

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) — April 24, 2022

Gospel

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst.

Jn 20:19

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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

Please check the St. Luke website for additional details.
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**Wednesday, Thursday
& Friday—7:30am
Saturday—5:00pm
Sunday—9:00am
Sunday—11:30am**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday—3:30pm

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2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

FIRST READING: ACTS 5:12-16

SECOND READING: REVELATION 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

First Reading:

Luke tells us of the success and healing power of the apostles in the Jerusalem church in the early days, weeks, and months following Jesus' resurrection. Where do you see this level of enthusiasm for the faith today?

Second Reading:

The resurrected Jesus appears to John on the island of Patmos during his exile for bearing witness to the faith. In this encounter, John is initially fearful but then reassured by Jesus. When have you turned to Jesus in moments of fear in your life?

Gospel:

The apostle Thomas challenges his fellow apostles about the reality of Jesus' resurrection, seeking direct evidenced from Jesus himself. How often do you encounter fellow believers who are skeptical in their faith?

Parish & Finance Councils, Gospel Meditation

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.

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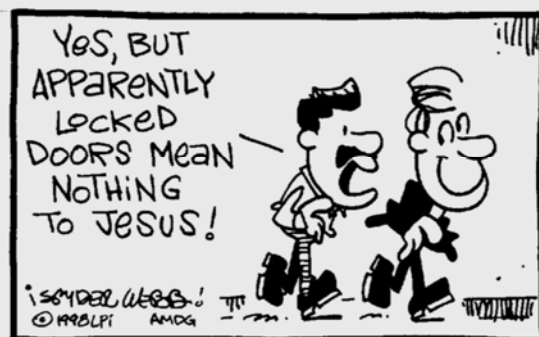
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Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

