

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 24, 2017

## Gospel

When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. Mt 20:8-10

## 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



Welcome to

THE CHURCH OF

# Saint Luke

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF DISCIPLES

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First Reading : Isaiah: 55:6-9

Second Reading: Phillipians:1:20-24, 27a

GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16a



## 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” - Mt 20:16

**Reflection:** Reflect upon/share about something you do that, in some way, defines who you are. How might that be the work for which the Lord has hired you? What kind of payment do you receive? Is the payment sufficient to keep you from grumbling? How can you become a better laborer for the Kingdom?

**Alternate:** What struck your mind or your heart about this Gospel? How might the Lord be trying to tell you something through what struck you? How will you respond to the Lord's wishes for you?

### 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  
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Dennie Nickell  
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Dave Sapper  
Karen Sapper  
Tom Selfani  
Bryan Shull  
Dcn. Jerry Stenovoc  
Dcn. Allan Williams

### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

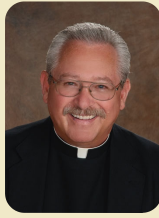
*The Parish Finance Council meets every other 3rd Wednesday of the month.*

#### 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*



Dear parishioners,

September 7<sup>th</sup>, we had a meeting of the Eucharistic ministers in the parish, those who serve for our Masses and those who take Eucharist to the sick and homebound. I gave a presentation that I was pretty pleased with (nothing like tooting your own horn). I had the idea of putting our practice of Communion in context for them and amazed myself at how that brought things together.

The context begins with understanding what a parish is. We could start with the diocese because in our theology “church” is a Bishop surrounded by his people. For all practical purposes, though, most people’s experience of “church” occurs in the parish setting.

It’s important to understand that the word, in Scripture, which we translate as “church” means an assembly. It is talking about the people Jesus assembled not the institution that has necessarily grown up in support of the assemblies of people.

And, it is important to note that the word used in Scripture was the word used for an assembly of people called out of the community to serve the community. Maybe the closest group like this, in our time, is the civil grand jury in California which is mostly utilized for identifying problems and offering recommendations for improving government operations and enhancing responsiveness; in many counties, a separate criminal grand jury is empaneled to determine if certain criminal cases should go to trial.

Jesus called his apostles and disciples, out from among the Jewish people, to serve the Kingdom of God. He gave them a mission. The mission can be stated in many ways. One way is from Mathew 28: “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you.”

He also gave them a mechanism through which we do this as Church. It’s called the Mass. As the Mass is presently structured, we have the Liturgy of the Word wherein we open ourselves to allow God to speak to us before we are sent out on mission. Then we have the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the apex of which is the communion procession and our saying “amen”, again, to becoming a member of the body of Christ, as St. Augustine taught. In that “amen” we are committing ourselves to carrying on His mission in the world. Again, as St. Augustine taught, we verify our “amen” by living it out in the world, by engaging in the mission.

The last official act of the Mass is the deacon sending us out into the mission field. That’s where the Church, you the assembled disciples of the Lord, does its work. And that’s why, you should never leave Mass until the deacon sends us out. Being sent out is a communal act, an act of the whole Church. And, we traditionally follow the cross out as our Lord leads us into the mission field.

In this context, the context of Christ assembling His disciples as workers in the vineyard, I think it is obvious why we say the Eucharist is central to who we are and why we should never miss the Sunday Eucharistic gathering.

There is so much more that can be said and so much more that is often said but, whatever our favorite reflection on the Eucharist might be, I think we should first get the context right. We are committed to the Sunday Eucharistic Gathering not because we are afraid that it is a sin if we miss but because we are committed to the mission for which Christ called us together.

In His service,

Fr. Ron

# Remember in your Prayers, Weekly Readings, Mass Intentions



## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ann Ponsor, La Mice Denton, 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.).

<b>LAST WEEK: Totals for</b>		<b>9/17/2017</b>
<b>Plate:</b>	\$	801.00
<b>Envelope:</b>	\$	5,922.00
<b>Total Collection Basket:</b>	\$	<b>6,723.00</b>
<b>Online Giving May 2017 =</b>		<b>\$20,604.78 (114 users)</b>

**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](http://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:

<b>Robert &amp; Annabelle Kroeger</b>	<b>67 yrs</b>
<b>Joseph F. &amp; Christy Klock</b>	<b>60 yrs</b>
<b>John &amp; Teddie DeLaurentis</b>	<b>58-yrs</b>
<b>Phil &amp; Fran Gelber M.D.</b>	<b>56-yrs</b>
<b>George &amp; Dianne Heidenreich</b>	<b>48-yrs</b>
<b>John &amp; Kay Krueger</b>	<b>47-yrs</b>
<b>Tom &amp; Ellie Collet Sr.</b>	<b>44-yrs</b>
<b>Sal &amp; Shirley Flor</b>	<b>41-yrs</b>
<b>Tony &amp; Julie Gonzales</b>	<b>38-yrs</b>
<b>Joe &amp; Mina Scannicchio</b>	<b>30 -yrs</b>
<b>Andrew &amp; Michele Curl</b>	<b>27-yrs</b>
<b>Marty &amp; Carol Banks</b>	<b>20-yrs</b>
<b>Dale &amp; Kathy Harrington</b>	<b>18-yrs</b>

