3rd Sunday of Easter — April 18, 2021

Gospel

Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things." Lk 24:45-48

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Mission Statement

The Church of St. Luke is 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

(Indoors; wear your face mask.) Please check the St. Luke website for more details. www.thechurchofstluke.org

> Wednesday, Thursday & Friday-7:30am Saturday—5:00pm Sunday-9:00am (Livestreamed) Sunday—11:30am

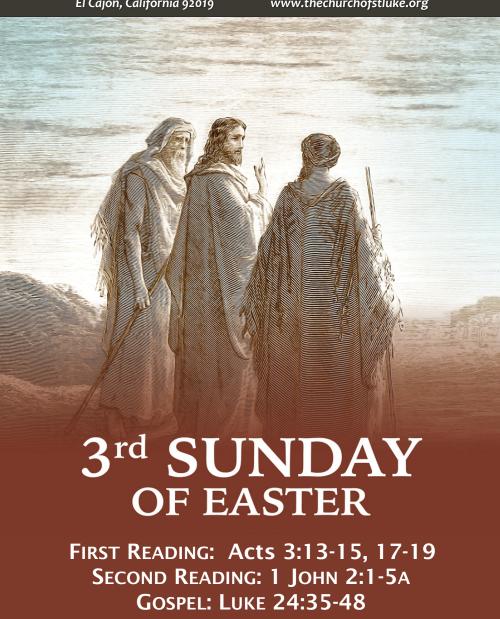
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available by appointment

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm Call: (619) 442-1697

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Reflection: What words or phrases jumped out at you during the Liturgy of the Word on Sunday? What connection do those words or phrases have to your day-to-day life? (Why do you think they jumped out at you?) What might God be trying to say to you through these words or phrases? What response should you make? What action should you take?

Alternative: Reflect upon/Share about the normal things you do every day, or on a regular basis? In which areas do you usually succeed in living out the Law of Love? In which areas do you more easily live the, this-worldly sense of society rather than the Law of Love? In which area of activity is the Lord probably asking you to change so that you can more faithfully witness to His resurrection?

Parish & Finance Councils, Chapel Information

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral
Council normally
meets on the third
Tuesday of the month.
Visitors/observers are
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, Pastor Mark Balmert, Chairperson **Amy Cannon** Tony Camara Julia Caputo Theresa Dodd-Butera Chuck Duncan Kay Krueger Kevin Lawrence Don Mercurio Tom Selfani Dcn. Dennie Nickell, Deacon Emeritus Dcn. Jerry Stenovec Jane Cruz Alfano, Staff

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

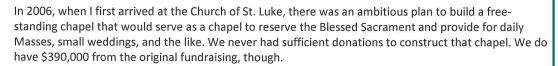
The Parish Finance Council meets every other fourth Wednesday of the month.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Fr. Ron Cochran, *Pastor*John Krueger, *Chairperson*Amy Cannon
George Heidenreich
Cathy March
Dave Sapper
Jim Stepovich

February 24, 2021

Dear Parishioners,



Two-and-a-half years ago, the Finance Council and I began working on the design of a Blessed Sacrament Chapel that would be accessible from the main church. We've designed it large enough that it could also be used as a daily Mass chapel if appropriate. Given the cost of materials at the time, we had enough funds set aside to complete the project. Since then, however, prices for lumber, concrete and oil have risen so much that we are about \$150,000 short of the bids we have received.

Time is running out! I know this is not a good time for fund raising but we have delayed the project as long as we can. We have to pull permits in March or go through the permitting process again, which will likely cost us another \$50,000.

Our Finance Council has already pledged a combined \$12,000 for the project. Please consider if you can also help and fill out the enclosed pledge card. Time is of the essence, but we do not actually need the funds right away; we need the pledges to determine if we can move forward now.

In making your decision, consider that we need an appropriate place to reserve the Blessed Sacrament, a place fitting for the reverence our Lord deserves, and a place conducive to private prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

May God bless all of you and bless our project,

Rev. Ronald E. Cochran

Pastor

Chairperson

St Luke Finance Council:

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Pledge Cards, Donation Envelopes and Brochures are available in the baptistery. Make a donation by cash, check or online. <u>This is also a</u> <u>special way to remember</u> <u>loved ones, both living and</u> <u>deceased</u>.

Please return pledge cards (even if you have donated online) by mail or in the collection basket.



Member

CHAPEL GOAL: \$150,000

CURRENT DONATIONS and PLEDGES: \$124,167.00

For online or periodic deductions, go to https://

George Heidenreich

Member

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www.thechurchofstluke.org
Click Online Giving from the
menu bar, then click St. Luke
Online Giving. Scroll down to
Phase III Building Fund and
click Make a Donation button.
Need help? Please contact Jim
Crockett in the parish office:
619-442-1697.

Thank you for making St. Luke a better place to worship!

Prayer Requests, Weekly Readings and Mass Intentions



Laman Abdulahad, Davin Brooks, Pat Maultra, Jerri Ann Carroll, Willy Gatus, John and Gail Finkenberg, Kristen Izotic, Chris Foraker, Brian Hill, Connie Bowen,

Ken Caley, Cherokee Eddy, Eileen Milnick, Jose Luis, Bobbie Allen, Frank Wilusz, Thomas Dennison, Charli David, Michael Sanchez, Joanne Silva, Thomas & Charlie Frechette, Janice Jones, Meg and Jacob Seilheimer, Michele Peterson, John Vugrin, Marckis Lee, Carlos Zarate, Gail Balga, Bill Washkevich, Juan Jiménez, Donna McWalter, Cindy McLaughlin, Christian Colon, Sofia Healy, Citiali Chavez, Rosalie Cline, Sandie Tessier, Logan Bedsole, Jeanette Craig, David Ashbaugh, Chris Martin, Mavi Ghio, Ryan Smith, Matthew Chu, Rose Falls, Richard Frechette, Reilly Phipps, Mike McFaul, Richard Spurling, Dean Mellos, Eric Matus, Gabe Eddy, Harriet B, Nora Toscano, Eugenio Cesena, Jeanne Brunner, Patty Hayes and Family, Glen Stewart, Corrine Warcholik, Colleen London, Laurie Lindow, Joey Enderwood, Bob Cole, Paul Folsom, John Stevenson, Zoey Thomas, La Mice Denton, Brian Hill, Gary Corwin, Bill Phillips, Isaac Armas, Mary Botte, Lara Pasi, Nancy Usrey, Ryan Cochran, Emmanuel Hallak, Dylan Coughlin, Selena Chum, Jimmie Davis, Rachel Chavez, Michele Chavez, Helen Chu, Al Bowen, Joyce Kammer, Theresa Warcholik, Cheryl Berry, Natalie Enriquez, Candace Dayton, Ladel, Michael Ward, Nina Murphy, Noel Fisher, Karen Bennett, Connie Elba, Charles Brown, Jim Leachman, Christine Banuelos, Jose Orrantia, Mina Scannicchio, Carol Petrich, Carey Moore, Jose Azarza, Parker Landis, Joan Smith, Chase Laird, Alice Zizzo, Sophia Christensen, Cindy Russell, Karen Walker, Mike Murphy, Ann Mussomeli, Jeanine DeSanti, Joe James Sowards, Vie Liddell, Jennifer Soares, Dorothea Wall, Antoinette Daquisto-Guidi, Bob Weisham, Teri Harrison, Danielle P., Maria Warcholik, Ruthie Condon, Marin Mejia, Mike Marcon, Theresa & Vito Siragusa, Tracy Weaver, Rick Gores, Sue Sullivan, Tommy Collet Sr., Richard Perricone, John Agostini, Austin Gatus, The Hill Family, The Morrison Family, Frances Colombo, Zaim Attisha, Teresa Russo; and all our relatives and friends who are sick or need prayers.

To add or remove a name, please contact **Nancy Adema**

™ PARISH FINANCES №

In order to fulfill our budget, we need to receive an average of \$12,722 in the collection basket each week. Additionally, we have budgeted for an average of \$12,802 to be contributed monthly through our Online Giving contribution program.

Week of April 11th:

Weekly Mass offering: \$ 10,199.00 Weekly WeShare/Online Giving: \$ 6,022.00

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, or 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. You may personally manage online giving or call the parish office to arrange a plan administered by the parish Business Manager. Online Giving Link: https://www.thechurchofstluke.org (click on *Online Giving*, on the right side of the menu bar). For additional information, please call the parish office at 619-442-1697.



Please pray for April Anniversaries

Albert and Carmelita Austria	53 years
Pete and Rose Ann Vaiasuso	49 years
Tom and Ann Kelly	49 years
Glenn and Carmen Hiebing	44 years
Carlos and Patti Cuellar	43 years
Dan and Marty Molden	41 years
Al and Connie Bowen	36 years
Tony and Kerri Holzer	26 years
Matthew and Veronica Soares	20 years

If you would like to have your Wedding Anniversary placed in the bulletin, please call 619-442-1697.