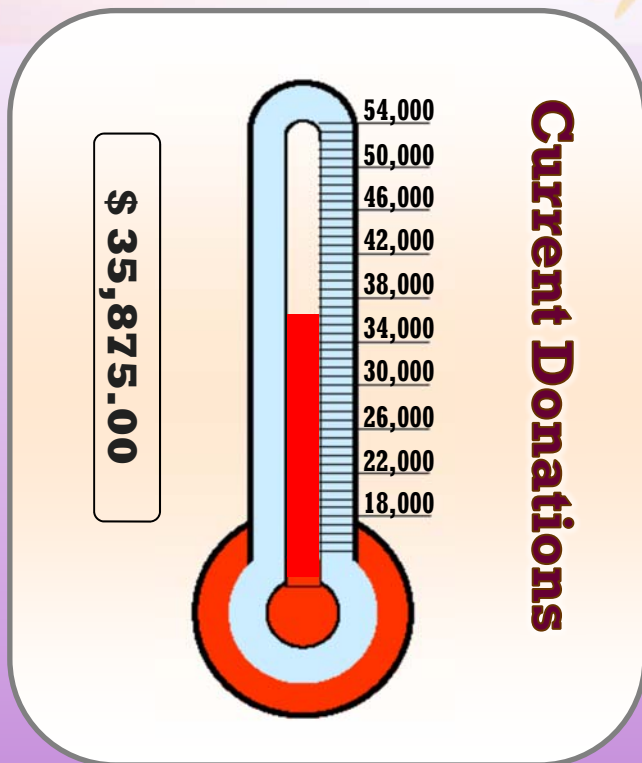


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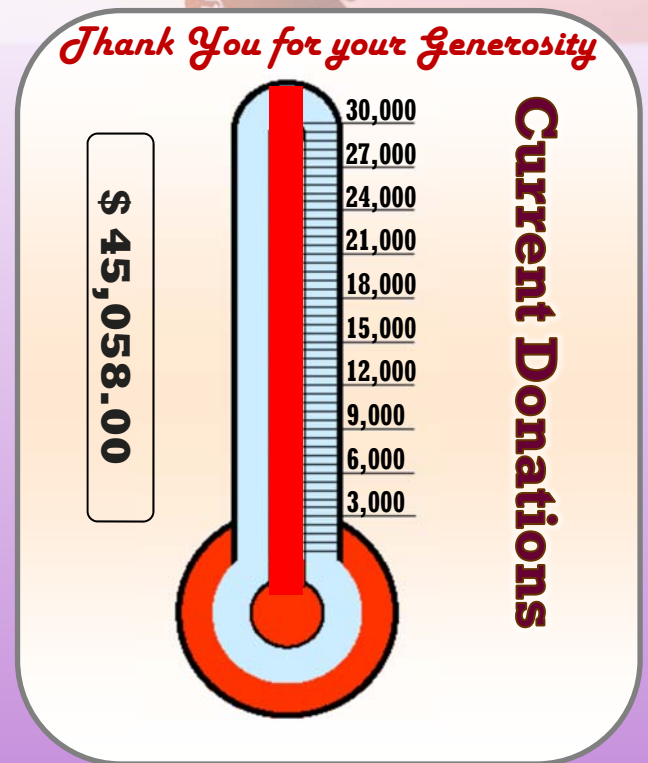
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Parish Appeal Goal \$30,000



Anointing of the Sick

Question: Can anyone offer the Anointing of the Sick to a sick or dying person, or is that something only a priest can do?

Answer: The Letter of James speaks to us of the ancient tradition of a special anointing and blessing of those who are sick: "Is there anyone sick among you? Let him send for the presbyters of the Church and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord ... If he has committed any sins, they will be forgiven him" (5:14, 15b). This passage forms the foundation for the theology of the sacrament that we call "Anointing of the Sick." In keeping with what we read in the Letter of James and the ancient tradition of the Church, the anointing of a person of who sick or dying many only be performed by a priest or bishop.

Although deacons and other members of the Church are not able to celebrate the sacrament with a person who is sick, we can read Sacred Scripture and pray with and for those who are ill. Resources like the Book of Blessings also contain special blessings that can be celebrated by deacons or lay ministers. In the end, we want to be sure that we show a special care and concern for the sick, helping them to always experience God's loving comfort through made tangible through our acts of charity and service.

15th Annual Golf and Dinner Outing

St Luke Council of Knights of Columbus wants you to join in the fun on April 24th. The 4 person Scramble will be on the Sycuan Pine Glen Par 3 course, followed by dinner in the Parish Hall with auction and Prize presentation.

Dinner Tickets are sold separately. Golf participation and dinner tickets must be paid for by April 12th. Cash, checks and credit cards are welcome. If you have questions or have an item to donate for the auction, please contact Ed Broadhurst.

Donations and sponsorships are appreciated and gratefully accepted. For details, see the Knights today or contact Ed Broadhurst.



Core Team

Walk-A-Thon

The Core Team is going to Disneyland! Core Team worked hard all year planning our annual high school retreat which took place in January, in addition to volunteering at youth group and other Parish events and activities.

Please consider sponsoring their group, either by pledging a dollar amount for each 1/4 mile lap they complete, or by donating any set amount. On April 24 the team members will be walking at 10:15am at church; feel free to bring your tennis shoes and join us. In June we're headed to Disneyland! Our fundraising goal is \$3,000.

To donate contact Evelyn Beale evelyn@stluke-ec.org

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A MEET & GREET WITH

THE SOCIETY OF

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

ST. LUKE CONFERENCE

Sunday, April 24, 2022 in the Parish Hall following 9am mass. We will host a light, continental breakfast for all. Come find out what we're about.

Matthew 25:35-37



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Deadline for bulletin announcements: Monday @ noon

Please call the church office with any inquiries.