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

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a  
 Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-6/Lk 8:16-18  
 Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-5/Lk 8:19-21  
 Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2-4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6  
 Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b/Lk 9:7-9  
 Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-5/Jn 1:47-51  
 Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jr 31:10-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45  
 Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm Edward Ray Collins RIP  
 Sunday: 9:00am Parishioners of St. Luke  
 11:30am Louise J Bertsche RIP  
 Wednesday: 7:30am Janet Horba RIP  
 Thursday: 7:30am Richard Darrah RIP  
 Friday: 7:30am Brian Hale RIP  
 Saturday: 5:00pm Charles Bourke RIP  
 Sunday: 9:00am Edward Ray Collins RIP  
 11:30am Parishioners of St. Luke

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Tuesday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs  
 Wednesday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest  
 Thursday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs  
 Friday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels  
 Saturday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church  
 Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

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

## OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

at *The Church of Saint Luke*

*Morning and Afternoon Shifts  
(or occasional substitute)  
are available.*

**Experience is required in  
the following tasks:**

- Fundamental computer skills
  - Phone skills
  - Data Entry

*Please Call*

**Business Manager:**

**Jim Crockett at**

**619-442-1697, ext. 110**

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Follow *The Church of St. Luke*  
on Facebook and Instagram  
for news, events, photos, and more!

**Don't Forget to  
Pick-up Scrip!  
September 23/24 &  
October 1/2**

**Gift cards are available the  
last weekend of the month  
and the first weekend  
of the month.**

## It's time for Church Cleaning

**Monday September 25th  
from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon**



**For more information please call  
Peggy Nelson 619-440-8910  
or pnelson5@cox.net**

## GOSPEL MEDITATION: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Are you envious because I am generous?" The landowner in today's Gospel parable surprised everyone. Contrary to standard practice, he paid all of his laborers the same wage, regardless of how many hours they had worked! Of course this was a very pleasant surprise for those who had begun their job late in the day. And, understandably, it was something of a disappointment for those who had toiled since the morning. From their perspective, they should have gotten more than the others. But in fact the landowner was not cheating anyone; he was simply being especially generous with the latecomers.

This story would have had a special meaning for the Jewish audience listening to Jesus. They, the Chosen People, were the laborers who had started at 9:00 am. They belonged to the group with a long history of worshipping the true God. Non-Jewish Gentiles, on the other hand, had appeared late in the game. Jesus was making the point that just because he would offer the same salvation and mercy to everyone, there should be no reason for the Jews to complain. They had received their promised Messiah; so what if, in God's mercy, he allowed others who had not waited so long to be saved as well? Divine generosity is not meant to be a cause for jealousy.

Now, we may feel removed from the concerns of those Jews. But the basic lesson remains relevant: that we ought to appreciate God's generosity, even when it reaches to those whom we may not expect God to forgive. Those who have long been faithful, for example, might think they deserve more benefits than sinners who repent late in life. But instead, we should all rejoice to see God's mercy extended to EVERYONE, no matter when they joined the fold.

## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

True love does not measure itself against the love of others. If I am truly in love with God there is no need to compare myself with others or succumb to jealousy if others appear closer than I or because I have loved longer. Authentic love does not consider benefits or privileges. It simply desires to be in the presence of the One who is loved. God invites all of his children into a relationship with him. It does not matter when along our life's journey we accept that invitation. It is only important that we do. In our Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard promised the usual daily wage to everyone, regardless of what time each started working. God promises love and eternal life to all who enter into relationship with him. It does not matter when. This is God's pure merciful gift. It is God's to give as God desires.

## WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

**Question:** Who is St. Jerome and why is he so significant that we honored him with a feast on September 30?

**Answer:** St. Jerome (345-420) was considered the greatest biblical scholar of his day, conversant with Latin, Greek, and Hebrew. He set about translating the books of the Bible from their original languages into Latin.

Much of Jerome's correspondence has survived and gives us a powerful glimpse into the kind of person that he was, as well as the time in which he lived. Jerome eventually became Pope Damasus' (366-384) personal secretary. In the West, Latin was overtaking Greek as the language of the common people. The pope desired a translation of the Bible that would be accurately translated from the original languages into the language and idiom of the people. Previous Latin translations existed, but they were poor in quality.

Jerome set about this task and spent the rest of his life meticulously translating. He is credited with the translation of the Bible known as the Vulgate, a Latin translation intended to address the needs of the common people. That translation became the standard and the only one used by Catholics until modern times. Catholics did not actively engage in a similar process until 1943, when Pius XII allowed Catholic scholars once again to go back to the original languages and translate an accurate and meticulous version of the Bible. We carry on that tradition to this very day.

## Contacts & Calendar Information

### VISIT OUR WEBSITE

*For additional calendar and event information.*

[www.thechurchofstluke.org](http://www.thechurchofstluke.org)

### PARISH DIRECTORY

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**Knights of Columbus:** Don Mercurio G.K.  
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**Respect Life:** Don Mercurio  
**Scrip:** Tom Stone  
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**Joanie Maitilasso and Carole Morales**

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**THE DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS IS**

**MONDAY AT 12 NOON.**

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Month of September/October

*(Calendar Events are subject to change)*

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| Sat<br>23rd  | 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time<br>1:00pm Wedding: Tom Waddell/Kesa Hopkins<br>3:30pm Reconciliation<br>5:00pm Mass  |
| Sun<br>24th  | 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time<br>8:30am Pro Life Rosary<br>8:45pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II<br>9:00am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word<br>10:15am H.S. Conf Prep Sessions<br>10:30am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II<br>11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy Word                    |
| Mon<br>25th  | 9:00am Church Cleaning<br>2:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I and II<br>4:15pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level III<br>4:15pm M.S. Faith Formation Session  |
| Tues<br>26th | 6:00pm Outreach Committee Meeting<br>6:30pm Young Adult Gatherings  |
| Wed<br>27th  | 7:30am Mass<br>4:30pm Parish Finance Council  |
| Thu<br>28th  | 7:30am Mass<br>4:00pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I and II  |
| Fri<br>29th  | 7:30am Mass<br>6:30pm Cub Scout pack 391 Mtg.   |
| Sat<br>30th  | 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time<br>Baby Bottle Boomerang w/Respect Life Speaker<br>8:00am SVDP Walk/Run at Steele Canyon HS<br>3:30pm Reconciliation<br>5:00pm Mass  |
| Sun<br>1st   | 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time<br>Baby Bottle Boomerang w/Respect Life Speaker<br>8:30am Pro Life Rosary<br>8:45pm No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II<br>9:00am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word<br>10:30am No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II<br>11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy Word |
| Mon<br>2nd   | 2:30pm No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I and II<br>4:15pm No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level III<br>4:15pm No M.S. Faith Formation Session   |

# Parish Events



## October Fest



Saturday  
October 7, 2017

**BBQ Dinner 5:30pm—7:30pm**  
Pulled Beef, Cole Slaw & Beans \$10  
Hot Dog & Chips \$3  
Bottled Water & Sodas \$2  
Beer & Wine Service \$4

**Kids' Activities 4:00pm—7:00pm**  
Free Admission to: inflatable slide, carnival-type games with candy prizes, arts 'n crafts, cake walk, face glitter & Halloween fun tattoos, and fresh popcorn

**Volunteers needed!** Middle school- and high school-aged youth and adults ~ Please call or text our Coordinator, JEN GRYGIEL @ (619) 823-8426.

Fortune 5000



Face glitter & Halloween



Arts 'n crafts & Game prizes



Fortune 5000

Don't miss out on the chance to win \$5,000!

That's right — \$5,000!!!!

**HOW?**

Simply purchase your ticket(s) to win at \$50 per ticket. All funds will directly support our Parish Faith Formation Programs.

**WHEN?**

Purchase tickets NOW through October 7th...your lucky number awaits your purchase

**WHERE?**

Tables in the Baptistery staffed by awesome volunteers after each Mass

## Silent Auction

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS** to paint or decorate pumpkins for this fun event. Bring out the artist in you and get your creative ideas flowing! Think of a wonderful pumpkin idea that you or the whole family can create.

Last year we had over 50 amazing pumpkins donated. Let's beat that!



You may also enter your masterpieces in the **PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST**...

- Contest entry fee is \$2.00 for each pumpkin submitted.
- Your pumpkin will be entered and displayed in the Silent Auction.
- The pumpkin with the highest bid wins all the entry fee money collected.
- \$\$\$ prize depends on the number of pumpkin contest entries.
- You do not need to be present to claim your prize, but come join the fun.
- Remember, you do not have to enter the contest to submit a pumpkin.

Contact Coordinator, Dianne Heidenreich at 619-444-0191 for details.



