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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 11, 2018

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.
— 1 Corinthians 10:31

O Christ Jesus, our Lord, wellspring of all life and healing, we lift up all of our needs to Your merciful love. Let the light of Your love dispel the darkness of our sins and renew us with Your grace, as we praise Your greatness forever.

Amen.

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
February 11, 2018

GIVE GOD THE GLORY

A curious feature of the first half of Mark’s Gospel is the pattern of Jesus working a miracle, then telling the recipient of the miracle to keep still about it. Many theories have been offered: Mark is setting the stage for the great “secret” revealed when Peter will proclaim Jesus the Messiah at Caesarea Philippi; more skeptical commentators offer that Jesus, fully aware of human nature, knew that the way to spread the news was to tell people to keep it secret. The insight into this secret-keeping that serves us well, however, is that Jesus was initiating his public ministry according to the pattern that Paul describes. He was doing it for the glory of God—not for his own benefit, but for that of all. Paul would later write in Philippians that Jesus “humbled” himself to become like us. And we see this humility at work in today’s healing of the leper. Jesus is trying to reveal the power of Jesus, or our call to follow the Healer, more than any for Mass and the First Friday of the month.

Benediction is at 7:30PM. "Your deeds might be the only sermon some persons hear today.”
St. Francis of Assisi

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).
Psalm — I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).
Second Reading — Do everything for the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31 — 11:1).
Gospel — The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).


Dedicate 2018 to our Lord Jesus...
Adore Him 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.

As the rainbow unites heaven and earth, so does the Blessed Sacrament unite God with man, heaven on earth, as God makes His dwelling with His people...a promise and foretaste of heaven and a fulfillment of the Love which is the greatest Love our hearts will ever know.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today’s Gospel centers on the plight of a leper and Jesus’ response of healing. In Hawaii, the bacterium that causes leprosy probably entered from China in the mid-1800s, and the native islanders were susceptible to the dreaded disease. In 1866, the government literally dumped the sufferers on a remote and virtually inaccessible island peninsula with towering cliffs. Thrown off ships into the sea, the sick people were told to swim for the beach and head for caves, and for seven years the only supplies were similarly cast into the sea to drift ashore. It was then, 1873, that a thirty-three-year-old Belgian priest, Damien de Veuster, went voluntarily to Kalaupapa. Before long, he cajoled the government into funding his mission and its hospital, built a village with proper homes and sanitation, and recruited Mother Mari-anne Cope to bring sisters from Syracuse, New York, to nurse the sick. Damien, who eventually died of leprosy, has been can-onized, and Mother Marianne as well.

Although leprosy has been curable since the 1940s, today a few patients remain in their lifelong home, now a national his-toric site. The peninsula is still utterly isolated from the outside world, and the speed limit for the few cars there is 5 mph since there’s nowhere to go! The hospital is still well-staffed and equipped, but access is regulated and visitors must take an official tour, often involving a descent down the cliffs by “Molakai mule.” There are few places on earth that evoke the healing power of Jesus, or our call to follow the Healer, more than Damien’s beloved island mission.

— Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.
February 11, 2018

Please pray for our recently deceased, especially... 
Katie Stevens
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May they be strengthened and comforted by their trust in the Lord...

Sunday, February 4th $5,246.67
Church Maintenance Fund $1,656.00

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

“Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25: 40

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.

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intention
General: Say “No” to corruption. That those who have material, political, or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

Women’s Bible Study Group
The Women’s Bible Study and Discussion Group meets in Room 4 of the St. Luke Parish Center. This group will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday mornings to discuss various books of the Bible, the scripture readings for the following Sunday, and to provide prayer support for its members and the community. All Women Welcome

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; World Day of the Sick
Monday: Lincoln’s Birthday
Tuesday: Mardi Gras; Shrove Tuesday
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Valentine’s Day; Fast and Abstinence
Friday: Abstinence; Chinese New Year 4716
Saturday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15
February 11, 2018

**OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
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**February 2018**

