

First Sunday of Advent - December 3rd, 2017

## Gospel

*"It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his work..."*

Mk 13:34a

Welcome to

THE CHURCH OF

# Saint Luke

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF DISCIPLES

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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

(Also by appointment)

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday

9:00 am—5:00 pm

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# 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 63: 16b-17, 19b; 64: 2-7

Second Reading : 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel : Mark 13: 33-37

**Reflection:** Reflect upon/Share about a time when you were put in charge of something important. How did it make you feel? How did the person who put you in charge feel about your accomplishment? What can you do to make sure Jesus is happy about what he has given you to accomplish?

**Alternative:** What work has God given you to do (what is your purpose), at this stage in your life? How does that fit into the overall purpose of your life? If the Lord returned today, would he be happy with how you are doing the work he put you in charge of?

### 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  
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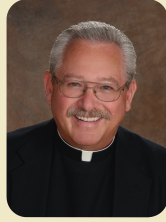
### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

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

#### Parish Finance Council Members:

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George Heidenreich  
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### *From the Pastor*



Dear Parishioners,

I don't know about you but I'm not ready for Advent. There is so much going on, exciting things and normal things, that to switch gears and prepare for the celebration of a new liturgical season seems like too much. I know we do this every year but every year I ask myself how do we do this right; how do we as a parish celebrate Advent in such a way that our people can enter into the spirit of the season and really be prepared for the celebration of Christmas?

You'd think, after eleven years of priesthood, I'd have this down pretty well by now... but, I don't. I assume that the things that get in the way for me are the same as the things that get in the way for everyone else... so I'll share. One of the things that gets in the way is that we do this every year. It has become routine and too easy to just do it. But how do we enter into it. Another thing that gets in the way is that we are preparing for something that happened two thousand and some years ago. Granted, we are also preparing for the second coming of Christ but is that going to happen on December 25, 2017?

In my eleven years I have usually used Advent as a time of preparation for the liturgical celebration of Christmas and by that I mean that I am usually preparing for all the parts and pieces of that celebration, actually it is five celebrations, three on Christmas Eve, one here on Christmas Day and one at La Vida Real. Each one has to run smoothly so I worry about the environment, what bells and whistles will we use, how am I going to ever come up with a fresh homily, how am I going to make those who only come to Mass on Christmas and Easter want to come more often, etc. What happens is that I end up preparing so much for the celebrations I fail to prepare for what we are celebrating.

And what are we celebrating? Are we celebrating the coming of our redeemer two thousand years ago? Yes, but we all know that we are already redeemed and don't have that feeling of expectant waiting. Are we celebrating the second coming of Christ which the early Christians thought would occur in their lifetime? Yes, but none of us, I think, expect it to happen in our lifetime. How do we make this celebration about our day and time? How can we experience the excitement of waiting for something really cool?

Well, we can decide, this Christmas, to open ourselves up to a personal relationship with the Lord. I know, some of us already have that. If so, we can open ourselves to a deeper, more intimate, relationship with the Lord. When I was being raised, our Church didn't used to teach about personal relationships with the Lord. For most Catholics, relationship with the Lord used to be mediated by the Church, especially through the sacramental life of the Church, but it wasn't lived out daily in the world. That was left to priests, nuns and religious brothers. They told us what we needed to do to be good Catholics and that was enough. Not anymore! Now we again, like in the early Church, desire that each person should have a personal relationship with the Lord.

So let us, in The Church of St. Luke, prepare the way for that. This Advent let's try to identify anything which stands in the way of a personal relationship with the Lord. Let's clean house and sweep away the things that compete with our Lord's presence. Let us prepare for what we are celebrating rather than just for the celebration.

