

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 3, 2017

Gospel

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.

For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

Mt 16:24-25

Welcome to

THE CHURCH OF

Saint Luke

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF DISCIPLES

1980 Hillside Road
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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

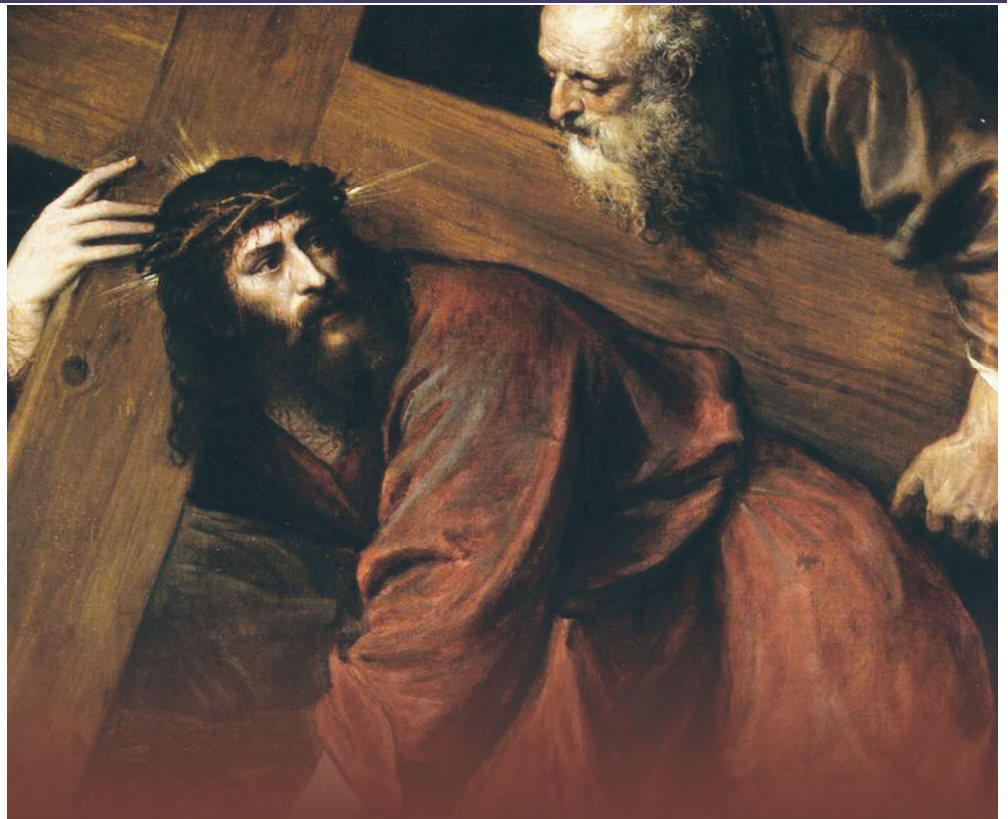
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday

9:00 am—5:00 pm

Fax: (619) 442-2293



22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading : Jeremiah 20:7-9

Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:21-27

Reflection: Reflect upon/Share about who you are and what makes you who you are. What would you need to do to "deny" yourself? What would that look like? If you "deny" yourself, what would be left for you to really "find"?

Alternate: Reflect upon/Share about your cross in life. How does it affect you? How does it affect your relationships with others? How do you think dealing with this cross properly can help you grow as a person? What can you do this week to help you deal with your cross more properly?

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:
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PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

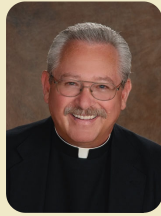
The Parish Finance Council meets every other 3rd Wednesday of the month.

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

Reprint from 2013



Dear parishioners,

In preparation for writing a retreat talk on listening to the Holy Spirit I decided to look over past columns I've written about the subject. I was amazed... I've written about listening to the Spirit, or something connected to it, twenty-five times since I've been here. Having had so much to say, you'd think I'd be better at listening to the Spirit myself; we are all works in progress, though, aren't we?

