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.

January 29, 2017

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

— Matthew 5:3

Prayer

O Lord Jesus Christ, wellspring of all love and holiness, we praise You and we trust in Your life-giving promises. We pledge our allegiance to You alone, who have led us to the mount of Your saving grace. Help us to remain in the way and truth of Your holy love. In Your Powerful Name. Amen.

Month of January

Dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus

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
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Holy Mass Celebrants

Saturday, February 4, 2017
5:00pm    Fr. Kengah       Mario & Co

Sunday, February 5, 2017
7:30 am    Fr. Kengah
9:00 am    Fr. Kieran      Children’s Choir
10:30 am   Fr. Kieran      Emmaus Choir
5:00 pm    Fr. Kengah      Youth Choir

Mass Intentions for January 30 — February 5

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Legend: † - Deceased, SI-Special Intention, BD-Birthday

Missa Pro Populo-General Intentions/Mass for the People

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the Lord will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).

Psalm — Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).

Gospel — Jesus taught from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).
January 29, 2017

Please pray for the recently deceased of St. Luke parish, Eric Nilo, Mary DeMartini, May Kwan & Charles Fung, that they may rest in peace and be brought to the final resurrection where God will be all in all.

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

Our Weekly Offering

Sunday, January 22nd $ 3,640.00
St. Patrick’s Seminary $ 972.00

Your generous contribution helps to make our ministries possible. Thank you! God bless you!

“For I will proclaim the name of the Lord, praise the greatness of our God!”—Dt 32:3

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Pray for Pope Francis’s Intentions

General: That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord’s teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

Mission: That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

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.

The Little Ones

God has something special for each one of us to do no matter how small we are.

Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters. Not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth—1 Cor 1:26

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week
Tuesday: St. John Bosco
Thursday: The Presentation of the Lord; Groundhog Day
Friday: St. Ansgar; Sacred Heart of Jesus 1st Friday

St. Blaise—Blessing of Throats

In honor of Saint Blaise, patron of those with throat maladies, two candles are blessed, and pressed against the throat while a prayer of blessing is said. Legend has it that a mother brought to Saint Blaise her dying son who had a fishbone stuck in his throat and got miraculously healed. This year on the Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time, we will be celebrating the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. It is an ancient tradition for candles to be blessed on this day. Also, in commemoration of the feast of St. Blaisé, the patron saint of throats, there will be a Blessing of Throats after all Masses on the weekend of February 4th/5th.

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

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

COFFEE & DONUTS

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➤ Confirmation 2 - Class  
  Note: NO CLASS on January 29th

February 2017

➤ Confirmation 2 - Classes  
  3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (With Youth Mass)  
  • Sunday, February 5th, 12th, and 19th  
  NO CLASS on February 26th

➤ Religious Education Classes  
  5:30PM—6:30PM Grades 1—4  
  6:45PM—7:45PM Grades 5—8  
  • Wednesday, February 1st, 8th, and 15th  
  NO CLASS on February 22nd

➤ FEBRUARY 12, SUNDAY  
  9:00AM, FAMILY MASS-Sponsors: Grades 1&8  
  6:00-7:00PM, SPONSORS MEETING  
  (Sponsors of Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation)

Managing Behaviors with Dementia Sufferers

Saturday, Feb 4, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon  
San Mateo Senior Center, 2645 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo • catholiccharitiessf.org • Tel: 650-592-9325

A diagnosis of dementia can be devastating, and very few of us are prepared for the challenges. Catholic Charities Aging Support Services will cover effective communication, managing challenging behaviors, stress reduction techniques, and where to find information and assistance. This is a free presentation by Catholic Charities Adult Day Services, San Mateo County. Registration is through the San Mateo Parks and Recreation Department and can be done in person at any of their recreation centers, or online. To register online, visit erecreg.com. (Course #142033.) For help with registration, call 650-522-7490.

Attention

Legion of Mary Members...
Our Annual Function will be on Saturday, February 18, 2017, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. here at St. Luke Church.

February Adult Rosary Making Schedule

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24 Hour Devotion for Vocations

Join us in praying for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life on February 4 & 5. On the weekend of February 4 & 5, the Archdiocese of San Francisco will be praying a 24 Hour Devotion for Vocations. Sign up for an hour with the Lord, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament, and spend some time asking the Lord of the Harvest to send more laborers. To sign up for a particular hour, go to www.sfarch.org/prayforvocations.

GET READY !!!!
Next weekend, Saturday, Feb. 4th CRAB FEED TICKET SALE !!!!!

Support Saint Luke’s ANNUAL CRAB FEED, slated to delight your crabbie appetite on March 4, 2017 Saturday. Tickets will be on sale at the parish office or at the Church, after the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses. For $50.00, an all-you-can-eat CRAB or a pre-ordered Chicken entrée with salad, pasta, dessert and coffee await your craving palates. Music by Dino for Dining and Dancing...Raffle and no-host bar...

A crab-full of prayerful thanks to those who have made this fund raiser possible!
**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 Shane Ahern (650) 766-7592

**Legion of Mary:** Weds. at 1PM 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

**St. Luke Church Email:** saintlukefc@gmail.com

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**This Week in Our Parish**

**January 30 – February 4, 2017**

**Tuesday**

1:00—3:00 p.m. Adult Rosary
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation
7:00 p.m. Crab Feed Committee Meeting

**Wednesday**

7:00a.m. - 8:00a.m. Men’s Prayer Group/Chapel
1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary

**CCD Classes – Refer to Page 4**

**Thursday**

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel
1:00 p.m.– 3:00 p.m. Adult Rosary Making
7:30 p.m. Solemn Benediction

**First Friday**

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Adult Rosary Making
7:00 p.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Solemn Benediction
7:45p.m. - 9:15p.m. Adult Rosary Making

**Saturday**

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

**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.

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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. ______________________