

Welcome to

The Church of Saint Luke

A Roman Catholic Community of Disciples



FIRST READING: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

SECOND READING: Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

GOSPEL: Mt.2:1-12

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Mt 2:1-3

Reflection: Reflect upon/Share about a time when you were upset or worried about the arrival of a new person whom you felt would change things in your life. What were you afraid of losing? How did things work out in the end? If you let Jesus really be King in your life, what would you lose or gain?

Alternative: Reflect upon/share about how you were led to the Lord. What stars lighted the way for you? In what ways, or areas of your life, were you like Herod, resisting His reign? How have you done him homage? What gifts do you give him?

The Epiphany of the Lord
January 8, 2017



They opened their treasures
and offered him gifts of
gold, frankincense, and
myrrh. -- Matthew 2:11b

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.

Communion Service

Tuesday: 5:00 pm

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



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.

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

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From the Pastor



Dear Parishioners,
One of our parishioners asked me recently about the doxology for the Our Father, that's the "For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours..." She said a friend from another Christian tradition had recently attended a Catholic Mass and accused us of stealing it from them. I know you know that's not right but I thought it would be interesting to learn a little more about it.

As I started my research I realized that the discussion about whether, or not, the doxology belongs on the end of the Our Father has been going on for quite some time. It seems to me that for some the issue is whether Jesus really taught the doxology or not. If that is the issue, how do we deal with the fact that, even in the King James version, it is not in Luke's Gospel (Lk 11:1-4); did Jesus teach two different versions? The difference in Matthew and Luke, by the way can probably be attributed to the fact that Jesus's teachings were transmitted orally before they were written down so we don't get an exact replication of His words. We do get how His teachings were lived out and experienced by the communities from which the written versions came.

Some communities probably used the doxology when they prayed but it wasn't new at the time of Christ. Most scholars say it comes from ancient Judaism and point to 1 Chronicles 29:11. The [Jewish Encyclopedia of 1906](#) says it is used in Jewish ritual also. Jesus probably used it in His prayer life as was evidently common for Jews of His time, as it is today. He may have used it to finish the Lord's Prayer or he may not have. He may have used it to begin or finish other prayers. It seems to have been more than just a part of any specific prayer.

The Didache, *The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles*, which dates back to the first century concludes the Our Father with it. The two most ancient Greek manuscripts of Scripture which we have, *Codex Vaticanus* & *Codex Sinaiticus*, don't have it but one dated fifty or so years later does. Evidently, the liturgies of the early Church in the Eastern half of the Roman Empire ended the Our Father with it. The Churches in the Western half didn't. The Tridentine Mass of Pius V, 1570 - current, didn't use the doxology (The Tridentine Mass was prohibited when we started using the Mass of Paul VI in 1969 and then re-allowed as the extraordinary form by Pope Benedict the XVI in 2007.) Prior to the Tridentine Mass, some Churches, in union with Rome, evidently used the doxology and others didn't.

What does all this mean? First, I think it means that no one stole anything from anybody. We were taught it by a Jew, by Jesus, and some people use it to end the Lord's Prayer and some don't. It's always been that way. Does the doxology belong in the Gospel of Matthew? Maybe, maybe not. Most modern scholars believe it doesn't but it does exist in some important manuscripts. I think that knowing that it exists in some manuscripts should be enough. Should we use it to finish the Lord's Prayer? If you want. It doesn't really add to the concepts expressed by the Lord's Prayer but reaffirms them.

Did the Catholics stop using it and/or the Protestants start using it to separate ourselves from each other? I couldn't find any documentation of this but it seems to me implausible since part of the Catholic Church, the East, used it and the other part, the West, didn't. Also remember that the Tridentine liturgy came from the West part of the Church.

Why did the Catholics add it to the liturgy of Paul VI? I couldn't find any documentation on this either but remember that the new liturgy attempts to enhance participation by the people. Using the embolism, the part the priest says after the Our Father, and the doxology, said by all, enhances that participation.

In His service,

Fr. Ron



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Al Bowen, Jacob Seilheimer, Joyce Kammer, Theresa Worcholik, Eddie Turner, Cheryl Berry, Natalie Enriquez, Candace Dayton, Harriet, Ladel, Michael Ward, Nina Murphy, Noel Fisher, Mario Chavez, Jason Zdunich, Frances Machado, 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, Arnie Mueller, Jackie, Jeff Rogers, Michelle Tello, Katherine Boomer, Chase Laird, Vera Navetta, Miriam Kaskorkis, Adelaide Fitzwater, Karen Marie Moscar, Candace 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, Elda lavelli, Jennifer Soares, Dorothea Wall, Tony Gonzales, Martina Chiappara Cahill, Antoinette Daquisto-Guidi, Matthew Chu, 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, 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, Joni Marco, Vern Hubka, Ricky Latorre, Camryn Mayer, Dolores Morrison, Aimee Gatus, Tommy Collet Jr., Thomas Baca, Chuck Moore, Gui Mei Guo, Audianna 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 Kruer Jones, Zaim Attisha, Laura Lee, Teresa Russo, Lillian Peregud; & all our relatives & 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. Also **please notify Nancy when a name can be removed.** We appreciate the prompt notification & your

❖ 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 12/25/2016 01/01/2017

Plate:	\$ 3,390.00	745.00
Envelope:	\$ 25,604.00	7,850.00
Total Collection Basket:	\$ 28,994.00	8,595.00

Online Giving November 2016: \$ 19,024.78 111 users

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PLEASE PRAY FOR JANUARY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Jack & Linda Keilman	44-years
Sean & Maxine O'Leary	29-years
Steve & Monique Zasueta	26-years
Bryan & Megan Shull	16-years

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm Dominic Mazzone RIP

Sunday: 9:00am Parishioners of St. Luke
11:30am Frank Asaro RIP

Tuesday: 5:00pm Communion Service

Wednesday: 7:30am Mary Orrantia RIP

Thursday: 7:30am Marjorie Woodward RIP

Friday: 7:30am Carmelito Gregoria RIP

Saturday: 5:00pm Tom Boegerding RIP

Sunday: 9:00am Frank Siragusa RIP
11:30am Parishioners of St. Luke

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

TODAY: The Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week

Monday: The Baptism of the Lord

Tuesday: First Week in Ordinary Time begins

Wednesday: Weekday

Thursday: Weekday

Friday: St. Hilary

Saturday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading -- Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm -- Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading -- The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel -- Magi from the east arrive looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12). The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass (c) 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small.

Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us. Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This year, in the United States the celebration of the Epiphany falls on January 8, but the traditional date for the Epiphany is January 6. The date we know as January 6 was established as the solstice in Egypt in 1996 BC, but the Egyptian calendar lost a full day every 128 years. Twenty centuries later the actual solstice had migrated to December 25. People still kept January 6 for the solstice celebration, but December 25, matching nicely with the Roman pagan feast of the Unconquered Sun, launched an extended solstice holiday. By the time of the early church, the whole period of twelve days was celebrated just about everywhere. Christians began to celebrate Christ as the true light of the world in four themes: the Nativity, the manifestation to the Gentiles, the baptism of the Lord, and the wedding feast at Cana. That was entirely too much for one day to handle. A twelve-day season was ready to be adapted, so Christians borrowed from the pagan calendar for their own season of light. Thus early Christian celebrations of the Christmas season extended from one date for the solstice, December 25, to the older date, January 6. The darkest time in the Northern Hemisphere could now be filled with the Christian observance of the arrival of the Light of the World. --Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

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*You are invited to come and pray
a Rosary for Peace
at the Church of St. Luke
Saturday, January 14, 2017 at 4:00 PM*

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

Church of St. Luke River Cruise

St. Louis to Louisville

October 13-20, 2017



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French America Line celebrates the cultural and epicurean influences of *la belle France* mixed with warm Southern hospitality and refined, unobtrusive service, as we sail from St. Louis, Missouri, to Louisville, Kentucky, on a premium river cruise.

DAY 1 – ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI Arrive in St. Louis and check in to your deluxe hotel, adjacent to the city's attractions. Wonder at the St. Louis Arch, the imposing Cathedral of St. Louis, and the Anheuser-Busch brewery.

DAY 2 – ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI Breakfast this morning at your hotel and transfer to the *Louisiane*. Settle into your stateroom or suite, head to The Veranda for a light snack and then bid St. Louis farewell. *Bon voyage!*

DAY 3 – CHESTER, ILLINOIS Get tickled by the Popeye Museum and the beloved sailor's statue, found here in the hometown of his creator, E. C. Segar. Journey to Ste. Genevieve and admire the preserved French Colonial architecture.

DAY 4 – CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI Engage with history at this battle site where Union and Confederate soldiers clashed in a fierce barrage of artillery. Study the illuminating murals peppering the town, and visit the lovingly restored Glenn House, a reminder of a more genteel time.

DAY 5 – PADUCAH, KENTUCKY Picture 42,000 Union soldiers boarding 185 ships on their way upriver, and you'll get a sense of the rich local history that is captured at the Floodwall Murals. See the Wacinton Sculpture honoring the Chickasaw Indians and tour the enchanting National Quilt Museum.

DAY 6 – HENDERSON, KENTUCKY Seek inspiration in Henderson, as did both the unequalled naturalist John James Audubon and blues legend W. C. Handy. Visit the John James Audubon Museum, which displays the world's largest collection of Audubon art and artifacts.

DAY 7 – LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY Discover captivating Louisville, named after King Louis XVI of France, as you sip a mint julep and stroll the waterfront. Be sure to head to the Louisville Slugger Museum and Factory, Churchill Downs or learn about a boxing legend at the Muhammad Ali Center.

DAY 8 – LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY (DISEMBARKATION) Bid *adieu* to the *Louisiane* and begin your journey home**

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**Information night,
Tuesday, January 10, 2017, 6:30 PM, Parish Hall
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& CALENDAR OF EVENTS &

Month of January

(Calendar Events are subject to change)

Sat
7th

The Epiphany of the Lord
3:30 Reconciliation
5:00pm Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word

Sun
8th

The Epiphany of the Lord
8:00am Pro-life Rosary
9:00am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word
10:15am H.S. Conf Prep Session
10:30am Catechesis Good Shepherd I/II
11:30am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word

Mon
9th

4:00pm Catechesis Good Shepherd III
5:00pm Middle School Faith Formation

Tue
10th

5:00pm Communion Service
6:30pm Parish Trip
6:30pm Young Adult Gathering

Wed
11th

7:30am Mass
4:00pm Catechesis Good Shepherd II
7:00pm RCIA Inquiry
7:00pm K of C General Meeting

Thur
12th

7:30am Mass
8:30am Centering Prayer
4:00pm Catechesis Good Shepherd I/II

Fri
13th

7:30am Mass
6:00pm Core Team - Retreat Planning
Meeting (on site)

Sat
14th

11:00am Funeral Mass: Honor Beyer
3:30pm Reconciliation
4:00 pm Rosary for Peace
5:00pm Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word

Sun
15th

8:00am Pro-life Rosary
9:00am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word
9:00am K of C Pancake Breakfast
10:15am No H.S. Conf Prep Session
10:30am No Catechesis Good Shepherd I/II
11:30am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy Word
1:00pm Group Baptism

Mon
16th

Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Holiday
Office Closed
4:00pm No Catechesis Good Shepherd III
5:00pm No Middle School Faith Formation

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