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.

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 25, 2018

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth.

— Revelation 1:5

All praise and honor to You, Lord Jesus Christ, our beginning and our end. You alone deserve to be glorified through our offering of love and obedience to You. Let Your Divine Spirit lead us to Your Kingdom, where we will forever sing Your praise, O King of All. 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 25, 2018

CHRIST IS KING

On the final Sunday of the liturgical year we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. It’s easy to understand today’s scriptures as events that happened long ago and far away, or predictions that will come true somewhere, some day. But they invite us to claim Christ as our King here and now. Jesus’ words to Pilate in the Gospel remind us that his kingdom transcends time and place. And the prophecies from Daniel and Revelation give us reason to be faithful to Christ our King right here and right now.

By concluding the year with this feast we are proclaiming our faith that Jesus Christ is the one and only King over all seasons, all peoples, and all of creation. No matter what nation we belong to or what language we speak, he “has made us into a kingdom” (Revelation 1:6)—one people united in love and peace for all eternity.

Today’s Readings

First Reading — One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).
Psalm — The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).
Second Reading — Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).
Gospel — For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Jesus stands before the world, testifying to the truth. He has come to reveal the truth about God, and invites us into His reign, which is not of this world. In His eternal kingdom, God welcomes those who strive day after day to put into practice His word. With her fiat, Our Blessed Mother, the humblest of all creatures, is the greatest in His eyes and sits as Queen at the right hand of Christ the King. To her maternal intercession let us entrust ourselves with a child’s trust, that we might realize our Christian mission of advancing God’s kingdom in the world.

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

NOTE: BENEDICTION will be at 7:00 p.m., starting November 29, 2018

“Cast all your cares on Him because He cares for you.”
—1 Peter 5:7

Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is our loving Savior. He teaches us to put all our trust in His Sacred Heart so that the power of His Eucharistic Love will capture, conquer, and cast out all doubts, all fears, all anxieties, all troubles that we have, so that His peace might reign in our hearts. Our Lord is waiting for you in the Blessed Sacrament. How much he longs for you to experience His love, care and healing as you come to dwell in His Heart.

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.

Holy Mass Celebrants
Saturday, December 1, 2018
5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan
Sunday, December 2, 2018
7:30 am Fr. Jonathan
9:00 am Fr. Al
10:30 am Fr. Jonathan
5:00 pm Fr. Tieng

Mass Intentions for November 26 - December 2

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

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Although our Puritan forebears at Plymouth Rock were almost a hundred years removed from their Catholic roots, the old liturgical calendar still had an unconscious claim on their hearts. We've already seen how on Saint Martin’s Day, November 11, medieval continental Europe observed a great harvest day of Thanksgiving, with games, dances, parades, and a festive dinner of roast goose. With the goose went ample draughts of “Saint Martin’s Wine,” the first wine of the new harvest. Martinmas celebrated full barns and larders stocked for the winter. Even after the Reformation, the tradition of eating goose on Saint Martin’s Day was retained in Holland, and it was there that our Pilgrims encountered this tradition. When Governor Bradford sent four hunters out into the Massachusetts wilderness in the autumn of 1621, they did indeed find some geese and ducks, and were persuaded by the indigenous people to try turkey, too.

Just as the liturgical calendar has been tweaked over the years, President Roosevelt moved Thanksgiving to the third Thursday in November in 1939, probably to extend the Christmas shopping season. The protest was so great that in 1941 the day established by President Lincoln, the last Thursday in November, was restored. If the Pilgrims had known of the Martinmas connection, they might never have celebrated at all!

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

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intention
Universal – In Service of Peace
That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

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., to discuss various books of the Bible, the scripture readings, and to provide prayer support for its members and the community. Last Bible Study before Christmas Break: Dec. 13. Bible Study resumes: Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019 at 9:30a.m. (Patti Villano: 650-341-6913)
December 2018

Religious Education Class Days
Grades One - Eight

December 5, 12 and 19
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
December 2, 9 and 16

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE
Let us bring the Infant Savior’s hope and love to those in need! As we approach Christmas, we invite everyone to once again share your God-given blessings with our needy brethren, through our annual “CHRISTMAS 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 16th, 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!

HOLIDAY GRIEF WORKSHOP
St. Pius is hosting a “Coping with Grief During the Holidays” Workshop on Monday, December 3, 2018, 7:00PM—8:30PM. This workshop will be facilitated by Sister Toni Lynn Gallagher of the San Francisco Archdiocese, to be held in the Parish Center at St. Pius Church (1100 Woodside Road, Redwood City). All are welcome! To register or for more information, please email griefministry@pius.org or call (650) 361-0655.

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

ADVENT 2018 RETREAT FOR TEENS
High School Teens are invited to SEARCH— A TEEN ADVENT RETREAT! SEARCH for Jesus as we prepare for the celebration of His birth. Join teens from other local parishes and begin the Advent Season with an encounter with Christ. Engaging talks by Culture Project and Echoes of Worth, Uplifting Praise and Worship Music, Holy Mass and Eucharistic Adoration included! When: Sunday, Dec. 2, from 2:00PM—8:00PM Where: St. Luke Catholic Church, Foster City Dinner and snacks provided. Cost is free. Goodwill donations accepted. Space is limited! RSVP as soon as possible. Registration form available at www.saintlukefc.org. For inquiries, contact Amabel Goell, Youth Ministry Coordinator: st.lukefcym@gmail.com

ST. LUKE PENANCE SERVICE
Prepare for the coming of the Lord… Receive God’s peace and healing mercies…

CONFESSIONS: 6:00PM, Thursday, Dec. 13, 2018

LEGION OF MARY REUNION
The Mother of Divine Grace Praesidium will host the ANNUAL GENERAL REUNION on Saturday, December 8, 2018, 1:00PM to 4:30PM at St. Gregory Church, Worner Center 2715 Hacienda Street, San Mateo, CA 94403 POTLUCK: Please bring your favorite dish and/or dessert, salad.

All Legion of Mary Members are invited. For inquiries, please call Ador Arzaga (650) 438-5346

ST. LUKE CHRISTMAS POTLUCK
December 15, Saturday, 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 located in the Parish Center.

THINKING ABOUT JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?
ARE YOU AN ADULT WHO HAS NEVER RECEIVED COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION?
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)
**Prayer to Christ the King**

O CHRIST JESUS, I acknowledge Thee King of the universe. All that has been created has been made for Thee. Exercise over me all Your sovereign rights.

I renew the promise of my Baptism. I renounce satan and all his works, and all his pomp, and I promise to live a good Christian life and to do all by Your power to procure the triumph of the rights of God and Your Church.

Divine Heart of Jesus, I offer You my poor efforts so that all hearts will acknowledge Your Sacred Kingship, and that thus the Kingdom of Your peace might be established throughout the universe. Amen.

**PARISH EVENTS**

**November 27 – December 2, 2018**

**Tuesday**
3:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Conference/Rm.#4

**Wednesday**
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
7:00 p.m. Benediction/Chapel

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

**Sunday**
2:00 p.m. Search: An Advent Teen Retreat
3:30 p.m. Confirmation Two Class (Refer to page 4)

**Prayer for the Souls in Purgatory**

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, for those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

The Prayer of St. Gertrude, above, is one of the most famous of the prayers for souls in purgatory. St. Gertrude was a Benedictine nun and mystic who lived in the 13th century. According to tradition, our Lord promised her that 1000 souls would be released from purgatory each time it is said devoutly.

**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

**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. ______________________