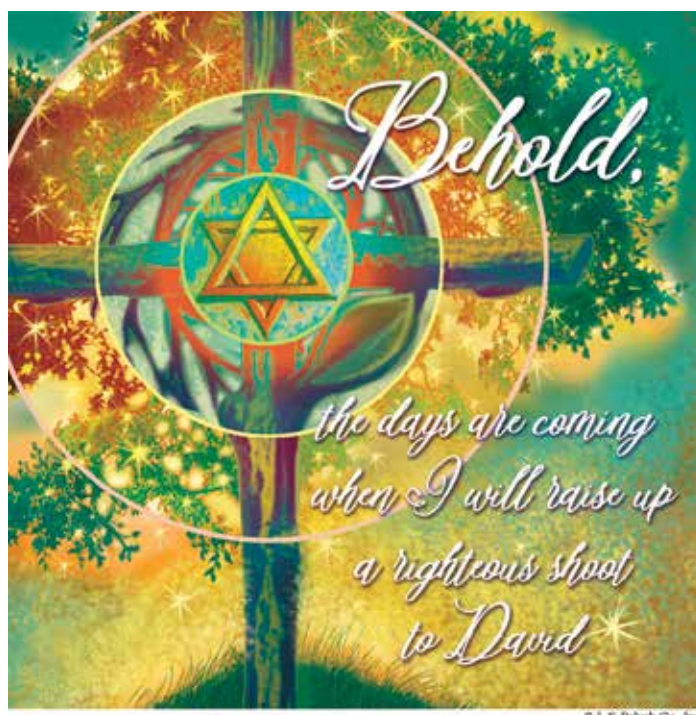


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Catholic Community

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July 18, 2021



***“Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I
will raise up a righteous shoot to David.”
— Jeremiah 23:5a***

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Luke the Evangelist Parish is a Roman Catholic Community dedicated to carrying out the Gospel message of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Our mission is to - welcome, evangelize and educate; provide spiritual nourishment; promote Christian values; foster peace and justice; encourage service to others.

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Mass (In person)

5:30 pm

Sunday Mass (In person)

6:30 am • 8:30 am • 10:30 am
10:30 am Mass is live streamed.
www.stluketemplecity.org

WEEKDAY MASSES

9:00 am (In-person)

Bulletin Content Submission Deadline

July 25 Bulletin:

Due Monday, July 19

Please deliver submissions to the Pastoral Office
or send to bulletineditor@stluketemplecity.org.

Please submit information by the
Monday before the publication date;
printed as space allows.

Scripture Reflection

After doing their preaching ministry of proclaiming the Good News to others, the apostles gathered with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. Jesus responded to them with these words: *"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while."*

Jesus was teaching the apostles the important lesson and element of the ministry which is prayer. Because to 'rest a while' with the Lord Jesus after the busy work in the ministry is prayer. We surrender to the Lord in prayer all the work that we have done for Him so that He may bless them just like He did when He rested after creating everything from nothing.

St. Benedict set this rule that is being followed in all monasteries – *"Ora et Labora,"* which in English means – **Pray and Work**. There is a need to find the balance of prayer and work in our everyday life. Because everything that we do should be done in connection with our relationship with God. Thus, if our work is to be done for its rightful purpose, then it should start and end with prayer. St. Ignatius said these words: *"Work as if everything depended on you, pray as if everything depended on God."*

If we cannot find time each day to pray to God, then we have not yet realized the value and power of prayer. As St. Alberto Hurtado said: *"If you don't spend a quarter of an hour each day to pray, then you have not yet realized that prayer is more basic than your need for food and shelter."*

Let us ask God for the grace to find time for prayer so that we will have a strong friendship with Him. For Jesus also said: *"Seek first the Kingdom of God, and everything will be given to you."* -Fr. Robert

PARISH STEWARDSHIP NEWS

Weekly Offering

As we navigate through these unprecedented times we appreciate your continued support with your weekly offering for our parish operations. Please know your contribution is vital to our mission as a church.

We have a small budget and need to continue paying our bills. Contributions can be mailed to the Pastoral Office, dropped in the office mailbox, or contributed through our online giving program. Visit www.stluketemplecity.org for details. You can call Vanco at 1-800-675-7430 Monday-Friday between 6:00 am and 4:00 pm to make your contribution as well (Our parish client ID is ES11182). *Thank you for your support!*

National Needs Combined Collection

THIS WEEKEND, July 17-18, is the collection for the *National Needs Combined Collection*. This collection makes it possible to continue strengthening Catholic faith, values and education through the Catholic Communication Campaign's television, radio and print messages. It helps support some of the poorest dioceses in the country that depend on annual collections.

Through vital evangelization programs, the Black and Indian Home Mission provides aid to some of the neediest African-American and Native American communities. It enables them to insure the highest standards of Catholic education through The Catholic University of America, which provides an academically rigorous education to nearly 7,000 students each year. Every donated dollar directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours.

Your generosity will help us spread the Good News! Envelopes are in the pews. Please make checks payable to St. Luke Church. Donations may be deposited in the regular collection.

PARISH REOPENING UPDATES

• **Mask Policy Update:** St. Luke Catholic Community, in accordance with the LA Archdiocese, has decided to follow the LA County Health Department in requiring everyone to wear a mask indoors on parish and school property effective Saturday, July 16, 2021, at 11:59 pm. This is due to the current increase of COVID-19 cases in Los Angeles County. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

• **Mass Schedule Update:** Considering the shortage of priests and available current Masses, we will not be bringing back the Sunday 5:30 pm Mass. We would like to invite all parishioners who previously attended that Mass to join us at another Mass. Thank you for your understanding.

Recent Updates:

• **New Location:** Drive-thru Confessions are held outdoors on Saturdays at 10:00 am, weather permitting. Drive into the **South Church Parking Lot** from Cloverly Avenue where you will approach the priest who will hear your brief confession from outside the passenger side of the car. If there are multiple people in the car, the passenger/s may exit and stand at a safe distance and we will come to them after hearing the driver's confession. Drive out through the exit off of Broadway Street.

• For those who wish to receive Communion on the tongue at Mass, please be last in Father's line, as he will sanitize in between.

• The Parish Office is open Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm. Items can also be left in office mailbox.

• The Adoration Chapel (located in the Pastoral Office) has reopened. Hours: 8:00 am-4:30 pm on weekdays. All are welcome to attend a Holy Hour of Devotion weekdays (Mon.-Thurs.) at 3:00 pm. In-person or Online. Live streamed on Facebook @StLukeParishTC, on Youtube.com (Channel: Fr. Robert Victoria - *Subscribe to receive alerts when streaming goes live!*) and via Twitter @fsvic3.

Ongoing:

• *We ask that everyone respects the comfortability and vulnerabilities of our fellow parishioners as we transition out of the Pandemic and respect their decisions to continue mask wearing and distancing.*

• Music Issues and Missalettes will return to the church pews and not to be taken home, but shared at liturgies (*It is not necessary to return the old missalettes you may have.*).

• Liturgical singing is allowed.

• The choir loft is not available for seating at this time.

• The 10:30 am Sunday Mass will continue to be live streamed for now. The Mass is available to view on the St. Luke Church website (www.stluketemplecity.org), on the St. Luke Church Vimeo webpage (<https://vimeo.com/stluketemplecity>), and the St. Luke Catholic School Facebook page (St. Luke Catholic School Temple City). The live stream can be replayed.

• Reminder! The Drive-thru Communion Reception Line has been discontinued.

• For anointing of the sick and other sacramental arrangements, please call the Pastoral Office.

• Groups/ministry meetings are not allowed to meet on campus. Please do not meet off campus.

Archbishop Gomez has rescinded the dispensation for attending Mass. Those with vulnerabilities or underlying conditions may wish to stay home. Please do not attend Mass if you are sick or not feeling well. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this challenging time. Subject to change at any time.

WATCH MASS FROM HOME

Sunday Mass from St. Luke

Visit www.stluketemplecity.org

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www.lacatholics.org/emergency

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9:00 am Sunday Mass

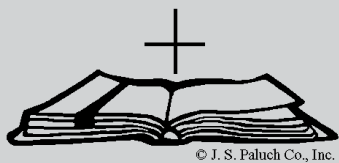
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MASS INTENTIONS

Week of July 18, 2021

Sunday, July 18

6:30 am Kim John
Frank Anthony Ponnet
St. Luke Parishioners

8:30 am Rosemary Masciarelli
Debbie Lodwick
David Haro

10:30 am George Zabala
Michael Kunz

Monday, July 19

9:00 am J.A. Simon
Jessica Call-SI
Dr. & Mrs. Sony
Thomas Family-SI

Tuesday, July 20

9:00 am Glen & Kathy Hogue
Mrs. Maria Vong Nguyen

Wednesday, July 21

9:00 am Jessica Rosado-SI
Mary Haley Nguyen-SI

Thursday, July 22

9:00 am Mary Jo Vasquez
Margaret Fillion

Friday, July 23

9:00 am Beatrice Morse
Edwin Morse-SI

Saturday, July 24

5:30 pm Emilia & Modesto Torrijos

Sunday, July 25

6:30 am John Washburn
Kim John
Barbara Cantu
St. Luke Parishioners

8:30 am Michael Kunz
Lou Cambiaso
Joseph Zenzola

10:30 am William Rivas
Judy Pedersen
John Dau-SI

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join Us for First Friday Adoration in the Chapel

First Friday Adoration in the Chapel will return Aug. 6. A sign-up sheet is located in the Chapel (in the Pastoral Office) or you may contact the office at (626) 291-5900 or kerrin@stluketemplecity.org. The chapel is also open weekdays, 8:00 am-4:30 pm. All are welcome.

We are seeking flower donations for the altar. If you are interested in donating flowers (in memory of a loved one - optional), please contact the office. A sign-up sheet is also available in the chapel.

Healing Service

St. Luke Parish will offer a Healing Service on Sunday, Aug. 15, following the 10:30 am Mass for the victims of Covid-19 and those who passed during the pandemic. Parishioners will have the opportunity to place a ribbon with the name of their loved one on an image of Mary, Undoer of Knots, during the service. Please e-mail or call the Pastoral Office (kerrin@stluketemplecity.org) or (626) 291-5900 with the name of your loved one you lost during the pandemic. You can pick up the ribbon at Church before the service.

Choirs to Return!

The St. Luke Singers and Lightshine Choirs (as it stands) will be returning to rehearsals for a period of "rebuilding" starting in late September and will be returning to leading us in song at their respective Masses on Sunday, Oct. 17!

To that end, Lightshine Choir continues to host the last of our weekly Virtual Scripture Study on Zoom through Thursday, July 29. These last weeks will prove to be particularly informative and social in nature, and you are most heartily invited to attend! All parishioners interested in joining us on Zoom (or for our upcoming season in late September ending in July of 2022), please contact Choir Director/Organist, Justin Senneff at senneffj@yahoo.com.

New Linen Care Schedule Available

The new Linen Care Schedule is available for pick up in the Pastoral Office for those who assist in this ministry. The new schedule is calendared through the end of the year. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Martha Figueroa at (626) 232-7053 or 83yosemite13mf@gmail.com.

Religious Education NEWS and NOTES

2021-2022 Program Registration

Registration for our 2021-2022 Religious Education Program is now open. Our programs include Preschool, Family Catechesis, and Youth/Adult Confirmation. The 2021-2022 Program Packet is available at www.stluketemplecity.org (under the Faith Formation tab).

Registration forms and the deposit are due to the Pastoral Office by **September 10, 2021**. A member of the Religious Education Office will contact you once the registration materials and deposit are received. God bless you and your family.

Questions? Please contact:

Barbara Hansen, Director of Religious Education
(626) 291-5900 Ext. 227 or (213) 948-3307
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All are welcome to come pray.

- *The Chapel is open on weekdays.*
- *First Friday Adoration Returns Aug. 6.*
(Sign-up sheet in Chapel or call the Pastoral Office.)

Holy Hour of Devotion

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Chapel Located in Pastoral Office

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am-4:30 pm



Sunday Readings

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I

Jer 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the LORD. Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, against the shepherds who shepherd my people: You have scattered my sheep and driven them away. You have not cared for them, but I will take care to punish your evil deeds.

I myself will gather the remnant of my flock from all the lands to which I have driven them and bring them back to their meadow; there they shall increase and multiply. I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the LORD.

Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David; as king he shall reign and govern wisely, he shall do what is just and right in the land.

In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name they give him: "The LORD our justice."

Response: *The Word of the Lord.*

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6

Response: (1) *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

Response: *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

Response: (1) *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Response: (1) *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

Response: (1) *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

Reading II

Eph 2:13-18

Brothers and sisters: In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through his flesh, abolishing the law with its commandments and legal claims, that he might create in himself one new person in place of the two, thus establishing peace, and might reconcile both with God, in one body, through the cross, putting that enmity to death by it.

