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 p.m.
- Chapel open from 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.

Second Sunday of Lent
March 17, 2019
The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?
— Psalm 27:1

Lord Jesus Christ, fount of light and life, we entrust to You our entire being. Transform our hearts by the power of Your Divine Spirit so that we might be counted among Your children who praise and adore You eternally. In Your merciful Name we pray. 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 - Saturdays 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
March 17, 2019

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Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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Mass Intentions for March 18 - March 24, 2019

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Adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday and on the First Friday of the month after the 8:30a.m. Holy Mass

Benediction is at 7:00p.m.

When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now. (St. Mother Teresa) If we only knew how much Jesus loves us in the Blessed Sacrament we would never want to leave His Eucharistic presence. For nowhere on earth are we more welcomed than in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Nowhere can we find comfort and healing than in His Heart overflowing with love for us.

We need people who will commit as “Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament.” Sign-up sheets are located in the Chapel foyer.
March 17, 2019

*TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION*

By now, many may have failed in Lenten discipline to some measure or another: the daily doughnut is simply too alluring, or a furtive puff on a cigarette irresistible. There is meaning even in the failure, though, a kind of reminder that we cannot save ourselves. Part of the power of Lent is that we do it together, and although individuals decide on different ways to keep it, it is fundamentally the same journey. We fall, we get up, we keep moving. The desire to “give something up” for Lent is an age-old impulse in the Christian heart. We get better at it over the years, and move more deeply into the meaning and message of acts of sacrifice; so there is no shame in stumbling, as long as we are not discouraged by the failure and give up. We are clearing space in our lives, after all, and some of the things we desire to give up are worth rooting out completely anyway.

What do we do with the space we have cleared out by our sacrifice? The Lenten question of giving up is balanced by the Easter question of our response to Christ’s embrace of us in love: “What are you taking on for Easter?” —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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**Women’s Bible Study Group**

The Women’s Bible Study and Discussion Group meets in Room 4 of the St. Luke Parish Center on Thursdays, 9:30a.m. to 11:30a.m., to discuss various books of the Bible, the scripture readings, and to provide prayer support for its members and the community. **Patti Villano:** 650-341-6913

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**Donate to St. Luke Via Credit Card**

Are you looking for opportunities to show your gratitude to God and share the blessings He has given you? St. Luke is accepting donations via credit card. If you wish to contribute using your credit card, please visit the Parish Office and fill out a donation form. Thank you. God reward you for being a good steward of His bountiful gifts!

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**Pray for Pope Francis’s Intention**

**Evangelization – Christian Communities**

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

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**Prayer Before a Crucifix**

*Look down upon me, good and gentle Jesus, while before Thy face I humbly kneel, and with burning soul pray and beseech Thee to fix deep in my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope and charity, true contrition for my sins and a firm purpose of amendment, while I contemplate with great love and tender pity Thy Five Wounds, pondering over them within me and calling to mind the words which David Thy prophet said of Thee, my Jesus, “They have pierced my hands and feet, they have numbered all My Bones.” Ps. 22:17-18*
March 2019

Religious Education Class Days

- Grades One - Eight
  - March 6, 13 and 20
  - 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 the Youth Mass
  - March 3, 10 and 17

Liturgy of the Word with Children

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 (4 years 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.

ATTENTION:

The Knights meet every 1st Monday of the month at 7:30PM in the St. Luke community center. All Knights are invited to attend. Please contact Tom Consunji at: Tel. No.: 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.

“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.” – St. Paul

ACIES Ceremony of Legion of Mary

Saturday, March 23, 2019, 10:00am—2:30pm
St. Luke Church, Foster City
Ceremony, Mass and Lunch

Celebrating the ACIES each year is one of the most beautiful and profound functions of the Legion. It renews and deepens our Consecration to Mary at least once a year, publicly expressing our Consecration to Mary, “I am all yours, my Queen and my Mother and all I have is yours.” This consecration is at the heart of our vocation in the Legion.

ACIES presupposes an examination of our relationship to Mary and specifically our practice of true devotion to her in the spirit of St. Louis Marie de Monfort. Please sign up ASAP!!!

SEVEN LAST WORDS OF JESUS

As part of the Good Friday services on April 19, St. Luke once again will have reflections on the seven last words of Christ at 12:45 p.m. in the main church (right after the Stations of the Cross and before the 2 p.m. Veneration of the Cross). We are seeking seven parishioners to participate by giving a brief 5 to 8 minute reflection on their thoughts about one of Jesus’ “Last Words.” The youth of the parish are encouraged to participate. Please contact either the parish office at 650 345-6660 or Dan Linkhorn (dlinkhorn@comcast.net) for further information and to indicate which of the seven Last Words you wish for your reflection.
**PRAYER TO ST. 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.

**PARISH EVENTS**

**March 19 – March 24, 2019**

**Wednesday (Mar. 19)**
7:00 a.m.—8:00 a.m. Men’s Bible Study/Rm. #3
Religious Ed (Refer to page 4)

**Thursday (Mar. 20)**
9:00 a.m. All-Day Eucharistic Adoration/Chapel
9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary
9:30 a.m. Women’s Bible Study/Rm. #4
6:00 p.m. Benediction/Chapel
7:00 p.m. up until 8:00 p.m. Confession

**Friday (Mar. 21)**
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross/Main Church
7:00 p.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday (Mar. 24)**
8:00 a.m. Sandwiches on Sunday/St. Luke Kitchen
3:30 p.m. Confirmation 2 Class (Refer to page 4)

**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) __________________
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**Contact People**

Altar Linens: Mary True (650) 571-8783
Altar Servers: Tony Belo (650) 345-6660
Anointing of the Sick: If you know of 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 the 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
Filipino Cursillo: Deacon Mar Tano (650) 867-5542
Finance Council: John Bernat (650) 678-5840
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 parish 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
Religious Education: Sister Maria Ruth (650) 574-9191
Sandwiches on Sunday: Peg Culver (650) 349-1408
SVdP Conference: Peggy Simkins (650) 573-5370
Women’s Bible Study: Patti Villano (650) 341-6913
Youth Ministry: Amabel Goell (650) 740-7751

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