

# Saint Luke Catholic Church

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## *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*

#### *Deacon*

*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-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*October 6, 2019*

Come, let us bow down in worship;  
let us kneel before the Lord who made us.

— Psalm 95:6



*O Christ Jesus  
our Lord,  
perfecter of faith,  
strengthen us with  
Your Divine Spirit  
to do Your  
loving will.  
Empower us  
to become  
Your devoted  
servants, bearing  
our share of  
hardship for the  
Gospel, forever  
proclaiming Your  
glorious reign.  
Amen.*

## *Month of October*

*dedicated to*

*Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary*

### **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

October 6, 2019

**A LITTLE FAITH**

Today our readings are about faith, frustration, and how much is enough. Habakkuk is a complainer having an argument with God. Timothy is encouraging a community challenged by cowardice and the apostles want more faith than they have. Things aren't happening fast enough for any of them or for us. All of them and we want God to do something sooner rather than later and we want God to give us a reason to believe that it will all work out. What does God do? God puts it back on them—and us—telling Habakkuk to describe the world he wants; telling the apostles to do more than the expected. Doing more with less is a familiar phrase today and a reminder that a little faith may be enough even for the most difficult times. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The just ones, because of their faith, shall live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

**Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

**Gospel** — The apostles said to Jesus, "Increase our faith" (Luke 17:5-10).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
- Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
- Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
- Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
- Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
- Monday: Our Lady of the Rosary
- Tuesday: Yom Kippur (Jewish Day of Atonement) begins at sundown
- Wednesday: St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi
- Friday: St. John XXIII
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

**Pray for Pope Francis's Intention**

**Evangelization – Holy Spirit**

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the church.  
In Jesus' name. Amen.

***Holy Mass Celebrants***

**Saturday, October 5, 2019**

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Paala

**Sunday, October 6, 2019**

7:30 am Fr. Jonathan Paala

9:00 am Fr. Jonathan Paala

10:30 am Fr. Al Furtado

5:00 pm Fr. Peter Tieng



**Holy Mass Intentions for October 7 – 13, 2019**

| Date          | Time      | Intention                 | Pray for your priests   |
|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|---|
| <b>MON 7</b>  | 8:30 a.m. | † Asmat Estephan          | Fr. Kieran McCormick  |
| <b>TUE 8</b>  | 8:30 a.m. | † Prima Guial             | Fr. Anthony Chung   |
| <b>WED 9</b>  | 8:30 a.m. | † Natividad Guial         | Fr. Al Furtado  |
| <b>THU 10</b> | 8:30 a.m. | † Inocencio Pangilinan    | Fr. Francis Njua  |
| <b>FRI 11</b> | 8:30 a.m. | † Adiel Rallos            | Fr. Joseph Cardoza  |
| <b>SAT 12</b> | 8:30 a.m. | Gean Dee — SI             | Fr. Joseph Kengah Mumba   |
|               | 5:00 p.m. | † Mary K. Lohr            |   |
| <b>SUN 13</b> | 7:30 a.m. | Missa Pro Populo          | Fr. Jonathan Paala<br>Pastor, St. Luke Catholic Church<br>Foster City |
|               | 9:00 a.m. | † Jesus & Natividad Guial |   |
|               | 10:30am   | † George Huang            |   |
|               | 5:00p.m.  | † Epifania G. Mayer       |   |

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

**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 7:00PM

Our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is longing to shower upon us the divine light of His grace, love and peace. For "Christ is truly the Emmanuel, that is, God with us, day and night, he is in our midst. He dwells with us full of grace and truth. He restores morality, nourishes virtue, consoles the afflicted, strengthens the weak." (*Pope Paul VI, Mysterium Fidei*). He is our greatest friend, our Healer, our Savior who is waiting for us to come and abide in His Eucharistic Love, until He comes again to bring all of us to His eternal home in heaven.

*"For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." - John 6:33*

We need people who will commit as

**"Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament."**

*Sign-up sheets are located in the Chapel foyer.*

October 6, 2019

Eternal rest grant unto the souls of Your beloved, O Lord.

† Patrick Banks, † Cardinal William Levada,  
† Catherine McNamara, † March Babaran  
and † Carlos Gil, Jr.

We pray for God's healing upon our sick parishioners:

|                     |                      |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Juris Arcilla       | Arturo Martin        |
| Minerva Barnhart    | Andres Mendez        |
| Ruben Calderon, Jr. | Angela Mihelcic      |
| Elizabeth Fong      | Bozidar Mihelcic     |
| Dennis B. Huang     | Jon Miller           |
| Barbara Keefer      | Sheila O'Neill       |
| Tom Keefer          | Rosetta Parisian     |
| JoAnn Kozloski      | Diana Pineda         |
| Josephine Kozloski  | Josephine Rea        |
| Jackie Kuo          | Angela F. Reyes      |
| Derek Lee           | Estrella Reyes       |
| Patricia Joy Lee    | Kathy Sampson        |
| Dancy Lim           | Jennifer Shamway     |
| Christian Liwag     | Priscilla Touchstone |
| Evangeline B. Lopez | Dr. Francis Walls    |

"...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 the month of October. If you want us to continue praying for them, please notify the office. Thank you.



September 28/29 \$ 3,681.00  
St. Vincent de Paul Conference \$ 2,851.00  
*Your generous contribution helps us fulfill Christ's mission.*

*Thank you! God bless you!*

*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."*

*1 Peter 4:10*

### A Gentle Reminder...

Please don't forget to fulfill your pledge obligation to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) and help us reach our parish goal (\$59,244.20). St. Luke and the Archdiocese of San Francisco thank you!!

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(use code DQCXNM if needed)

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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, 9:30a.m. to 11:30a.m., September to May, to discuss various books of the Bible, the scripture readings, and to provide prayer support for its members and the community. **Patti Villano:** 650-341-6913

### The Little Ones

Jim Burrow



### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes human relationships go awry, but Christ's choice for us is irrevocable. In marriage celebrations, the Church always recalls God's faithfulness to help prepare married couples for enduring the inevitable rough spots. The Byzantine liturgy does this by adorning the couple with crowns that remind them of the martyr's crown. The couple therefore takes on a vocation of witnessing to the sacredness of life in all of its suffering and joy, and of keeping their eyes fixed on the banquet of heaven.

In Eastern theology, people have a liturgical vocation to give God praise, and marriage fits within that plan. It is not so much saying prayers that counts, but becoming prayer. Interestingly, in this liturgy the couple never utters a word other than joining in the community's chants; there are no marriage vows as such. There is therefore not a hint of our Western Christian sense that marriage is a legal contract. Rather, it is all about living out one's baptismal vocation, embracing the cross, pouring oneself out in love, and opening to the grace of the Holy Spirit. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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## OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sister Maria Ruth Linaac, RVM  
Director of Religious Education  
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### October 2019 Religious Education Classes

Grades One - Eight

October 2nd, 9th and 16th

Grades 1-4 (5:30PM to 6:30PM)

Grades 5-8 (6:45PM to 7:45PM)

### Confirmation Two Classes

October 2nd, 9th and 16th

6:45PM to 7:45PM



## 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.

### 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 Eddie Torres at: Tel. No.: 650-823-3911



## Save the Date: Pasta Fest

Gather with families and friends on November 16, Saturday at 6:00pm for a delicious pasta dinner fest at the community center. This is a fundraising event spearheaded by the Knights of Columbus and proceeds will go to St. Luke's Youth Ministry. Watch out for announcements regarding ticket sale.

## Archdiocese of San Francisco Adult Confirmation in November

There will be an Adult Confirmation at St. Mary's Cathedral on November 23, 2019, 5:30pm.

If you have not been confirmed, please consider this opportunity. There will be preparation classes at the cathedral on October 25 and 26. Please visit the Parish Office to register. For more information, call 415-614-5650 or email [atilanoc@sfarch.org](mailto:atilanoc@sfarch.org).

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, self-control (Gal 5:22)*

RESPECT LIFE  
MONTH



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## Respect Life Reflection

### *Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life*

*"Hold fast to the hope that lies before us. This we have as an anchor of the soul, sure and firm." Hebrews 6:18-19*

From the time we are knit together in our mothers' wombs until we take our final breaths, each moment of our lives is a gift from God. While every season of life brings its own challenges and trials, each season also gives us new opportunities to grow in our relationship with God. Today the gift of life is threatened in countless ways. Those who are most vulnerable, rather than receiving the protection they deserve, are all too often seen as a burden and as expendable. As new attacks on human life continue to emerge, we can be tempted to despair, but Christ instead offers us unfailing hope.

Hope is the virtue "by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit" (CCC, 1817). Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, "God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end" (*Spe salvi* 31).

Christians know "they have a future: it is not that they know the details of what awaits them, but they know in general terms that their life will not end in emptiness" (SS 2). For this reason, a woman experiencing a difficult pregnancy can find the strength to welcome her precious child into the world. A man facing a terminal diagnosis can see that the end of his earthly life is only the beginning of eternal life with Christ.

The Church teaches us that "the one who has hope lives differently" (SS 2). Christ's promise of salvation does not mean that we will be spared from suffering. Rather, the promise of salvation ensures that even in the darkest moments of our lives, we will be given the strength to persevere. By virtue of this Christian hope, we can face any challenge or trial. When the seas of life swell and we are battered by the waves, hope allows us to remain anchored in the heart of God. May we hold fast to Christ our hope, from the beginning of life to its very end.

### 2019-2020 Archdiocesan Respect Life Essay Contest

Students Grades K-12 are invited to submit work (essay and other art for older kids) to the 2019-2020 *Respect Life Essay Contest*. Contest deadline is October 31st. Winners will be posted on January 13, 2020. Visit <https://sfarch.org/essay-contest> for application, rules and eligibility.

## PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Our Blessed Mother Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, accept the roses of prayers offered at the garden of Your Son's Love. Grant that the meditation of the mysteries of the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Christ permeate our understanding, our will, our heart, our memories, our imagination, our whole being. Let the Our Fathers remind us that God our Father is the initiator of salvation. Let the Hail Marys remind us to join with you in contemplating the mysteries of your Son. Let the Glory Bes remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Blessed Trinity and that God will bring us to share in His glory with you, our Mother and His Son Jesus Christ forever and ever. Amen.

## PARISH EVENTS

**October 8 – 13, 2019**

**Tuesday (October 8)**

3:00 p.m.—St. Vincent de Paul Conference/Room 4

**Wednesday (October 9)**

Re-Ed and Confirmation 2 Classes (Refer to page 4)

**Thursday (October 10)**

9:00 a.m. All-Day Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study/Room 4

7:00 p.m. Benediction

**Friday (October 11)**

7:00 p.m. Benediction

7:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal

**Saturday (October 12)**

4:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. Anticipated Mass

**Sunday (October 13)**

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 5:00pm Holy Masses

\*Join us for fellowship, donuts, coffee & juice after the 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Holy Masses\*

## 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:** Eddie Torres (650) 823-3911

**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:** Eddie Torres (650) 823-3911

**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

## 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. \_\_\_\_\_

## Notre Dame Open House

Notre Dame Elementary and Preschool, Belmont, is now accepting applications for Preschool-Grade 8 for the 2020-2021 school year. Sponsored by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, NDE is an independent, co-ed Preschool-Grade 8 school located on the campus of Notre Dame de Namur University in Belmont. Interested families are invited to attend our Open House, Thursday, October 17 from 6:00 — 7:00pm. Visit [www.nde.org](http://www.nde.org).

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God has committed some work to me that he has not committed to another. I have my mission.

**Bl. John Henry Newman**  
Anglican priest and poet who converted to Catholicism and became a renowned cardinal and theologian

October 9

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