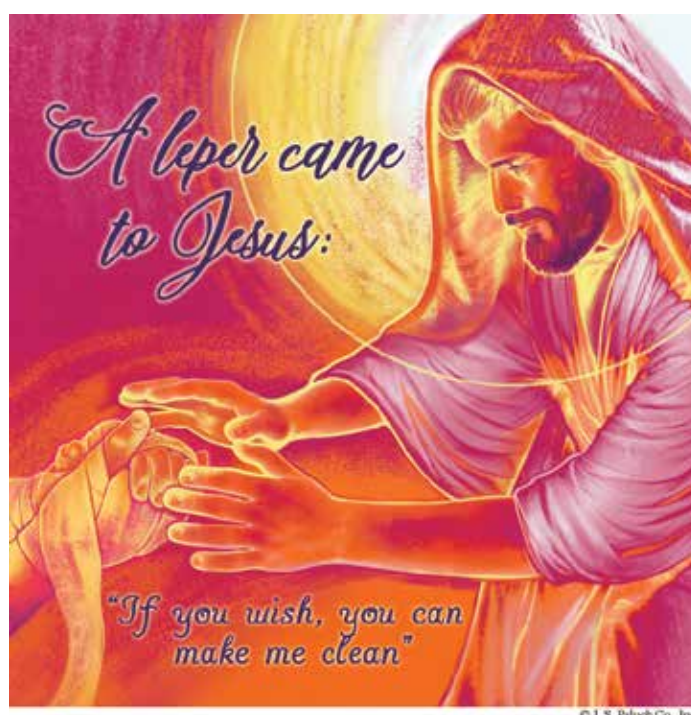


SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST

Catholic Community

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 14, 2021



***“Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God.”
— 1 Corinthians 10:31***

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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PASTORAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am-5:00 pm
(Currently closed to the public.)

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES

Sunday Mass (In-person)

8:30 am • 10:30 am

Virtual Sunday Mass

www.stluketemplecity.org

WEEKDAY MASSES

9:00 am (In-person)

Content Submission Deadline

Feb. 21 Bulletin:

Due Tuesday, Feb. 16

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.

Father Mark's Corner

Our faith journey is all about relationship. We are called to be in relationship with our God and with one another. At times, there are circumstances or choices that challenge and strain these relationships. However, we are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

As Jesus went about the land healing and teaching, he wished for people to know him for more than just performing miracles. He did not wish to be a "magician" who could fix broken people but for who he truly is: God! I am sure there are times when you have just looked to God in time of need rather than carrying on a daily relationship that deepens with understanding as the journey continues into maturity.

This time of pandemic, isolating quarantine has been a challenge on all relationships. I hear too many doubting God and becoming impatient with those under the same roof. Believe me...we all feel the same thing! LOL! And God understands.

When Jesus healed people in his day, they were able to return to the fullness of life with family and community. As we continue our faith journey, confronted with the challenges of the many versions of COVID, we might see fit to pray for healing, especially in our strained relationship with God and community.

Continue the journey...

Spiritual Reflection: "Stay the course."



STEWARDSHIP NEWS

Continuing Your 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 generous support!

WATCH MASS FROM HOME

Sunday Mass from St. Luke

Visit www.stluketemplecity.org

Masses from the Cathedral

www.lacatholics.org/emergency
(Check in advance to confirm times.)

Daily Mass (M-F): 8:00 am

Sunday Mass: 10:00 am

9:00 am Sunday Mass

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COVID-19 PHASED REOPENING STATUS

- 9:00 am Daily Mass indoors has resumed. No reservations needed. Mandatory facial covering and social distancing.
- Sunday 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses have resumed indoors. No reservations needed. Mandatory facial covering and social distancing. Only families or single households should sit together. Doors will be closed when safe capacity is reached.
- A Drive-thru Communion Reception is offered 12:00-12:45 pm on Sundays. Please do not pull into lot early until mass participants have departed. Line up going south on Cloverly Avenue by car and turn into the church parking lot. PLEASE DO NOT PARK. We will stand and distribute communion to people in the car in the hand. Please wear a mask as we approach your car. Drive off safely through exit on Broadway.
- Sunday Virtual Mass will continue to be available online.