Expectantly,

**Fr. Ron**

# Remember in your Prayers, Weekly Readings, Mass Intentions



## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Paul Folsom, John Stevenson, Zoey Thomas, 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, Gray Draper, 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, Jan Lindgren, Carol Petrich, Carey Moore, Jose Azarza, Parker Landis, Joan Smith, Anthony Potito, 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, Steven, 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. 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 **when a name can be removed.** We appreciate the prompt notification & your cooperation.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

### DECEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

**Marty & Lil Collins** 50-years  
**John & Christine Weisickle** 44-years  
**Martin & Adriana Holguin** 16-years  
**Joe & Pauline Doran** 6-years

*If you would like to have your Wedding Anniversary placed in the bulletin please call 442-1697*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37  
 Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11  
 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24  
 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37  
 Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27  
 Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [1a]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38  
 Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8  
 Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm M. Frances Ledwith RIP  
 Sunday: 9:00am Parishioners of St. Luke  
 11:30am Mary Richardson RIP  
 Wednesday: 7:30am Art Bennett RIP  
 Thursday: 7:30am Michaelangelo Casarrubia RIP  
 Friday: 7:30am Joe Orrantia RIP  
 Saturday: 5:00pm Michaelangelo Casarrubia RIP  
 Sunday: 9:00am Edward Ray Collins RIP  
 11:30am Parishioners of St. Luke  
**SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCE**  
 Saturday: first Sunday of Advent  
 Sunday: First Sunday of Advent  
 Monday: St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church  
 Tuesday: Weekday  
 Wednesday: St. Nicholas, Bishop  
 Thursday: St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church  
 Friday: The Immaculate Conception (holy day of obligation)  
 Saturday: 2nd Sunday of Advent  
 Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent

## 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 11/26/2017**

<b>Plate:</b>	\$	830.00
<b>Envelope:</b>	\$	6,301.00
<b>Total Collection Basket:</b>	\$	7,131.00
<b>Online Giving</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.

# The Giving Tree . . .



One of our parish Christmas traditions is our community of disciples helping to bring comfort and joy to our brothers and sisters in need. We primarily serves families in local communities as well as families across the border in Tecate and Tijuana. We will support designated schools and organizations in need of our help. This year we will partner with a select number of Cajon Valley schools, Crisis House, EJE Academies,

In the baptistery, you will find *The Giving Tree* ornamental stands with gift tags marked “Any \$ Amount” for the following specific needs —

**General Retailers** — e.g., CVS, Marshalls/TJ Maxx, Payless Shoe Source, Ross Dress for Less, Target, Walmart (not limited to these retailers)

**Grocery Stores** — e.g., Albertsons, Smart & Final, Vons (not limited to these stores)

**Knit gloves/hats/scarves (DO NOT WRAP)** These gifts are for our parish *Friends of the Poor* Outreach Ministry.

*The Giving Tree* ornamental stands will be displayed in the baptistery from Saturday, November 18th through Sunday, December 10th. Select the gift tags of your choice. As a timesaver, just stop at the Scrip Table after Mass to purchase the gift cards. As a security measure, please place the purchased gift cards in the Sunday Mass collection baskets, give them to a Scrip Team member, or bring them to the Parish Office during the week.

**Be sure to return the gift cards by Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, so that we may deliver your gifts to the families and children in time for Christmas.**



## THE FEAST OF SAINT NICHOLAS SUNDAY-DECEMBER 3RD

After 9am & 11:30 am Mass.

The Knights of Columbus presents  
**Jolly Saint Nick**

Children of all ages are invited to sit or stand by Santa and ask for a Special Christmas Wish and for a picture with him. A Tree Ornament will be given and plenty of Christmas Cookies.



## Las Madrininas

Christmas Bake and Craft Sale  
December 3rd, 2017

after 9:00 am Mass in church hall.

*All Proceeds to benefit Noah Homes & The Giving Tree*



## Start Your Holiday Shopping Now

PRE-ORDER your gift cards now.

This will ensure that you get the cards that you want for your Christmas shopping and for the **Giving Tree** donation.

You'll have them in your wallet when you're ready to shop.