As I was thinking about it, the retreat talk, I remembered what, and who, I think got me started in that process of listening. It was a book from the late 60's by an Episcopal priest, Malcolm Boyd, entitled *Are You Running With Me, Jesus*. It was a book of prayers arising out of his active engagement with life. They were prayers wherein Malcolm shared, with God, what was going on in his life; his joys and struggles, his insights and confusions, what was in his heart and mind. Each ended with the question, "Are you running with me, Jesus?"

I remember thinking that the whole world had been touched by Vatican II and how faith and day-to-day life had come together. Maybe it was already that way for other people but it was new for me and, from the reviews, I know this book was ground breaking for many, many people. It was the first that many of us realized that Jesus really meant "I will be with you until the end of the age." ^{Mt 28:20} As I started ending my prayers with "Are you running with me, Jesus", I eventually started recognizing that he was. I started recognizing his presence and guidance in my life.

I remember thinking at the time that I wasn't very good with traditional prayers but I was praying all the time. The closest my formal teaching got me to that was saying a short prayer for the sick or injured when an ambulance went by. I remember how meaningful that was to me. But, otherwise, I was taught rote prayers for many situations. In fact my parents, and sometimes my grandmother, would make sure we said our night prayers but they never prayed with us and I don't remember being taught to just pray from my heart.

Then Malcolm's book came along. It opened up a whole new relationship with God for me, one that was intimately connected to my day-to-day life. My life started to become a dialogue with God. I discovered His presence in every aspect of my life, even when I wasn't sure I wanted Him there, when I wasn't being such a good Christian or not taking care of myself like I should. I discovered a compassionate non-judgmental God loving me into growth.

When I began discovering God's presence in my life is when I started listening for Him and listening to Him. At first it gave me confidence and a sense of abiding trust; I learned that I did not have to and should not try to control everything. I began to learn what I was responsible for and what I should leave up to Him, whether I wanted to or not. Then I learned that He was calling me to growth. That has been the most difficult for me but, I think, is a sign of true discipleship.

I thank Malcolm for introducing me to the question and I encourage everyone who has such a question in their hearts. As Rainer Maria Rilke said in *Letters to a Young Poet*, "Live the questions now. Perhaps then, someday far in the future, you will gradually, without even noticing it, live your way into the answer."

In His service,

Fr. Ron

Remember in your Prayers, Weekly Readings, Mass Intentions



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Brian Hill, P. Michael Winkler, 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, Joy Darrah, Gray Draper, Linda Rogers, Helen Chu, Al Bowen, Margaret Dennison, Jacob Seilheimer, Joyce Kammer, Theresa Warcholik, Cheryl Berry, Natalie Enriquez, Candace Dayton, Harriet, 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, Jan Lindgren, Carol Petrich, Carey Moore, Jose Azarza, Parker Landis, Joan Smith, Anthony Potito, Kaylee Mikulsky, Jackie, Jeff Rogers, Michelle Tello, Katherine Boomer, Chase Laird, Vera Navetta, Miriam Kaskorkis, Adelaide Fitzwater, Ed Solorzano, Alice Zizzo, Luis Orrantia, Maggie Matthews, Sophia Christensen, Steven, Cindy Russell, Karen Walker, Mike Murphy, Ann Mussomeli, Jeanine DeSanti, Joe James Sowards, Vie Liddell, Olivia Dunn, Jennifer Soares, Dorothea Wall, Martina Chiappara Cahill, Antoinette Daquisto-Guidi, Bob Weisham, Teri Harrison, Danielle P. Joe Scannicchio, Maria Warcholik, Ruthie Condon, Marin Mejia, Mike Marcon, Theresa & Vito Siragusa, Tracy Weaver, Rick Gores, Corrine Meierbachtol, Sue Sullivan, Rose Camacho, Tommy Collet Sr., John Lawton, Justin Hughes, Clara Morrison, Travis Butler, Jordan Garcia, Winston Quitiquit, Gregory S., Joan Hall, Joni Marco, Vern Hubka, Ricky Latorre, Camryn Mayer, Dolores Morrison, Aimee Gatus, Tommy Collet Jr., Thomas Baca, Chuck Moore, Gui Mei Guo, Audrianna Lococo, Karl Viederstein, Carey Moore, John Morrison, Maria Teresa Valquez, Nancy Samayoa, Tyler Parr, Karin Oravetz, Terry McMullin, Mary Morrison, Laura Allen & Family, Ryan Waters, Sam Attisha, Debra Burke, Andrew Mearm, Richard Perricone, John Agostini, Clara Morrison, Austin Gatus, Rosemary Lowe, The Hill Family, Russell Morrison, Frances Colombo, Christina Morrison, Megan Krue 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 at 619-460-0509 or nanadema@cox.net. *Also please notify Nancy when a name can be removed.* We appreciate the prompt notification & your cooperation.

