

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.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018

God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

— John 3:17



Heavenly Father, we offer You endless praise for sending Your only Begotten Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to redeem us from the our sins' wretchedness. Dispel the darkness within us and make us dwell forever in the light of Your abiding love. Amen

~ Month of March ~

Dedicated to St. Joseph

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

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COMMUNAL RESPONSIBILITY

The people of God forgot the covenant and flouted God’s laws. They did not listen to the prophets among them, who spoke for God in warning them. Prophets are sent from God to remind us why we are here, but they are often, even in our own time, mocked, disregarded, and mistreated rather than thanked and listened to.

The book of Chronicles tells the results of these sins: the destruction of the temple and all of Jerusalem, murder, mayhem, and finally exile to a foreign land. Why are these stories in the Bible? Just to inform us of what happened to our ancient forebears? What good would that be unless there were a message and a warning for us as well? Are we people who follow the teachings of God, who obey the words of Christ in the second covenant in his blood? Or do we continue to wreak works of darkness and violence? We are reminded by these readings that we will be judged as a people, not just as individuals. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Year B of the Lectionary has the Letter to the Ephesians today. Ephesus, today in Turkey, was in the first century a great Greek city, the center for the worship of Diana, the goddess of the hunt. It was a vast city even by modern standards, having nearly half a million people in the time of Paul. Yet that was a time of economic recession and moral decay. No wonder Saint Paul stayed here the longest. It gave him an enormous and religiously curious audience. His preaching stirred up the artisans who depended on the pilgrims who came to honor (and buy mementos of) seventeen gods and goddesses enshrined in the city’s temples. You can still see the open-air theater where Paul’s homily triggered a riot. Paul did have success here, and many conversions among Jews and Gentiles. They seem to have struggled with hope, perhaps because of their suffering from economic woes and isolation.

Some old traditions say that the Apostle John lived out his days here, and that the Blessed Mother was cared for by him. There’s no biblical basis for this, but it is certain that a small house just outside the city has been treasured by Christians and Muslims for centuries as the last dwelling of Mary. Long ago, the harbor silted up and the city was nearly abandoned, becoming a small village. As is so often the case, that accident of history preserved the ancient city, so that archeologists have been very successful in revealing ancient Christian sites. One such site is the Church of Mary, probably the first church to be dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, and the site of the Council of Ephesus in 431. Today, a visit to Ephesus is one of the most rewarding journeys for any pilgrim.

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

Our Lord Jesus is waiting for us...

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.

If we only knew how much Jesus loves us in the Blessed Sacrament, we would never want to leave His Eucharistic presence. Nowhere on earth are we more welcomed than in the Blessed Sacrament where Jesus truly dwells.



Holy Mass Celebrants

Saturday, March 17, 2018

5:00 pm Fr. Kengah

Sunday, March 18, 2018

7:30 am Fr. Jonathan

9:00 am Fr. Kieran

10:30 am Fr. Kieran

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan



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Mass Intentions for March 12 — March 18

Date	Time	Intention	Pray for your Priests
MON 12	8:30 a.m.	† Alice Ng	Fr. Kieran McCormick
TUE 13	8:30 a.m.	Law Family	Fr. Anthony Chung
WED 14	8:30 a.m.	Law Family	Fr. Joe Gordon
THU 15	8:30 a.m.	† Asther Sescon	Fr. Larry D’Souza
FRI 16	8:30 a.m.	† Corazon Powers-Grist	Fr. Joseph Cardoza
SAT 17	8:30 a.m.	†Belen Hartendorp-Gementer	Fr. Joseph Kengah Mumba
	5:00 p.m.	† Gean Marie Jones	
SUN 18	7:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo	Fr. Jonathan Paala Pastor, St. Luke Catholic Church Foster City
	9:00 a.m.	† Dragutin & Ivka Mihelcic	
	10:30 a.m.	† Amanda Rodelas	
	5:00 p.m.	† Alejandro & Elisa Bravo	

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 — The wrath and the mercy of the LORD are revealed in the exile and liberation of the Chosen People (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — God, who is rich in mercy, brought us to life with Christ (Ephesians 2:4-10) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — The Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life (John 3:14-21) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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Please pray for our recently deceased, especially ~
†Alma Castellanos, †Pam Cook, †Joey Palanca &
†George Zughbaba. **May God grant them eternal life.**

