The Church of Saint Luke

A Roman Catholic Community of Disciples



FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
SECOND READING: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
GOSPEL: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition."

Reflection:

Reflect upon/share about what you do, other than go to church, that honors God? What is it about what you do, or how you do it, that brings honor to God? What more can you do to live your life in a manner which honors God?

Alternative:

Reflect upon/share about common beliefs, in our culture, which strike you as opposite of what our Lord teaches. How do these beliefs get so strong? How can you identify beliefs you have which may be different from what the Lord teaches?

August 30, 2015 Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time



Welcome the word that you have received and become doers of the word, not hearers only. __James 1: 22

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

Tuesday: 5:00 pm 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



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

Parish Council Members:

contact the Parish Office.

Fr. Ron Cochran Mark Balmert Amy Cannon **Bob Guarnotta** Linda lacobson Anita Leak Sam Lupo Don Mercurio Dcn. Emeritus: Dennie Nickell **Rick Roberts** Dave Sapper Karen Sapper 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.

<u>Parish Finance</u> Council Members:

Fr. Ron Cochran
Jim Crockett
George Heidenreich
Jeanne Houghtby
John Krueger
Cathy March
Jim Stepovich
Richard Venancio

FROM: THE PASTOR



Dear Parishioners,

We've had a lot of funerals lately. I concelebrated one this week, at another parish, and we have two right here at St. Luke. I've shared before that I like being with people who are dying; I always feel that it is if I am being invited to stand on the edge with them and see eternity through their eyes. It is a great grace and I always feel enriched by the experience.

I also like funerals. They are a bittersweet experience for most. It is a time of remembrance of how great the experience of sharing life with the deceased was and it is time of acknowledging the loss we experience because of their passing. I tell people that the experience of loss is a good thing because the depth of the loss signifies the depths of the love shared with the person here on earth. How blest are the sorrowful...

We have a couple of people in hospice care, one of which seems particularly ready and accepting of his impending death. Joe Patrone Sr., whose funeral is this Saturday, seemed that way also. I remember when visiting Joe, what a great experience it was for me. It was a pleasant visit where I got to know him a bit and learn about his past; people were the most important elements of his past. I remember feeling how accepting he was of his dying, no hints of sorrow or fear, just an unspoken acknowledgement that the time was coming. I hope I'm that way when it is time for me.

To tell you the truth, I'm not sure I'm ready. I'm not sure I'm not either. I like life. I like being with all of you. I like doing the things I do day-in and day-out. I'm not really sure what we do in eternal life. Theologically, we describe it as gazing on the face of God. No offense to you God, but that doesn't sound very exciting to me. I'm sure it means something more than any human concept of gazing on the face of another could possible describe. I know it has to do with deepest relationship we could possibly have with God but I'm left asking myself how that might be acted out. I trust that it is way better than life here on earth and I really like life here on earth. So, I look forward to it in a sense.

I know I don't want to suffer as part of the dying process. My dad died in his sleep and I'm praying to go the same way. I've seen a lot of people who suffered much before they died and, for the most part, I have been really impressed by the persons their suffering helped them become. I wish, though, that there was a pill we could take to help us become better persons.

Oh, there is! I preached on that this last Sunday. It's the Eucharist! I tried to get the idea across that faithfulness to the Eucharist, faithfulness for twenty years or so, would make us better persons. And, I know that. It has worked in my life and I know many other people for whom it has worked. The Lord is the pill and the method he gave us to let him change us is the Eucharist. It is not about intellectually understanding Scripture... and I really like Scripture and spend a lot of intellectual time with it. It's about encountering the Lord through Scripture and encountering the Lord through his real presence in the Eucharist. I think that encountering Him in the Eucharist helps us encounter him in Scripture and in our day-to-day lives.

I hope I got that across to at least some people on Sunday. I know many people agreed with me because they have experienced it in their own lives. I hope those who haven't will open themselves to this great gift. Just talking about it made me more aware. I think when my time does come, it will have been faithfulness to the Eucharist that will have helped me be ready.

In His Service.