Readings for the week of April 18, 2021

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [lab]/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/ Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/ Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Prayer Intentions

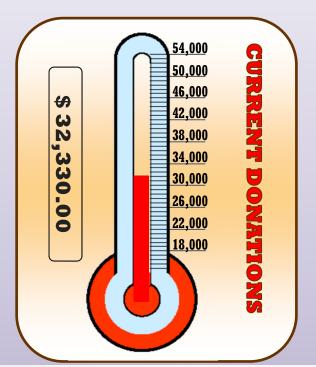
Saturday, April 17 5:00pm	Sam Claybrook, RIP William Waskevich, RIP
	Kathleen Dodge, RIP Mary Jean Avalos, RIP Parishioners of St. Luke
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Friday, April 23	Presider Intention
Saturday, April 24 5:00pm	
	Parishioners of St. Luke Amir, Mansour, Nouria & IP

Annual Catholic Appeal/Annual Parish Appeal



Annual Catholic Appeal Diocese of San Diego 2021 Goal for St. Luke: \$54,000

To donate online, please visit: https://sdcatholic.org/giving/annual-catholic-appeal/

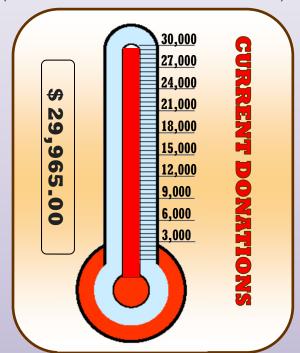




Budgeted Parish Appeal—2021 Goal for St. Luke: \$30,000

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Parish Information

Pray for our disciples preparing for their First Eucharist



Owen Ayres
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Jade Celise
Alejandro Estrella
Juliana Estrella
Jackson Garcia
Jordan Garcia
James Gardner
Christopher Habboush
Julia Habboush
Xavier Kelso
Sage Little
Margaret Martin

Joachim Matichyn
Emily Murphy
Maeve Redman
Alejandra Rodriguez
Paulina Rodriguez
Maja Saja
Gianmarco Saturno
Chiara Solomon
Aingeal McWilliams
Anthony McWilliams
Seana McWilliams
Alexander Zizzo
Hartley Zizzo

Whispering Winds Women's

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May 21 - 23, 2021

Theme:

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https://www.whisperingwinds.org/camps-retreats/ womens-retreat/

> The registration fee is \$195. Scholarships are available.

For general or scholarship information:

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Ouestion:

Do children need to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before their First Communion?

For centuries the Catholic Church has taught that a person needs to be in a state of grace (free from mortal sins) in order to worthily receive the Eucharist. To that end, Catholics should make an effort to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation any time they recognize the need for the sacrament (and in keeping with the precept of the Church that asks that we celebrate this sacrament at least once each year).

In the case of children preparing for their First Communion, the Code of Canon Law is very clear that they should also celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving the Eucharist for the first time: "It is the responsibility, in the first place, of parents and those who take the place of parents as well as of the pastor to see that children who have reached the use of reason are correctly prepared and are nourished by the divine food as early as possible, preceded by sacramental confession" (Canon 914).

While some might question the significance of the Sacrament of Reconciliation — especially in the case of children who might not fully understand the reality of sin or the meaning of the sacrament itself — a child's "First Confession" can be a wonderful time for families to reflect together on the quality of their relationships, how they put their faith into practice, and, when it is possible, to celebrate the sacrament as a family. In the end, the celebration of these two sacraments marks important moments in the spiritual journeys of children and we hope their "First Confession" and "First Communion" help instill in them a love of the sacraments of the Church.

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DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: MONDAY AT NOON

Please call the church office with any inquiries.

Thank you!

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2021

Wednesday: St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church;

Administrative Professionals' Day

Thursday: Earth Day

Friday: St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

Saturday: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Spiritual Bouquet Cards



Mother's Day (May 9th) Novena Cards

are a special way to remember loved ones, both living and deceased. Cards are provided to send to your loved ones. Donations can be placed inside the envelope provided. Mothers Day Cards are available on the side tables in the Baptistery. For more information call the parish office at 442-1697.

Novena will be said at weekday Masses

May 12th—29th

Catholic Life





to protect your children from sexual abuse

Parents play the primary role in educating their children about sexual abuse. Here are 5 tips for teaching safety to the little ones God has entrusted to you.



Keep it practical. Teach your children the differences between safe touches and unsafe touches.

2

Tell your children that saying "no" is okay.

Empower your children to say "no" if anyone makes them feel uncomfortable or touches them inappropriately.

3

Give your children a way to alert you. Tell your children they can use an excuse or share a special "code-word" with you to to alert you about an unsafe person or situation. 4

Tell your children to report an unsafe touch.

Let your children know they should tell you if they feel uncomfortable or unsafe around any adult or peer. You can also identify other adults they can tell about unsafe touches.

5

Tell your children you trust them. If your child makes a report to you, believe him or her. Tell them it is not their fault and that you love them. Immediately bring the allegation to the attention of public authorities.



Promise to Protect

Pledge to Heal

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