Ascension of the Lord - May 13, 2018

Gospel

"He said to them [the disciples], "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature... So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs."

Mk 16: 15;19-20

Mission Statement

The Church of St. Luke is a joyful, welcoming, caring, active family of believers striving to grow in knowledge of and love for God and each other. Challenged by the Word, nurtured by the Eucharist, and enlivened by the Spirit, we seek to live the message of Jesus in serving the needs of others both within our Parish and in the larger community.

Masses

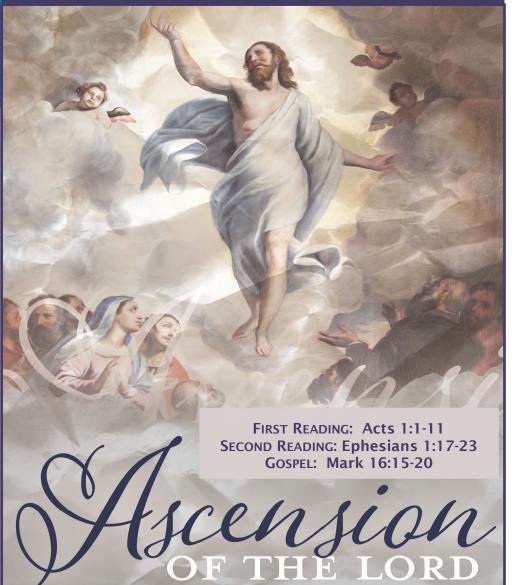
Wed., Thurs., Fri.: 7:30 am Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:30 am **Sacrament of Reconciliation** Saturday 3:30 pm (Also by appointment)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 9:00 am—5:00 pm Fax: (619) 442-2293





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Reflection: What words or phrases jumped out at you during the Liturgy of the Word on Sunday? What connection do those words or phrases have to your day-to-day life? (Why do you think they jumped out at you?) What might God be trying to say to you through these words or phrases? What response should you make? What action should you take?

Alternative: Reflect upon/Share about how you proclaim the gospel in your life? How has the Lord confirmed the word in your life? (What kinds of signs does he give that you are proclaiming <u>His</u> gospel?) What can you do to be a better proclaimer of the Gospel?

Parish Council, Finance Council & From the Pastor

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Parish Pastoral Council normally meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Visitors/observers welcome. If you wish to have an item placed on the agenda, contact a Council member to present it for you or contact the Parish Office.

Parish Council Members:

Fr. Ron Cochran Jane Alfano Mark Balmert Amy Cannon Bob Guarnotta Linda Jacobson Anita Leak Sam Lupo Don Mercurio Dcn. Emeritus: Dennie Nickell Rick Roberts Teresa Dodd-Butera Tony Camara Tom Selfani Bryan Shull Dcn. Jerry Stenovec Dcn. Allan Williams

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The Parish Finance Council meets every other 3rd Wednesday of the month.

> Parish Finance Council Members: Fr. Ron Cochran James Chitkowski Jim Crockett George Heidenreich Jeanne Houghtby John Krueger Cathy March Dave Sapper Jim Stepovich Richard Venancio



From the Pastor

The Gospel selection for today is part of what is called the Longer Ending (16: 9-20) to the Gospel of Mark. It includes postresurrection appearances, the commissioning of the eleven and the Ascension itself. Most scripture scholars believe this ending is not original to Mark. It is missing from the major early manuscripts although it existed by the middle of the second century. Neverthe-

less, it is canonical and contains important teaching.

The concept of belief is a major element of the Longer Ending. When Mary Magdalene told Jesus' companions that she had seen Him alive, they did not believe. When the two disciples who were walking along on their way to the country told them they had seen Him, they didn't believe them either. When Jesus then appeared to the eleven, while they were at table, he rebuked them for their unbelief. After He commissioned them to proclaim the Gospel to every creature, he said that those who believe will be saved and those who do not believe will be condemned.

The Gospel describes signs that will accompany true belief, driving out demons, speaking new languages, protection from serpents and poison; and, healing the sick. We know, from Scripture itself, that such signs did exist in the early Church. There are several references to healings and speaking in tongues. And, there are Christian traditions to this day who emphasize the existence of such signs. There are Charismatic groups who emphasize praying in tongues. Healing services in churches who hold them are often well attended. There are Churches within what we call the Pentecostal Holiness tradition who purposely handle snakes or drink poison as a test or, maybe, a proof, of their faith. Most of us, though, would probably say we don't have such explicit signs in our lives.

When I think about these signs as they relate to our day-and-time, I'm always reminded of Lindsey Buckingham's, of Fleetwood Mac, song "My Little Demon". I agree with Lindsey when he says "all of us have inner demons that we struggle with". I'm also reminded of Joe Walsh, whose demons got the best of him. He named his demon "vodka" and after eighteen years of sobriety wrote the song "One Day at a Time". He sings of getting on his knees and says "I got help from something greater than me." I see his sobriety as a strong sign of his faith in his "something greater than me" that I take to be the Lord.

Many of us know someone who has been physically healed but more often, I think, we know people who have been emotionally healed. This type of healing takes a tremendous amount of work and a tremendous amount of trust on the part of the one who is suffering. Oftentimes this type of healing comes when someone preaches the Gospel to them by simply loving them. It is the Gospel spoken without words that gives them faith in life itself, faith in the Creator of life. Their healing is a sign of the struggle into which they entered, the work they did, and the faith that got them through.

We are all called to preach the Gospel without fear of that which tries to stop us, to learn to speak to people rather than at them, to help people face their demons and to bring them the healing power of God's love.

In His Service,

Fr. Ron

Remember in your Prayers, Weekly Readings, Mass Intentions



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Dean Mellos, Diane Harvey, Eric Matus, Sally Williams, Gabe Eddy, Harriet B, Nora Toscano, Eugenio Cesena, Jeanne Brunner, Don Lenox, Patty Hayes & Family, Glen Stewart, Corrine Warcholik, Carol Rudd, John Leonard, Colleen London, Laurie Lindow, Jane Mays, Joey Enderwood, Bob Cole, Paul Folsom, John Stevenson, Zoey Thomas, Ann Ponsor,

La Mice Denton, Brian Hill, Gary Corwin, Roberto Lopez, Lorraine Flint, Bill Phillips, Isaac Armas, Mary Botte, Lara Pasi, Nancy Usrey, Ryan Cochran, Emmanuel Hallak, Dylan Coughlin, Frank Alfano, Selena Chum, Jimmie Davis,

Dr. Barbie Taylor, Rachel Chavez, Michele Chavez, Linda Rogers, Helen Chu, Al Bowen, Margaret Dennison, Jacob Seilheimer, Joyce Kammer, Theresa

Warcholik, Cheryl Berry, Natalie Enriquez, Candace Dayton, Ladel, Michael Ward, Nina Murphy, Noel Fisher, Jason Zdunich, Karen Bennett, Connie Elba, Blanche Duncan, Charles Brown, Jim Leachman, Christine Banuelos, Jose Orrantia, Dave Johnson, Mina Scannicchio, Carol Petrich, Carey Moore, Jose Azarza, Parker Landis, Joan Smith, Kaylee Mikulsky, Jackie, Jeff Rogers, Michelle Tello, Chase

Laird, Vera Navetta, Miriam Kaskorkis, Adelaide Fitzwater, Ed Solorzano, Alice Zizzo, Luis Orrantia, Maggie Matthews, Sophia Christensen, Cindy Russell, Karen Walker, Mike Murphy, Ann Mussomeli, Jeanine DeSanti, Joe James Sowards, Vie Liddell, Olivia Dunn, Jennifer Soares, Dorothea Wall, Antoinette Daquisto-Guidi, Bob Weisham, Teri Harrison, Danielle P., Maria Warcholik, Ruthie Condon, Marin Mejia, Mike Marcon, Theresa & Vito Siragusa, Tracy Weaver, Rick Gores, Sue Sullivan, Tommy Collet Sr., Justin Hughes, Travis Butler, Jordan Garcia, Winston Quitiquit, Gregory S., Joan Hall, Joni Marco, Vern Hubka, Ricky Latorre, Camryn Mayer, Aimee Gatus, Tommy Collet Jr., Thomas Baca, Chuck Moore, Gui Mei Guo, Audrianna Lococo, Karl Viederstein, Carey Moore, Maria Teresa Valquez,

Tyler Parr, Karin Oravetz, Terry McMullin, Richard Perricone, John Agostini, Austin Gatus, Rosemary Lowe, The Hill Family, the Morrison Family, Frances Colombo, Megan Kruer Jones, Zaim Attisha, Laura Lee, Teresa Russo, Lillian Peregud; and all our relatives and friends who are sick. **A NOTE ABOUT OUR**

PRAYER LIST: If you would like to add a name to our prayer list please

contact Nancy Adema. Also **please notify Nancy when a name can be removed.** We appreciate the prompt notification & your cooperation.