Ongoing:

- Drive-thru Confessions continue to be held on Saturdays at 1:00 pm, weather permitting. Please wear a mask and drive through the church parking lot where you will be directed through the back alley to approach one of the priests 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. This is not a prolonged counseling moment: we want anybody who wants a brief confession following these months of lockdown to have the opportunity, so please be prepared and expedient. Drive out safely the rear gate onto Live Oak Avenue. *Confessions may be cancelled on inclement weather days.*

- For anointing of the sick, please call the Pastoral Office. There are strict protocols in place for a priest to enter homes. Priests are NOT allowed into hospitals, convalescent hospitals, etc.

- Gravesides only for the near future. Memorials may be planned later. Mortuaries/cemeteries are backed up for at least two months.

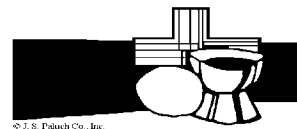
- Pastoral Office remains open for business, phone and e-mail, or arranged drop-off or pick-up only. Items can left in office mailbox.

- School remains open through waiver for approved attendance.

- For other sacramental arrangements, please call the Pastoral Office.

- Eucharistic Ministers should not visit the sick.

- Groups or ministry meetings are not permitted to meet on campus until at least late Summer or early Fall. Please do not meet off campus.



Finally, any aspect of this reopening can change at any time in accordance with ADLA guidelines and the orders of the health officials. If we were to have three cases of people testing COVID Positive, we could be shut down once again for quarantine. We have had a few cases already, so let us continue to proceed supporting our community efforts rather than any negative options. ***We continue the journey...***

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this challenging time.



Ash Wednesday Schedule

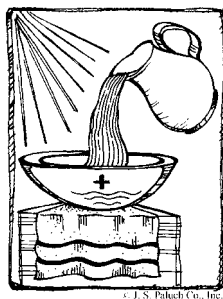
February 17, 2021

Distribution of Ashes: 9:00 am Mass

Drive-thru Ash Distribution: 10:00-11:00 am
(Same procedure as Sunday Communion Drive-thru.)

Ash Distribution: 6:00 pm
(In the Church, No Service.)

*Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence, not a Holy Day of Obligation.
(Fast one full meal; two smaller meals. Abstinence: No meat.)*



Sunday Readings

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "If someone has on his skin a scab or pustule or blotch which appears to be the sore of leprosy, he shall be brought to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests among his descendants. If the man is leprous and unclean, the priest shall declare him unclean by reason of the sore on his head.

"The one who bears the sore of leprosy shall keep his garments rent and his head bare, and shall muffle his beard; he shall cry out, 'Unclean, unclean!'

As long as the sore is on him, he shall declare himself unclean, since he is in fact unclean. He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp."

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11

Response: *(7) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Blessed is he whose fault is taken away, whose sin is covered. Blessed the man to whom the LORD imputes not guilt, in whose spirit there is no guile.

Response: *I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, my guilt I covered not. I said, "I confess my faults to the LORD," and you took away the guilt of my sin.

Response: *I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you just; exult, all you upright of heart.

Response: *I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Reading II

1 Cor 10:31—11:1

Brothers and sisters, Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.

Avoid giving offense, whether to the Jews or Greeks or the church of God, just as I try to please everyone in every way, not seeking my own benefit but that of the many, that they may be saved. Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel

Mk 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean."

Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once.

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them."

The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.

He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holiday Office Closure Reminder

The Parish and School Offices will be closed on **Monday, Feb. 15**, in observance of President's Day Holiday. Morning Mass will still be held at 9:00 am.

A Message from Our Music Ministry

Dear Brothers and Sisters: It is indeed with great joy that we return to public worship as we continue "on the journey" toward the end of this Pandemic. But as we know, many aspects are not the same and our music is no exception. For the public celebration of Sunday Mass at 8:30 am and 10:30 am, in accordance with the guidelines from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, our repertoire of music will not be including many of the hymns and service music that would normally be conducive to our Parish tradition of strong congregational singing. However, we will be featuring more of a meditative repertoire, which we all would like to heartily encourage you to "sing in your heart" and to actively participate by actively listening. As we know, Music in the Liturgy is not just a functional "tradition," but a very real part of our experience in joining together as community in our common worship of God.

