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.

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
FORGIVENESS

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: “Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?”

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As Saint Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus’ parable in today’s Gospel reminds us of God’s compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We’ve seen how the rescue of Eucharistic Prayer II from the mists of history changed the style of our prayer, introducing a sleek simplicity to the prayer said aloud by the priest. Remember, before the reform of our prayer in the late 1960s, the priest whispered the words of the Roman Canon, Eucharistic Prayer I. His voice was not amplified, his back was to the people, who could only tell what was going on by a shift in his posture as he bowed and genuflected and as bells were rung to indicate his progress through the prayer.

With the emergence of the new prayers, some feared that the old prayer would be lost forever if it weren’t somehow changed. The reformers asked that it be streamlined a bit by omitting the repeated “Through Christ” at the end of various intercessions, and trimming the list of somewhat obscure saints. The new edition therefore brackets parts of the two lists of saints in the prayer, unfortunately dropping all the women from the second set. The decision was also made to keep the Lord’s words at the consecration exactly the same in every Eucharistic Prayer, although there is precedent for more variety. On November 2, 1968, Pope Paul VI signed off on the plan of the new Mass, and by April 1969, the publication of the revised order of Mass was announced.

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

Come Let Us Adore our Lord Jesus 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.

“The effect of our sharing in the body and blood of Christ is to change us into what we receive.”
—Pope Saint Leo the Great

September 17, 2017

Please pray for our recently deceased, especially, Virgilio Nicolas, James De Martini, Estella Pangilinan & David Consunji that they may rest in peace.

May they be strengthened and comforted by their trust in the Lord.

Keri Ables, Juris Arcilla, Rori Arcilla, Patrick Banks, Jose Barcelona Jr., Michael Carmody, Gail Castro, John Copeland, Cynthia Connor, Marge Cowart, Marvin Crockett, Marie Ghiozzi, Cora B. Huang, Dennis B. Huang, Mary Lou Kaufar, Nini Kuzmich, Elizabeth Liwag, Veronica Maguire, Arturo & Natividad Martin, Katie McNamara, Bozidar Milhilicic, Bridgette Negar, Ken Parker, Kathy Raymor, Josephine Rea, Connie Rojas, Jason Sahayaraj, Kathy Sampson, Rosa Santos, Jameson Sham, Sally Stevens, Sue Techlin, Priscilla Touchstone, Vallery Washington & George Zughbaba.

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.

Contact Kevin Lucia at 650-740-9071 for further information.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday
Tuesday: St. Januarius
Wednesday: Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions; Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year 5778) begins at sunset
Thursday: St. Matthew
Friday: Autumn begins
Saturday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday: Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intentions

General: Artists

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.
September 2017

Religious Education Class Days

Grades One - Eight
First Three Wednesdays
September 13th and 20th
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 10th and 17th

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 presides 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.

The Children’s Liturgy of the Word will resume on October 1, 2017, Sunday.

“Perfection is founded entirely on the love of God: ‘Charity is the bond of perfection,’ and perfect love of God means the complete union of our will with God’s.” —St. Alphonsus de Ligouri

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 Consunji at: (650) 892-3312 or email: tconsunji@gmail.com

Grief Ministry News

“Moving Through the Loss of A Loved One: The Next Step” is a focused support group being offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry this fall. This session is intended for those who have previously attended a Grief Support group session and/or would like to participate in a support group focused on progression through their personal grief journey. This session will be held on Monday evenings at St. Pius beginning Monday, September 18 at 7:00PM in the Parish Center.

For more information or to register, please contact the Grief Ministry at 650-361-0655 or griefministry@pius.org.

Eucharistic Ministers & Readers

We at St. Luke are appealing to our parishioners who might be interested in serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion or Readers. There will be training sessions at St. Charles Church in San Carlos (SM County) on October 21 (10am-3pm) and October 28 (10am-12pm). St. Luke will shoulder the registration fee. If you are interested, please contact St. Luke parish office on or before October 2nd.

Immaculate Heart of Mary School

Foundation in Christ † Excellence in Education † Strength in Community

Are you interested in a Catholic Education for your child? Immaculate Heart of Mary School in Belmont instills in its student body a sense of personal pride, responsibility and commitment to academic excellence. We strive to create a 21st century learning experience for every student. Each child is given the chance & the tools to soar beyond their expectations.

We are now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 academic year. For more information or to schedule a tour, please call 650-593-4265 or email development@ihmschoolbelmont.org

Visit our Fall Open House on Thursday, November 2, 9-11AM
1000 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont, CA 94002

COFFEE & DONUTS

Every Sunday, all are invited for Fellowship after the 9:00am and 10:30am Holy Masses. (except for secular holiday weekends)
Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary
O most pure heart of Mary,
full of goodness, show your love towards us.
Let the flame of your heart, O Mary, descend on all people. We love you immensely.
Impress on our hearts true love so that we may long for you. O Mary, gentle and humble of heart, remember us when we sin. You know that all people sin. Grant that through your most pure and motherly heart, we may be healed from every spiritual sickness. Grant that we may always experience the goodness of your motherly heart, and that through the flame of your heart we may be converted to the heart of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Parish Events
September 19 – September 23, 2017

Tuesday
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation

Wednesday
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group
Religious Ed Classes (Refer to Page 4)

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

Friday
7:00 p.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

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

“God has been very good to me, for I never dwell upon anything wrong which a person has done, so as to remember it afterwards. If I do remember it, I always see some other virtue in that person.” —St. Teresa of Avila

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. ______________________

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 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: 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: Sat. 10:30am, Sally Lucia (650) 349-3090
Junior Rosary Making: Sally Lucia (650) 349-3090
Knights of Columbus: Call Tom Consunji (650) 892-3312
Legion of Mary: Thurs. 9:00am 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 Groups: Mario & Co.; Michelle; Couples for Christ; Children’s Choir; Kevin’s Flock - Kevin Lucia (650) 740-9071; Emmaus Choir - Elysabeth Allen (650) 578-0123; Youth Ministry Choir - Jana Cadiz (650) 572-1216; Angels; Pastoral Council: Dan Linkhorn ~ dlinkhorn@comcast.net
Sandwiches on Sunday: Peg Culver (650) 349-1408
SVdP Conference: Peggy Simkins (650) 573-5370

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.