PARISH FINANCES

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 8/27/2017

Plate:	\$	652.00
Envelope:	\$	5,815.00
Total Collection Basket:	\$	6,467.00
Online Giving May 2017 = \$20,604.78 (114 users)		

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 Manager. 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

SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Robert & Annabelle Kroeger	67 yrs
Joseph F. & Christy Klock	60 yrs
John & Teddie DeLaurentis	58-yrs
Phil & Fran Gelber M.D.	56-yrs
George & Dianne Heidenreich	48-yrs
John & Kay Krueger	47-yrs
Tom & Ellie Collet Sr.	44-yrs
Sal Shirley Flor	41-yrs
Tony & Julie Gonzales	38-yrs
Joe & Mina Scannicchio	0 -yrs
Andrew & Michele Curl	27-yrs
Marty & Carol Banks	20-yrs
Dale & Kathy Harrington	18-yrs

Would you like to have your Wedding Anniversary placed in the bulletin? please call 442-1697.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/
Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13/
Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10-11/
Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-6/Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8/
Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm Billy Agnello RIP
Sunday: 9:00am Marietta D'Alessio RIP
11:30am Parishioners of St. Luke
Wednesday: 7:30am Richard Darrah RIP
Thursday: 7:30am Charles Toy RIP
Friday: 7:30am Margaret Egan RIP
Saturday: 5:00pm Rodolfo & Violeta Trajano Spec. Int.

Sunday: 9:00am Parishioners of St. Luke
11:30am Carol & Lloyd Pyle RIP

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Labor Day
Tuesday: St. Teresa of Kolkata
Wednesday: Week Day
Thursday: Week Day
Friday: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Our Lady of Charity
Saturday: St. Peter Claver, Priest
Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day

Gospel Meditation, Live the Liturgy & Why Do We Do That

Important Meeting for Ministers of the Eucharist and Homebound Ministers to the Sick

Fr. Ron, Deacon Dennie and Deacon Jerry request all current Eucharistic Ministers, Homebound Ministers to the Sick **as well as parishioners who are interested in these ministries** to attend an important meeting:

Thursday, September 7 at 6:30 p.m. in our parish hall

Purpose: Provide proper instruction and clarification of the role of lay persons in these ministries.

Items to be discussed:

*The flow of the Mass;
Communion procession;
Spirituality of lay Minister;
Practical/logistical matters;
Question and Answers*

Note: Eligible Ministers are fully initiated Catholics and in good standing with the Church.

Your presence and participation at this meeting is vital to our ministries.

**For more information:
Contact Linda Jacobson
at lmjacobson@cox.net.**

Thank you!

GOSPEL MEDITATION: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Peter had expressed horror at the prophetic words announcing that Jesus' suffering and death were imminent. Peter didn't want his friend and teacher to undergo this terrible ordeal. He wanted "no such thing" ever to happen to his Lord. But Jesus sharply rebuked Peter's response, comparing it to that of the tempter, Satan. Just as temptation becomes an obstacle to our doing what is right, so Peter was presenting an obstacle to Christ's mission. Suffering was part of it, like it or not. To deny this difficult element of Christ's work would be to deny the bigger plan of God. And so Jesus rightly told Peter that he wasn't thinking like God thinks. Of course, since we are human, it's only natural that we should think as human beings do. We, like Peter, tend to recoil at the idea of facing unpleasant or painful circumstances. But clearly God sometimes allows such situations to take place for a greater good. Jesus understood this; even as he prophesied about his death, he also mentioned his resurrection. Today's Gospel challenges us to think "as God does" by holding both of these elements together. Unlike Peter who only focused on the sad part of the story, we are called to recognize the Resurrection on the other side of the cross, and to be willing to do whatever is necessary to get there. In fact, Jesus tells us later in this Gospel to take up our cross and follow him. That is not the "human" way of thinking. It's the Godly way. Our natural response is to reject and scorn the trials and tribulations that we face, but Jesus wants us to embrace them patiently and "come after" him on the (sometimes rough) road to eternal life.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Even as people of faith we often find ourselves reasoning our way through our trials and difficulties. It makes a huge difference using our own eyes and not those of God. God knows that we live in an imperfect world filled with suffering, pain, difficulties, disappointments, and death; all part of the mix. Jesus shows us by example that when we encounter hardships God transforms them into something better. We do not need to despair. God gives us hope. When we view our lives through God's eyes and not our own this gift of hope and transformation becomes very apparent. We must lose our lives in order to gain them.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

