

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time — August 8, 2021

Gospel

“No one can come to me
unless the Father who
sent me draw him,
and I will raise him on
the last day.”

Jn 6:44

Welcome to

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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.
www.thechurchofstluke.org

**Wednesday, Thursday
& Friday—7:30am
Saturday—5:00pm
Sunday—9:00am
Sunday—11:30am**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday—3:30pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday
9:00am—5:00pm
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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 19:4-8

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4:30—5:2

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:41-51

First Reading: The prophet Elijah was exhausted and literally prayed for death. The Lord answered his prayer by sending Elijah food and drink for strength. How do you encourage others in your life who are spiritually drained?

Second Reading: Paul held Christian communities to very high standards of conduct. How well do you think your faith community holds to these standards today?

Gospel: We hear today John's account of Jesus' rejection by his own people. The Jews struggled to think of Jesus as "the living bread that came down from heaven." What are some of Jesus' words that challenge you or cause you to struggle?

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

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?



**The Church of St. Luke warmly welcomes our new
Parish Priest, Rev. Donald Coleman.
Meet & Greet after the 9 am Mass this Sunday.
Coffee, Donuts and Juice will be served.**

Prayer Requests, Weekly Readings and Mass Intentions

PRAYER REQUESTS

Janet Pickard, Gary Reece, David & Annmarie Quezon, Laman Abdulhadi, Sophia David, Dcn. Dennie Nickell, Nancy Ursey, Thelma Zinich, Jonathan Zumwalt & Family, Davin Brooks, Pat Maultra, Jerri Ann Carroll, Willy Gatus, Kristen Izotic, Chris Foraker, Brian Hill, Connie Bowen, Cherokee Eddy, Eileen Milnick, Jose Luis, Bobbie Allen, Frank Wilusz, Thomas Dennison, 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, 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

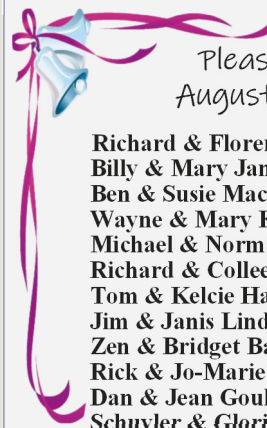
In order to fulfill our budget, we need to receive an average of \$12,722 in the collection basket each week. Additionally, we have budgeted for an average of \$12,802 to be contributed monthly through our Online Giving contribution program.

Week of August 1st:

Weekly Mass offering:	\$ 8867.00
Weekly WeShare/Online Giving:	\$ 5,947.00

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
August Wedding Anniversaries

Richard & Florence Van Der Karr	61 years
Billy & Mary Jane Papenhausen	56 years
Ben & Susie Machado	55 years
Wayne & Mary Kay Sieckman	48 years
Michael & Norma Soares	53 years
Richard & Colleen Venancio	53 years
Tom & Kelcie Haggard	51 years
Jim & Janis Lindgren	50 years
Zen & Bridget Barelka	45 years
Rick & Jo-Marie Roberts	41 years
Dan & Jean Goulding	36 years
Schuyler & Gloria Boyce	31 years
Frank & Yoli Thompson	25 years
Brad & Gina Elsass	16 years
Frank & Alexxa Terrazas	8 years

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

Readings for the week of Aug. 1, 2021

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/ Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51
Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and 10b]/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday, Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 **Day:** Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Prayer Intentions

Saturday, August 7

5:00pm—Tracy Sramek, RIP, Carmelo Maitilasso, RIP

Sunday, August 8

9:00am—Robert Toy, RIP, Salma Abudayyeh, RIP, Louis Alaraj, RIP
 11:30am—Parishioners of Saint Luke

Wednesday, August 11

7:30am—Presiders Intention

Thursday, August 12

7:30am—Presiders Intention

Friday, August 13

7:30am—Presiders Intention

Saturday, August 14

5:00pm—Bruno & Margaret Bubis, RIP, Robert Kroeger, RIP

Sunday, August 15

9:00am—Parishioners of Saint Luke
 11:30am—Jerry Neu, RIP

SPACE IS LIMITED FOR PRE-K - 5TH GRADE SESSIONS! VISIT
WWW.THECHURCHOFSTLUKE.ORG/REGISTRATION

REGISTER FOR *Faith Formation*

Faith Formation programs at
the Church of St. Luke include:

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

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Michelle@stluke-ec.org

First Communion & Reconciliation

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Middle School Ministry

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High School Confirmation Ministry

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BY CHECK. SESSIONS START THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 3, 2021!

