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 email us.

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.

CHAPEL will be OPEN for PERSONAL PRAYER

Monday through Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Eucharistic Celebrations
NO Masses until further notice
Tune in to EWTN TV or watch livestream Mass at https://sfarch.org/livestreams
Baptism (Infants)
NO Sacrament of Baptism, unless urgent
Reconciliation (Confession)
Confessions on Saturday, April 4, starting 4pm
Please sign up @ saintlukafc@gmail.com.
Marriage
Please call the Parish Office at least 8 - 12 months before the desired wedding date.
Anointing of the Sick
To schedule Last Rites please email us.

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GIVE GLORY TO GOD

On the Fifth Sunday of Lent, just before we begin to enter Holy Week, we are summoned to Bethany. If we had been friends of Mary, Lazarus, and Martha, and found out that Lazarus was gravely ill, we probably would have dropped everything to be with them. This was what was so surprising about the behavior of Jesus. Although he was their close friend, he chose to stay away, that God’s glory would be manifested. This is a persistent theme in John’s Gospel. Right to the very end, Jesus’ works were meant to give glory to the Father. As our Lenten journey reaches a crescendo, let us be mindful that, as people who have “put on Christ” in baptism, we are also called, by our attitudes and actions, to give glory to God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — Thus says the Lord God: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. Then you shall know I am the LORD, O my people! (Ezekiel 37:12-14).
Psalm — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).
Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:11).
Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent
Wednesday: April Fool’s Day
Thursday: St. Francis of Paola
Friday: First Friday of the Sacred Heart; Abstinence
Saturday: First Sat. of the Immaculate Heart; St. Isidore

Adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament
“Look upon the hour of adoration assigned to you as an hour in paradise. Go to your adoration as one would to heaven, to the divine banquet. You will then long for that hour and hale it with joy. Take delight in fostering a longing for it in your heart. Tell yourself, ‘In four hours, in two hours, in one hour, our Lord will give me an audience of grace and love. He has invited me; he is waiting for me; he is longing for me.’” — St. Peter Julian
“For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” — John 6:33

Although the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament has been suspended until further notice, the Chapel will remain open, Monday through Sunday, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. to allow moments of personal encounter with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

For Online Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, visit: virtualadoration.home.blog

PRAY FOR POPE FRANCIS’ INTENTION
CATHOLICS IN CHINA
We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

No daily and Sunday Mass in Church until further notice.
Mass intentions will still be offered during the private Mass celebrated by our Pastor, Fr. Jonathan Paala.

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Holy Mass Intentions for March 30 - April 5, 2020

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Legend: † - Deceased, SI - Special Intention, BD - Birthday
Missa Pro Populo - General Intentions/Mass for the People
By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, you Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. (Collect Prayer)

Intercessions concerning the Coronavirus

Lord Jesus, you healed those who were sick and cared for those who were suffering. Be with us now as we pray for all those who may be affected by the Coronavirus.

That our leaders may have the humility and wisdom to enact timely policies that embody compassion for all who will suffer from the coronavirus, especially those who can least afford to deal with its effects, Lord hear our prayer.

That we will not allow fear to rule our actions and reactions to the spread of this virus, Lord hear our prayer.

That health care workers and others who, because of their work, come in contact with people who are infected with this illness may be protected from its effects, Lord hear our prayer.

That those throughout the world who have been infected may be blessed with a speedy and complete recovery, Lord hear our prayer.

Month of March is dedicated to the Saint Joseph

Prayer to Saint Joseph

Remember, most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mother of God, our loving protector, Saint Joseph, that no one ever had recourse to your protection or asked for your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding, therefore, in your goodness, we come before you and with humble hearts implore you. Be our father, protector, and guide in the way of salvation. After your example, let all our actions be directed to the greatest glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of our Blessed Mother and your own paternal heart. Amen.
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You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You! (3x)

Eternal rest grant unto the souls of Your beloved, O Lord.

