

# 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 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.*

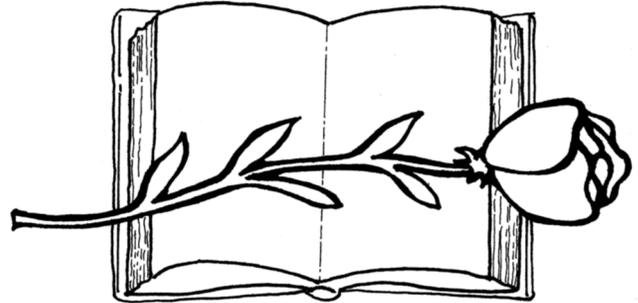
*Thank you.*

## *Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*September 2, 2018*

Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls.

— James 1:21b



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Christ Jesus, our Lord, Son of the Living God, have mercy on us sinners. Dispel the darkness in our hearts with the light of Your Spirit. Let our lives proclaim the works of Your saving love and bring praise and honor to Your Name. 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

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**THE HIGHEST LAW**

From time to time, newspapers and magazines will offer, as an item of “filler,” various laws that are still on the books but seem silly to us in our day and age. In one California city, it is illegal to have two indoor bathtubs in one house. Clean water, a precious commodity when the law was written, is now readily available, so the law seems silly. But the human value of protecting and preserving precious resources is still around, evident in many conservation laws that seem sensible to us. So it is with the laws of religious tradition. What Jesus scorns today is others’ attitude toward ritual laws, an attitude that becomes nearly idolatrous when laws are observed for their own sake. Jesus teaches that observation of external ritual laws is of value only when they are emblems of our internal disposition toward the will of God. Our whole lives must follow the one ultimate law of God: to love God completely and to love neighbor entirely. Roman Catholicism is a tradition rich with customs, traditions, and even laws. As we continue to listen to the voice of Christ, we must always look into our own hearts and underneath our ritual practices to make sure that love of God and love of neighbor are what we prize above all.

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: St. Gregory the Great; Labor Day  
 Friday: First Friday  
 Saturday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass “For the Blessings of Human Labor,” nos. 907-911  
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37  
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44  
 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11  
 Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39  
 Saturday: Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]  
 Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

**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 & be with Him.

***Holy Mass Celebrants***

**Saturday, Sept. 8, 2018**  
 5:00 pm Fr. Francis  
**Sunday, Sept. 9, 2018**  
 7:30 am Fr. Kengah  
 9:00 am Fr. Francis  
 10:30 am Fr. Jonathan  
 5:00 pm Fr. Kengah



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**Mass Intentions for September 3 - September 9**

| Date         | Time       | Intention   | Pray for your Priests   |
|--------------|------------|---|---|
| <b>MON 3</b> | 8:30 a.m.  | † Stella Binkley  | Fr. Kieran McCormick  |
| <b>TUE 4</b> | 8:30 a.m.  | † Perlita Dee   | Fr. Anthony Chung   |
| <b>WED 5</b> | 8:30 a.m.  | † Alvin Kison   | Fr. Joe Gordon  |
| <b>THU 6</b> | 8:30 a.m.  | † Bert Tremont  | Fr. Larry D’Souza   |
| <b>FRI 7</b> | 8:30 a.m.  | † Piedad Hernandez                                      | Fr. Joseph Cardoza  |
| <b>SAT 8</b> | 8:30 a.m.  | Tessa Alvarez   | Fr. Joseph Kengah Mumba   |
|              | 5:00 p.m.  | † Jose Mari Nieto                                       |   |
| <b>SUN 9</b> | 7:30 a.m.  | Missa Pro Populo  | Fr. Jonathan Paala<br>Pastor, St. Luke Catholic Church<br>Foster City |
|              | 9:00 a.m.  | † Darrel Dorsett  |   |
|              | 10:30 a.m. | † Jesus & Marietta Yujuico                              |   |
|              | 5:00 p.m.  | Intentions of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary for the sick |   |

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

**“Your deeds might be the only sermon some persons hear today.”**

*St. Francis of Assisi*

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us? (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).

**Psalm** — The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

**Second Reading** — Religion that is pure is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

**Gospel** — This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

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*Please pray for our recently deceased, especially:*

†Tomas Palaris Bandong, †Tomas Chua Bandong,  
†Jeanette Castro, †Steven Ghiozzi  
and †Carmen Aguinaldo

*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:*

Juris Arcilla, Esther Bandong, Patrick Banks,  
Jacquelyn Conway, Dolores Detruz, Katherine Fox,  
Dennis B. Huang, Tom & Barbara Keefer, Leah  
Mercado, Ricardo Nuqui, Marissa Paquette,  
Josephine & Ronald Rea, Kathy Sampson, Priscilla  
Touchstone and Jim Tremont.

