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 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM 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.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 20, 2016

I rejoiced because they said to me, “We will go up to the house of the LORD.”
— Psalm 122:1

Prayer

O Christ Jesus, our Sovereign King, heaven and earth echoes in endless praise of Your majesty. Our hearts turn to You and seek Your merciful gaze, for Your love alone can save us. We desire to be with You forever, worshiping You in Your Heavenly Kingdom. Amen.

~ Month of November ~

Holy Souls

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
November 20, 2016

KINGSHIP
The book of Samuel recounts for us today the anointing of David as king of Israel. It was the elders of Israel who declared David king that day, but it was God who called David to shepherd Israel. Thus mandated by the citizens of his kingdom and by his God, David took his place in a long line of kings.

The apostle Paul speaks to us of kingship as well, but on a much higher plane: the kingship of Jesus our Lord. As great as David was, he and all earthly monarchs who came before and after him in their kingdoms around the world are minor kings by comparison to the true King. And lastly, we hear the story of that true King in perhaps his weakest moment: near death, hanging on a cross, taunted by a common criminal and by the world at large.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
Among the Catholics seeking religious freedom in America were the Carrolls of Maryland, who arrived in 1649 from Ireland via England. Charles Carroll, born in Annapolis in 1737, was the only Catholic signer of the Declaration of Independence, and was the longest-surviving signer. As was the custom for English Catholics, he attended English schools in Belgium and later university in France. By the time he signed the Declaration, he was the richest man in America, and his decision to sign would hardly go unnoticed by the king.

Because Carroll was so wealthy and because he was a Catholic, he had more to lose than the others. Those who signed became traitors to the Crown and risked losing everything. It is said that someone grumbled that there were many men in the world named Charles Carroll, and he could dodge responsibility if he had to. For that reason, he added a flair to his signature, “of Carrollton,” making it clear that he put everything at risk.

His cousin John, also an ardent supporter of the American Revolution, was ordained a Jesuit priest and returned to Maryland at the outbreak of hostilities. Upheavals in Europe forced the Jesuit order to dissolve, leaving Carroll a secular priest. Ultimately, it was John Carroll who was asked to organize the Catholic Church in the new nation. No one was better positioned for this task, a cultured man from an esteemed family, a cherished friend of Benjamin Franklin and George Washington, and a man so thoroughly attuned to an undercurrent of anti-Catholicism in the colonies that he could charm powerful people to a new point of view.

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

DEPENDENCE DAY
On Thanksgiving Day we acknowledge our dependence.
—William Jennings Bryan
Please pray for the recently deceased of St. Luke parish, George Huang, Ken Lee, Antonio L. Diaz & Dean Walsh 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 October 30, 2016
Thanks to your generous response, our 2016 Annual Appeal has reached 87% of our $59,393.00 goal or $51,671.91 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 the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.
Mission: That within parishes, priests & lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

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 650-740-9071 for further information.

Jubilee Year of Mercy
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Today Luke, evangelist and by tradition artist, sends us forth from this Jubilee Year of Mercy with an unforgettable portrait of Christ the King. The setting for Jesus’ “royal portrait” is the cross. From this “throne,” the crucified “crown prince” welcomes by “executive pardon” the kingdom of mercy’s first citizen, a fellow criminal. The “Good Thief” requests neither deliverance nor salvation, or even forgiveness: “Remember me when . . .” (Luke 23:42). “Today you will be with me,” King Jesus promises, “in paradise.” (23:43). Paradise, even for non-believers, is an image of creation contentedly in harmony with self, fellow creatures, and Creator. Today, we “good thieves” beg Jesus to remember us. We promise to remember that, although Jesus’ kingdom will be fulfilled only when Jesus’ returns, that kingdom begins today in the paradise that will flower from this Jubilee Year of Mercy. We disciples, having been embraced unconditionally and undeservedly by Jesus’ mercy, must now go forth to embrace all others, unconditionally, with that same unfailing mercy.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Monday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: St. Cecilia
Wednesday: St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
Thursday: St. Andrew Dũng -Lạc and Companions; Thanksgiving Day
Friday: St. Catherine of Alexandria
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bce-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
Thanksgiving Day (suggested):
Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.” Psalm 118:29
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

**Holy Hour...** Take part in the 6:30 p.m. Holy Hour at the St. Luke Chapel on **November 23rd**, Wednesday, with Benediction at 7:30 p.m. Offer your time to the Lord and be blessed by His loving presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

**Thanksgiving Day Mass**

There is only one Mass here at St. Luke on **Thursday**, November 24th, at **9:00AM** in observance of Thanksgiving. The **office** will be **closed** Thursday and Friday (11/24 & 11/25). Office will reopen Monday 11/28 at 9AM. **Have a safe & blessed holiday.**

**Saint Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Warms San Mateo County’s Homeless**

We all want to be warm on frosty nights and be dry when the rain pours. Think of how the homeless in San Mateo County feel on these cold nights. They are sleeping in their cars, on friends’ couches, under buildings or on park benches.

You can change this dire situation by donating to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul’s Stay Warm Appeal. Contributions will allow SVdP to distribute items rated for very cold weather at one of the SVdP’s Homeless Help Centers in South San Francisco, San Mateo and Redwood City.

Please donate online at www.svdpsm.org or mail a check to SVdP Stay Warm Appeal, 50 North B Street, San Mateo, CA.94401.

We appreciate your compassion for those without a warm bed or shelter to call their own.

**Next Weekend, November 26th/27th...**

there will be a special collection for the **Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS)**. This collection is done **once every three years** and was created by St. John Paul II, for those who are “serving those who serve”. The devoted chaplains in the US Armed forces rely solely on your kindness. Worldwide, an estimated 1.8 million Catholics depend on the AMS to meet their spiritual and sacramental needs. Thanking you in advance for your help and your sacrifice to support our beloved priests who bring the Gospel to our loved ones. God reward your generous offering. For more information, visit [www.milarch.org](http://www.milarch.org).
Prayer for the Faithful Departed
Loving and gracious God, with faith in the Resurrection, I pray for all the faithful departed, especially those I have known and loved in this life.
With joy, I thank You for what we shared in this life. With hope, I entrust them to Your mercy.
Welcome them to Your Kingdom where they will see You face to face. In loving hope and trust in Your goodness, I look forward to the day when I shall see You and be united with them again in paradise.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through Your mercy, O God, rest in peace. Amen.

This Week in Our Parish
November 21 – November 26, 2016

Tuesday
1:00 p.m. - 3:00p Adult Rosary Making
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation
7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul

Wednesday
4:30 p.m. Legion of Mary
6:30 p.m. Holy Hour
7:30 p.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

Thursday
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
Office Closed—Thanksgiving

Friday
Office is Closed—Day after Thanksgiving
7:00 p.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

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

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. ______________________

To help with your spiritual 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. Telephone number is (410) 676-6000.

Contact People
Adult Rosary Making: Kevin and Sally Lucia (650) 740-9071
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) 740-9071
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
Junior Rosary Making: Sally Lucia (650) 349-3090
Knights of Columbus: Call Tom Miller (650) 631-1341
Legion of Mary: Fri. at 4:30p.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) 740-9071
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
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