Question: As we celebrate Labor Day, can you tell me about Catholic teaching regarding labor?

Answer: One of the most important principles of Catholic social teaching is the dignity of work and the rights of workers. Four encyclicals address this foundational social teaching: "Rerum Novarum" (1891) by Leo XIII, "Quadragesimo Anno" (1931) by Pius XI, "Laborem Exercens" (1981) and "Centesimus Annus" (1991) by John Paul II. They address both the theology and dignity of work. In Genesis, God takes the initiative in creating the world, calling forth human beings to be faithful stewards of creation. From this perspective, work can be spiritually understood in terms of sharing in God's ongoing activity to build, create, and transform the world. Human beings are co-creators with God. This vocation demands self-discipline.

Besides an exercise in self-discipline, work is also the means by which we develop and fulfill ourselves. In work, we shape the world and our environment. Through work, we also shape ourselves. Pope John Paul II summarized this point in "Laborem Exercens," "The value of human work is not primarily the kind of work being done but the fact that the one who is doing it is a person" (#6). Labor Day offers an excellent opportunity to reflect on how we view work in light of our Catholic social teaching. s himself put it, "Oh, how I would like a church which is poor and for the poor!"

Contacts & Calendar Information

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For additional calendar and event information.
www.thechurchofstluke.org

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Knights of Columbus: Clark Sr. G.K.
Marriage Preparation: Joanie Maitilasso
Ministry to Sick and Homebound:
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THE DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS IS
MONDAY AT 12 NOON.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Month of September
(Calendar Events are subject to change)

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| Sat
2nd | 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
3:30pm Reconciliation
SVDP Walk/Run Speaker
5:00pm Mass
7:00pm Wedding: Shannon Bradel
w/Presider: Dcn Frank Rielly |
| Sun
3rd | 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
SVDP Walk/Run Speaker
8:30am Pro Life Rosary
K of C Breakfast
9:00am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word
11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy Word |
| Mon
4th | Labor Day Office Closed |
| Tues
5th | 6:30pm Young Adult Gatherings |
| Wed
6th | 7:30am Mass |
| Thu
7th | 7:30am Mass
11:00am SVDP Meeting
6:30pm Eucharistic Minister Meeting |
| Fri
8th | 7:30am Mass |
| Sat
9th | 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00am Funeral Carol Todd
12:00pm H.S.Core Team Retreat
3:30pm Reconciliation
5:00pm Mass |
| Sun
10th | 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30am Pro Life Rosary
8:45pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II
9:00am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word
10:15am H.S.Conf Prep - Teen & Parent Meeting
10:30am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II
11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy Word |
| Mon
11th | 2:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I and II
4:15pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level III
4:15pm M.S. Faith Formation Session
6:00pm High School Youth Group
6:45 pm Knights of Columbus Information Meeting |

Camp Emmaus 2017 "Echo"



This year's Campers and Young Adult Chaperones: Sophia Giddens, Isabella Nance, Carly Hayes, Kayla Tafoya, Adam Nance, Jonathan Cifuentes, Michael Holzer, Taylor Cole, Travus Thornton, Sergio, Max Verduzco, Sophia Fielding, Tiffany Truong, Annalise Verduzco, Sarah Haley, and Evelyn Beale



We were so blessed to have an amazing group of 14 Teens and Young Adults represent The Church of St. Luke at Camp Emmaus this year!



