

Welcome to

The Church of Saint Luke

A Roman Catholic Community of Disciples



FIRST READING: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

SECOND READING: James 3:16-4:3

GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the one who sent me." Mk 9:35-37

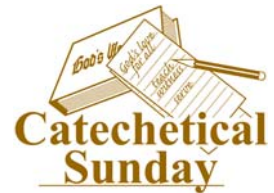
Reflection:

Reflect upon/share about your experience of people who are powerless like the child in this story. How do you normally react to them? How have you received them? What might the Lord be calling you to do, to help people like them?

Alternative:

Who, what types of people, are commonly disempowered in our society? Where do you personally see such disempowerment? What might the Lord be calling you to do, to serve them?

September 20, 2015
Twenty-Fifth Sunday
In Ordinary Time



The wisdom from above is full
of mercy and good fruits
James 3:16 — 4:3

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 contact the Parish Office.

Parish Council Members:

Fr. Ron Cochran
Mark Balmert
Amy Cannon
Bob Guarnotta
Linda Jacobson
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

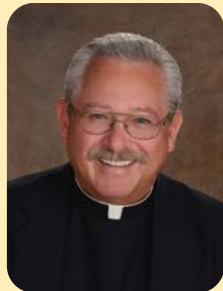
PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

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

Parish Finance Council Members:

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

FROM: THE PASTOR



Dear Parishioners,

When I was young the nuns taught me that you didn't have to like everyone but you had to love them. That didn't make much sense to me back then because the only people I knew I loved were my mom and dad. I'm not sure about my brothers... yeah, the only people I knew I loved was my mom and dad. I had feelings for them. I liked other people. I liked my brother Bob. We had fun together. I'm not sure I had feelings for him. Later in life I do, by the way.

So it didn't make much sense to me but by the time I was in my twenties, I understood at some level. Scott Peck helped me. In his book *The Path Less Chosen* he defined love as concern for the good of the other and tightened that to mean concern for the growth of the other. Being a psychiatrist, he was all about growth.

Mathew Kelley says what I think is the same thing in other words. He says that two people in love desire to help each other become the best possible versions of themselves. I like that but I think he and Scott Peck are talking about a relatively mature love.

Initially, I think, we just want the other person to be happy and we want to make them happy. This comes after the infatuation phase when we spend most of our energies being intrigued by and wanting to know the other. It's once we know them, I think, that we begin to care about them and begin wishing the best for them. That melds into wishing what is best for them. Which is their growth as a human being or becoming the best possible version of themselves.

Maybe I shouldn't make that distinction between wanting the best for them and wanting what is best for them. Intellectually they may seem like the same thing but in acting them out I think they are different. And, the difference is important for me if I am going to apply the law of love to love of my enemies.

Enemies are people who desire to harm us. I find it difficult to simply wish the best for them. It feels to me that I am wishing them good luck, success and the like. I don't want to wish them harm but I'm not sure I want to purposefully wish them success either. On the other hand, it's easy for me to conceive of desiring that they grow as human beings or become the best possible version of themselves; maybe then they wouldn't want to harm me and wouldn't be my enemy. That I can do.

Can I ever have feelings for them like I did for my mom and dad when I was little? Well, I have been successful at developing compassion for some of those who seem to be my enemies... and that's a feeling... maybe an opening to a feeling of love? I can't always do that. I have to come to know the person, somewhat, or at least come to know enough about them to open myself to compassion for them. I think it is worth it though. It helps me distance myself from the negative feelings I have about people who seem, for some reason, to be enemies.

I know I have a lot more to learn in this process but reflecting on it now helps me and I hope it helps you.

