

Welcome to

The Church of *Saint Luke*

A Roman Catholic Community of Disciples

Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 13, 2016



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I consider everything as a loss
because of the supreme good
of knowing Christ Jesus my
Lord. — *Philippians 3:8*



FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37:12-14. .
SECOND READING: Romans 8:8-11.
GOSPEL: *John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].*

TODAY'S GOSPEL

"...he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."
Jn 11: 43b-44

Reflection:

Reflect upon/Share about a time in your life when you felt a kind of death or felt tied down by something which held you back from experiencing the fullness of life. How is this like the death which sin brings? What can you do to open yourself to the Lord's call to come out of the tomb of sinfulness and allow yourself to be unbound by your family and friends (the Church)?

Alternative:

What kinds of things might you be allowing to hold you back from being all that God created you to be? How is this like Lazarus being "tied hand and foot by burial bands"? What can you do to allow your family and friends to 'untie you and let you go free?'

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

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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

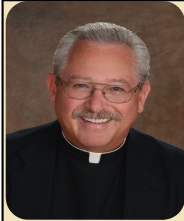
Cathy March

Dave Sapper

Jim Stepovich

Richard Venancio

FROM: THE PASTOR



Dear Parishioners,

A few weeks ago the Arise groups' reflection was on forgiveness. Our books related the story of the Amish in Nickle Mines, PA, and how they forgave the shooter who killed five school children in October of 2006, before shooting himself. Just about everyone thought it was an amazing act because they spoke the words of forgiveness almost immediately. One grandfather spoke his forgiveness the afternoon of the shooting and some of the community went to the family of the shooter to comfort them in their grief.

Some thought their forgiveness was mere words and others said they thought it unhealthy for them to get over the tragedy so soon. Their forgiveness was not mere words. It was a decision to not seek revenge and the beginning of their own healing. And, no, they didn't get over it soon. Their dealing with the tragedy took years and some may still be dealing with it, I don't know. I do know that their dealing with it and their healing began with the act of forgiveness.

They say they are just doing what the Lord says to do and they point to the Our Father, especially in the Gospel of Matthew where it is followed by a reiteration of our need to forgive; "If you forgive others their transgressions, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your transgressions." (9:14-15) They also point to the parable of the Unforgiving Servant, Mt 18:21-35.

I know, we're Christian too. We know what Jesus taught and we try to be forging too. Yes, but it sometimes takes us forever to get there. Can you imagine doing it so quickly and around such a tragedy as your children being murdered?

One difference is that we live in a society and in communities that are generally not very forgiving. Our training is, therefore, to not be very forgiving. That is what we see, day in and day out. We see anger, antagonism and hatred all over the media, especially in the political arena. It's no wonder people have trouble with forgiveness.

The Amish, in many ways, avoid our society and live in purposeful communities where they practice living the Gospel. And, I do mean practice it. You know the saying "practice makes perfect" and we know how people in sports practice and practice drills that train their muscles to develop muscle memory. I guess the Amish train themselves to have spiritual memory, or soul memory, or heart memory.

And forgiving is not just doing as Jesus said to do, it's doing what is good for us, too. Of course everything Jesus taught is what is good for us. As an NPR episode of All Things Considered reported on Oct 2, 2007, an Amish counselor said that because the Amish can express that forgiveness, and because they hold no grudges, they are better able to concentrate on the work of their own healing. Oh, and don't forget their compassion for the shooters family. St. Paul taught that to the Colossians; "Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another..." (3:12-13)

In this year of mercy, let's try to train ourselves to be compassionate and forgiving.