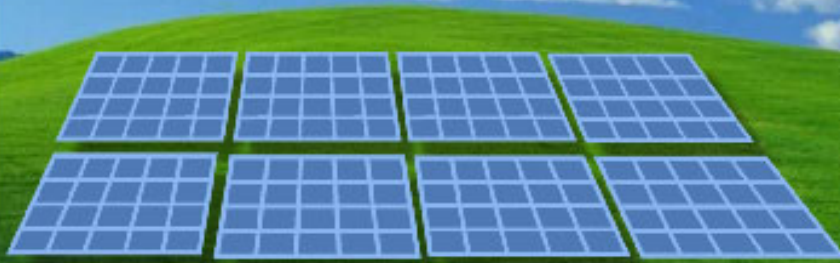
High School youth developed leadership skills, deepened their spirituality, and had the opportunity to share the joy of their faith with over 170 other young Catholics in our Diocese. The theme "Echo" inspired youth to echo love and faith to all whom they encounter in their daily lives as they live out the call to discipleship.
Thank you for your prayers!



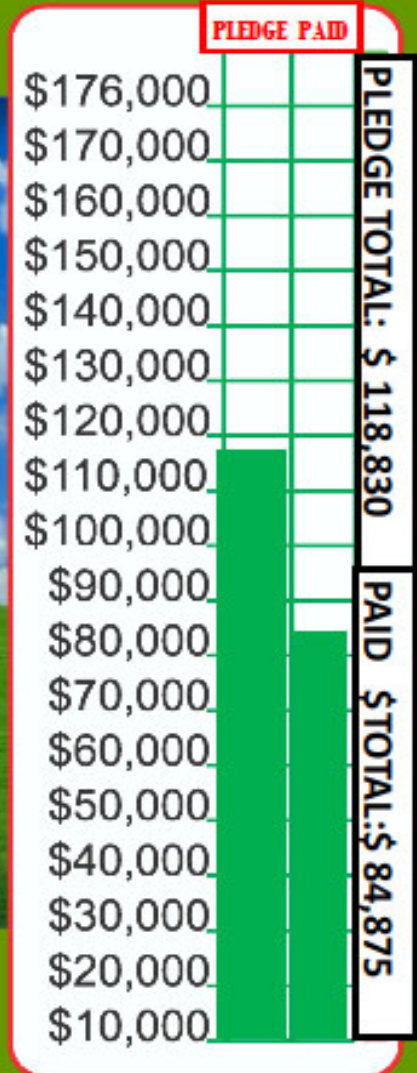


The Church of Saint Luke Goes *Green*

Help us **JOIN** together
as a community in this effort



WE CAN
SAVE OVER **\$38,000.00** PER
YEAR



Your Help Makes a Difference



Parish Information



Church of St. Luke Knights of Columbus Council 10512

The Council Officers will be hosting an **informational meeting** with regards to **joining the KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS** on **Monday September 11, 2017. at 6:45pm.in the Church Hall.**

Membership is for men ages greater than 17 ½ and a practicing Catholic. Please sign up after Masses this week or next weekend so we can have a count. Wives are very welcome to attend meeting.

Parishioners and families can participate in Knights Activities.

Sept 3: Pancake Breakfast.

(Proceeds go to a Diocesan Seminary & a Military Seminarian Fund)

Sept 30: St Vincent del Paul Walk /Run for the Poor

Deputy Grand Knight, Mike Wasyliw 444-9240

Sept 30th and Oct.1, 2017 Baby Bottle Drive after masses (Culture of Life)

Oct. 8: Blood Drive

(signup www.sandiegobloodbank.org click on appointments, enter code LUKE

The Knights of Columbus only have 4 principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternalism and Patriotism. Find out more by attending the informational meeting on Monday 6:45pm Sept. 11 (Patriot Day)

SVDP Resource & Sign up Table after Masses July-September

Early registration/pledge sheets to sponsor walkers & runners .

We are hoping to raise \$5000-\$10000 that will help the poor & needy in our El Cajon & East County Community. All proceeds stay with our local SVDP Church of St. Luke Conference"



SVDP WALK/RUN FOR THE POOR

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK

SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 8:00 AM

**LOCATION: STEELE CANYON HIGH SCHOOL
12440 Campo Road, Spring Valley CA 91878
Music, Food, Fun**

FREE REGISTRATION

PLEASE DONATE AND REGISTER: WWW.FOPWALK.ORG

REGISTER TO WALK AT AN EVENT NEAR YOU: STATE (CA)

Please click on: September 30, 2017 8:00 AM CHURCH OF ST LUKE FOP WALK/RUN

THERE IS AN OPTION TO DONATE AND TO REGISTER.