He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

Response: *The Word of the Lord.*

Alleluia

Jn 10:27

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Response: *Alleluia, alleluia.*

Gospel

Mk 6:30-34

The apostles gathered together with Jesus and reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." People were coming and going in great numbers, and they had no opportunity even to eat.

So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place. People saw them leaving and many came to know about it. They hastened there on foot from all the towns and arrived at the place before them.

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

Response: *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

As We Gather," #311

"Because the Lord is My Shepherd," #470

The King of Love My Shepherd Is," #463

We Belong to You," #635

Belmont Mass beginning on #846

Memorial Acclamation: "When We Eat this Bread," #851

LIFE, JUSTICE AND PEACE SPOTLIGHT

The Church's Original Social Justice Struggle

A prominent social and moral issue facing our global society today is the issue of abortion. We tend to think in terms of the 'here and now.' However, there is nothing new about abortion, and the Church's response to abortion has not changed since the beginnings of Christianity.

In a current article posted in the Angelus, <https://angelusnews.com/faith/the-churchs-long-fight-against-abortion/>, Mike Aquilina teaches us about the Church's stance against abortion. He tells us, **"Abortion was, in fact, the first social injustice confronted by Christians, plainly, passionately, and without qualification."** In time, believers would similarly oppose slavery, capital punishment, and other institutions of pagan society. But the condemnation of abortion was singular in its consistency and vehemence from the very beginning of the Gospel proclamation."

Here are just a few of the highlights from Mike Aquilina's article.

- The "Didache," the earliest Christian document, compiled between A.D. 49 and A.D. 100, is often described as the first Catechism and "The Teaching of the Lord by the Twelve Apostles to the Gentiles." The "Didache" places abortion among the primordial concerns of the Church and the most fundamental laws of God. It charges its readers: "Thou shalt not procure abortion."

The early Church required repentance for those who transgressed these norms. "Thou shalt confess thy transgressions," says the "Didache," "and thou shalt not come to thy place of prayer with an evil conscience." Later, the text declares the necessity of a previous confession of sins before Eucharistic Communion, "that your sacrifice may be pure."

- In the Second Century there arose a movement known as the Apologists that provided a well-reasoned explanation of the Christian faith. Christian doctrine regarding abortion required explanation and defense, because it was something that set Christians apart from almost every other culture and subculture on the planet. "The pagan Romans, Greeks, Phoenicians, and Persians had no qualms about the practice; and it was condoned and even promoted by Socrates, Aristotle, Seneca, and many others. Christians (and Jews) stood alone in their rejection of abortion. That required explanation."

- Tertullian, a North African Christian jurist who lived at the end of the Second Century, was the first to state explicitly that human life begins at conception. He wrote shockingly graphic descriptions of several methods of abortion commonly used at that time, while also detailing the instruments involved. He called abortion a "furtive robbery of life" and described an instrument used in abortions as "the slayer of the infant."

Mike Aquilina tells us, "The Christian principles that protected the unborn would eventually lead to other notions that today we take for granted: universal human dignity, human equality, human rights, women's rights, children's rights."

These are all historical novelties, made possible by Christianity. What makes them work is their universality, their catholicity, which the Christian Way demands. But if one class of people can deprive another of the right to life, then all the other principles, and all the rights and protections they brought about, will fall in time.

The prohibition of abortion was distinctive to early Christianity and key to Christian identity. For the first Christians — the Fathers, the martyrs, the apologists — this doctrine on abortion was essential, not peripheral. Thus, it was subject to the Church's discipline.

What seems news to the media today — and even to some Catholic politicians — is actually an argument settled against brutal paganism a long, long time ago."

Holy Mary, Queen of the Family, and St. Joseph, Pillar of Family Life, pray for us!

~St. Luke Life, Justice and Peace Ministry

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The impact of social distancing on children

The negative effects of the pandemic on children are just beginning to be seen, as children head back to schools and daycares, some for the first time in well over a year.

Children may be struggling socially, academically, and developmentally, due to a year of social distancing and predominantly online interaction. Work with your children to discuss how they are feeling — check in often for any signs that they might be overwhelmed or struggling. For more information, read the article, "The impact of social distancing on young children."



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Visit the Parish Website (www.stluketemplecity.org) for information about all parish ministries and organizations.

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