In His service,

Fr. Ron



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jan Lindgren

Carol Petrich, Carey Moore and Jose Azarza Parker Landis, Bennie Machado, Joan Smith, Tom Borgerding , Anthony

Potito, Dorothy Marshall, Kaylee Mikulsky, Mario Ghavez, Arnie Mueller, Jackie & Russ Boehmke & daughter Robin, 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, Richard Perricone, John Agostini, Clara Morrison, Austin Gatus, Rosemary Lowe, The Hill Family, Connie Bowen, 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. *By the same token please notify Nancy when a name can be removed.* We appreciate the prompt notification and your cooperation.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Jim & Vicky Cate 37-years
Allan & Sally Williams 30- years
Steve and Patti Ann Carlin 26-years
Jim & Marilyn Carver 29 -years
Gary & Letty Reece 42 -years

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: (Year A): Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:12-20 (or Jn 8:1-11 if Year A readings were used on Sunday)
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59; Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Sunday: Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]

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 03/06/16

Plate: \$ 1,362
Envelope: \$ 8,734
Total Collection Basket: \$ 10,096
Online Giving February 2016: \$ 14,174.45

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: 5:00 pm Dominic Mazzone RIP
Sunday: 9:00 am Parishioners of Saint Luke
11:30 am Consuelo Contreras RIP
Tuesday: 5:00 pm David Johnson Spec. Int.
Wednesday: 7:30 am Bill Ferreira RIP
Thursday: 7:30am Brian Pieschel RIP
Friday: 7:30am Nancy Johnson Head Spec. Int.
Saturday: 5:00 pm Bruno & Margaret Bubis RIP

Sunday: 9:00 am Irene Zetts RIP
11:30 am Parishioners of Saint Luke

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

TODAY: Fifth Sunday of Lent, Day Light Saving Time
Monday: Julian Calendar Lent begins
Tuesday: Lenten Weekday
Wednesday: Lenten Weekday
Thursday: St. Patrick
Friday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem; Abstinence
Saturday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Spring begins,
Sunday: Palm Sunday

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD does something new for the chosen people (Isaiah 43:16-21) *or Ezekiel 37:12-14.*

Psalms — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126) *or Psalm 130.*

Second Reading — The supreme good is knowing Jesus as Lord (Philippians 3:8-14) *or Romans 8:8-11.*

Gospel — A woman caught in the act of adultery is brought to Jesus. He challenges anyone without sin to throw the first stone (John 8:1-11) *or John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].* The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

STRAIGHT LINES

“God writes straight with crooked lines,” the saying goes. The power of Paul’s testimony that everything is junk but knowledge of Jesus and the power of his resurrection is a straight enough message. And, God knows, Paul had a crooked journey before his blinding insight straight from God.

Through Isaiah, God reminds us all that the past great works were as nothing compared to the new creation. “Can’t you see it?” we are asked, as if we are still wandering along our crooked lines.

And there is no straighter line than that between the woman whose misery is intense and the God whose mercy in Jesus is deeper and more acute. You just can’t beat this kind of good news. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Three years ago, as we made the shift in the Eucharistic Prayer from “Benedict” to “Francis,” we named a “treasure” in our tradition. From apostolic times, the Church has sent disciples on mission with a mandate to proclaim the gospel. Paul and Barnabas and Timothy come to mind as men invested with responsibility for community and mission. First we see bishops, “overseers,” good men appointed by the acclaim of their people, the center of leadership, of prayer, of word and sacrament. Their territories were small initially, small enough to get everyone into one room and for the bishop to know everyone’s name.

In time, men were appointed to function as a council of advisers, “elders,” or presbyters. That isn’t a comment on chronological age, rather it indicates the maturity of their wisdom and faith. Before long, and only when the bishop was absent, some of these men “stood in” for him to do what bishops usually did: preaching, presiding at Eucharist. The deacons had a strong and visible role in liturgy and service, especially in the care of the poor, but were gradually overshadowed by the new importance of the presbyter. As the Roman Empire first tottered and then collapsed completely by 476, bishops increasingly became civil servants to maintain order and dispense justice. Conferences and duties summoned bishops away from their home posts, and presbyters were entrusted with the sacramental and preaching duties, even though at one time runners were sent out from the bishop’s Mass to bring fragments of the host to drop into chalices as a sign of the church’s unity around its bishop. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Lenten Stone Soup

Friday 5pm-7pm in Parish Hall.