**Order forms & Gift Cards will be available at the Scrip Table after each Mass beginning 11/26 thru 12/ 17.**



## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS

**It's time to lift our voices in song to celebrate Jesus' Birthday!**

All Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade  
Young People are invited.

**Rehearsal: Saturdays December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>. 3:30-4:30PM.**

The Children's Choir will sing  
**Sunday, December 24 at the 4PM Mass**  
Come and be part of the fun!



## Friends of the Poor SOCK DRIVE

Friends of the Poor is collecting **new socks** for people in Tijuana. **Socks are needed for all ages and all sizes!**

Place socks in bin in baptistery.  
Martha Evans



## Retirement Fund for Religious Collection December 9th & 10th

*Share in the Care*

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.  
Ninety-three percent of every donation to the National Religious Retirement Office aids senior religious. [www.retiredreligious.org](http://www.retiredreligious.org)



## Holy Day of Obligation Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday - December 8th 7:30 am and 6:00 pm

## Contacts & Calendar Information

### VISIT OUR WEBSITE

*For additional calendar and event information.*

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

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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 December

*(Calendar Events are subject to change)*

Sat 2nd	"The Giving Tree" Parish Outreach First Sunday of Advent 3:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass
Sun 3rd	"The Giving Tree" Parish Outreach First Sunday of Advent 8:30am Pro Life Rosary 8:45pm No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II 9:00am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy 10:00am Las Madrinas Bake & Craft Sale & St. Nicholas 10:15am No Confirmation Prep 10:30am No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level II 11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy Word 12:30 St. Nicholas Visit 12:45 Baptism - Cortes
Mon 4th	2:30pm No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I and II 4:15pm No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level III 4:15pm No M.S. Faith Formation Session 6:00pm Core Team Meeting
Tues 5th	4:00pm No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level III 6:30pm Young Adult Gatherings
Wed 6th	7:30am Mass 5:30pm Emmaus DiscipleFest 7:00pm No RCIA
Thu 7th	7:30am Mass 11:00am SVDP Meeting 4:00pm No Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I and II
Fri 8th	Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation 7:30am Mass 6:00pm Mass
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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 7:00pm K of C Meeting

## Parish Information



Share the Journey ☀

### with Catholic Charities – Refugee Services

The Director of Refugee Services at Catholic Charities, Diocese of San Diego cordially invites you to the *Share the Journey* tour and presentation. We would be honored if you joined us to learn about the refugee journey and ways you can help as we answer Pope Francis' call "to change the world and be good to those who cannot repay us."

Date: Friday, December 8, 2017

Time: 10am-12:30pm

Location: 4575 Mission Gorge Place – Suite A San Diego, CA 92120

Please RSVP by November 22, 2017 by emailing Nadine Toppozada, Director of Refugee Services, [NToppozada@ccdsd.org](mailto:NToppozada@ccdsd.org) and Victoria Hoang, Community Engagement Specialist, [vhoang@ccdsd.org](mailto:vhoang@ccdsd.org).

#sharejourney

### Save the Date

February 3rd, 2018 4th Annual

*Taste of Saint Luke International Cuisine*

Share: Food, Fun and Friendship.

Something delicious to taste for everyone!

Unfortunately three of our tables are unable to participate this year; Korean, German and Mexican. **This is an opportunity for you to gather 3 or more friends and host a table of your choice.**

If you are interested in volunteering, hosting a table or Want to help with this fun event

If you are interested please call:  
Pat Riggs

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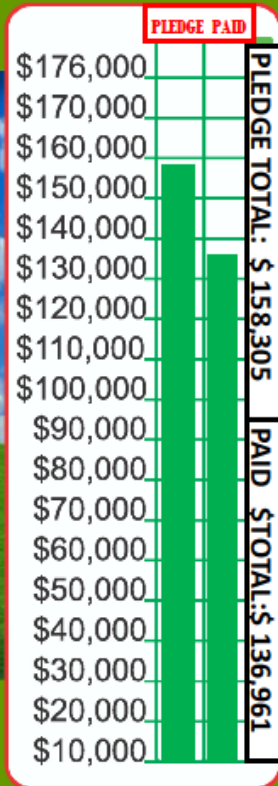


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### Poinsettia Memoriams



*Poinsettias beautifully decorate our church on Christmas and are a special way to remember loved ones, both living and deceased.*

Donation for small poinsettias are \$25.00, medium \$50.00 and large \$150.00.