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In order to fulfill our budget, we need to collect an average of \$12,722 in the collection basket each week. Some weeks may be higher and some lower but we need to maintain that average. Additionally, we have budgeted for an average of \$12,802 to be contributed monthly through our Online Giving contribution program.

The total amount budgeted through these sources is \$660,095 this year. Our budget includes another \$106,384 expected income from other sources; (Annual Catholic Appeal rebates, Christmas & Easter collections, Sacramental Donations, Interest, One-time gifts & bequests, etc.).

LAST WEEK: Totals for	May 6
Plate:	\$ 1,183.00
Envelope:	\$ 9,601.00
Total Collection Basket:	\$ 10,784.00

Online Giving

SUPPORTING THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH: Once you've made a decision on how much you should be giving, decide how to give. WAYS TO GIVE: You can use envelopes, as many people do, you can set up automatic donations through your Bank, (forms available in the parish office), you can go to Online Giving on the St. Luke website and set up an online giving plan which you can personally manage or call the parish office to arrange an online giving plan administered by the parish Business Manger. Online Giving Link: www.thechurchofstluke.org Click on: Online Giving in the center of subject bar. For more information please call the parish office at 442-1697.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

MAY WEDDING ANNIV	'ERSARY:
Romeo and Silvana Marcon	59-years
Tom and Shirley Cirello	53-years
James and Marianna McNelly	52 -years
Bob and Penny Guarnotta	50-years
Steve and Linda Reynolds	45-years
Steve and Linda Runyen	45-years
John and Colleen Garbaczewski	40-years
Jim and Marlene McNally	38-years
Tony and Reta Aguilera	28-years
Randy and Maridee Ochmann	26-years
Thomas and Erin Gajdalo	11-years
Joe and Laura Petrone	8-years

READINGS FOR THE WEEK May 13,2018

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20 Monday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/ Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/

Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or john 15::26-27,16:12-15

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm James & Grace George RIP Sunday: 9:00am Mother's Day Novena

11:30am Parishioners of St. Luke Wednesday:7:30am Mother's Day Novena Thursday:7:30am Mother's Day Novena Friday: 7:30am Mother's Day Novena Saturday: 5:00pm Mother's Day Novena Sunday: 9:00am Parishioners of St. Luke 11:30am John Kellher, RIP

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; World Communications Day; Mother's Day Monday: St. Matthias, Apostle Tuesday: St. Isidore Wednesday: - - -Thursday: - - -Friday: St. John I, Pope & Martyr Saturday: - - -Next Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

Parish Events



<u>Spint Luke</u> First Communicants!

Please pray for our disciples who will be receiving First Holy Communion at a parish Mass April - June!

Alaraj, Catrin Alaraj,Louis Ayres, Corinne Barraza, Hugo Barraza, Sebastian Clfuentes, Monica Copley, Jessica Fuzak, Ian Hall, Violet Hayford, Charlie Hima, Kyle James, Zachary Iohnson.Camden Johnson, Emery Lawerence, Brenna Lawerence,William Leon, Carlos McWilliams, Sean Jr. Nance, Elias Pendell, Hannah Quintero, Liam Rodriguez, Diego Rodriguez, Donato Saja, Jakub Salazar, Jacquelyn Siragusa, Julia Ward, Isabella



All are Invited to: Mother's Day Breakfast Sunday-May 13th

9:30am to 11:00am in Parish Hall

Old Fashioned Pancakes, French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Ham, Orange Juice, Coffee, Tea or Water Mothers are our Guests

(FREE)

Price : Adults: \$7



NEXT WEEKEND IS MISSIONARY COOPERATION SUNDAY

Next Weekend is Missionary Cooperation Sunday. Our Missionary Speaker will be Ann O'Donnell from Hands Together: A Catholic Mission Outreach Working in Haiti

Hands Together was founded in 1986 by Fr. Tom Hagan after he led a group of Lafayette College students to Haiti and was compelled to respond to the needs of the poor there. He left his post as Catholic Chaplain of Princeton University and moved to Port-au-Prince in 1997. Since then, Hands Together



has emerged as a key educational and development organization working in Haiti's largest and poorest slum, Cite Soleil. We have built free schools where there were none and provided every student with a daily hot meal.