Praise the God who instructs us to love our enemies,

Fr. Ron

OUR BEST

The more the world is at its worst, the more we need the Church at its best.
—Anonymous

BLESSED

If you have sight, you are blessed. If you have insight, you are a thousand times blessed. —Anonymous



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Alice Zizzo, Luis Orrantia, Maggie Matthews, Sophia Christensen, Steven, Cindy Russell, Karen Walker, Mike Murphy, Ann Mussomeli, Jeanine DeSanti, Joe James Sowards, Jim Carver, Vie Liddell, George Serban, Olivia Dunn, Elda Iavelli, 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 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. *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 9/13/2015
Plate:	\$ 927.00
Envelope:	\$ 6,096.00
Total Collection Basket:	\$ 7,023.00
Online Giving August:	\$14,119.45

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: Bobby Harris, Sharon Ostrander

BAPTISM: Rebekah & Liam Quintero

FIRST COMMUNION: Rebekah Quintero

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

56-years John and Teddie De Laurentis
54-years Phil and Fran Gelber
46-years George and Dianne Heidenreich
45-years John and Kay Krueger
42-years Tom and Ellie Collet Sr.
39-years Sal and Shirley Flor
25-years Andrew and Michele Curl
18-years Marty and Carol Banks
16-years Dale and Kathy Harrington
35-years Richard & Jo Marie Roberts
59-years Harry & Margaret Pfeifer
42-years Wayne & Mary Kay Sieckman
59-years Jim & Vie Liddell

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3; Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm Bruno & Margaret Bubis RIP

Sunday: 9:00am Catherine Toy, RIP

11:30am Parishioners of Saint Luke

Tuesday: 5:00pm Communion Service

Wednesday: 7:30am Communion Service

Thursday: 7:30am Communion Service

Friday: 7:30am Communion Service

Saturday: 5:00pm Janet Horba, RIP

Sunday: 9:00am Parishioners of Saint Luke

11:30am Steve Pachman, RIP

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

TODAY: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Matthew

Tuesday: Weekday; World Meeting of Families begins; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset.

Eid al Adha (Islamic observance) begins at sunset

Wednesday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio); Autumn begins

Thursday: Weekday

Friday: Weekday; Native American Day

Saturday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian;

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

Psalm — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

Second Reading — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3).

Gospel — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

'TIS THE GIFT TO BE SIMPLE

The Shaker hymn describes a circular journey from innocence to innocence with characteristic brevity:

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free.

'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be.

This journey is easier sung about than done. It takes humility and time to recover a second innocence. Titles, positions of honor, money, and power are not requirements of the kingdom of God. Jesus says and demonstrates in today's Gospel that members of God's kingdom must hold in their embrace the most inconsequential of persons, for that person is identified with Jesus. This attitude ran counter to the intuition of the world of Jesus' time, as it does in ours.

The simplicity set forth by Jesus requires the shedding of unnecessary, unimportant, false, and burdensome attachments that earthly power demands. Membership in the Kingdom is light enough to put a song in our heart.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Toward the end of the second century, a churchman in North Africa, Tertullian, described an early form of penance. Imagine if it had survived! There were three steps to this very public ritual. The unfortunate sinner was brought before the community in an itchy garment of goat's hair. The communities of the day were small and intimate, and everyone knew everyone else. The shame of exposure for a big sin—murder, idolatry, or adultery—would have been profound. The penitent would beg the community for prayers of intercession, and then go sit in a place assigned to penitents. After this public confession, the penitent would be assigned some discipline, usually a relatively severe fast, or the wearing of distinctive garb. This remedy for sin was for a certain period of time, or at least until the bishop (every small community has its own bishop) judged that enough was enough. Then the person would be readmitted to the eucharistic community, although Tertullian doesn't tell us how. Probably the bishop tenderly placed his hands on their heads, precisely where they were anointed at baptism. We do know that the readmission of penitents to the eucharistic table became in some churches a great celebration, and there are records from Spain of bishops leading penitents in a dance-like processional into the eucharistic hall on Holy Thursday. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Calling all disciples ages 8 and up!

Have you even wanted to be part of something greater?
As Altar Servers You Will Learn

The Order of the Mass
Traditions of the Church
How to be a team leader
To have fun and meet others
The inner workings of the Church

When: Saturday,
September 19th
Time: 2:30 pm
Where: St Luke
(meet in the baptistery)

For more information
contact:
Dcn. Allan Williams
Kerri Holzer
Lance Attiq

Catherine of Genoa



Catherine of Sienna



Julian of Norwich



Hildegard of Bingen

Women Mystics through the Ages

Lives of women mystics,
including Catherine of Sienna,
Catherine of Genoa, Hildegard of Bingen,
and Julian of Norwich.

Instructor: Richael Smith, M.A.

Tuesdays, September 29 - November 3, 2015
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

St. Luke, El Cajon

For more information or to RSVP
call Carol Stone at 619-442-1697, ext. 104



*Saint Vincent de Paul
Society of Saint Luke*

Last Sunday to pick up
registration form for the
**Annual Walk For
The Poor**

being held at Santa
Sophia Church at 10:00
AM September 26, 2015
Free Tee and BRUNCH
for registered walkers
Walk a mile in solidarity
with Pop Francis
Please call Pauline Doran
for more information
about SVDP.

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 Evenings 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, ext. 104 or contact her email at: adultreled@thechurchofstluke.org

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.

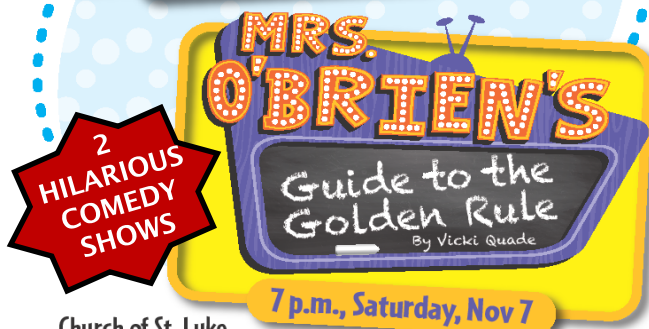
If your child is enrolled in any of the CGS sessions, we encourage you to attend. If you would like more information, please

contact Debbie Stenovec In the Faith Formation Office. (619) 442-1697

K-5reled@thechurchofstluke.org

Direct from Chicago!

From the co-author of the hit comedy,
Late Nite Catechism
Two-night exclusive engagement



Church of St. Luke
1980 Hillsdale Rd.
El Cajon, CA 92019

Ticket price: \$30 per show

FOR TICKETS CALL 619-442-1697, EXT. 103

SAINT LUKE FAITH FORMATION FUND RAISER

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-site at

www.thechurchofstluke.org OR drop by our Parish Office,
M-F, 9:30am-4:30 pm

For more information call 619-442-1697

☞ FROM THE BULLETIN EDITOR ☜

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Joanie Maitilasso, Editor

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

THE DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS IS

MONDAY AT 12 NOON.

secretary@thechurchofstluke.org

☞ CALENDAR OF EVENTS ☜

Month of September

Sat
19th

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30am Funeral Mass: Bobby Harris

2:30pm Altar Server Training

3:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

Sun
20th

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catechetical Sunday

8:15am Pro Life Rosary

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

10:15 am Scripture Club 4-5

10:30am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level I & II

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

1:00pm Group Baptism

Mon
21st

No Meetings

Tue
22nd

5:00pm Communion Service

6:00pm Parent Night for Children enrolled in

Level 1&2 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

6:00pm Outreach Committee Meeting

Wed
23rd

7:30am Communion Service

8:30am Centering Prayer

4:00pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Level II

7:00pm RCIA Inquiry

Thur
24th

7:30am Communion Service

4:00pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Level I & II

7:00pm Knights of Columbus Business Meeting

Fri
25th

7:30am Communion Service

7:00pm Thomas Merton Documentary

Sat
26th

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

Sun
27th

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15am Pro Life Rosary

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

10:15 am Scripture Club 4-5

10:30am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level I & II

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

Mon
28th

9:00am Church Cleaning Crew

☞ PARISH DIRECTORY ☜

Pastor: Rev. Ron Cochran (619) 442-1697

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MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

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Centering Prayer: Carole Morales

Church Cleaning Crew: Peggy Nelson

Cub/Boy Scout Religious Emblems: Shannon Vint

Eucharistic Adoration: Cindy Christmas

& Mike Wasyliv

Friends of the Poor: Martha Evans

Knights of Columbus: Don Mercurio,G.K.

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Outreach Ministry: Ken Stempien (619) 442-1697

Prayer Chain: Nancy Adema

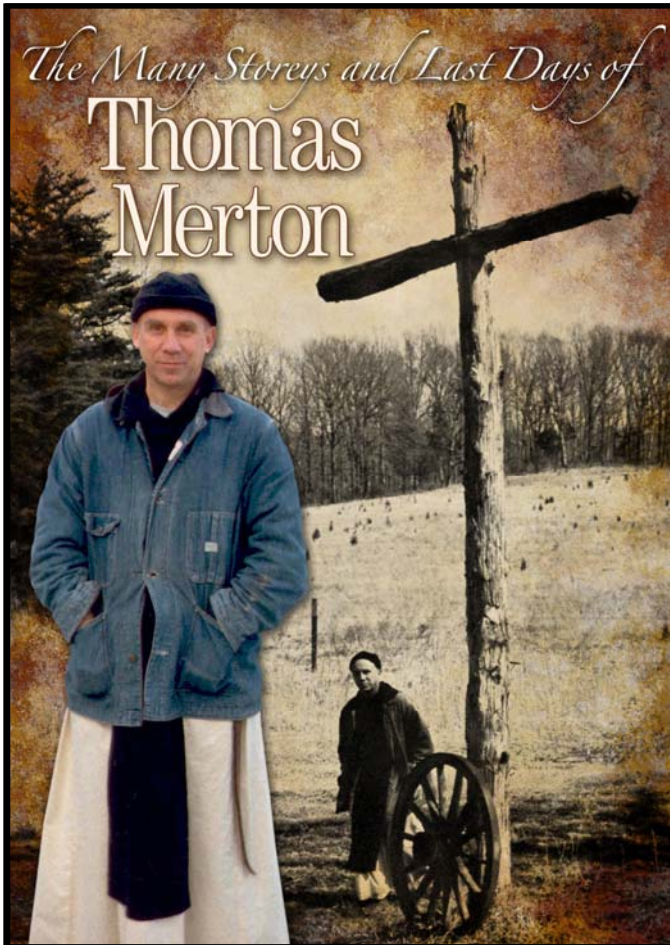
Respect Life: Don Mercurio

Scrip: Kerri Holzer

Small Church Communities: Carol Stone (619) 442-2515

St. Luke Business Network: Cathy March

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: Pauline Doran



**New Documentary Looks at
the Last Days of
Thomas Merton**

September 25th, 2015

7:00pm

At Saint Luke

Meet Filmmaker Morgan Atkinson

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.

(DVD’s will be available for purchase)

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 92019-4117

Questions - call John Clark (619) 442-1697 “oh yes” -

Chargers play Monday Night 10-12-15

Names (please print):

Player _____ (attending dinner Yes:____ No:____)

Guest dinner name:_____

Tee Box Sponsor: _____

Appreciated Donations: Name: _____ and \$Amount: _____

Also appreciated would be any denomination of Gift Cards purchased from the parish. Or any item appropriate as a Raffle item.

“Special” for the person that Signs up the Most - Paid Golf Players by Sept. 27th will receive One Month of Unlimited Golf w/cart at Cottonwood. (must be more than a foursome)

2015-2016

Faith Formation Coordinators:

Jane Alfano ~ Middle/High/Young Adults Debbie Stenovac ~ PreK-5 Carol Stone ~ Adults

EMMAUS

Marilyn Carver *
Kelcie Haggard *
Patty Herrington *
Carole Morales *
Rosemarie Murphy *
Peggy Nelson
Judy Stevenson

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Maureen Burris *
Shirley Cirello
Michelle Hayford
Cristina McQuillen
Maridee Ochmann
Randy Ochmann
Jenifer Strailey

Scripture Club

April Lopez
Julia Quintero

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sue Donovan
Lorraine Flint
Jane Fuzak
Linda Nance
Veronica Soares

Marriage Preparation

Jose & Lina Cortes
Brad & Gina Elsass
Mike & Jenny Serban
Tom & Carol Stone
Mike & Cheryl Willis
Rich & Corrine Warcholik

Middle/High School/Young Adults

Chris Allen
Lance Attiq *
Evelyn Beale
Gloria Boyce
Schuyler Boyce
Ariana Cazares
Karen Clark
Jean Goulding
Sarah Haley
Allie Servey
Brandon Tardiff
Annalise Verduzco
Max Verduzco
Deacon Allan Williams
Madeline Wilson

RCIA

June Green
Tom Haggard
Deacon Dennie Nickell
Rick Roberts
Deacon Jerry Stenovac

Baptism Preparation

Dan & Amy Cannon
Brant & Jennifer Grygiel *
Brian & Meghan Shull *
James & Sonia Stepovich

Bible Study/Book Study

Carole Morales
Dan Mackland

Note: Catechists serving on multiple teams have an * by their names

Society of St. Vincent de Paul-Santa Sophia Conference 2nd Annual National Friends of the Poor ® Walk/Run Event come join us on

Saturday September 26, 2015

Take the fight against poverty to the streets!

Santa Sophia Parish Grounds

9800 San Juan St.

Spring Valley, CA. 91977

8:30 AM: Check-in /Late registration

9:30 AM: Short Prayer with introductions

10:00 AM: Walk a mile (at Santa Sophia)

11:00 AM: BRUNCH for registered walkers

Only one mile walk around church campus

Registration required (no cost)

T-Shirts for those who register early at:

www.svdpusa.net/walk/1322

For more info contact: Carolina at perrycarolina@yahoo.com or Gennette at 619.957.9056

RALPHS GROCERY SHOPPERS

Please take a few minutes to renew your commitment.
Your time can mean hundreds of dollars for the Church of St. Luke.

IF YOU HAVE NEVER REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ONLINE

NOTE: Ralphs has a secured website, these procedures will apply to everyone who has not entered their email address and assigned a password.

1. Log in to www.ralphs.com
2. Click on 'Create an Account'
3. Follow the 5 easy steps to create an online account
4. You will be instructed to go to your email inbox to confirm your account
5. After you confirm your online account by clicking on the link in your email, return to www.ralphs.com and click on 'my account' (you may have to sign in again first).
6. View your information & edit as needed
7. Link your card to our organization by clicking on 'edit my community contribution' 8. Follow the instructions

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ON-LINE

(This means that you have already entered your email address and assigned yourself a password)

1. Log in to www.ralphs.com
2. Click Sign In
3. Enter your email address and password
4. Click on 'My Account' (In the top right hand corner)
5. View all your information and edit as necessary
6. Click on "Community Rewards".
7. Link your card to your organization by clicking on 'edit community contribution program info' and following the instructions. Find **Church of St. Luke** or **83930**

Question: What if I or my family members don't have access to a computer or an email address, how do I donate to my favorite organization?

Answer: *There is an alternate registration method, a scanbar letter.*



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Take this copy to the store the next time you shop and scan it within your order along with your rewards card or phone number and you will be linked with your organization for the duration of the current term.

Question: What if I don't know what my card number is because I use my phone number?

Answer: *Just call our Ralphs rewards card hotline at 1-800-660-9003. Let the representative know that you need ALL digits to your card in order to register for the Community Contributions program.*

HAVE QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED HERE?

Please contact Ralphs at 1-800-443-4438 Monday – Friday, 8am – 4pm



Beginning in October, groups will gather in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere to reflect on the Scriptures, talk about life and faith, find the time and space to sort out the demands of our busy lives, and maybe even meet a few new friends. Please join with your fellow parishioners as we **Arise Together in Christ**

Name _____
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Telephone _____ e-mail _____

Please indicate 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice of day & time:

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If you would be willing to host the meeting, indicate here:

Put me together with _____

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

This event is sponsored by your by your friendly RSD neighborhood volunteers !

Make Rancho San Diego a "Safer Place" !

...With County Supervisor **Dianne Jacob** &
SD Sheriff's Crime Prevention Specialist **Nancy Ortiz**...

Enjoy a Highly Informative Night Out with Your Neighbors & Local Representatives!

To: Rancho San Diego Residents *only*, please
Topic: Local Crime & Public Safety Concerns
Presenters: County Supervisor Dianne Jacob / Crime Prevention Specialist Nancy Ortiz
Date: **Thurs., Sept. 24th**
Time: 7:00-9:00 PM
Where: The RSD Home of Kenny & Sarah Pendell (*address provided upon registration*)

*Bring your questions about our neighborhood crime stats, curfews, road safety and so much more.
There's **NEVER** been a time like this to present **YOUR** individual concerns ...SO DON'T MISS OUT !*

Dianne Jacob along with her policy advisor as well as Sheriff Captain Dave Moss and Nancy Ortiz will give us the low down on crime in Rancho—and what's being done to curtail it. Lori Brown, with state Senator Joel Anderson's office, will also be on hand to provide state resource information.

SEATING IS LIMITED! Because the meeting will be held in a private home, please RSVP by the date below and advise if you need to cancel. (*You may want to bring a folding chair.*)

Please RSVP by Mon., Sept. 21st

The exact meeting location will be provided when you *register* via the "RSD Neighborhood Watch" facebook page or simply email below.

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Laudato Si – Green Jesuit’s 2 Page Summary



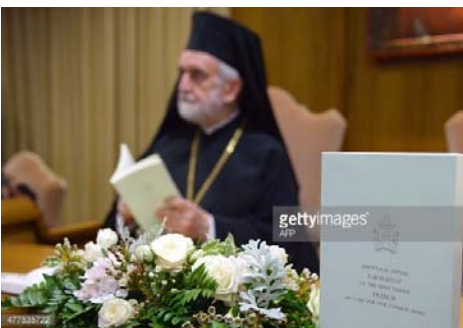
Posted on [18/06/2015](#) An “urgent challenge to protect our common home ... to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change” [13]. Thus introduces Pope Francis’s plea of *Laudato Si*, a text of such landmark significance that it may well become one of the most important sources of Catholic Social Teaching since its inception with Pope Leo XIII’s *Rerum Novarum* in 1891.

Both the title of the encyclical (“On Care For Our Common Home”) and its opening quote from St. Francis’s canticle establishes the focus of this text.

It’s all about relationships.

In the introductory section, Francis, following his Thirteenth Century namesake calls the earth, our “common home”, which is like our sister and our mother. But we are damaging this familial relationship as we harm the environment. In so doing we are damaging our relationship with other humans, particularly those least equipped to defend themselves, the poor and future generations. We are forgetting our interconnectedness with the earth that sustains all life and those around and ahead of us who depend on our good stewardship of the gift of creation.

Given the universal nature of our common home, Francis makes it clear that the encyclical is addressed to not only members of the Church but is vehicle to “enter into dialogue” with all people who are “united by the same concern” [3, 7]. Such a global target audience explains the immense range of sources the encyclical draws on. Theologically, the document looks to St. Francis of Assisi and St. Bonaventure, as well as St. Thomas Aquinas, but also to Eastern Christian traditions. It even quotes a Sufi Mystic. Twentieth Century thinkers Teilhard de Chardin and Romano Guardini deserve special mention. Secular documents are referred to too: for example the Rio Declaration, 1992 and the Earth Charter, 2000. The reader is also struck by the many references to previous papal writings, particularly those of St. John Paul II and Benedict XVI. The relationship between Francis and his predecessors on ecology is strong.