July 25 — August 15, 2021

Church of St. Luke

Annual School Supply Drive

Cajon Valley Union School District

(Anza qualifies as a low income school, and your support is greatly appreciated.)

You can purchase school supplies and leave them in the boxes in the Baptistry or purchase gift cards. The preference is Wal Mart or Target but any will be appreciated. No need to shop, just drop a gift card or check in the basket at Mass or mail to the Church Office and we will purchase gift cards through St. Luke's Script program with the checks and put them in the lunch box, it's just like making two donations at once.

(If you prefer to use a check, please write, "Outreach school supplies" on the Memo line.)

The Saint Luke Outreach Committee

YOU can make a difference! Thank you!

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Geometry Sets

**Thank you for your generosity, compassion,
and for participating in God's work!**

Note: Help is needed to sort supplies in the hall on August 17th, 9am-Noon

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DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: MONDAY AT NOON

Please call the church office with any inquiries.

Thank you!

This week at St. Luke

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

SATURDAY, 8/7 St. Sixtus II and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan

3:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, 8/8 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15am Pro-Life Rosary

9:00am Mass

10:00am Meet and Greet Fr. Don

11:30am Mass

MONDAY, 8/9 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

No Meetings

TUESDAY, 8/10 St. Lawrence

7:00pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting

WEDNESDAY, 8/11 St. Clare

7:30am Mass

7:00pm Knights of Columbus Business Meeting

THURSDAY, 8/12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal

7:30am Mass

FRIDAY, 8/13 Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest

7:30am Mass

SAT., 8/14 St. Maximilian Kolbe; The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Baby Bottle Boomerang-Speaker

3:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, 8/15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Baby Bottle Boomerang-Speaker

8:15am Pro-Life Rosary

9:00am Mass

10:15am Core Team Kick-off Meeting

11:30am Mass

12:45pm Baptism: Kairi Bolo

5:30pm Young Adult Mass (offsite)



MONDAY, 8/16 St. Stephen of Hungary

No Meetings

TUESDAY, 8/17

9:00am School Supply Sorting



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: *What is a transitional deacon?*

There are two types of deacons in the church. Both are members of the clergy. Both have the same liturgical role. Both have the service of the community as their primary work. One is called a permanent deacon, usually a married man ordained as a deacon with no intention of becoming a priest. They preach, baptize, witness marriages, conduct funeral services, and look after the needs of the poor. They also visit the sick and take Communion to them, although they cannot celebrate the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. They might also assist the pastor in his administrative duties. Permanent deacons are usually well known and respected in their communities and have roots there.

A transitional deacon is one who functions as a deacon for a period of time prior to ordination as a priest. His diaconate assignment serves as a kind of internship of ordained ministry. During his year or two as a deacon, he will learn the practical aspects of parish life, getting a firsthand look at the life of a priest. His work has a different focus than a permanent deacon in that he is looking forward to ordination as a priest.



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Baby Bottle Drive

At Church of St. Luke

Help our pro-life ministry by making a donation on *August 14 and 15* using a virtual donor card or taking home a baby bottle

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- medical, mental, and spiritual help to women in crisis pregnancies
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ONE-DAY WORKSHOP:

August 28, 2021, 9am to 5pm

St. Mary Parish (Escondido)

Mass celebrated following our workshop

This workshop is for men and women coping with the loss of marriage due to divorce, separation, or death.

This day is filled with listening, reflecting, and sharing to guide your own healing journey.

The Holy Spirit will be there too!

Information / Sign-up with Vicki Fach by calling (858) 748-2273 or by email at BeginningExperienceSD@gmail.com

RCIA

The Church of Saint Luke welcomes all who seek to enrich their faith life and explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic Christian. Our community joyfully shares and celebrates this journey with them in **"The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" - RCIA.**

This journey includes both a discernment process where we spend prayerful time contemplating the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives and our response to that calling, as well as learning about the Catholic faith.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith – or perhaps you are an adult already baptized in the Catholic Church and would like to become fully initiated – you are cordially invited to enter the RCIA process.

RCIA Inquiries will be held Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm beginning August 25th.

**For more information, please contact
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