We have 7 campuses, including a high school, as well as a free clinic and an elderly outreach and housing program. We are one of Cite Soleil's largest employers, giving decent, service-oriented jobs to hundreds of residents.

Our programs outside of Port-au-Prince promote human development among the rural

poor through water well digging, agricultural programs and production, and assisting the poorest schools, clinics, and parishes in the northern diocese of Gonaives and in Cap Haitien.

Hands Together provides hope to the poor living in Haiti. Our work is founded upon the Catholic teaching that recognizes the dignity of every human life and a fundamental responsibility to the poor and vulnerable.

By establishing schools, orphanages, nutrition and feeding programs, medical clinics, sustainable-development projects, and partnerships with local leaders and communities, Hands Together is building a better world for thousands of suffering people in Haiti. Hands Together volunteers bring needed skills to many of our educational, health and sustainabledevelopment projects. Hands Together supports other projects that align with our mission, both in Haiti and elsewhere.

Hands Together Dignity and Hope to the Poorest of the Poor in Haiti *Thank You for Your Generosity*

Parish Information



Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. -1 Peter 4:10

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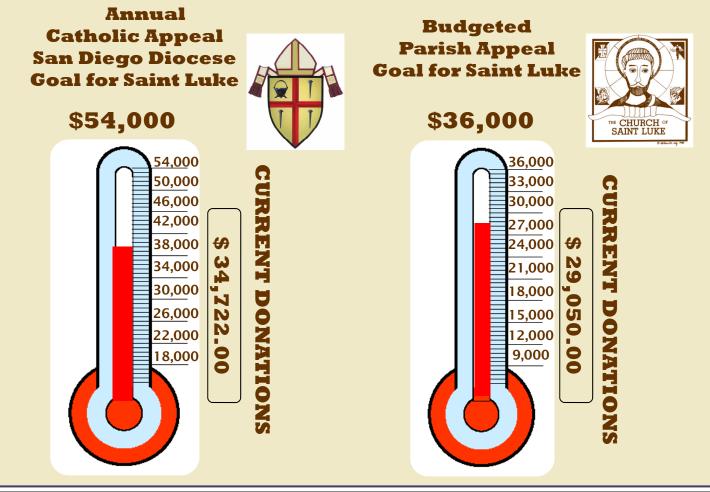
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Giving go to:

Good and gracious God, We thank you for all we are, and all we have. Everything is a gift from your infinite generosity. We marvel how bountiful is your kindness. We celebrate the year of your enduring mercy. As we explore our responsibility to be good stewards, Fill us with the compassion of Jesus, your Son. Give us eyes to see the needs of those around us, In the faces of our neighbors near and far. Give us hearts that are moved by the pleas of those who cry out. On behalf of the children, the refugees, the sick, and the suffering. Give us hands that are eager to share what has been entrusted to us. For the homeless and those alone in their homes. Give us feet to venture wherever the Spirit leads. For the mission to bring your good news to all. As we resolve to be mindful of the needs of others, we pray that, You instill in us your generosity, your kindness, and your mercy. Free us from all attachments to the things of this world. Keep us focused in our mission of good stewardship. Give us the grace to generously support the Annual Catholic Appeal so that we may faithfully do the work of Your Church. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

Annual Catholic Appeal Online **Annual Parish Appeal Saint Luke Online Giving go to:** http://thechurchofstluke.org Click on The Online Giving Link

We Need Your Help to Meet Our Goal!!!



