every last Monday of the month, from 7:00PM to 8:00PM, here at St. Luke’s Room 4. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), which is a preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation, will be scheduled separately. Please contact our formation heads, Deacon Mar Tano (650.867.5542) & Dr. Ellen Six (650.341.0683).

Jesus prophesies that “there shall be one fold and one shepherd.” (John 10:16)
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. ______________________

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: 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 parish office at least 8-12 months before the desired date.
Music Ministry: Contact Elysabeth Allen (650) 578-0123
Pastoral Council: Dan Linkhorn (415) 533-8797
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
Youth Ministry: Amabel Goell (650) 740-7751

Parish Events
October 1 – 7, 2018

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

Wednesday
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study
Religious Ed (Refer to page 4)

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

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

Sunday
12:00 noon Blessing of Pets

ETERNAL WORD TELEVISION NETWORK
will help you grow in your spiritual life by providing you with movies, documentaries, children’s programming & more!

CHANNELS
EWTN can be viewed on:
Comcast 229, AT&T 562, Astound/Wave 80, San Bruno cable 143,
Dish Satellite 261 and Direct TV 370.

PRAYER TO THE SORROWFUL MOTHER
Mary, most holy Virgin and Queen of Martyrs, accept the sincere homage of my filial affection. Into Thy heart, pierced by so many swords, do Thou welcome my poor soul. Receive it as the companion of Thy sorrows at the foot of the Cross, on which Jesus died for the redemption of the world. With Thee, O sorrowful Virgin, I will gladly suffer all the trials, contradictions, and infirmities which it shall please our Lord to send me. I offer them all to Thee in memory of Thy sorrows, so that every thought of my mind, and every beat of my heart may be an act of compassion and of love for Thee. And do Thou, sweet Mother, have pity on me, reconcile me to Thy divine Son Jesus, keep me in His grace and assist me in my last agony, so that I may be able to meet Thee in Heaven and sing Thy Son’s glories. Amen. (Raccolta)