*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, August 26th**

**\$ 3,835.00**

*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.

### **Women's Bible Study Group**

**Bible Study**



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. **The group will resume on September 13, 2018** (Patti Villano: 650-341-6913)

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

When an altar is dedicated, the Rite of Dedication directs that, if possible, the relics of a martyr be mortared into the church floor under the *mensa*, or "altar table." Up until this revised rite, the general practice was to include small relics of saints in an altar stone, a slab of marble that was normally set in the altar itself. Today's rite states a clear preference for "martyr," and for a substantial part of the body, in accord with our tradition's desire for substantial symbols. Martyr, of course, means "witness" in Greek, and was the title given early on to the people who by their death imaged the death of Christ.

From the beginning, there has never been a shortage of such people, although it took a while for the Church to develop a process to declare someone a martyr. Saint Augustine tells how it was done in the fifth century. By then, popular opinion didn't count as much as an official tribunal set up by the bishop of the place where the martyr suffered. After the inquiry established that the person did indeed die for the faith, a metropolitan bishop had to ratify the decision before a shrine could be built or an altar set up over the martyr's tomb. For the most part, the honor paid to a martyr (called a "cult") was restricted to that diocese, although the fame of some heroes spread so much that they were celebrated elsewhere. The age of the martyrs is now, and more people died for the faith in the twentieth century than ever before, witnessing to Christ to the end. Their sacrifice remains "the seed of the Church."

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

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## OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

### *September 2018*

#### Religious Education Class Days

Grades One - Eight

September 5th, 12th, & 19th

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

September 2nd, 9th, and 16th

**Note: September 5th, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.**  
**FIRST GRADE & NEW PARENTS**  
**ORIENTATION MEETING-St. Luke Church**

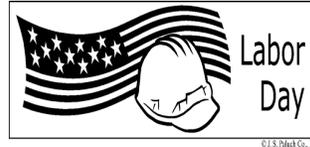


### **LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN (LWC)**

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 (4yrs. 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.

**ATTENTION:** The Knights meet every 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in the St. Luke community center. **Exception: September meeting — Sept. 10, 2018.** All Knights are invited to attend. Please contact Tom Consunji at: (650) 892-3312 or email: tconsunji@gmail.com



Offices are closed  
Monday, September 3,  
2018 in observance of  
Labor Day

Have a safe and pleasant holiday!!!

### *St. Luke Parish Picnic 2018*

All are invited to our St. Luke Annual Parish Picnic on **September 8th**, Saturday, beginning at 11:00a.m. in Boothbay Park, Foster City. Come and relish the camaraderie! Feast on burgers and chili! Lunch will be served from 12:00p.m. to 1:00p.m. See you all!

### *NORCAL JAM on FIRE*

All high school teens are invited to NORCAL JAM on FIRE, on Saturday, **September 15, 9:00a.m. to 9:00p.m.** at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom in Vallejo. Join fellow NORCAL Teens as we kick off this year's St. Luke Youth Ministry. Hear inspiring speakers and participate in powerful praise and worship. Please proceed to the table in the St. Luke Parish Center to sign up.

### *Attention: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion*

Please take note of our new procedure for the scheduling of Extraordinary Ministers and Gift Bearers. If you wish to serve as an Extraordinary Minister or Gift Bearer, please sign up one week in advance at the sheet posted on the Bulletin Board. Thank you for your cooperation.

*Also, just a friendly reminder:*

Please remember to take an Extraordinary Minister crucifix lanyard to wear while serving.

**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?**

**RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process of preparation for those who are not baptized, wanting to become Catholic, and for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our *Faith Formation and RCIA* programs will be held every **last Monday of the month** from **7:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.**, beginning **September 24th** in St. Luke's Room 4. If you are interested, please call our formation heads, Deacon Mar Tano (650.867.5542) and Dr. Ellen Six (650.341.0683).

*Jesus prophesies that "there shall be one fold and one shepherd." (John 10:16)*

## **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)

## **Parish Events**

**September 3 – 8, 2018**

**Monday**

**Offices are Closed - Labor Day Holiday**

**Wednesday**

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study/Rm. 3  
Religious Ed (Refer to page 4)

**Thursday**

9:00 a.m. All-Day Eucharistic Adoration  
9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary  
7:30 p.m. Benediction/Chapel

**First Friday**

9:00 a.m. All-Day Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Benediction/Chapel

**Saturday**

11:00 a.m. Parish Picnic at Booth Bay Park

## **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.  
Get program details at [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com).

## **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 Elyzabeth 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. \_\_\_\_\_