Bring a can of soup or vegetables for soup!



Stations of the Cross

Friday Evening 7:00 pm

Annual Lenten Collection

March 12/13

Special envelopes for the collection which supports the works of Catholic Relief Services, the Church in Latin America and in Africa.

Please prepare to respond generously to this worthwhile collection.

Saturday 3/12/16



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Saint Martin of Tours	Monday-March 14	6 pm
Saint Luke	Tuesday-March 15	7 pm
Saint John of the Cross	Wednesday-March 16	7 pm
Queen of Angels	Sunday-March 20	7 pm
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Monday-March 21	9 am & 7 pm
Guardian Angels	Tuesday-March 22	7 pm

Saint Luke Community Reconciliation Service

**Tuesday,
March 15th
7:00 pm**

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



Easter Lily Memoriam

Easter Lilies beautifully decorate our church on Easter and are a special way to remember loved ones, both living and deceased.

Donation for small Easter Lilies are 25.00,
medium \$50.00 and large \$150.00.

**Envelopes are available in the pews and
on the side tables in the Baptistery**



It's time for The Monthly Church Cleaning

Monday, March 21st from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

**For more information please call
Peggy Nelson**

Plastic Grocery Bags Needed

Feeding America and Soldier's Angels are proving food for military personnel, veterans, etc., like we provide food for our schools. They have a need for grocery bags. There will be barrel in the baptistery to put the bags in.

Thanks.

Carlos Cuellar PGK, PFN
Veteran's Affairs/VAVS Representative
San Diego Diocese Chapter
Knights of Columbus

Don't Forget to Order or Pick-up Scrip! March 26/27 and April 2/3

Gift cards are available the last weekend of the month and the first weekend of the month. Please turn in your order form on the last weekend and you will receive the cards the following weekend

Order Forms are in the Baptistery.



Care for God's Creation: Catholic social teaching inspires and guides how we are to live and work in the world. In this principle, Care for God's Creation, we remember that God created every plant, every mountaintop, every animal-everything. And God said that these things are good. We find God in these good things, and so we must take care of creation-both for ourselves and for all of our human family.

WHAT'S IN YOUR RICE BOWL???

Hungering to Grow a New Tomorrow: Madagascar: A Story of Hope:

Vaviroa's story: Vaviroa is a smart, hardworking woman — with four children to feed. Though she had been raising her children alone for many years, their family was doing very well. They ate crops grown from Vaviroa's family farm, and they even made money selling extra vegetables in nearby villages. Then, in 2013, Cyclone Haruna hit, destroying most of northern Tulear, the part of Madagascar where Vaviroa and her children lived. Her fields flooded, and her crops died. With no way to feed her family, Vaviroa needed some help. She was already a great farmer — she just needed extra support to get back on her feet. And that extra support came in the form of seeds. CRS' seed fair program gives vouchers to farmers and their families so they can buy seeds, farm tools and livestock at local seed fairs. The goods they buy help them replant and rebuild their communities. The fairs also give farmers a chance to sell their crops in a safe place to people who need them. And these seed fairs help the environment by giving farmers the tools they need to care for God's creation. With the seeds she received at a CRS seed fair, Vaviroa has been able to replant her fields. Once again, her children are receiving the nutrients they need to grow and are able to attend school. Vaviroa is proud of all she's accomplished-and looking forward to the next planting season.

**What you put in your Rice Bowl helps feed & care for those less fortunate,
supporting Pope Francis's Year of Mercy.**

PLEASE RETURN YOUR RICE BOWLS

Saturday, March 19 and Sunday March 20 before Mass

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MONDAY AT 12 NOON.

