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.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 23, 2016
The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest until it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds.
— Sirach 35:17-18a

Prayer
O Lord Jesus Christ, we lift up our hearts in praise of Your wondrous love. Let Your merciful gaze be upon us, sinners, who seek to return to Your loving arms. This we ask in Your powerful Name. 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 - 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
NO COMPARISONS

How many times have we read or heard about someone who’s gotten into trouble—maybe even fired from a job—because of a brush with the law? While our “Christian” minds tell us to be sorry and even pray for the person, a little voice inside our heads may also be saying, “I’m glad I would never do anything like that.”

And perhaps we wouldn’t. But are there some things we do that are still not pleasing in God’s eyes? Today’s readings caution us not to look so intently at someone else’s wrongdoing that we overlook our own weaknesses and shortcomings. When we measure ourselves against the worst people we can think of, we come out looking pretty good.

There is a danger, however, in using someone else’s behavior as a way of reflecting our own goodness.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Imagine the frustration of bishops who work strenuously over their ad limina reports, directing study committees, assembling data, honing the texts, traveling to Rome “to the threshold,” only to have it all collapse into a fifteen-minute group meeting with the pope. More than a few have grumbled at the weight of this “treasure” from our tradition, yet from the pope’s vantage point, they are essential to his ministry.

Pope John Paul II recalled his own experience as the Bishop of Kraków, visiting with Pope Paul VI in the late 1960s and early 1970s. The memory of those individual visits caused him to strengthen the format, assuring each of the world’s 2,744 bishops a privileged fifteen private minutes with the pope every five years. If you wonder what the pope does all day, the thought of dealing with five hundred bishops a year and reading their detailed reports on diocesan life should help fill up the calendar. Pope John Paul II used to say that he approached each individual meeting with the personal goal of learning something new about the Church, and his lively interest made the visits immensely worthwhile. The content of the private meetings remains under a privilege of secrecy, or as Cardinal Theodore McCarrick once said, “You’re only supposed to quote the pope if he tells a joke.”

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

ALWAYS FAITHFUL

Whether you like it or not, you will always grow apart from human beings. Christ is faithful and always with you.

—St. John of God

NEVER ABANDONED

Lord, I do not ask that I never be afflicted, but only that you never abandon me in affliction.

—St. Bernadette Soubirous
October 23, 2016

Please pray for the recently deceased of St. Luke parish. Lois Rita Henn, Beverly Kechichian & George Huang 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.


ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Update as of August 31, 2016

Thanks to your generous response, our 2016 Annual Appeal has reached 73% of our $59,393.00 goal or $43,657.00 total payments received.

We need your help to reach our goal. If you have not filled out your pledge form or have not yet submitted your contributions, please do so. We need everyone’s support to meet our goal. Forms are available on the table in our community center.

Your loving sacrifices and commitment to the AAA allows the Archdiocese of San Francisco to continue serving the Universal Church and the local community. God reward you a hundredfold.

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intentions

General: That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics.

Mission: That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and responsibility to announce it.

The ADULT FAITH FORMATION program is ongoing. We meet every Tuesday at 7:00 p.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. If a particular meeting is being cancelled, it will be announced during the prior Sunday Masses. All are invited to attend. Contact Kevin Lucia at 650-740-9072 for further information.

Jubilee Year of Mercy

October 23, 2016

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today’s Gospel graces us with a beautiful prayer that can make every day of our lives a jubilee of mercy: “O God, be merciful to me a sinner” (Luke 18:13). Religious Israelites despised the tax collector who prayed it, for collaborating with Gentile occupiers and handling currency that bore the “divine” emperor’s graven image. But the Pharisee’s long-winded self-congratulation, mixed with self-righteous condemnation, was no “prayer” at all. “The Pharisee . . . spoke this prayer to himself” (18:11, emphasis added). Praying the tax collector’s simple, sincere, succinct cry for mercy acknowledges our own sinfulness, and “welcomes” other sinners as brothers and sisters with whom we can identify, even empathize, echoing Pope Francis’ famous comment about not being the one to judge. Indeed, the tax collector “went home justiﬁed” (18:14), that is, restored to God’s friendship, for God’s mercy is not prize achieved but gift received. “Let your prayer be brief: for tax collector, prodigal son, and dying thief were all reconciled to God by a single phrase!” (Saint John Climacus, 7th century). —Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
National World Youth Day (U.S.);
Mission Sunday

Monday: St. Anthony Mary Claret
Friday: Ss. Simon and Jude
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday: Wis 11:22 — 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Thes 1:11 — 2:2; Lk 19:1-10
October 23, 2016

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 Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in the St. Luke community center. All Knights are invited to attend. Please contact Tom Miller at: tommiller@sonic.net or @tom_miller_1

World Mission Sunday ~ Today, Oct 23rd
A Sunday to be Merciful to the Whole World

Your prayers and generous support offered to the Society for the Propagation of Faith on World Mission Sunday directly benefit the Mission Church—places like the Central African Republic and Sri Lanka, Fiji and Tanzania, where young churches are growing, filled with zeal for the faith, but struggling with lack of resources for outreach to communities in need. Thank you for your kindness.