**Religious Education Class Days**
Grades One - Eight
February 7th , 14th and 21st
5:30PM to 6:30PM, Grades 1 - 4
6:45PM to 7:45PM, Grades 5 - 8

**First Reconciliation/Confession**
Grade 2 & Eucharist 2 Classes
Wednesday, February 21st @ 5:30-7:30PM

**Confirmation Two Class**
First Three Sundays
3:30PM - 6:00PM including Youth Mass
February 4th, 11th and 18th

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**An ancient ritual...**
As the holy season of Lent begins this month on February 14th we are invited to take part in the ritual of marking the baptized with ashes as a visible symbol of penance. The practice of wearing ashes as a sign of mourning, mortality, and penance can be found throughout biblical tradition, and the early Church continued the usage of ashes for the same symbolic reasons. Eventually, the use of ashes was adapted to mark the beginning of the Lenten season. As we come together on Ash Wednesday to celebrate this holy and ancient ritual of penance, may we also remember that God is gracious and merciful to those with repentant hearts.

**Day of Fasting and Abstinence**
February 14, 2018
To commemorate the beginning of the Lenten Season, we will celebrate Ash Wednesday Mass at 8:30am., 12:10pm., 5:30pm and 7:00pm all in the main church. As part of our Mass liturgy, we will be signed on our foreheads with ashes, reminding us of the new church liturgical season, giving us hope for a new heart and a new life as disciples of Jesus Christ.

**LENTEN REGULATIONS:**
- **Abstinence:** Everyone fourteen years of age and older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday
- **Fast:** Every one eighteen years of age and older but under the age of sixty is also bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The law of fast allows one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food during the day, so long as this does not constitute another full meal.

May we have a grace-filled Lenten journey with our Lord until His most blessed Easter glory.

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**Stations of the Cross...**
Please join us every Friday evening during Lent. Stations of the Cross begin in the Main Church at 7:00PM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

**LECTORS AND CAPTAINS**
March/April - LECTOR/CAPTAIN SCHEDULE
Peggy Simkins will be preparing the Lector and Captain schedules for the next two months. If you know of dates that you will be unable to read or captain in March/April please call her by February 20th.
Contact number (650) 573-5370. Leave a message if you do not speak to Peggy directly. Thank you.

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**ATTENTION:** The Knights meet every 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in the St. Luke community center. **Exception:** April meeting — April 9, 2018.
All Knights are invited to attend. Please contact Tom Consunji at: (650) 892-3312 or email: tconsunji@gmail.com

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**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**Crab! Crab! and more CRAB!!!**
We are really excited!

We have wonderful food, music, and auction items lined up for our 14th Annual Crab Feed, coming up, Saturday, March 3rd. Tickets are on sale in the parish center after the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses. For $55.00, and all-you-can-eat CRAB or Chicken entrée with antipasto, salad, garlic bread, pasta, dessert await your craving palates. Beer, Sodas, Water and Wine are available for purchase. Music for Dining & Dancing...Raffle and no-host bar. Get your tickets early so that you and your guest are able to sit at the same table. Tickets are available in the office Monday-Saturday morning during office hours. during office hours office hours. too!
**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. ______________________

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**Parish Events**

**February 13 – February 16, 2018**

**Tuesday**

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

**Ash Wednesday**

Masses in Main Church

8:30am, 12:10pm

5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Religious Ed Classes (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

7:30 p.m. Solemn Benediction

**Friday**

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross followed by Benediction

7:00 p.m. Children’s Choir

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**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.

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

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

**Finance Council:** John Bernat (650) 341-4045

**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 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

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

**SVdP Conference:** Peggy Simkins (650) 573-5370

**Women’s Bible Study:** Peg Culver (650) 349-1408

**Youth Ministry:** Amabel Goell (650) 740-7751

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**PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY**

Lord Christ, who, being made subject to Mary and Joseph, didst consecrate domestic life by Thine ineffable virtues; grant that we, with the assistance of both, may be taught by the example of Thy holy Family and may attain to its everlasting fellowship. Who lives and reigns, world without end.

Amen