

Welcome to

The Church of *Saint Luke*

A Roman Catholic Community of Disciples

Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time
January 17, 2016



Nations shall behold your
vindication, and all
the kings your glory.
— *Isaiah 62:2*



FIRST READING: *Isaiah 62:1-5*
SECOND READING: *1 Corinthians 12:4-11*
GOSPEL: *John 2:1-11*

And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from (although the servers who had drawn the water knew), the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. Jn 2:9-11

Reflection: What signs has Jesus given you to indicate his presence in your life? What was happening in your life when you noticed his presence? What was your response to those signs? How can you open yourself more to his presence?

Alternative: How can you tell that Jesus loves you? What signs are there of his love? How do you let people know that you love them? How can you be a better sign of Jesus' love to others?

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.

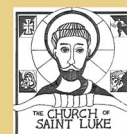
Masses

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

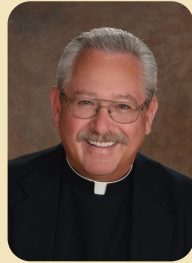
PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

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

Parish Finance Council Members:

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

FROM: THE PASTOR



Dear Parishioners,
I was speaking to a friend today who was telling me about providing Christmas meals and clothing to the poor in a rural area south of Rosarito. He felt good about what they did and was pleased to have brought smiles to so many faces but lamented that some didn't seem thankful and some were driving better vehicles than he drives.

I told him that we have the same problem in the U.S. I told him of the stories of families arriving to participate in East County Christmas for Kids driving expensive cars. And I remember, when I was a little kid, complaints about blacks in our town living in run-down houses with the biggest TV antenna and a Cadillac parked in the driveway. (That was my dad complaining, by the way.)

Poor people think differently from middle-class or wealthy people. They live in the moment and make decisions for the moment; sometimes not the wisest decisions from a middle-class perspective. We plan for the future which is why I have been talking about retirement for the last couple of years when I'm not going to retire for seven more years. I'm planning for an event seven years in the future to make sure that I can take care of myself when that event occurs. Poor people don't have such future stories in their minds because they are so caught up in the necessities of the moment.

Paulo Freier, the author of *Pedagogy of the Oppressed*, may have been the first to describe what is going on. He called it the tyranny of the moment. Poor people, because of their situation, are constantly dealing with crises. Each crisis demands their full attention at that moment and attending to the crisis outweighs dealing with everything else. My guess is that this necessary way of dealing with life creates a pattern that makes it difficult to think into the future even when opportunities arise. (One benefit, by the way, is that poor people are oftentimes good problem solvers.)

We have a study group, in the parish, looking into these sorts of things right now. We are reading a book called *Bridges to Sustainable Communities* which advocates using the understanding of the cultures of the poor, the middle-class and the wealthy to create a cooperative environment wherein we can improve our communities. It seems to me the opposite of the Marxian idea of class warfare substituting class cooperation instead.

Our task is to try to determine what we can do to be a part of such a process and how we can convene the other players in our community to join in a cooperative process. We are in the very early stages, or I would tell you more, but we are beginning to dream and I'm excited about what is in our people's hearts. Please pray for the fruitfulness of our endeavor.

In His service,

Fr. Ron

P.S. If you want a general explanation of what I'm talking about, search for "Bridges Out of Poverty Overview" on YouTube.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jim Liddell, Jeff Rogers, Michelle Tello, Katherine Boomer, 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 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, 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, 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 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Baptism: of Andrew, Stephen, Joseph Allos

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Dcn. Dennie & Judy Nickell: 55-Years
 Jack & Linda Keilman: 42-Years
 Sean & Maxine O'Leary: 27-Years
 Steve & Monique Zasueta: 24-Years
 Bryan & Megan Shull: 14-Years
 Joe & Pauline Doran: 3 Years

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19,
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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 01/10/16

Plate:	\$	1,147.00
Envelope:	\$	6,899.00
Total Collection Basket:	\$	8,046.00
Online Giving October:	\$	12,269.45

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. <https://stlukeelcajon.weshareonline.org/>
 Online Giving Link: <http://thechurchofstluke.weconnect.com/>
 Click on: Online Giving in the center of subject bar.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: 5:00pm Terri Souza Spec. Int.
Sunday: 9:00am Parishioners of Saint Luke
 11:30am Vince Ursini RIP
Tuesday: 5:00 pm Michael DiTomaso RIP
Wednesday: 7:30am Anna Sciarrino Spec.Int.
Thursday: 7:30:00 am Presiders Intention
Friday: 7:30 am Presiders Intention
Saturday: 5:00 pm Bruno & Margaret Bubis RIP
Sunday: 9:00am Irene Zetts RIP
 11:30am Parishioners of Saint Luke

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

TODAY: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
Tuesday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)
Wednesday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
Thursday: St. Agnes
Friday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Saturday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen Zion and Jerusalem (Isaiah 62:1-5).

Psalms — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — All the varied gifts and talents found in the Christian community are products of the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Gospel — At a wedding festival in Cana, Jesus changes water into wine at his mother's request (John 2:1-11). The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the *Lectioary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

SURPRISES

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The scriptures are filled with stories of God's surprises cropping up when they are least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated highest up; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For the bridegroom in today's Gospel story, who has no direct contact with Jesus, the pleasant surprise came because somebody else paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life—not necessarily our own—will be surprised for the better. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although our tradition carries a long memory of marriage as a sacrament, it may surprise you to learn that for nearly eleven centuries, there was no single wedding ceremony approved for use in the Church. While we have evidence of priests blessing marriages as early as the second century, in the early period church leaders relied on civil authorities to manage marriage for everyone in society. In most cases, society yielded its authority to sanction marriage to the male heads of households.