SVDP Resource & Sign up Table after Masses July-September

SAVE THE DATE  
**SATURDAY 09.30.2017**

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



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[CHURCH OF ST LUKE FOP WALK/ RUN](http://CHURCHOFSTLUKE.FOPWALK.ORG)

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Please contact:

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619-508-4452

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## BABY BOTTLE DRIVE



Fill a Bottle-Save a Life!

Support women in crisis pregnancies

Next weekend is the Baby Bottle Drive. We provide the baby bottles, you provide the cash, check, or change!

For more information or to volunteer contact our Coordinator at (619) 886-7884.

[www.pregnantandscared.me](http://www.pregnantandscared.me)  
[www.COLFS.org](http://www.COLFS.org)

Medical Offices open in San Diego and Escondido



COLFS is a 501(c)3 tax exempt non-profit organization founded by faithful Catholics in San Diego dedicated to helping women in unplanned pregnancies discover life affirming choices.

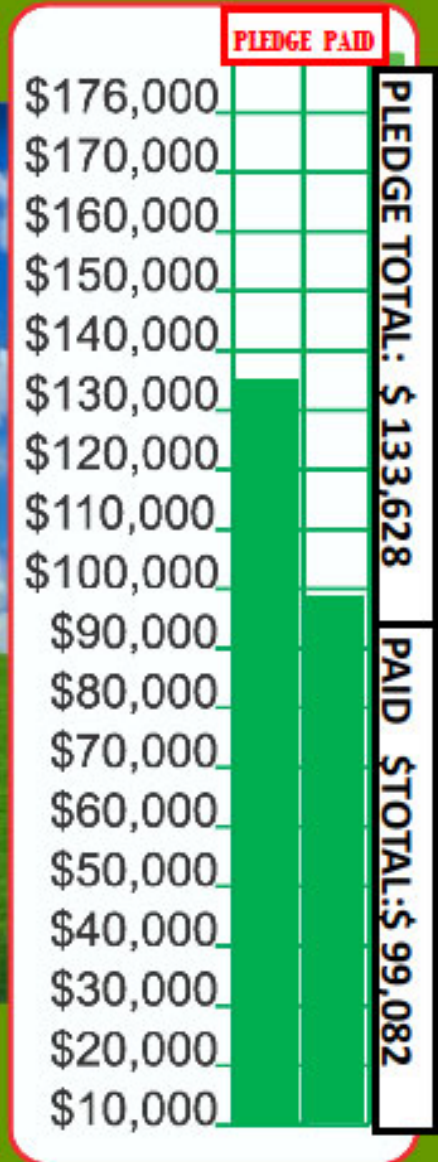


# The Church of Saint Luke Goes *Green*

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



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



**Your Help Makes a Difference**



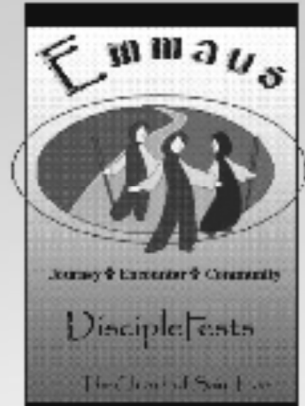
## Parish Events

Mark Your Calendar!

Our new journey begins on Wednesday  
October 4, 2017 from 5:30 - 8 PM

### Reflecting on the Communion of Saints

*(Kitchen closes at 6 PM)*



We always begin with a shared meal, then break out into smaller learning sessions by age groups: Pre-school through Kindergarten, 1st through 5th Grades, Middle School, High School, and Adults.

*Join us at this EMMAUS Whole Community Assembly on  
"We Believe in the Communion of Saints"*

*~ At this Emmaus gathering, we will: ~*

- Explore what it means to be a saint*
- Learn about the lives of the saints*
- Appreciate the importance of celebrating the gifts of the saints*

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*Our fabulous culinary team led by new Chef Jean Goulding  
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Wednesday, November 8, 2017 5:30-8 PM

Wednesday, December 6, 2017 5:30-8 PM Wednesday, January 3, 2018 5:30-8 PM

Wednesday, February 7, 2018 5:30-8 PM Wednesday, March 7, 2018 \*5:00-8 PM

Wednesday, April 4, 2018 5:30-8 PM Wednesday, May 2, 2018 5:30-8 PM

\* Denotes an earlier start time for a special Lenten Mission performance by Actor, Mark Price on "Simon Peter, in his own words"



## 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 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 11 am & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 6 :30 pm  
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 Wasyliw, President 619.444.9240

# **Mega Altar Server Training Session**



**Open to ALL current and prospect servers & families**

**We will cover: basic roles of servers, cross bearer training, and incense training**

**Requirements: have received First Communion**

**Saturday, October 28 in the Baptistry of the Church**

**1-3:00 pm Training for New Servers**

**2:00-2:30 Cross Bearer Training for Current Servers**

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