Envelopes are available in the pews or on the side tables in the Baptistry.  
*For more info call the parish office at 442-1697.*

Saint Luke Advent  
Reconciliation Service  
on December 14th  
at 7pm.



East County Christmas for Kids Book Collection  
Children's books for *Babies to Middle School.*

Please leave your donations in Baptistry in the box.  
For information and large book donations please call  
Don Mercurio or Vicky Cate

### Did you know...

In addition to your generous donations, the loose coins you place in the collection basket go to help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at the Church of St. Luke to provide assistance to those in need?



## Parish Information



### Helping Bags for the Homeless

*“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.” (Mt 25:35-36) “*



The Church of St Luke Society of St Vincent de Paul prepares & delivers grocery bags filled with healthy, ready-to-eat non-perishable foods & hygiene items for the homeless of El Cajon.

***We Need Your Help!***

Blue collection bins will be in the baptistery the First weekend of each month beginning in December.

**FOOD ITEM SUGGESTIONS:** Easy-to-open non-perishable **healthy** foods. (Nothing that requires cooking or refrigeration, please!) such as: Vienna sausages or similar; peanut butter snack packs with crackers; tuna lunch packs; breakfast snack packs; protein bars; travel cereal boxes; fruit snacks; fruit cups; applesauce cups; juice boxes or pouches; jerky; raisins or craisins; nuts; water.

**NON-FOOD ITEM SUGGESTIONS:** quart-sized zippered plastic bags; plastic utensils; napkins;

**HYGIENE ITEM SUGGESTIONS:** Deodorant; shampoo; conditioner; lotion; sunscreen; toothpaste and toothbrushes; travel tissues; plastic razors; combs

**OTHER SUGGESTIONS:** Socks; hats; gloves; scarves

For more information on this program or to help fill and distribute the bags,  
contact Andrea Zigelman

## East County Christmas for Kids –Volunteers needed!



### Volunteer opportunities:

**December 12<sup>th</sup>** – Volunteer to pick up the gifts from Toys for Tots on Tuesday morning. *Volunteer to help unload the trucks and sort the toys. 10am to 1pm 12/12 at the Elks lodge, 1400 E. Washington Avenue El Cajon.* We will need help sorting by age and sex into the stacks for wrapping.

**Dec. 12-15<sup>th</sup>** : Volunteer to wrap! .. for a little time or a lot of time! at the **Elks' Lodge , 1400 E. Washington Avenue El Cajon.** Wrapping will begin the afternoon of the 12th about 4pm or so and will end each night about 8:30pm. Wrapping will be done daily at the Elks' lodge from 10am to 8:30 pm. Many wrappers will make this fast work! Spend a little time or a lot ...and bring friends and scissors! Contact: Becky Powalisz – [rpowalisz@gmail.com](mailto:rpowalisz@gmail.com)

**December 16th:** Volunteer to help with Set up – starting about 9am – should take only a couple hours at the Elks' Lodge in , **1400 E. Washington Avenue El Cajon,**

**December 17th:** Volunteer to help at the event! *We need Lots of volunteers!!!!* Volunteers needed to help with Food, Books, Registration and helping the families and jobs not detailed!



We give gifts, books and food to about 3000 kids this year come help us please.  
*Sign up in advance if possible so we can know how many volunteers will be helping!*

Our East County Christmas for Kids Event is being hosted at the **Elks Club** in El Cajon  
**1400 E. Washington Avenue El Cajon, CA 92019**

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