†Pauline Glenn, †Gertrudes Ubaldo
and all victims of the coronavirus pandemic

We pray for God’s healing mercies upon the sick:

Feliz Acosta  JoAnn Kozloski  Angelina Pauio
Baby Aleman  Jackie Kuo  Patti Panfile
Juris Arcilla  Badette Ledesma  Rosetta Parisian
Minerva Barnhart  Celia Leones  Tom Pope
Teresa Bautista  Dancy Lim  Frances Presutto
Jim Bortak  Christian Liwag  Angela F. Reyes
Ruben Calderon, Jr.  Arturo Martin  Estrella Reyes
Michael Carmody  Andres Mendez  Kathy Sampson
Gerard dela Cruz  Angela Mihelec  Jennifer Shamway
Elizabeth Fong  Bozidar Mihelec  Manny Torres
Dennis B. Huang  Jon Miller  Priscilla Touchstone
Barbara Keefner  Edgar Navarro  Those who are suffering
Tom Keefner  Ed Page  from the coronavirus

“...for by His wounds you were healed.” (1 Peter 2:24)
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The only perfect sacrifice is the one that Christ offered on the cross as a total offering to the Father's love and for our salvation. By uniting ourselves with his sacrifice we can make our lives a sacrifice to God. (Catechism of the Catholic Church)

ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE RESOURCES
Since March 19, California has been living under Executive Order N-33-20 requiring all residents to stay home except for those working in defined “critical infrastructure,” and requiring all people at all times to practice social distancing. The Governor’s order can be read in https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/03/19/governor-gavin-newsom-issues-stay-at-home-order.

To help Catholics understand the impact of this directive on parish life and Catholic practice, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone has issued a series of messages to the people of the Archdiocese. His messages, and other important documents, can be found on the website https://www.sfarch.org/health-alerts.

Archbishop Cordileone has canceled travel and meetings during this time. He will be celebrating nonpublic Mass in St. Mary’s Cathedral daily (M-F) at 7:30 am; on Saturdays at 8:00 am; and on Sundays: March 29 at 1:00 pm (Spanish); and April 5 (Palm Sunday) at 11:00 am. All of these Masses from the Cathedral are livestreamed. (visit sfarch.org)

In addition to livestreamed liturgies, the Archdiocesan website offers online Prayers (sfarch.org/prayers) and Devotionals (sfarch.org/devotionals), and a guide for Keeping the Sabbath Holy at Home (sfarch.org/keeping-the-sabbath).

OTHER RESOURCES FOR LENT TO FOSTER A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD
• The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) offers Lenten resources in a variety of media.
• The website Strong Catholic Family Faith offers many resources, especially for children and families.
• Loyola Press, a Jesuit ministry, offers a multitude of Lenten information, activities, and communications.
• The Catholic Education Resource Center offers many things, visit the site and search for “Lent”.
• The websites aleteia.org and ewtn.com also offer various enriching devotions.

Journey with Christ in His Passion
Although our Friday evening Stations of the Cross in the main church is cancelled, all are encouraged to meditate on the passion of Christ this Lenten Season.

Here are some online Stations of the Cross:
• catholic.org/prayers/station.php
• mycatholic.life/catholic-prayers/stations-of-the-cross/
• www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/stations-of-the-cross
• onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/stations.html

“Looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12:2)

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
Ask senior parishioners about this fifth Sunday, and they will share memories of this Sunday years ago, when it was known as “Passion Sunday.” In those days, the statues and crucifixes were draped in purple cloth, and a deeply somber atmosphere infused worship. The structure is different today for good reason. The stunning changes in the appearance of the church building drew attention away from the twofold work of Lent: reconciliation and preparing for initiation. Today, this Sunday is given to reflection on the necessity to commit, like Jesus, to the Father’s will. Wherever elect are present today, the “A” reading reveals Jesus’ compassion in the face of human suffering, and his desire to call us from the tombs of sin, isolation, and even death itself.

As Lent draws to a close over the next ten days, and before the beginning of the Easter Triduum on Holy Thursday, we enter an ideal time for celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation. Today’s old title of “Passion Sunday” has migrated to next Sunday, also called “Palm Sunday.” In many places, people prepare their own bundles of branches for next week’s liturgy: pussy willow, forsythia, dogwood.

