Welcome to The Church of Saint Luke

A Roman Catholic Community of Disciples



FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:10-16 SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24-28 GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44

"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

Reflection: Reflect upon/share about from where your livelihood comes? What gifts from God do you use to provide for your livelihood? What do you get out of it, aside from the monetary? How can/should you be giving back?

Alternative: Reflect upon/share about an experience of being helped by someone? Did you feel they were giving from their excess of from their substance? How is that like, or not like, how you give to others? What is this Gospel saying to you?

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 8, 2015



The LORD keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry.

— Psalm 146:7

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.

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

Fr. Ron Cochran
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FROM: THE PASTOR



Dear parishioners,

I just looked over the readings for tomorrow to prepare for my Mass in Spanish. You probably know that I'm not very good in Spanish and for that reason alone I have to look at the readings ahead of time. Tomorrow's Gospel is the story of the man who prepared a great banquet and invited many people, all of whom made excuses as to why they couldn't come.

I stopped to reflect on how I could describe the life God gives us as a banquet, if we enter into it, and how I could inspire people to want to enter into the banquet of life to which God invites us. Then I looked up and out my window I could see a group of people preparing for a beach bar-b-cue. There were three cars and families unloading their stuff. The adults were busy getting everything together, one lighting a fire. The adults looked like they were having fun, working together to get this thing going; at least that's what I imagined.

The kids, there was a passel of them, were running around like crazy people. You know how kids do. I could feel their excitement. Maybe that is part of what Jesus meant when He said we should accept the Kingdom of Heaven like a little child. Everybody involved in this gathering looked as if they were really into the joy it was bringing them.

Is that the banquet of life Jesus is inviting us too? I think so... but that is coming from a person who generally enjoys life. Yes, I've suffered, parenting a wayward child, living a marriage that was to end in divorce, discovering the not-so-good unredeemed things about who I am, being disliked and rejected by some... Life's hard and full of suffering but gosh, it's a banquet too.

Part of the banquet for me has been dealing with the not-so-good things about myself, which God has pointed out to me, working on them and becoming a little bit better as a person. How exciting. I feel like running around aimlessly like those little kids. And, I haven't even grown that much but each little step is a joy. I guess this part of the banquet is like eating your spinach; it tastes yucky but it surely is good for us.

Another thought that I had was that, in the Mass, we act out the banquet and in our daily lives, after the deacon sends us out, we live out the banquet. I love anything which helps me make the connection between the Mass and my day-to-day life. I hope it helps you too.

On another note, Bishop McElroy made his pastoral visit to us this last Friday. He is trying to visit all the parishes before Christmas so he can't just do it on weekends when he could celebrate Mass with us; maybe next time. For now he met with me separately; he met with the Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Development Council and head of parish ministries as a group; and he met with the parish staff separately.

I was expecting this to be a formal visit from my boss and was prepared to tell him everything I've tried to accomplish and everything I hope to accomplish within the next eight years. That wasn't what he seemed to want at all. He just seemed to want to get to know us as people and as a parish community. Consequently, the visit was a pure delight for everyone concerned. I'll send him a thank you note this week and encourage him to come celebrate Mass with us soon.

In His service.

Fr. Ron

IT TAKES MORE

Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile. —Billy Sunday

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Chase Laird, Vera Navetta, Miriam Kaskorkis, Bill Ferreira, Adelaide Fitzwater, Karen Marie Moscar, Candace Solorzano, Elliott Rivera, 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 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, 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, The Hill Family, Connie Bowen, Russell Morrison, Frances Colombo, Christina Morrison, Megan Kruer Jones, Zaim Attisha, Laura Lee, Teresa Russo, Lillian Peregud; and all our relatives and friends who

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.