Pray for our sick parishioners,
Keri Ables, Elysabeth Allen, Juris Arcilla, Rori Arcilla,
Patrick Banks, Jose Barcelona Jr., Mary Jane Bryan,
Michael Carmody, Gail Castro, Cynthia Connor, Marge
Coward, Marvin Crockett, Elizabeth Fong, Linda Gaerlan,
Marie Ghiozzi, Craig Gockley, Julia Ho, Dennis B.
Huang, Mary Lou Kaufer, Eva Latham, Kevin Lucia,
Veronica Maguire, Arturo Martin, Natividad Martin,
Katie McNamara, Angela & Bozidar Mihelcic, Bridgette
Negar, Kathy Raymor, Josephine Rea, Antonio &
Ernesto Reyes, Margaret F. Reyes, Connie Rojas, Jason
Sahayaraj, Kathy Sampson, Rosa Santos, Jameson Sham,
Sally Stevens, Sue Techlin, Priscilla Touchstone, Jim &
Bert Tremont and Vallery Washington. **May they be
strengthened & comforted by their trust in the Lord.**



Sunday, March 4th \$ 4,482.00
Parish Building & Repairs \$ 1,509.00

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

Bunches of THANK YOU flowers to all those who helped in putting together a fun-filled and successful St. Luke Crab Feed Fundraiser. It could not have sailed on without your efforts and sacrifices. The Lord knows who you all are—God reward you a hundredfold. Again, thank you for your dedicated service. Looking forward to seeing you next year for our 15th Annual Crab Feed.




“As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus’ thirst...He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you.”
~ Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intention



General: Formation in Spiritual Discernment

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

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. This group meets from 9:30AM to 11:30AM 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 are welcome.**

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent; Second Scrutiny;
Daylight Saving Time begins;
Girl Scouting Sunday
Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: Saint Patrick

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9;
Jn 12:20-33
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

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OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

March 2018

Religious Education Class Days

Grades One - Eight
March 7th, 14th and 21st

5:30PM to 6:30PM, Grades 1 - 4
6:45PM to 7:45PM, Grades 5 - 8

Confirmation Two Class

First Three Sundays
February 4th, 11th and 18th

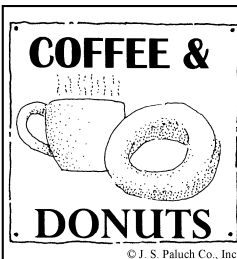
3:30PM - 6:00PM including Youth Mass



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.



Every Sunday, all are invited for
FELLOWSHIP
after the 9:00am and 10:30am
Holy Masses.
(secular holidays excluded)

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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



JOURNEY WITH CHRIST IN HIS PASSION

Join us every Friday evening during Lent to pray and meditate on the Stations of the Cross which begin at 7:00PM in the Main Church.



Rite of Reconciliation

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A Healing Sacrament...

Receive our Lord's peace and forgiveness by attending the St. Luke Penance Service on Thursday, **March 15** in the main Church starting at **6:00PM.**

*"Lord, help me lay my sins at your feet
so that I can know true freedom."*

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.

To all Parishioners...

St. Luke once again will have Reflections on the Seven Last Words of Christ on Good Friday, March 30th at 12:45PM in the Main Church (right after the Stations of the Cross and before the 2:00PM Veneration of the Cross service).

We are seeking seven parishioners to participate, by giving a 5 to 8 minute reflection on their thoughts about one of Jesus' "Words". Please contact the parish office at (650) 345-66-60 for further information, and to notify which of the 7 Last Words you wish to reflect on.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Saint Joseph, father and guardian of virgins, to whose faithful keeping Christ Jesus, innocence itself, and Mary, the Virgin of virgins, were entrusted, I pray and beseech you by that twofold and most precious charge, by Jesus and Mary, to save me from all uncleanness, to keep my mind untainted, my heart pure, and my body chaste, and to help me always to serve Jesus and Mary in perfect chastity. Amen.

Parish Events

March 13– March 16, 2018

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

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

6:00 p.m. Penance Service

Friday

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

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

Eternal Word Television Network CHANNELS

EWTN may be viewed on: Comcast 229, AT&T 562, Astound/Wave 80, San Bruno cable 143, Dish Satellite 261 and Direct TV 370.

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.

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

Faith Formation: Contact the parish office

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: 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. _____