This Week at St. Luke

Calendar events are subject to change. For additional calendar and event information, please visit www.thechurchofstluke.org

SATURDAY, 4/23 *Saturday within the Octave of Easter; St. George; St. Adalbert*

Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00am San Diego Youth Day—Offsite

10:00am Baptism: Cruz Parker Witt

3:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, 4/24 *2nd Sunday of Easter; St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen*

Divine Mercy Sunday

8:15am Pro-Life/Family Rosary

9:00am Mass w/ Recognition of First Communion Candidates

10:00am St. Vincent de Paul Meet & Greet/Continental Breakfast

10:15am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I & II

11:30am Mass

12:45pm Baptism: Sterling and Raven Hook

5:00pm Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament Dinner

MONDAY, 4/25 *St. Mark, Evangelist*

2:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I & II

4:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd III

4:30pm Middle School Ministry

6:00pm Vacation Bible Camp Volunteers' Meeting

TUESDAY, 4/26

9:30am Walking with Purpose

3:00pm High School Confirmation Year 2 Interviews

3:30pm Outreach Meeting

4:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd III

WEDNESDAY, 4/27 *Administrative Professionals' Day*

7:30am Mass

3:00pm High School Confirmation Year 2 Interviews

4:00pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I & II

5:30pm Marriage Ministry Planning Meeting

6:30pm RCIA Class

THURSDAY, 4/28 *St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort*

7:30am Mass

3:00pm High School Confirmation Year 2 Interviews

4:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd II

Friday, 4/29 *St. Catherine of Siena; Arbor Day*

7:30am Mass

SATURDAY, 4/30 *Third Sunday of Easter; St. Pius V*

9:00am First Eucharist Individual Portrait Session

3:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, 5/1 *Third Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker*

8:15am Pro-Life/Family Rosary

9:00am Mass


10:00am High School Youth Group

10:15am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I & II

11:30am Mass



Catholic Life



Pray for our
disciples who are
preparing for their
First Eucharist

Claire Adams
Joseph Battaglia
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Evelynn Feliberty
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Riley Ver Hoeve

EVERYONE IS
WELCOME...
PLEASE JOIN
US!

SUNDAYS
AT 8:15AM
(BEFORE THE
9:00AM MASS)



PRO-LIFE/FAMILY ROSARY

Everyday Stewardship
RECOGNIZING GOD IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS

The World is
Watching

If you're a parent, you know this to be true: the world is watching. All it takes is one slip-up — one bad word, one selfish action, one uncharitable commentary, and that's the thing your child seems to notice.

When he or she calls you on it, the only thing you can do is come clean. "Yep, I did that," you have to say. "I'm a work in progress, but luckily, God never stops working."

I think it's fair to say that we don't think enough about the wounds of Christ. It's a little understandable, of course. Our human bodies flinch at the sight of such pain and mortification. It's a lot to handle, the physical trauma of a crucifixion. It carries an R rating in a PG world.

But the wounds of Christ are the only thing that could make Thomas believe. Literally nothing else was so powerful, not even the testimony of his most trusted friends. Only by looking at and feeling the torn flesh — by beholding that messy reality — did this Apostle, this actual companion of Christ, come to believe in the Resurrection.

"Christ has no body now but yours," goes the famous quote attributed to St. Teresa of Avila. What she's saying is that we have become the means through which God chooses to accomplish His will in the world. Us, the broken. Us, the weary. Us, the imperfect. Yes, miraculous events and apparitions still occur from time to time, but by and large, if a person is going to come to believe in Jesus Christ in this day and age, it will be because of something we Christians do or say.

Christ has no wounds now but ours. Our brokenness, our weariness, our imperfection — our reality. It all belongs to him, and the world is watching.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet Cards

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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 Baptistry.
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be remembered will be placed on the altar and
prayed for the entire month of May.

For more information, please
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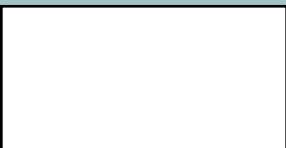
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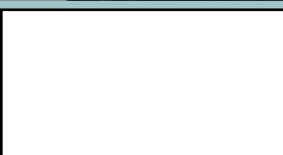


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