CS PARISH FINANCES 80

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 11/01/2015

 Plate:
 \$ 521.00

 Envelope:
 \$ 8,097.00

 Total Collection Basket:
 \$ 8,618.00

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: <a href="https://online.googl

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE SOUL OF: Jean Malouf

BAPTISM: Penelope & Ariana Bauch,

Antonio Salazar, Lillian Salazar

WEDDING: Anthony Gonzales/Kristy Avis

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Ken and Susan Stempien
Rex and Karen Cole
Jim and Georgia Taft
Richard and Barbara Theisen
Rigo and Lupe Martinez
Anthony and Marivel Gonzalez
Dan & Amy Cannon
Walter & Jerry Newell
If you would like to have your Wedding

If you would like to have your Wedding
Anniversary placed in the bulletin

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb

9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-

9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19;

Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7;

Lk 17:11-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-91,

130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37 **Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36

-37. 42-43: Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-

14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm All Souls Novena

Sunday: 9:00am M. Frances Ledwith

11:30am All Souls Novena

Tuesday: 5:00pm All Souls Novena Wednesday: 7:30am All Souls Novena Thursday: 7:30am All Souls Novena Friday: 7:30am All Souls Novena

Saturday: 5:00pm Marjorie Woodland, RIP **Sunday:** 9:00am Parishioners of Saint Luke

11:30am Kim Soon Young, RIP

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

TODAY: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Tuesday: St. Leo the Great

Wednesday: St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day

Thursday: St. Josaphat

Friday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Saturday: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time **Sunday:** Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The widow of Zarephath had only a handful of flour and a little oil, but made a little cake for Elijah (1 Kings 17:10-16).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Christ will appear a second time to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him (Hebrews 9:24-28).

Gospel — Beware of those who like to go around in long robes and accept greetings in the marketplaces and places of honor at banquets (Mark 12:38-44 [41-44]).

GIVING ALL

Trusting widows play a significant role in this weekend's readings. At the point of poverty, when giving even the smallest amount of what they had could imperil their health and well-being, they trusted God and gave anyway. What is important about their giving is not what or how much they gave, but how they gave it. Without selfishness, they gave to help others. Their giving was from the heart, with little hope or intention of receiving any sort of reward or recognition for their generosity. The monetary values of the widows' gifts were small, but their value measured in the Kingdom was priceless.

There is a significant similarity between their gift and the gift Jesus gave each of us. The widows offered their lives for God. Jesus offered his life for us.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In 1974, a revised ritual of penance was given to the Church, and at forty years distance, we still are discovering its treasures and tentative about some of its provisions. The rite reaches deep into our tradition for an early insight: when we turn to God, we are restored to life in the Church.

There are three different forms of penance. The familiar individual confession is preserved, but with tremendous enrichment. It is less rushed, anchored by a reading from scripture, and the confession of sins is seen as an opportunity to proclaim faith in God's power to save. In a sense, what is "confessed" is the penitent's faith in God's gift of forgiveness. The priest suggests a penance that may be directly connected to the virtue that the person seeks as a means of overcoming the fault. There are formulas for contrition suggested, but the penitent might even express sorrow for sin and desire for mercy in his or her own words. The prayer of absolution grounds the event in the life and ministry of the Church. Harking back to the joyful dance of bishops leading penitents into the church, the rite now ends with a prayer of thanksgiving for God's mercy, and may include the gesture of laying on of hands. After forty years, we struggle to claim this rite forged of memory, tradition, and grace. History tells us to be patient; we do not always recognize a treasure at first.

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



You are invited
to come and pray a
Rosary for Peace
at the
Church of St. Luke
Saturday,
November 14th, 2015
at 4:00 PM

We will pray the Rosary on the second Saturday of each month

Friends of the Poor



is collecting Halloween candy to make Christmas Candy bags for the children in Tijuana. So, please when buying your treats or after your Halloween Parties and Trick or Treating save some of your wrapped candy (without Halloween decoration) for our brothers and sisters south of the border! Place candy that will last until December into a zip-lock bag and drop it by the Church office, bring it to Faith Formation classes, or place it in the specially marked boxes in the baptistery.

Save the Date

January 30, 2016
2nd Annual

Taste of Saint Luke

International Cuisine



Share: food, fun and
Friendship.
Something delicious to
taste for everyone!
If you are interested in
volunteering, hosting
a table or want
to help with this fun event
please call:
Pat Riggs

East County Christmas 4 Kids Children's Book Drive.