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☞ CALENDAR OF EVENTS ☞

Month of March

Sat 12th	Daylight Savings Time HS Youth Retreat Offsite Fifth Sunday of Lent 3:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass
Sun 13th	HS Youth Retreat Offsite Fifth Sunday of Lent 8:15am Pro Life Rosary 9:00 am Mass w/ Children's Liturgy of Word with 3rd Scrutiny 10:15am NO High School Confirmation Session 10:15am Scripture Club 10:30am Catechesis of Good Shepherd Level 1&2 11:30am Mass w/Children's Liturgy of the Word
Mon 14th	No Meetings
Tue 15th	5:00pm Mass 7:00pm Lenten Community Penance Service
Wed 16th	7:30am Mass 8:30am Centering Prayer 4:00pm _Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 2 7:00pm RCIA
Thur 17th	St. Patrick's Day 7:30am Mass 4:00pm _Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 & 2
Fri 18th	7:30am Mass 3:45pm Middle School Faith Formation 5:00pm Stone Soup in Hall 7:00pm Stations of the Cross
Sat 19th	Palm Sunday 9:00am set up palms and clean church floors 3:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass
Sun 20th	Palm Sunday 8:15am Pro Life Rosary 9:00 am Mass 10:15am High School Confirmation Session 10:15am NO Scripture Club 10:30am NO Catechesis of Good Shepherd Level 1&2 11:30am Mass 1:00 pm Group Baptism
Mon 21st	9:00am Church Cleaning

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For additional calendar and event information.
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Lectors: Julie Carlin
Ushers: George Heidenrieck

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Knights of Columbus: Don Mercurio, G.K.

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Dcn. Jerry Stenovec

Outreach Ministry: Ken Stempien

Prayer Chain: Nancy Adema

Respect Life: Don Mercurio

Scrip: Tom Stone

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Jane Cruz Alfano, (619) 442-1697 x 103,

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

Mike Wasyliv

St. Luke Business Network: Cathy March

The Year of Mercy

2016 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO Our Response as Stewards



"Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown
mercy."
-Matthew 5:7

Participation in the Annual Catholic Appeal accomplishes something simple but profound: it opens the door of faith for others and for yourself. Because of your gift, someone will meet Jesus Christ, have the opportunity to experience His loving grace, know His Mercy, and rest in His peace. Please make a pledge today.

There are many ways to respond to the Annual Catholic Appeal:

- a monthly or quarterly pledge
- one-time cash gift
- a credit card or electronic funds transfer, which may now be processed by the Diocese, or you may visit www.sdcatholic.org/giving/annualcatholicappeal.aspx
- gift of stocks and bonds

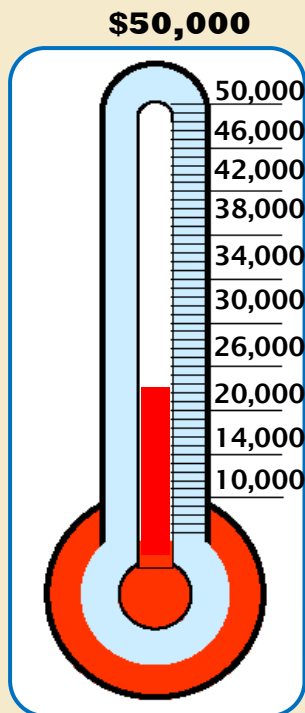
Note that the Annual Catholic Appeal qualifies for many company matching gift programs.

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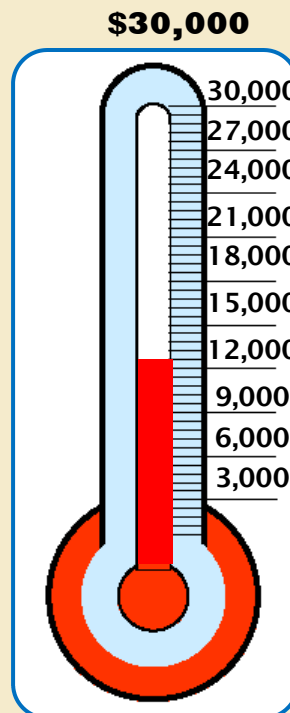
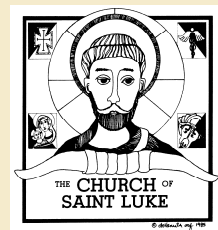
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