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Pastor: Rev. Ron Cochran (619) 442-1697 Deacon Emeritus: Dennie Nickell (619) 442-1697 Deacon: Jerry Stenovec Deacon: Allan Williams	প্তে <u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u> ৪০ Month of May (Calendar Events are subject to change)	
Pastoral Associate: Jane Cruz Alfano (619) 442-1697 x103 Business Manager: Jim Crockett (619) 442-1697 x110 busmgr@thechurchofstluke.org Secretary: Joanie Maitilasso (619) 442-1697 x101 secretary@thechurchofstluke.org	Sat 12th3:00pm Reconciliation 4:00pm Rosary for Peace 5:00pm Mass w/Baptism: Beau BurnsSumAscension of the Lord	
Bulletin Editor: Joanie Maitilasso (619) 442-1697 x101 secretary@thechurchofstluke.org Facility Manager: Robert Stevenson (619)442-1697 x109 Web Master: Lance Attiq webmaster@thechurchofstluke.org.	Mother's Day8:15 Pro Life Rosary9:00am Mass w Children's Liturgy of theWord	
Altar Servers: Dcn. Alan Williams Choir Director: Colin McColl Organist: Susan Paul Eucharistic Ministers: Linda Jacobson Greeters: Maria Oliver	9:30am K of C Mother's Day Breakfast 11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word	
Lectors: Susan Smothers Ushers: George Heidenriech FAITH FORMATION Catechetical Ministry	Mon 14th 4:00pm Core Meeting Tues 15th No meetings	
Jane Cruz Alfano, Pastoral Associate (619) 442-1697 x103 passoc@thechurchofstluke.org Coordinator of RCIA: Dcn. Jerry Stenovec Coordinator of PreK-5 Faith Formation:	Wed 16th 7:30am Mass 6:30pm SVDP Speaker: How to Support a Loved One with Chronic Illness	
Debbie Stenovec (619) 442-2515 x 105 K-5reled@thechurchofstluke.org Coordinator of Middle and High School Faith Formation &Youth a/Young Adult Ministry: Evelyn Beale (619) 442-2515 x 106	Thu 17th 7:30am Mass 5:30pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 7:30am Mass 7:30am Mass	
Youthreled@thechurchofstluke.org <u>MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS</u> Baptism Class: Joanie Maitilasso (619)442-1697 Church Cleaning Crew: Peggy Nelson	Fri 18th 7:30am Wass 7:00pm Confirmation Liturgy Sat 19th Pentecost 3:00pm Reconciliation	
Cub/Boy Scout Religious Emblems: Shannon Vint Eucharistic Adoration: Cindy Christmas & Mike Wasyliw Friends of the Poor: Martha Evans Knights of Columbus: Don Mercurio G.K. Marriage Preparation: Joanie Maitilasso (619) 442-1697 x101	5:00pm Mass Mission Speaker: Hands Together, Haiti Sun Pentecost	
secretary@thechurchofstluke.org Ministry to Sick and Homebound: Dcn. Jerry Stenovec Outreach Ministry: Ken Stempien Prayer Chain: Nancy Adema	20th Mission Speaker: Hands Together, Haiti 8:15 Pro Life Rosary 9:00am Mass w Children's Liturgy of the Word	
Respect Life: Don Mercurio Scrip: Tom Stone Small Church Communities: Jane Cruz Alfano, (619) 442-1697 x 103 Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Mike Wasyliw	11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word 1:00pm Group Baptism Mon No Meetings	
St. Luke Business Network: Cathy March	21st	

Parish Events



SATURDAY 09.29.2018 ANNUAL ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WALK/RUN 5K FOR THE POOR

Location: (Steele Canyon High School) 12440 Campo Road Spring Valley CA 91878



St. Vincent de Paul

Free Registration

Please donate and register:

Directions

www.fopwalk.org

2) Register to walk at an event near you: State (Ca)

Please click on:

September 29, 2018 8:00 AM <u>CHURCH OF ST LUKE FOP</u> WALK/RUN

There is an option to donate and to register.

Music.Food.Fun

For more information

Please contact:

Anita Razzouki Or

Mike Wasyliw





OUTREACH MINISTRY NEWS for February, 2018

Donations (SENT):

\$100.00 Noah Homes \$100.00 Holy Trinity Food Pantry \$100.00 Friends of the Poor \$100.00 Nativity Prep Academy <u>\$50.00</u> East County Pregnancy Care Clinic **\$450.00 TOTAL**

Donations (RECEIVED):

\$1,803.00 Ash Wednesday \$1,301.00 2nd Collection 2/18/2018 \$1,402.00 2nd Collection 2/25/2018 <u>\$105.00</u> Online Giving **\$4,611.00 TOTAL** (Thank you for your support.)

Thank You Letters/Notes (RECEIVED): None St. Luke Assistance Programs: Delivered 3,496 lbs. of food to EJE Academy and Anza Elementary School.



Please Join Us... St Vincent De Paul Conference Meeting Wednesday, May 16, 2018

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Church of St Luke 1980 Hillsdale Road, El Cajon CA 92019

How to Better Support a Friend or loved one with Chronic Illness Living with a chronic condition — like Dementia, Congestive Heart Faihure, or COPD brings daily challenges. Sometimes, the person experiencing them can handle it. But other times, especially as a condition progresses, they as well as their caregiver may need all the help they can get, join us to learn more.



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