Fr. Ron

STOP THE FLYING

A flying rumor never has any trouble making a landing. Anonymous

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Alice Zizzo, Luis Orrantia, Maggie Matthews, Sophia Christensen, Steven Quinn, Cindy Russell, Karen Walker, Mike Murphy, Ann Mussomeli, Jeanine DeSanti, Joe James Sowards, Jim Carver, Vie Liddell, George Serban, Olivia Dunn, Elda lavelli, Jennifer Soares, Dorothea Wall, Tony Gonzales, Martina Chiappara Cahill, Antoinette Daquisto-Guidi, Matthew Chu, Petra Gallegos, Bob Weisham, Frank Asaro, Teri Harrison, Danielle P. Joe Scannicchio, Maria Warcholik, Ruthie Condon, Marin Mejia, Mike Marcon, Theresa & Vito Seragusa, Tracy Weaver, Rick Gores, Corrine Meierbachtol, Sue Sullivan, Geri McCabe, Rose Camacho, Ray Camacho, Maria Oliver, Al Oliver, Tommy Collet Sr., John Lawton, Justin Hughes, Clara Morrison, Travis Butler, Jordan Garcia, Winston Quitiquit, Gregory S., Joan Hall, Lucy Renko, Joni Marco, Vern Hubka, Ricky Latorre, Camryn Mayer, Dolores Morrison, Aimee Gatus, Tommy Collet Jr., Thomas Baca, Chuck Moore, Eugene Cuomo, Gui Mei Guo, Audrianna Lococo, Mario Ingargiola, Karl Viederstein, Carey Moore, John Morrison, Maria Teresa Valquez, Nancy Samayoa, JoAnne Morse, Tyler Parr, Karin Oravetz, Terry McMullin, Pam Oates, Mary Morrison, Laura Allen & Family, Ryan Waters, Sam Attisha, Debra Burke, Angelo Scardina, Andrew Mearm, John Dickerson, Marco Antonio Ballesteros Miranda, Rod Fakhoury, Janice Ayers, Peter Spinali, Karen Mays, Judy Nickell, Brett Harris, Richard Perricone, John Agostini, Clara Morrison, Austin Gatus, Michael Milnick, Rosemary Lowe, Hayden Remington, Bob De Winter, Kim Hankins, Joy Reynolds, Jeanne Lane, The Hill Family, Connie Bowen, Wayne Hill, Russell Morrison, Frances Colombo, Christina Morrison, 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. By the same token please notify Nancy when a name can be removed. We appreciate the prompt notification and 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 8/23/2015

 Plate:
 \$ 842.00

 Envelope:
 \$ 6,382.00

 Total Collection Basket:
 \$ 7,224.00

Online Giving July: \$14,859.45

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: http://thechurchofstluke.org Click on: Online Giving.box on upper right of screen.

For more information please call the parish office at 442-1697

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE SOUL OF: Joe Petrone Sr, Bobby Harris, Richard Escarcega

BAPTISM: Thomas Bullwinkel, Alonzo Lopez,

Citlali Chavez, Ruby Toma WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Bill & Mary Jane Papenhausen 50-yrs. Richard & Colleen Venancio 48-yrs. Terry & Elizabeth McMullin 47-vrs. Tom & Kelcie Haggard 45-vrs. Terry & Ann Murray 43-vrs. Zen & Bridget Barelka 39-yrs. Jim & Janis Lindgren 34-yrs. Dan & Jean Goulding 30-yrs. Schuyler & Gloria Boyce 25-yrs. Greg & Adriana Rasberry 15-yrs. Dave & Karen Sapper 11-yrs. Frank & Alexxa Terrazas 2-yrs. **Brad & Gina Elsas** 10-yrs Richard & Jo Marie Roberts 35 yrs Harry & Margaret Pfeifer 59 yrs Wayne & Mary Kay Sieckman 42 yrs Jim & Vie Liddell 59 yrs

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18,

21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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:** Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39 **Saturday:**Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5;

Mk 7:31-37

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm Owentia Sanderlin, RIP **Sunday:** 9:00am Maria Teresa Larrazabel, RIP

11:30am Parishioners of Saint Luke

Tuesday: 5:00pm Communion Service Wednesday: 7:30am Presiders Intention Thursday: 7:30am Presiders Intention Friday: 7:30am Presiders Intention Saturday: 5:00pm Billy Agnello, RIP Sunday: 9:00am Charles Bourke, RIP

11:30am Parishioners of Saint Luke

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

TODAY: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Monday: Weekday Tuesday: Weekday Wednesday: Weekday

Thursday: St. Gregory The Great

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: Blessed Teresa of Calcutta; Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordi-

nary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Moses directs the people to observe the commandments of the Lord (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).

