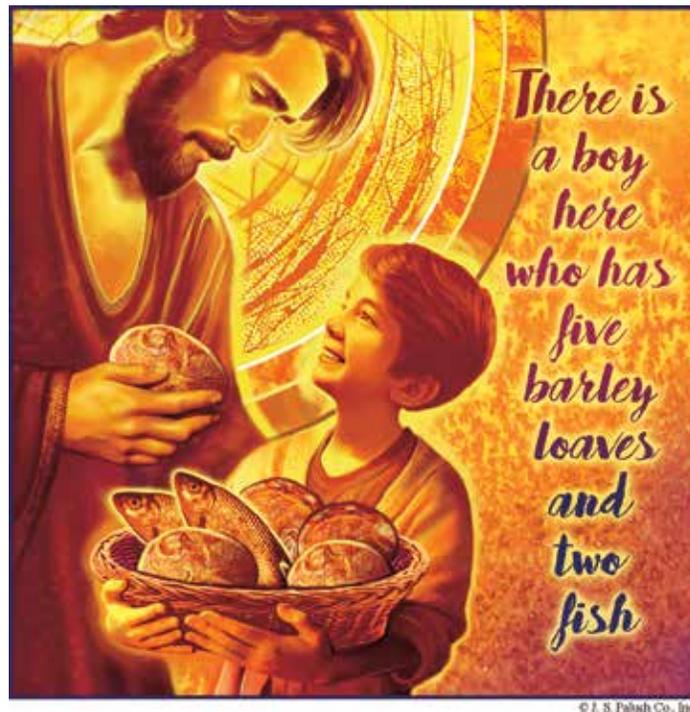


SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST

Catholic Community

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 25, 2021



*“The eyes of all look hopefully to you,
and you give them their food in due season.”
— Psalm 145:15*

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.
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WEEKDAY MASSES

9:00 am (In-person)

Bulletin Content Submission Deadline

Aug. 1 Bulletin:

Due Monday, July 26

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.

PARISH REOPENING UPDATES

• **Mask Policy Update:** St. Luke Catholic Community, in accordance with the LA Archdiocese, is following the LA County Health Department in requiring everyone to wear a mask indoors on parish and school property. 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.

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 at 3:00 pm. Also now on Fridays. *NOTE: Benediction will not be held on Fridays and during the week of July 26-30.* In-person or Online. Live streamed on Facebook @ StLukeParishTC, on Youtube.com (Channel: Fr. Robert Victoria) 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.*

• Music Issues and Missalettes have returned to the church pews. *(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. See www.stluketemplecity.org for other online Mass options available.

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

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

• Groups/ministry meetings not allowed to meet on campus. 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.

Scripture Reflection

Whenever we hear the story of the multiplication of the loaves and fish, we know right away that the story points to the Eucharist. For in all the accounts of this same miracle, we hear the same words of the Institution Narrative at the Consecration – *Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, distributed them to those who were reclining.*

And we find the same story in all four Gospels, namely Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. This means that the Eucharist was already central in the life of the early Church.

But unfortunately, there are some biblical interpreters who tried to deny the multiplication of the loaves by saying that the multiplication didn't really happen. The greedy people following Jesus in the wilderness had loaves and fishes hidden under their robes.



What really happened is that Jesus preached to the crowd about caring and sharing and they responded by bringing out food from under their robes that they had been hiding from each other. Once everyone learned how to share, there was plenty for everyone with twelve basketfuls left over. Sadly, too for some theologians and priests, the real miracle was not the multiplication of loaves, but the act of caring. Jesus was able to convince selfish people to share: the real miracle.

To prove that the actual miracle of the multiplication of loaves truly happened instead of the misinterpretation that it is all about sharing, here are some points to consider.

First, the Gospel passage described the scene very clearly. *Jesus said to Philip, "where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" He said this to test him because He Himself knew what He was going to do. If Jesus as God knew that people had brought with them bread to eat, then why would He even ask Philip this question? Philip answered him, "two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little."*

*Then Andrew said to Jesus, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus and the disciples knew there was no abundance of bread hiding in secret picnic baskets. As St. Jerome said, "Wherein he calls the apostles to breaking of bread, that the greatness of the miracle might be more evident by their testimony that the people had no food" (Thomas Aquinas, *Catena Aurea*, l.2).*

"This is truly The Prophet, the One who it is to come into the world."
-Gospel of St. John

Second, being that this miracle was mentioned in all four Gospels, why was there no explicit or implicit reference to Jesus addressing the crowds about sharing their food to others. Because if Jesus did teach them to share their hidden food, why did the Gospel writers fail to inform us—in six separate accounts? If this was the main point of the story, shouldn't it show up at least once?

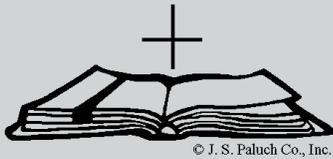
Third, the loaves came from Jesus after He took them, gave thanks (blessing the loaves), and distributed them to His apostles and to the crowd. As St. Jerome affirmed, "The multitude receives the food from the Lord through the apostles; as it follows, and he gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude" (Thomas Aquinas, *Catena Aurea*, l.2).

After they had their fill, Jesus instructed His disciples to gather the fragments left over, which filled twelve wicker baskets. St. John pointed out that those fragments come from the five barley loaves. When food is presented to God as an act of thanksgiving to the Divine Provider, He blesses them thereby making them holy and multiplies them miraculously.

Towards the end of the Gospel St. John: *When the people saw the sign He had done, they said, "This is truly The Prophet, the One who it is to come into the world."* In the gospel of John, the word "sign" stands for a miracle that Jesus performed. If Jesus simply taught the crowd to be generous and share their food, then the people would not have declared Him to be The Prophet, The Messiah that they waited for.

Everyone is looking for a miracle, for a sign. The sign is always there at Mass in the appearance of bread and wine. Later as we continue to read the gospel of John chapter 6, we will be told that many among the crowds left Jesus because they could not accept Him giving His flesh and blood as spiritual food and drink. Then He turns to His apostles to ask them "Do you also want to leave?"

May our response be like that of St. Peter in every Eucharist that we receive: *"Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that You are the Holy One of God."* -Fr. Robert



MASS INTENTIONS

Week of July 25, 2021

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

Monday, July 26

- 9:00 am Glen & Kathy Hogue
Phylis Haigh-SI
Jennifer Short-SI

Tuesday, July 27

- 9:00 am Donna Simon-SI
Ramona Estrada-SI

Wednesday, July 28

- 9:00 am John Alonzo
Donna Simon-SI
Michael Martin Smith-SI

Thursday, July 29

- 9:00 am Chito Sansano, Jr-SI

Friday, July 30

- 9:00 am All Souls Memorial

Saturday, July 31

- 5:30 pm St. Luke Parishioners

Sunday, August 1

- 6:30 am Faruk Aykol
Kim John
Barbara Cantu
St. Luke Parishioners
- 8:30 am Jean Lockwood
Chito Sansano, Jr-SI
- 10:30 am Frank Ponnet

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.

A **Holy Hour of Devotion** is held at 3:00 pm on weekdays (online and in-person). Also now on Fridays. *NOTE: Benediction will not be held on Fridays and during the week of July 26-30. See p. 4. for details on how to access online.*

We are seeking flower donations for the altar. If you are interested in donating (in memory of a loved one - optional), please contact the office. A sign-up sheet is also 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! The Lightshine Choir's last weekly Virtual Scripture Study on Zoom is Thursday, July 29. If you are interested in joining our upcoming season, please contact Choir Director/Organist, Justin Senneff at senneffj@yahoo.com.

Religious Education NEWS and NOTES

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, at (626) 291-5900 Ext. 227 or (213) 948-3307 or Barbara@stluketemplecity.org.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP NEWS

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!*

St. Luke Catholic Community's

Adoration Chapel

☞ *Come experience a unique time of prayer and reflection* ☛



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

All are welcome to attend a Holy Hour of Devotion weekdays at 3:00 pm. In-person or Online. Live streamed on Facebook @StLukeParishTC, on Youtube.com (Channel: Fr. Robert Victoria) and via Twitter @fsvic3.



Chapel Located in Pastoral Office

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



Sunday Readings

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I

2 Kgs 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing to Elisha, the man of God, twenty barley loaves made from the first fruits, and fresh grain in the ear.

Elisha said, "Give it to the people to eat." But his servant objected, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" Elisha insisted, "Give it to the people to eat."

"For thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'" And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said.

Response: *The Word of the Lord.*

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18

Response: *(cf. 16) The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.*

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD, and let your faithful ones bless you. Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.

Response: *The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.*

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them their food in due season; you open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Response: *The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.*

The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works. The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

Response: *The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.*

Reading II

Eph 4:1-6

Brothers and sisters: I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace:

One body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Response: *The Word of the Lord.*

Alleluia

Lk 7:16

Response: *Alleluia, alleluia.*

A great prophet has risen in our midst. God has visited his people.

Gospel

Jn 6:1-15

Jesus went across the Sea of Galilee. A large crowd followed him, because they saw the signs he was performing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. The Jewish feast of Passover was near.

When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip, "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?"

He said this to test him, because he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred days' wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?"

Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted.

When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.

When the people saw the sign he had done, they said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to come into the world." Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain alone.

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

LIFE, JUSTICE AND PEACE SPOTLIGHT

Join Habitat for Humanity Catholic Coalition for Build Day on July 31

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope. Since 1976 Habitat for Humanity has been helping people build or improve a place they can call home.

Habitat for Humanity is a partnership, not a giveaway program. Habitat homeowners invest hundreds of hours of their own labor working alongside volunteers to build their houses. Habitat's homeowner families buy the houses that Habitat renovates or builds. As a result, Habitat for Humanity houses are affordable for low-income families.

Habitat for Humanity builds much more than houses. A decent home provides the strength, stability and independence that families need to build a better life for themselves and for their families. This is all possible because of the support of generous and compassionate people such as our parishioners at St. Luke.

Volunteers & Donors: The Keys to Making a Difference. Parishes in the San Gabriel Pastoral Region are forming teams, as part of the **SGV Habitat for Humanity Catholic Coalition**, to promote and support the work of SGV Habitat for Humanity. As we work to build a team at St. Luke, our parishioners are invited to participate in projects with volunteers from Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Saint Elizabeth of Hungary churches. Volunteers don't need to have any special skills; only the desire to make a difference in the lives of others!

Join us for BUILD DAY on Saturday July 31, 2021. St. Luke is looking for volunteers to join with **Catholic Coalition** volunteers from Saint Elizabeth of Hungary church in a special painting project at Habitat's Monrovia offices. We will be **working inside air-conditioned offices**, not outside in the heat. Habitat will teach us everything we need to know and they will provide us with any needed tools. Volunteers are required to follow all safety protocols set forth by the CDC, including wearing a cloth face mask, handwashing and maintaining distancing. Here are the details:

What: Come paint, brand and help design the SGV Habitat for Humanity headquarters. Your help will make it an inviting place for all the families that Habitat serves.

When: Saturday, July 31, 7:45 am - 3:30 pm. Volunteers can sign up for a half day shift, 7:45 am to 11:30 am or 11:45 am to 3:30 pm, or for a full day, from 7:45 am to 3:30 pm.

Where: 724 E. Huntington Dr. Monrovia, CA 91016

How: You must **register by July 28** to volunteer: <http://vhub.at/stelizabethkocsgv>

For questions or more information, please call Veronica Romero West at (626) 437-1014, or e-mail her at veronica@design1west.com.

We are God's hands and feet, here to serve others and show them His love.

If you are willing to roll up your sleeves and engage in a labor of loving and doing, we would be very grateful for your help!

~St. Luke Life, Justice and Peace Ministry

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Children and teenagers are spending more and more time connecting with their friends on social media. Research shows that people are hardwired to find social interaction and communication rewarding, and on social media, rewards come in the form of "likes."

Although apps like Instagram have recently moved to change how "likes" are seen on photos and videos, the drive to post something "likeable" is still there, and many users may feel the need to test boundaries to drive them up. It's important for parents to understand the enticing nature of these apps, and to talk to their children and teens about internet safety and social media use. For more information, visit <https://www.missingkids.org/content/ncmec/en/blog/2020/love-of-likes.html>.



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VIRTUS REMINDER: If you have taken a VIRTUS class, a copy of the certificate needs to be turned in to the Pastoral Office so that your attendance is recorded. Classes are only good for four years. You must take a recertification class before the four years expire. *If you know that you are not current in VIRTUS, the Pastoral Office has a list of classes being held in the area.*

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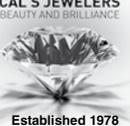


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