All Souls Envelopes are now available—the completed forms will be placed at the foot of the altar and your departed loved ones will be remembered during all Masses in November.

St. Luke Rosary Procession
Join us in praying the Holy Rosary in honor of our Blessed Mother Mary and gather together in procession outside St. Luke church on Saturday, October 29th, after the 8:30AM Holy Mass. When we honor our Blessed Mother, we honor Her Son, our Lord Jesus.

Next Weekend is a “Fifth” Sunday Special 2nd Collection...
October 30th is a “fifth” Sunday. Whenever a fifth Sunday occurs in a month, the parish of St. Luke sets aside a second collection to benefit the works of our own local St. Vincent de Paul Conference. Their outreach extends to families in need in Foster City. The conference asks you to help them to help others. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you.

Rosary Program...
To help bring the St. Luke parishioners together in a spiritual activity, the St. Luke Knights of Columbus is spearheading "The 5th Sunday Rosary Program". The Knights, their families and our parishioners will be meeting every time a 5th Sunday occurs during a month, to pray the rosary. The next 5th Sunday schedule is on October 30th and the rosary meet will be conducted after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Church Chapel. Parishioners are advised to bring their rosaries. We request all parishioners to participate in this rosary program and help our parish grow in a more spiritual way.

OCTOBER 2016

➢ CONFIRMATION 2 CLASSES
3:30PM—6:00PM
   Note: NO CLASSES on October 30th

➢ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
  5:30PM—6:30PM Grades 1-4
  6:45PM—7:45PM Grades 5-8
   Note: NO CLASSES on October 26th

NOVEMBER 2016

➢ CONFIRMATION 2 CLASSES
3:30PM—6:00PM
   • November 6th, 13th, and 20th
   Note: NO CLASSES on November 27th

➢ RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
  5:30PM—6:30PM Grades 1-4
  6:45PM—7:45PM Grades 5-8
   • November 2nd, 9th and 16th
   Note: NO CLASSES on November 23rd & 30th

➢ November 13, 2016, Sunday
   9:00AM Family Mass Sponsors Grades 2&7

➢ November 16, 2016, Wednesday
   6:30 PM Parents’ Meeting

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 yrs. old) through children in 2nd grade.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word starts when the priest presider at Mass invites the children to gather in front of the altar after the opening prayer. With the dismissal blessing, the children process out of the Church and proceed to the Religious Education Office for their own Scripture Readings. The children return to their families at Mass in time for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
**Contact People**

**Adult Rosary Making:** Kevin and Sally Lucia (650) 740-9072  
**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) 740-9072  
**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  
**Jr. Rosary Making:** Sally Lucia (650) 349-3090  
**Knights of Columbus:** Call Tom Miller (650) 631-1341  
**Legion of Mary:** Fri. at 4:30 p.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)740-9072  
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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**Queen of the most Holy Rosary,**

in these times of such brazen impiety, manifest thy power with the signs of thine ancient victories, and from thy throne, whence thou dost dispense pardon and graces, mercifully regard the Church of thy Son, His Vicar on earth, and every order of clergy and laity, who are sore oppressed in the mighty conflict. Do thou, who art the powerful vanquisher of all heresies, hasten the hour of mercy, even though the hour of God’s justice is every day provoked by the countless sins of men. For me who am the least of men, kneeling before thee in supplication, do thou obtain the grace I need to live righteously upon earth and to reign among the just in heaven, while in company with all faithful Christians throughout the world, I salute thee and acclaim thee as Queen of the Holy Rosary.

Amen.

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**This Week in Our Parish**

**October 24 – October 29, 2016**

**Tuesday**

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Adult Rosary Making  
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation  
7:00 p.m. SVdP Conference

**Thursday**

9:00 a.m. Adoration of the Holy Eucharist  
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Adult Rosary Making  
6:30 p.m. Holy Hour  
7:30 p.m. Benediction/7:45 p.m. RCIA

**Friday**

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Adult Rosary Making  
4:30 p.m. Legion of Mary  
7:00 p.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

**Saturday**

10:30 a.m. Jr. Legion of Mary

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**Travelers Alert**

Mass Times and locations of Catholic Churches at (410) 676-6000 or www.masstimes.org

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**Archdiocesan Year of Mercy Resources**

Please visit SFArchdiocese.org/YearOfMercy to find information, resources and service opportunities during this Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy.

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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) ____________________  
(Last) __________________________  
Address: _________________________________________  
City: ______________________ Zip: _________________  
Telephone No. ______________________

**Update Member Information**

Name: (First) ____________________  
(Last) __________________________  
Address: _________________________________________  
City: ______________________ Zip: _________________  
Telephone No. ______________________