Psalm — The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

Second Reading — Welcome the word that you have received and become doers of the word, not hearers only (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

Gospel — You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

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TRADITION

Tradition is long human memory set, not in stone, but in human interaction. Without this active memory, the bonds of relationship and affection fray and fall apart. Communities dissolve as surely as neglected buildings do. After participating in events, celebrations, and even small rituals, we remark about how good it is to gather and remember.

Today's readings remind us of foundations laid deeper than the human will to relate. Today we hear about God's will to relate to us—to be our God as we are called to be God's own beloved people.

Today in three readings and three ways we remember the covenant bonds that create us as a people and the obligation and responsibility that express the innermost attitude of soul. You are mine. I am yours. These are God's words that created a people as surely as "Let there be light" created the sun and moon and all the stars. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last week's discussion of the permanent diaconate and its restoration will lead inevitably to questions about "deaconesses," something certainly under study as historians and liturgists research our tradition's treasures. Today, there are some settings in which women are entrusted with pastoral administration and have been called to preach and to officiate at weddings. Lay people can lead the funeral rites and daily prayer. Yet the question of ordination to the diaconate for women is complex. Yes, we have had deaconesses in our tradition. We know that they assisted with the baptism of women, and that ministries were entrusted to them. We also know that some early church councils took care to call them lay persons, and specifically forbade ordination. What confuses the picture is that they may have been the wives of deacons, who, like the wives of priests and bishops, were expected to serve the community as exemplars of the Christian life. Long after deaconesses disappeared, their ministry was treasured and carried on by religious women in consecrated life. It is clear that one of our greatest treasures is the vibrant engagement of women in ministry over the centuries. What is not as clear is where our questions will lead.

-Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



The Outreach Ministry would like to sincerely thank all our parishioners that showed up last Wednesday to organize and distribute our donated school supplies to Lexington and Anza Elementary Schools. Great teamwork! An especial thank you to our parishioners who took the time to buy the school supplies and deliver them to St. Luke. Both schools expressed their sincere gratitude for our generous donations of school supplies. Thanks again.

Fraternally in Christ, Carlos Cuellar Outreach Ministry Church of St. Luke

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Parent Night



You're invited to attend Parent Night for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program

When: September 22, 2015 at 6:00 PM

Where: The Large Classroom (aka the Level II Atrium)

Information will be shared about the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program. A demonstration will be given on one of the many presentations the children experience in the atrium. If your child is enrolled in any of the CGS sessions, we encourage you to attend. If you would like more information, please contact Debbie Stenovec In the Faith Formation Office. (619) 442-1697 K-5reled@thechurchofstluke.org

Saint Luke Faith Formation Registration Sign up now for STL'S 2015-2016 **Parish Faith Formation Programs**

- Regular sessions for Preschool-Grade 3 begin Sept. 13th, 16th, &17th
- Grades 4-5 -begin Sunday Sept. 13,
- Middle School Grades 6-8 begin Friday, Oct. 3rd

and High School begins Sunday, Oct. 11th

• You may register though our Parish Web-

www.thechurchofstluke.org OR drop by our Parish Office.

M-F, 9:30am-4:30 pm

For more information call 619-442-1697

addinom From the co-author of the hit comedy, **Late Nite Catechism Two-night exclusive engagement** It's a Ho-Ho-Holy Night! by Vicki Quade 7 p.m., Friday, Nov 6 HILARIOUS COMEDY SHOWS 7 p.m., Saturday, Nov 7 Church of St. Luke 1980 Hillsdale Rd. Ticket price: \$30 per show

For tickets, call: 619-442-1697 ext. 104, 105 or 106

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SAINT LUKE FAITH FORMATION FUND RAISER

Parent Meeting for Children **Preparing to Receive Sacraments** Please Join Us!



Parents of elementary school aged children who are preparing to receive sacraments either in their 1st or 2nd year of **Eucharist** and **Reconciliation** Preparation are **strongly encouraged** to attend.