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MEMO FROM FR. JONATHAN on HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Dear Parishioners,
I hope and pray that this message finds you all safe and well within God's care.
I hope that amidst the lack of opportunities to prepare during this Lenten season through our parish Eucharistic Celebrations, Adoration, Confessions and Stations of the Cross, you still get nourished through televised or live stream Masses, and you are able to encounter our Lord in a deeper way through personal devotions and prayer with your families. (Please read page 5 of this Bulletin suggesting various spiritual resources).

As we approach Holy Week, we ask God to strengthen our faith during this difficult time when we cannot worship Him together sacramentally in Church and participate in liturgical ceremonies as one parish community. For your spiritual preparation, Confessions will be available on April 4, beginning at 4:00pm.

Our Archbishop, Most. Rev. Salvatore Cordileone, in his recent memo outlined to us specific instructions for the celebration of Holy Week Liturgies.

1. Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord is to be celebrated by the priest, with the blessing of the palms. Blessed palms will be available in the Chapel, with your maximum protection taken into consideration when you take one for your household.

2. Holy Thursday: Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper will be celebrated by the priest. The collection taken at this Mass is intended to be given to the poor. I ask you to consider helping the poor among us, especially those who are suffering financially because of the pandemic. You can mail the checks for this collection to the parish office.

3. Good Friday: Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord
Archbishop Cordileone added an 11th intercession asking for an end to the coronavirus pandemic, using the following formula suggested by the USCCB:

XI. For an end to the pandemic
Let us pray, dearly beloved, for a swift end to the coronavirus pandemic that afflicts our world, that our God and Father will heal the sick, strengthen those who care for them, and help us all to persevere in faith.

Prayer in silence.
Then the Priest says:
Almighty and merciful God,
source of all life, health and healing,
look with compassion on our world, brought low by disease;
protect us in the midst of the grave challenges that assail us
and in your fatherly providence
grant recovery to the stricken,
strength to those who care for them,
and success to those working to eradicate this scourge.
Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

Since the national collection for the Holy Land taken every year on Good Friday is not possible this year, those who are inspired to give can mail checks to the parish office for this cause.

4. Easter Vigil is to be celebrated by the priest, with ministers present. I invite those who wish to make an Easter offering to the parish to mail your checks for this purpose to the parish office.

Thank you for your resilience and understanding. I encourage you to continue joining our fellow parishioners and all Catholics throughout the world in prayers and charitable works, while keeping the most solemn Week of our Church blessed and Christ-filled through celebrations and devotions offered in media and the internet. Our Chapel remains open for visit to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00am to 6:00pm, Monday through Sunday. Until the time when God will bring us back together in worship in our St. Luke Church, with firm trust that God will still this COVID-19 storm, leading us all to His harbor of peace and healing.

In Christ, with prayers for all of you,
PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.
Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.
For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.
In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.
We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.
Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

— Archbishop José Gómez of Los Angeles, President United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone is asking the faithful to unite in prayers with the entire Church and utter the above prayer each day to seek the intercession of our patroness, Our Lady of Guadalupe.

BELLS CALL TO PRAYER

Set your alarm to these times, then pray the indicated prayer at that hour.

9:00 a.m. - Prayer for those infected with the virus and all who are ill
Lord, place your healing hand on those who suffer illness. Bring them to full health and ease their anxious hearts. May our prayer and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary encourage them that they are not alone. We ask this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

12:00 p.m. - Prayer for health care workers and those attending to the sick
Lord, we are ennobled by those who put their lives at risk in caring for the sick. Keep them safe and embolden them when they are weary. We ask this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

3:00 p.m. - Prayer for first responders and essential workers
Lord, we pray for those who run to danger to keep us safe and those who serve the common good. Embrace them with your mantle of protection and comfort the fears of their families. We ask this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

6:00 p.m. - Prayer for people of every nation and their leaders
Lord, the pandemic opens our eyes to see each other as brothers and sisters in one human family. We pray for people of every nation and their leaders, asking that they be inspired to seek the good of all and quell the voices of division. We ask this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

9:00 p.m. - Prayer for those who have died today
Lord, we grieve the passing of our sisters and brothers who have died this day. We commend them to your tender mercy, confident that nothing, not even death, will separate us from your love. We ask this in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

— Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago