

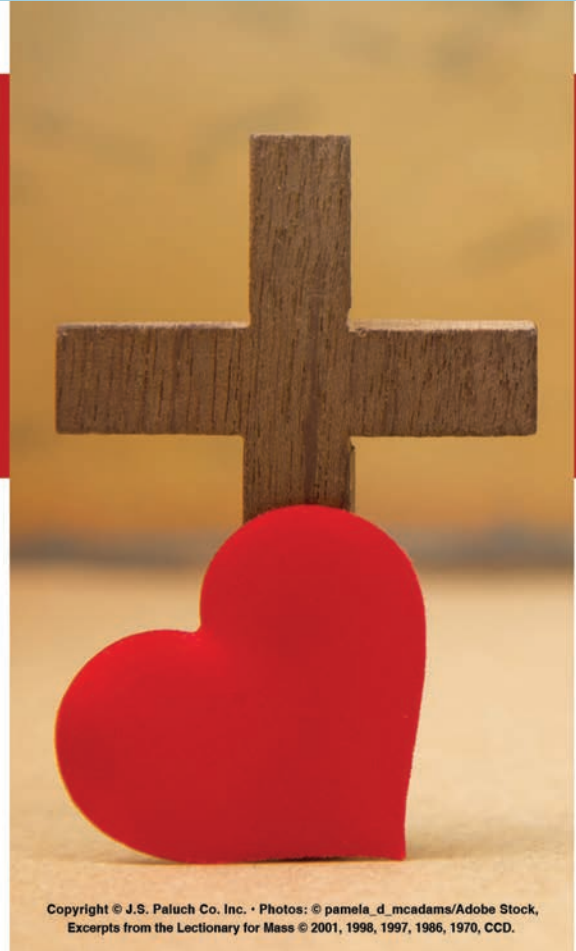


SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST  
*Catholic Community*  
Temple City, CA

YOU SHALL LOVE  
THE LORD YOUR GOD  
WITH ALL YOUR HEART,  
WITH ALL YOUR SOUL,  
WITH ALL YOUR MIND,  
AND WITH ALL  
YOUR STRENGTH.

Mark 12:30

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



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October 31, 2021

## 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

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

9:00 am (In-person)

### CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE

**Saturday (In the Church)**  
4:00-4:45 pm

### Bulletin Content Submission Deadline

#### November 7 Bulletin:

Due Monday, Nov. 1

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.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Night of Remembrance

All are invited to attend St. Luke Catholic Community's Night of Remembrance Mass on **Tuesday, Nov. 2**, at 7:00 pm. We will have a Mass to remember all those who have passed away in 2020 and 2021. Refreshments will follow the service in the Parish Hall.



### First Friday Masses & Adoration

First Friday Morning Mass on **Nov. 5** will be held at 9:00 am. Adoration will be held 9:00 am-Noon in the Chapel in the Pastoral Office. First Friday Evening Mass will return this month and will be held at 7:00 pm in the church.

### Teaching Mass – All Welcome

St. Luke Catholic Community will celebrate a Teaching Mass on **Sunday, Nov. 7**, during the 10:30 am Liturgy. Fr. Robert will preside and will explain the "Why" behind our Sacred Liturgy. Please note that the Mass will be longer than usual and our Family Catechesis, Adult/Teen Confirmation families will be in attendance.

### St. Vincent Bundle Sunday Coming Up

Our parish will have a Bundle Sunday for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul on **Sunday, Nov. 14**, 8:30 am-1:30 pm. Please bring your usable clothing and usable household items to their truck here at our church in the North Parking Lot. They are also in need of all furniture and large appliances that can be arranged for a special pick up at your home by calling 1-800-974-3571. Thank you for your continued support!

### Senior Citizen Bingo

The next Senior Citizen Bingo event will be on **Monday, Nov. 15**, at Noon in the Parish Hall. Cards are \$3 each or 2 for \$5, and they are good for the afternoon. Bingo games will follow lunch. Everyone is encouraged to bring a sack lunch or fast-food lunch. Coffee and cupcakes will be provided. There will also be a 50/50 Raffle. All are welcome! To RSVP or if you have any questions, please call Joan Sutton at (626) 824-2105.

### Save the Date

### Virgin of Guadalupe Mass

**Sunday, December 12, 12:30 pm**

All parishioners are invited to a special mass to celebrate the Mother of the Americas.

Parishioners are encouraged to bring her flowers.  
More details to come.



Donations are greatly appreciated to fund the celebration, including a Mariachi. Contributions can be brought to the Pastoral Office or made online (www.stluketemplecity.org > Click on "Donate" button on Homepage, Select "Virgin of Guadalupe Mass Donation.") Thank you for your support!



*A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.  
Revelation 12:1*

## Scripture Reflection

# The Commandments of God Guide Us

Don't you wish one day when you wake up that all the mandates that we have to follow are taken down? Many people feel that way with the present situation in our state and in other states. Somehow the "mandates" coming from the President or from governors or from medical authorities seem to dictate the only way every citizen could live.

And compliance to those mandates has become the condition for people's freedom. They are hard to follow and can be burdensome. The difference in opinion and reactions to those mandates also create division in the family, in communities, and in the country.

There are people who say that our world is in such a mess because we have taken away God in the center of our lives. If only we follow God's commandments more seriously and more faithfully like the way we follow those mandates coming from our leaders, our world would be a better and more peaceful place to live in.

In the Gospel this Sunday the scribe asked Jesus which is the first of all the commandments. The reason behind his question was because after God had given Moses the ten commandments on Mount Sinai, the religious leaders added their own interpretation and comments on the ten commandments.

Those additional to the ten commandments had to be observed completely to gain righteousness before God. And so, the religious leaders acted like God as lawgivers and judges of people's lives. The laws of God then became cumbersome and overwhelming to many Jewish people. That is why the scribe asked Jesus to summarize the 613 commandments into one greatest of all.

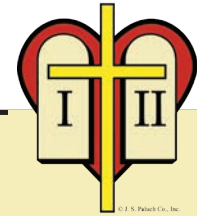
Jesus gave him a succinct answer: ***The first is this: Hear O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.***

Jesus quoted from the book of Deuteronomy chapter 6 verse 5 and from the book of Leviticus chapter 19 verse 18. Jesus gave him the principle behind the commandments and the key to fulfilling all of God's commandments which is Love. So, if we follow these two commandments of love, then we cover all the commandments. As St. Augustine wrote: ***"Love God and do whatever you please: for the soul trained in love to God will do nothing to offend the One who is Beloved."***

God wants us His children to obey His commandments not as an obligation but out of love for Him. If we trust Him, we will obey His precepts willfully. To help us observe His laws, He made a promise to us in the letter to the Hebrews chapter 8 verse 10: ***"this is the covenant I will establish with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their minds, and I will write them upon their hearts. I will be their God, and they shall be my people."***

And the psalmist in Psalm 19:8, 9 added: ***"The law of Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The precepts of the Lord are just, giving joy to the heart."***

The commandments of God are the guide of our existence. Just like any electronic device that comes with instructions of how to use it properly, we come too with God's commandments written in our mind and heart that we need to observe and follow if we are to live according to the purpose of God.



***You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.***

***You shall love your neighbor as yourself.***

To love like Jesus, He calls us to die to ourselves so that our love will be selfless. God has created us to know Him, to love Him, to serve Him and to be happy with Him in heaven. Created after His image and likeness who is Love, we are all called to love and be loved. For at the end of our life according to St. John of the Cross: ***"we will be judged as to how much we have loved."***

Jesus knows our weakness. He also knows that we do not have the strength and the grace to obey His laws. Therefore, He came down from heaven and lived among us to be our Way in fulfilling God's decrees. He also comes to us at Mass to give us His Body and His Blood so that He who lives in us, as the Obedient Son of the Father and who is more powerful than he (the devil) who is in the world may help us obey God's commandments freely, faithfully, and joyfully. **-Fr. Robert**



**REMINDER - Daylight Saving Time ends NEXT Sunday, Nov. 7.**

**Remember to set your clocks back one hour NEXT Saturday night – "fall back."**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Week of October 31, 2021

#### Saturday, October 30

5:30 pm Bernice Patricia Barbera

#### Sunday, October 31

6:30 am John Kim, Barbara Cantu  
Castor Caguioa  
St. Luke Parishioners

8:30 am Lou Cambiaso  
All Souls Memorial

10:30 am Bertha Bruno, Alex Ochoa

#### Monday, November 1

9:00 am Nena Aquino  
Souls of Departed  
Legionnaires  
All Souls Memorial

#### Tuesday, November 2

9:00 am Juanito Mejia  
Norberto Bomediano  
All Souls Memorial

#### Wednesday, November 3

9:00 am Nylene Genova  
All Souls in Purgatory  
All Souls Memorial

#### Thursday, November 4

9:00 am St. Luke Parishioners  
All Souls Memorial

#### Friday, November 5

9:00 am Leovigildo & Rosario Rubia  
All Souls in Purgatory  
Dull Family-SI  
All Souls Memorial

#### Saturday, November 6

5:30 pm Eva Arrighi  
Dan Pasqualicchio  
All Souls Memorial

#### Sunday, November 7

6:30 am John Kim, Peter Son Le  
Peter Tony Truong  
St. Luke Parishioners

8:30 am Alex Ochoa, Filomena Ong  
Rosa & Vito Petrelli  
All Souls Memorial

10:30 am Rosario Rubia, John Dau  
John Greunke

## HOLY DAY INFORMATION

### All Saints Day

This year, the Solemnity of All Saints (Nov. 1) is not a Holy Day of Obligation because it falls on a Monday. This feast day will be celebrated at the 9:00 am Mass only.



### All Souls Day Envelopes

All Souls Day (Nov. 2) is when we commemorate the souls of all the Faithful Departed. All Souls Day envelopes are available at the church exits and may be brought to the Pastoral Office or placed in the collection baskets during weekend Masses. The faithful departed will be remembered at daily Masses during the month of November. *Envelopes are also in the monthly envelope packet.*



### Religious Education

## NEWS and NOTES

Preschool | Family Catechesis | Home Church | Youth and Adult Confirmation

### St. Luke Catholic Community's 2021-22 Religious Education Program

Registration will be accepted until Nov. 2.

Please turn in registration forms and the deposit to the Pastoral Office.

Program Packet is available at [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org) (under the Faith Formation tab).

Questions? Please contact Barbara Hansen, DRE, at (626) 291-5900 Ext. 227 or (213) 948-3307, or [Barbara@stluketemplecity.org](mailto:Barbara@stluketemplecity.org).

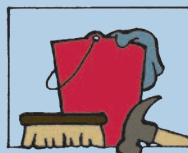
The Religious Education Program is hosting a **Poinsettia Fundraiser** to support scholarship funds for Confirmation, Family Catechesis, and Vacation Bible School programs. *See page 5 for details.*

### Coming Soon!

## ST. LUKE GIFT SHOP

Beautiful religious items are now available  
to purchase after Weekend Masses  
in the Church Meeting Room.

*All proceeds will go toward the formal  
opening of our Gift Shop on campus.*



### Save the Date! Labors of Love

Saturday, Dec. 11, 9:00 am-Noon

Coffee & donuts will be served 8:30-9:00 am.





## St. Luke Religious Education *Poinsettia Fundraiser*

**Proceeds support scholarship funds  
for the Confirmation, Family Catechesis,  
and Vacation Bible School programs.**

- **Six-inch, potted Poinsettia Plants (\$10):**

*Available colors: red and white*

- **Eight-inch Ivysettias (\$12):**

*Beautiful dish garden with a red poinsettia, surrounded by circle of green ivy*

- **Eight-inch Mumsettia (\$13):**

*Red poinsettia surrounded by a wreath of white Chrysanthemums*



Orders can be placed through the Pastoral Office or with a parishioner involved in Religious Education Programs. Orders with payment must be placed by Friday, Nov. 19. Plants can be picked up on Sunday, Dec. 5.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

# of \_\_\_\_\_ Red Poinsettia x \$10.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

# of \_\_\_\_\_ White Poinsettia x \$10.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

# of \_\_\_\_\_ Ivysettias x \$12.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

# of \_\_\_\_\_ Mumsettia x \$13.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

*Make checks payable to  
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or submit payment online at  
[www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org)  
under the Donations tab.  
Select "Poinsettia Fundraiser."*

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please indicate below which plants (if any) will be donated in "Honor" of someone:*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Plant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Plant: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_

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***Great gift idea for the holiday season! Add to your home or office seasonal decor.  
Purchase a plant as a donation to the parish for our Christmas Season environment.***

***Thank You for Your Support!***

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP NEWS

### YOUR GIFTS SUPPORT OUR PARISH

**Our thanks to the many individuals and families who generously support our parish!**

These gifts benefit the parish in so many ways, including helping to meet everyday expenses for liturgy, faith formation, and operations. For your convenience, gifts may be made several ways:

**ENVELOPE USERS:** Offertory envelopes can be placed in collection baskets during weekend Masses, mailed to the Parish Office, or dropped in the office mailbox.

**ONLINE DONATIONS:** Click the Make a Donation button on the Homepage of the parish website to give electronically one-time or make a recurring gift.

**BY PHONE:** 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).

***May God Bless You and Your Family  
for Your Continued Generosity!***

## ✧ Rest in Peace ✧

***Melissa Szamet***

*Funeral Mass at St. Luke on Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1:00 pm*

***John Dau***

*Funeral Mass at San Gabriel Mission on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 9:00 am*

## AROUND TOWN

### Día De Los Muertos Virtual Prayer Vigil

The Catholic Cemeteries & Mortuaries of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and the Office of Religious Education invite you and your family to a special virtual Día de los Muertos (All Souls Day) celebration on **Monday, Nov. 1.**

A Virtual Prayer Vigil will be livestreamed from Calvary Cemetery & Mortuary at 7:00 pm on [lacatholics.org/ddlm](https://lacatholics.org/ddlm) and will feature live music and an outdoor prayer vigil at the cemetery's Mausoleum, led by Archbishop José H. Gomez.

### 'Preparing for the Holidays'

The Separated, Divorced & Widowed Ministry is offering a "Preparing for the Holidays" webinar on **Saturday, Nov. 6**, at 10:00 am.

This presentation will provide guidance and support to find a balance with your holiday preparations and maintain a Spirit of Hope. Register at <https://bit.ly/3C9Xxtl>. For more information, contact Julie Auzenne at [jmonell@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:jmonell@la-archdiocese.org) or (213) 637-7249.

### Archbishop Celebrates Start of Synodal Way

Archbishop Jose H. Gomez celebrated a Mass today at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels to recognize the initiation of the 16th Synod of Bishops and the archdiocesan phase.

The theme of the synod is "For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission." The consultative process at the diocese will begin in early 2022 to gather perspectives from local Catholics.

Insights gathered throughout the country and at the international level will be followed by a General Assembly of Bishops at the Vatican in October 2023. For more information, visit [www.synod.va/en.html](https://www.synod.va/en.html). Read Archbishop's article "On the Synodal Path" at <https://angelusnews.com/voices/on-the-synodal-path/>.

## • SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN • DID YOU KNOW...

### The importance of emotional boundaries

As safe adults we have a responsibility to set healthy emotional boundaries with the children in our care, most importantly because we are helping to guide a child's development. In no way does this mean that adult-child relationships must be cold or uncaring.

By maintaining healthy emotional boundaries, we as adults act as role models for other adults and for children themselves. For example, there is a big difference between being friendly and being friends with a child.

For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS article "Emotional Boundaries" at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know](https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know).

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Detail, Anonymous, *Christ in the House of the Pharisee*,  
England, c. 1480–1490

**You shall love your neighbor  
as yourself.**

MARK 12:31



## THE CORE OF GOD'S COVENANT

In today's First Reading, from Deuteronomy, we hear the great summary of the very core of God's covenant with Israel, its title taken from its opening word, the Shema ("Hear!"). The Shema is at once a doctrinal summary of Israel's faith and the personal/corporate prayer of Israel's sons and daughters. To this day, devout Jews inscribe the Shema on parchment and enclose it in the mezuzah that adorns the doorways of so many Jewish homes.

The residents kiss the mezuzah, and thus the Word of God, upon entering their homes and when going forth from them into a world that often acknowledges neither God nor the covenant. Recited several times daily, Deuteronomy's "formula" comes alive as a vivid reminder to devout Jews that their personal relationship with God is both source and safeguard of their public identity as members of God's chosen people.

## EDITING THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Today's Gospel shows Jesus as fully part of Israel's covenant tradition: he responds to the scribe's question by proclaiming Deuteronomy's Shema which both of them would have revered and recited since childhood: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength" (Deuteronomy 6:4–5). But note the "editorial changes" both Jesus and the scribe make to the Shema.

To Deuteronomy's heart, the Biblical seat of the will and affections, and soul, the deepest part of the human person, and strength, encompassing both physical ability and material treasure, Jesus adds "with all your mind," a phrase the scribe changes to "with all your understanding" (Mark 12:30, 33). Perhaps Mark, the author of today's Gospel, wanted to consecrate to the kingdom's service the philosophical reflection and intellectual exploration so valued by the Greco-Roman world—and our world—in which the Gospel would be preached.

## KNOWING AND DOING

Jesus makes a further change to Israel's Shema: to the Deuteronomy text Jesus adds Leviticus 19:18: "you shall love your neighbor as yourself." For Jesus, these commandments cannot be separated. The scribe, delighted at Jesus' answer, goes on to indicate that he has grasped one of the central tenets of Jesus' kingdom: ritual worship and practical charity toward one's neighbor are twin expressions of love for God. This insight places the scribe "not far from the kingdom of God," says Jesus (Mark 12:34).

But is "not far" close enough? For the scribe, as for the rich would-be disciple from a few Sundays ago, as for each of us, it is one thing to know what we ought to do and quite another actually to do it. So, then: what about us? How do we live out, in daily practice, the covenant whose words we know so well, but whose deeds we so often find a challenge?

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## TODAY'S READINGS

Dt 6:2–6 | Ps 18:2–3, 3–4, 47, 51

Heb 7:23–28 | Mk 12:28b–34

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**Come renew your discipleship of Jesus  
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### PRESENTERS

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**9:00 am - Noon | Cost: *Free***

- **Saturday, November 6, 2021:** Christ the King, Los Angeles
- **Saturday, January 15, 2022:** St. Joseph the Worker, Winnetka
- **Saturday, February 12, 2022:** Mission San Gabriel, San Gabriel
- **Saturday, February 19, 2022:** St. Mary of the Assumption, Whittier
- **Saturday, February 26, 2022:** Mission Basilica San Buenaventura, Ventura

**Register at:** <http://store.la-archdiocese.org/jubilee-regional-retreats-2>

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Questions? Contact Yvette Jefferys at [principal@stluketemplecity.org](mailto:principal@stluketemplecity.org) or (626) 291-5959.

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