For the virtual Sunday Mass, we will be sticking with the more familiar repertoire and wherein we would also encourage you to sing out to your heart's content as is safe for your household!

The Lightshine Choir continually hosts our weekly Bible Study on Zoom on Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 pm, where we join in common reading, prayer and discussion on the readings for each upcoming weekend. Please e-mail Justin Senneff, choir director, at senneff@yahoo.com for more information.

Virtual Bereavement Sessions

St. Luke Church is offering a virtual eight-week Bereavement Support Program for those who have lost someone dear. The program is open to all faiths, non-threatening, caring and very loving toward those who have suffered a loss.

Sessions are held virtually at 7:00 pm on Zoom (**Thursday, Feb. 4, through March 25**). The only cost involved is \$12.00 for the workbook. Please call the Pastoral Office at (626) 291-5900 to register. Please provide your e-mail address and phone number. **Reservations are required.**

Mass and Prayer Intention Requests

Mass Intention requests have resumed for the 9:00 am weekday Masses and the 8:30 and 10:30 am Sunday Masses. Names will be acknowledged during the Prayer of the Faithful and included in the Parish Bulletin. Offerings greatly appreciated. Please call the Pastoral Office at (626) 291-5900. **Mass Intentions cannot be submitted online.**

Parishioners may also submit requests for **Prayer Intentions** to be offered during our Virtual Sunday Mass. Prayer requests made by 5:00 pm on Wednesday of each week will be a part of the upcoming Sunday Mass, offered during the Prayer of the Faithful. Offerings appreciated. Visit www.stluketemplecity.org to submit a Prayer Intention request or call the Pastoral Office.

The names of individuals who are being remembered during the Virtual Mass will be listed in the Parish Bulletin (Names will not be said during the Mass). A card is available for you to send to the person for whom you have requested a prayer intention.

Light a Devotional Prayer Candle Virtually

Parishioners are invited to have a candle lit in our church for someone for whom they would like to pray. The candles will be shown after our Virtual Sunday Mass each week so you may pray and reflect, just as you would do when you come to church. Offerings greatly appreciated. Candle requests by Wednesday will be lit for the upcoming Sunday Mass. Visit www.stluketemplecity.org to submit a request.



PRAYER INTENTIONS

February 14, 2021 Virtual Mass

Evanswinda Cruz, Gonzalo Cruz, Sr.-SI

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of February 14, 2021

Sunday, February 14

8:30 am Marie Duff
John Nelson
Darlene Kovach
10:30 am William Ellis Day
Marjorie Ann
Josie Basile

Monday, February 15

9:00 am Ann Hoon
Evanswinda Cruz
All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, February 16

9:00 am All Souls Memorial

Wednesday, February 17

9:00 am St. Luke Parishioners

Thursday, February 18

9:00 am St. Luke Parishioners

Friday, February 19

9:00 am Angeles Abena
Epitacio Abena

Sunday, February 21

8:30 am Josie Basile
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10:30 am Michelle Masoni
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GLORY OF GOD.

Sixth Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Corinthians 10:31

The Gospel today concludes the first chapter of Mark, which traces the rapid expansion of Jesus' ministry. Excitement about Jesus grows so much that he can't enter a town without being besieged. His healing of a leper results in a reversal: the leper, who had been isolated from the community, is now free to speak with everyone. Jesus, who before could speak freely, now must isolate himself from the crowds. By serving others, Jesus lost some control over his ministry. This is the first hint of what happens later in Mark. Jesus' displays of power—over illness, over evil spirits, over nature—eventually lead him to the "powerlessness" of the cross.

The experience of Jesus guides us in our own efforts to be of service. Surrendering control is often very difficult. To be a servant is to engage with others, where frequently we lose some control over our freedoms, time, and energies. Often there is a cross or two to bear. As Jesus let go of control in his life, he also placed his trust in his Father. He invites us to do the same.

FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

In today's passage from First Corinthians, Paul concludes his extensive reflections on a variety of issues in Christian life, summarizing with "whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." Beyond the specific problems he addresses, Paul invites his listeners deeper, to consider the primary orientation of life in Christ. We live "for the glory of God" when we organize our lives around God's values and purposes. We find our identity within God's story as described in the scriptures. We are called to join God's work in care for others. Just like Paul, we wrestle with many difficult problems emerging from the messiness of daily living. As Lent approaches, we might claim some time to reflect upon how life's messiness connects with our identity and calling.

Today's Readings: Lv 13:1–2, 44–46; Ps 32:1–2, 5, 11;
1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40–45

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Tips to handle teen dating

Most teenagers are eager to date, but parents may be less eager to reach that milestone. Preparing yourself — and your teenager — for smart, safe dating is key.

As a family, set rules, and enforce them. Discuss who they can see, what activities are allowed or forbidden, how late they can stay out. Make sure your teenager is clear on how to handle himself or herself in tough situations, and that they have an "out" if they need one in you or another trusted adult.

Honesty and specificity will make these conversations more impactful, and more likely to stick with your teen. For more tips on handling teen dating, read the VIRTUS article "Preparing for the Day Your Teen Starts Dating" at <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.



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Dear St. Luke Catholic Community and Beyond:

We are writing to you, our parishioners of St. Luke Catholic Community, to announce our eighth annual pledge drive, ***“Continuing the Legacy...Educating the Future”***! We are building a strong foundation for the future leaders of our world, while continuing our journey of faith. This year, we are celebrating 74 years of excellence in Catholic education. Our pledge drive will ensure the progression and stability of all our programs. St. Luke Catholic School’s 2020-2021 school year is progressing along steadily. We received our waiver and have Transitional Kindergarten-Grade 4 back on campus. This school year looks so different, but we are continuing to provide excellence in education! As we remember years gone by, we are thankful for all the contributions of our predecessors. Those gifts have become the traditions which make our school a place where faith, service, excellence, and stewardship are learned and will continue to thrive from one generation to the next. Through the hard work of the administration, faculty, and staff, our school continues to educate and make a difference in the lives of children.

If you have an opportunity, come by and visit St. Luke Catholic School and take a tour. You will be amazed to see the many great things that are taking place. St. Luke Catholic School continues to be a fabulous place to educate students who are well-prepared for their future. We are proud of the educational, spiritual, and extra-curricular programs which help form students into the leaders of tomorrow. Our Catholic identity and values are integrated into everything we do. Besides our strong core curriculum, students are offered a variety of learning opportunities, both in and out of the classroom. Music, Art, PE, and Spanish are incorporated into our Transitional Kindergarten through 8th grade curriculum, and students are invited to participate in many different extra-curricular activities. St. Luke Catholic School has something for everyone.

Our students are well-prepared to transition into high school and excel. We have three Robotics teams that design, build, and program robots. These teams amaze us and do well in Robotics competitions year after year. Our Student Council plans and conducts our assemblies, prayer services, and assist in the faith formation of our students. Our student Graphic Design Team takes pictures, builds pages, and creates a professional yearbook. Our Speech and Debate Team has a way with words and can put up a persuasive argument when competing in tournaments. Our theater program typically presents a Christmas and Spring play. Students in grades TK-8th grade are able to participate. Although this year, our extra-curricular programs are on hold, we look forward to being able to resume when it is safe to do so.

This year, we will be doing a virtual open house. However, if you would like to come for an in-person tour, please call the school to schedule an appointment, at your convenience.

As we continue to build our programs, we ask you to support our journey. Your tax-deductible donations will support St. Luke Catholic School and allow all our programs to continue to flourish. Please stop by the school office, and we can provide you with a letter for tax purposes. Please continue to keep us in your prayers, as we will keep you in ours. May God bless you for your generosity and goodness to St. Luke Catholic School.

Sincerely,

Ms. Yvette Jefferys
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