We need your gently used or new children's books for the kids this Christmas. We know that reading is the path to success. Developing an early love of reading requires books you want to read. At last year's event, children gathered around the book tables and adults helped them choose a book they got to keep, that fit their level of reading ability. It was wonderful to watch. For some Children this was the first book they have ever chosen and gotten to keep. Sadly, we ran out of books. We are planning for an increase in the number of children this year and I believe we will need about 3000 books. We are collecting books for children from toddler to middle school, first books to "chapter books".

Please leave the books in the

baptistery. If you are interested in volunteering to help give out books at the event on Sunday, December 13, please contact Don Mercurio for more information:

Everyone is Invited to : A Yummy Parish Breakfast Sunday-November 15th



Served from
9:30am to 11:00am
Old Fashioned
Pancakes,
French Toast,
Scrambled Eggs,
and Ham
Orange Juice, Coffee,
Tea or Water

Your Price: Adults: \$7

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© CALENDAR OF EVENTS № Month of November

Sat 7th Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Patronal Feast of San Diego de Alcala 3:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass

7:00PM Guide to the Golden Rule Fund Raiser

Sun 8th Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:25am Pro Life Rosary 9:00am Mass & Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:15 HS Confirmation Class

10:15 Scripture Club 4-5

10:30 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level I & II 11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word

Mon 9th

No meetings

Tue 10th

5:00pm Mass

Wed 11th Veterans Day 7:30am Mass

8:30am Centering Prayer

No Catechesis of Good Shepherd

7:00pm K of C general Meeting

7:00pm RCIA

Thur 12th

7:30am Mass

4:00pm Catechesis of Good Shepherd I & II

Fri 13th

7:30am Mass

Sat 14th Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time 3:30pm Reconciliation 4:00pm Rosary for peace 5:00pm Mass

Sun 15th Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:25am Pro Life Rosary 9:00am Mass & Children's Liturgy of the Company of

9:00am Mass & Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:00-11:30am Knights of Columbus Pancake

Breakfast

10:00am No HS Confirmation Class 10:15am Scripture Club 4-5

10:30 am Catechesis of Good Shepherd Level I & II 11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word

Mon 16th 6:00pm Development Council Meeting

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Las Madrinas

Christmas Bake and Craft Sale



December 6th 2015
after the 9:00 am Mass
in the church hall.
Bake your favorite Christmas
Cookies-Pies-Cakes
Make Your favorite Craft Item
for this special event
For More Info Call:
Ann Murray

All Proceeds to benefit Noah Homes

and The Giving Tree

Happy Thanksgiving



Every year the Outreach Ministry is able to purchase multiple Thanksgiving dinners for needy families in both our local school communities and organizations. As in the past, if you would like to help feed a family during this upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, please look for the "Outreach Thanksgiving Giving" envelopes available, after every Mass, on the Information Table located in the Baptistery. The envelopes may be turned into the collection basket or the front office between now and Thanksgiving. A \$25 donation will help purchase a turkey and a \$50 donation will purchase an entire Thanksgiving dinner for a family.

Thank you for your generous hearts!

Thanksgiving Food Drive for

Mama's Pantry

Mama's Pantry, a program of Mama's Kitchen, provides a nutritional shopping opportunity for men, women and children of San Diego County affected by AIDS. You can help by purchasing one or more items from our wish list and return them to the baptistery by Thanksgiving Day, November 26th.

sm. pkg. of pancake mix * instant oatmeal packets * sm. box of dry milk * box of cereal * baking/cake mixes * icing * 16 oz jar of jelly * lb bag of rice * boxes of pasta * * 24 oz bottle cooking oil * canned diced tomato * fruit juices * canned diced tomato * * 1lb pkg. of dried beans * packets of pasta dinners * spaghetti sauce * * 16 oz jar of peanut butter * macaroni & cheese * tuna fish * 14-20 oz box of cereal * *canned goods-fruits, soups, vegetables chili, beans & pasta * Grocery gift cards would be appreciated.

This project is sponsored by the Saint Luke Outreach Committee

THANK-YOU!

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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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