After a comprehensive introduction, the encyclical divides into six chapters, each examining different aspects of the rupture between humans and creation, and the prospects for healing this relationship.

The first chapter “What is happening to our common home?” looks at the various symptoms of environmental degradation. The impacts of climate change are considered alongside issues of the depletion of freshwater and loss of biodiversity. There is no substantial discussion of the science of global warming; instead it simply points to the over-

whelming consensus concerning the negative impact of carbon-intensive economies on the natural world and human life: “Caring for ecosystems demands farsightedness, since no one looking for quick and easy profit is truly interested in their preservation.” [36]. The encyclical firmly posits that a truly ecological approach is also inherently social: an approach that simultaneously hears the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. The social and environmental impacts of mining is cited as a prime example of this. In many places within the text, Francis lauds the achievements of the environmental movement, whilst at the same time, critiquing elements within it. He forthrightly dismisses the idea that population growth is to blame for environmental damage; such a suggestion is often a way of refusing to reduce overconsumption by the affluent. Later on, the encyclical states that abortion can never be viewed as a justification for the protection of nature.

The second chapter, “the Gospel of Creation”, considers the world the way that God intended it. The chapter surveys the rich scriptural traditions to show that there is no biblical justification for “a tyrannical anthropocentrism unconcerned for other creatures.” [68]. Likewise, there is no room for misanthropic versions of environmentalism since reverence for nature is only authentic if we have compassion for fellow humans. A person who is truly concerned about the trafficking of endangered species is automatically concerned with the trafficking of humans.

The third chapter “The human roots of the ecological crisis” examines the twin notions of what it calls the “technocratic paradigm” and a “modern anthropocentrism” borne out of a view that sees nature as a mere given, devoid of any spiritual or transcendental value. These notions have led to the misplaced ideas that the earth’s resources are infinite and that economic growth and technology alone can solve global hunger and poverty. In reality however, a purely materialistic view of reality has not only resulted in disregard for the environment, but also undermined the worth of a human life, especially those forms viewed as having little or no utility — human embryos, the poor, or people with disabilities. At the heart of consumerist and profit-driven economic ideologies is a wrong-footed idea of dominion. The result is exploitation, and a throwaway attitude towards nature and human life itself. The encyclical calls for a bold cultural revolution in our attitude to development and progress. It puts it rather bluntly: “Nobody is suggesting a return to the Stone Age, but we do need to slow down and look at reality in a different way, to appropriate the positive and sustainable progress which has been made, but also to recover the values and the great goals swept away by our unrestrained delusions of grandeur.” [114].

In the fourth chapter, “integral ecology”, the encyclical charts a path to recapture awareness of the interconnectedness of creation. To do so, it is essential to appreciate the impact of environmental degradation on “cultural ecology”, for example those social networks and ways of life which are bound up with the environment in which communities are placed. The experience of indigenous peoples is specifically referred to in this regard.

The fifth chapter, “Lines of approach and action” sets out various international collective actions needed. It highlights the imperative to switch from fossil fuels to renewables, with the use of government subsidies where appropriate. It identifies the need for international agreements and legislation not only in relation to climate change but also biodiversity and the oceans. Carbon credits are criticized as “an expedient which permits maintaining the excessive consumption of some countries and sectors.” [171].

The sixth chapter, “Ecological education and spirituality”, shifts attention to the individual believer, families and communities, and invites them to make a difference in small but tangible ways. Consumer choices, cultivating ecological virtues such as reducing wastefulness, and environmental education for the young are explained as practical steps leading to a deeper, spiritual “ecological conversion” through which the follower of Christ recognizes the true worth of all created entities. The statement “God created the world, writing into it an order and a dynamism that human beings have no right to ignore” [221] stands in the hallowed natural law tradition of Aristotle and Aquinas that every creature has in its nature an end, a telos, which humans should respect and honour. The intrinsic value of non-humans is noted when the encyclical states that the “ultimate purpose of other creatures is not to be found in us” but rather in the Risen Christ who embraces all things [83].