Please contact: Anitarazzouki@yahoo.com 619-508-4452 Or mjwasyliw@gmail.com 619-715-8801



Society of St. Vincent de Paul--Church of St. Luke



INVITATION TO SERVE

Our calling is to the Gospel message:

***"I was hungry, I was thirsty, I was a stranger, I was naked,
I was sick, I was in prison...and you cared for Me"***

Our Mission is to serve the poor and needy within our parish and community of El Cajon & East County with material aid, encouragement and spiritual support.

Our Inspiration is Christ's message:

"Whatever you do for the least of my brethren you do for Me."

How do we find those in need? Calls are received directly through our church office or Outreach Ministry by referrals from friends, parishioners, and Social Service Agencies.

The names and circumstances are kept in strictest confidence.

How do we help those in need? By person to person contact through "Home Visits". By providing emergency financial assistance for rent, utilities, food, clothing and other necessities. By collaborating with the Santa Sophia Food Pantry that provides food donations to the needy. By providing information of available private and government support services. By listening and comforting the needy through prayer and encouragement.

What Membership involves? Attending our 2x per month meetings on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays in the church hall by the fireplace area.

Short prayers are said during the meeting to remind members that the motive for their work is the love of God.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul invites you to join us in spiritual growth, fellowship and silent works of charity.

**For info contact: Mike Wasyliv, President 619.444.9240
Church of St Luke Conference St. Vincent de Paul Society**

Parish Events



INCLUDED *cruise features*

- › Spacious accommodations in riverview stateroom or suite - most staterooms offer twin balconies
- › Fine dining, including unlimited complimentary hand-selected wines, beer and soft drinks with lunch and dinner on board
- › "Sit & Sail" Daily Cocktail Hour with complimentary wine, beer, spirits and soft drinks
- › Cocktail Reception and Captain's Gala Dinner
- › Complimentary Wi-Fi access on board
- › Guided shore excursions in every port including Limited Edition Tours
- › Live entertainment, cooking demonstration and more
- › Complimentary bicycles
- › Services of a professional Cruise Manager

OPTIONAL *land program*

PRE-CRUISE: 2 nights hotel in Vienna at the InterContinental Vienna (or similar)

- › Transfer from the hotel to the ship in Vienna
- › Daily breakfast, guided city tour, portage service

POST-CRUISE: 3 nights hotel in Prague at the InterContinental or Hilton Old town (or similar)

- › Transfer from the ship in Nuremberg to the hotel in Prague
- › Daily breakfast, guided city tour, portage service

Already Booked !!
Please come to learn more about pre and post excursions.
September 14—6:30pm.
St. Luke's Church Hall

To learn more about this exciting cruise come to a presentation on **September 14th at 6:30 pm at St. Luke church in the parish hall.**

DANUBE SERENADE

July 22 - 29, 2018

Enjoy a fascinating 7-night cruise from Vienna to Nuremberg

DAY	DESTINATION	ACTIVITIES
Jul 22	Vienna	EMBARKATION; Welcome Dinner
Jul 23	Vienna	City tour OR Sacher & Sekt OR Alte Donau bike tour OR Klosterneuburg Abbey bike tour
Jul 24	Dürnstein	Walking tour OR Dürnstein Fortress hike OR Apricots & Sweets tasting Wachau Valley scenic cruising
	Melk	Benedictine Abbey tour OR Danube bike tour
Jul 25	Linz	Walking tour OR Castle & Culture bike tour Austrian Lake District Tour OR Cesky Krumlov OR Salzburg
Jul 26	Passau	Walking tour OR Passau bike tour OR Passau Castle hike
Jul 27	Regensburg	Walking tour OR Walhalla bike tour OR Bavarian Specialties tastings Cruise Main-Danube Canal
Jul 28	Nuremberg	Medieval city tour; WWII city tour
Jul 29	Nuremberg	DISSEMBARKATION

BOOK BY SEPTEMBER 30TH & SAVE \$400 ON CRUISE FARE

7-NIGHT CRUISE ABOARD THE AMASONATA

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