From ancient times, marriage had been a family affair, managed by the father of the family, who acted as priest and guardian of family tradition. Each head wanted to keep the family gods alive, and so he would arrange for brides for his sons, paying a "bride price" as compensation for the loss of a skilled household worker. As creepy as that sounds, it was a step up from the kidnapping practice of earlier years. Even after the kidnapping raids stopped, the customs remained. Every wedding contained the ritualized kidnapping of the bride, the husband abducting his bride from the festivities, carrying her over the threshold to prevent her father's gods from following her into her new religion. There, he fed her a piece of "sacred cake," initiating her into a new way of life. It's fascinating to see how customs endure, long after we have completely rejected the values and attitudes they originally expressed! —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

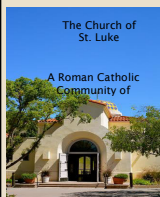


It's time for The Monthly Church Cleaning

"The Church Cleaning Crew" Needs your help to clean the Church Sanctuary and Baptistry
Please bring dust cloths, handvacs, brooms, etc.

Monday, January 25 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

For more information please call Peggy Nelson



It's Here!

**2015 Parish Directory
30th Anniversary
Church of Saint Luke**

For those who have their pictures in the Directory, please pick up your reserved copy in the Baptistry!

Available after each weekend **MASS** during **January** or at the Church Office during office hours.

A limited number of Directories are available to purchase for \$10 each.

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

at The Church of Saint Luke

*Morning and Afternoon Shifts
(or occasional substitute)
are available.*

Experience is required in the following tasks:

- Fundamental computer skills
 - Phone skills
 - Data Entry

Please Call Business Manager:

Jim Crockett at

619-442-1697, ext. 110



**St. LUKE OUTREACH
MINISTRY NEWS
for September, 2015**

Donations (SENT):

\$200.00	Noah Homes
\$100.00	Holy Trinity Food Pantry
\$50.00	Friends of the Poor
\$50.00	Nativity Prep Academy
\$50.00	East County Pregnancy Care Clinic
<u>\$309.26</u>	Needy Person in Parish
\$759.26	TOTAL

Donations (RECEIVED):

\$105.00	Online Giving
<u>\$68.64</u>	Weekend Mass
\$173.64	TOTAL

(Thank you for your support.)

St. Luke Assistance Programs:

Delivered 1,978 lbs. of food to Bostonia, EJE and Anza Elementary.
Thank You Letters/Notes (RECEIVED): None

JOIN US FOR A TASTE OF SAINT LUKE INTERNATIONAL CUISINE

February 6, 2016
Dinner will be served at 6 p.m.



BUY YOUR TICKETS AFTER MASS

JOIN US FOR A TASTE OF SAINT LUKE INTERNATIONAL CUISINE

February 6, 2016, Dinner will be served at 6:00 P.M

Adults \$20.00 Children under 3 - 12 \$5.00 (Cash or Check Only)

All Proceeds to go to Saint Luke Outreach Ministry

For information please contact Pat Riggs or if you are able to help sell tickets after Sat. 5:00 pm Mass or Sunday 9 am Mass or 11:30 am Mass

REMEMBER TICKETS SOLD OUT LAST YEAR BEFORE THE EVENT!

Everyone is Invited to: A Yummy Parish Breakfast Sunday-January 17th

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

Sponsored by: The Knight of Columbus



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For additional calendar and event information.
www.thechurchofstluke.weconnect.com

☞ CALENDAR OF EVENTS ☞

Month of December

Sat
16th

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
3:30pm Reconciliation
5:00pm Mass

Sun
17th

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:15am Pro Life Rosary
9:00am Mass & Children's Liturgy of the Word
9:30am Kof C Pancake Breakfast
10:15 am High School Youth Retreat Meeting
NO High School Confirmation Session
NO Scripture Club
NO Catechesis of the Good Shepherd level 1&2
11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word
1:00pm Group Baptism: Andrew, Stephen, Joseph Allos

Mon
18th

Martin Luther King Birthday
Office Closed

Tue
19th

5:00 pm Mass
5:45 Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Wed
20th

7:30 Mass
8:30am Centering Prayer
4:00pm Catechesis of Good Shepherd 2
7:00pm RCIA

Thur
21st

7:30 am Mass
4:00pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Level 1 & 2

Fri
22nd

7:30am Mass
3:45pm Middle School Faith Formation

Sat
23rd

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
3:30pm Reconciliation
5:00 pm Mass

Sun
24th

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:15am Pro Life Rosary
9:00am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy of the Word
& Baptism of Edward Vandiver III
10:15am High School Confirmation Session
10:15am Scripture club
10:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 & 2
11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word
12:00pm High School Youth Retreat Meeting

Mon
25th

9:00 am Church Cleaning
6:00pm K of C 1st Degree Training

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☞ PARISH DIRECTORY ☞

Pastor: Rev. Ron Cochran (619) 442-1697
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Organist: Susan Paul
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Greeters: Maria Oliver
Ushers: George Heidenrieck

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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,.
Ministry to Sick & Homebound: Dcn. Jerry Stenovec

Outreach Ministry: Ken Stempien
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:** Mike Wasyliv

ADs

Register Now!
Parish Discipleship Retreat

To be Rescheduled



“Come Follow Me”
January 22 and 23, 2016
at The Church of Saint Luke

Friday: 6:00-9:00 pm. Beginning with dinner in the parish hall.

Saturday: 9:00 am-7:00 pm. Breakfast, Lunch, 5:00 Mass, Wine and Cheese

Cost: \$30.00 per person

Space is limited. Register by January 19th

For additional information contact

Carol Stone at (619) 442-1697 ext. 104

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

Place completed form in collection basket or return it to the parish office.

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