When: September 13, 2015

Time: Between the Masses — 10:15 am

Where: The Church of St. Luke Parish

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© CALENDAR OF EVENTS №

Month of August

Sat 29th Twenty-SecondSunday in Ordinary Time Speaker for SVDP

11:00am Funeral Mass: Joe Petrone Sr. 2:00pm Quinceanera Mass: Isabella Nance

3:30pm Reconciliation

4:00pm Baptism: Liam & Rebekah Quintero

5:00pm Mass w/First Communion: Liam & Rebekah

Quintero

Sun 30th Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Speaker for SVDP

8:15am Pro Life Rosary

9:00am Mass & Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:30am-5:00pm Directory Photos

Mon 31st 1:00-8:30pm Directory Photos

Tue 1 st 9:30am Epic-Church History

5:00pm Mass

7:00pm Epic-Church History

Wed 2nd 7:30am Mass

8:30am Centering Prayer

7:00pm RCIA Inquiry

Thur 3rd 7:30am Mass

12:00pm SVDP Meeting

Fri 4th 7:30am Mass

8:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament

5:00pm Closing Benediction

Sat 5th Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

Sun 6th Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15am Pro Life Rosary

9:00am Mass & Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word

Mon 7th **OFFICE CLOSED-Labor Day**

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MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

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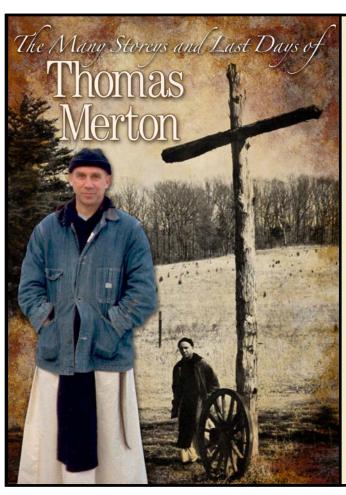
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Scrip: Kerri Holzer

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New Documentary Looks at the Last Days of Thomas Merton

September 25th, 2015 7:00pm At Saint Luke

Thomas Merton, the Trappist monk, "believing beatnik," and prolific bestselling author, influenced the spiritual journeys of millions of people through books such as *The Seven Storey Mountain*. His legacy continues to grow today, one hundred years after his birth on January 31, 1915.

Filmmaker Morgan Atkinson has released his third Merton-related documentary this year: *The Many Storeys and Last Days of Thomas Merton* weaves an indelible portrait of the monk's final year, colored by the momentous events of the late 1960s. Merton died accidentally while in Bangkok to speak at a conference.

Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, October 11, 2015 Cottonwood Golf Course - 1:15pm Shot Gun Start

We invite you, your relatives and friends to a Fun (Fundraiser) day for Golf, dinner and a charitable time. Net proceeds - all goes the Charity 501(c)3 corporations. Please plan soon and make your reservations as soon as possible by e-mail: 8ballclark@gmail.com (Name, phone # and indicate, player, dinner or sponsor) Players \$100.00 includes golf, range balls, and buffet dinner.

Tee Box sponsors \$100.00 per sign.

Dinner \$25.00 or \$32.00 at the door.

Checks payable to KofC 10512 and mail to Charity Golf, 1980 Hillsdale Rd., El Cajon, CA 92019

Questions - call John Clark

"oh yes" - Chargers play Monday Night 10-12-15

Names (please print):

Player	(with dinner Yes:	No:) Guest dinner
name:	CONTRACTOR TO		
Tee Box Sponsor:	The state of the s	4 14 14	MARIE COLORS

Guest dinner name: _____

Appreciated Donations: Name: _____and \$Amount: _____

Volunteers Needed



Several Volunteers are needed to help launder the Altar Linens. If you can help please call Carol Claybrook

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound



If you or a family member cannot come to Sunday Mass, a Minister of the Eucharist is available to bring Eucharist to you in your home, hospital or convalescent home. Just call the Church Office and your name will be forwarded to the ministry.

One of our Ministers will call to set up a convenient time for a visit. 619-442-1697

Jesus said:

"I myself am the living bread come down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread he shall live forever." In 6:51

Altar Flower Intentions



Donate a Altar Flower
Arrangement
in celebration of or
in remembrance
of a loved one.

To schedule a donation, call the church office at least two weeks in advance of your chosen Sunday.

Intentions will be posted in the bulletin. The cost of an arrangement is \$116.00. For more information call the office at 442-1697.

Do you know anyone who might be interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith???

Then tell them about...



The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) We will begin a 12-week Inquiry session for adults who are interested In finding out more about the Catholic faith on Wednesday, July 15th, 2015 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Youth Room. This process is also open to individuals who were baptized in the Catholic faith but never received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information, call the parish office at (619) 442-1697 or call Carol Stone at 619-442-1697 or contact her email at: adultreled@thechurchofstluke.org