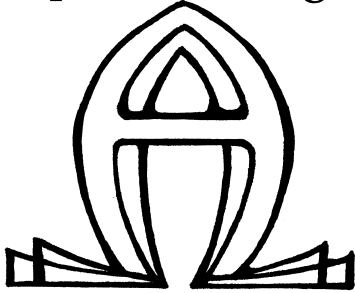


# *Feast of Christ the King*

November 26, 2006

I am the  
alpha and omega



## Reflecting on the Word

Jesus, in order to attain his kingdom, uses no earthly power or force. He came to testify to the truth. The truth is something that we must all discover in our own hearts. We understand from scripture that we need to hear God's words and understand the meaning of Jesus' teachings. But we also need to bear witness to these things as well. It is on this point that living *in* the world is different from a part *of* the world.

God gave us a beautiful place to live. We have been entrusted with its custody. In this life we have received food, shelter, clothing, relationships and knowledge. How we care for these gifts bears the truth of our understanding and love for God. If we are *of* the world, we are caught up in the material wealth of the world. We want earthly possessions and turn our heads from the responsibilities of our stewardship so that we may keep what we believe to be our own. We are reluctant to share our resources or conserve the earth for future generations, because it is our own well-being that is of paramount importance.

Life in the kingdom is what Jesus promises us. We are called to walk away from the ways of the world in order that we might share in that ultimate gift.

## *Consider and Discuss*

- ♥ What rulers can you name either from modern times or throughout history who have modeled the kingdom of God? What were the results of their rule?
- ♥ What concerns do you have about the current generation and their stewardship of this world? What do they do better than previous generations have done? How do you think today's scriptures impact the future of people on this earth?
- ♥ Who has shown you the kingdom of God? How did they show you? How did this experience change you? How have you shown the kingdom to others?

## Responding to the Word

The world calls to us in so many ways. Much of the advertising proclaiming the world's success begins with suggestions that we deserve more than we are getting from life. We take care of ourselves... not always first, but sometimes first. We believe we owe it to ourselves to find some pleasures, to have some trinkets, to be all that we can be. But what are the long-term ramifications of the pleasures we seek? Do we threaten the well-being of the world and its future? Do our children, families, or friends, miss out on something because we have placed our own needs first? Take an honest look at how you live in this world. In truthfulness, is it the way you would live if Jesus were your next door neighbor?

Spend some time in quiet prayer. Ask God to show you one (or more) ways that you may be called to respond to this week's scriptures...

- ♥ in your relationship with God,
- ♥ with family and friends,
- ♥ at work, school, or church,
- ♥ in the broader community.

## *Advent*

**HAPPY NEW YEAR'S!** Next Sunday begins the Church's new year with the First Sunday of Advent, December 3, as we enter the "C" cycle of readings. Although Advent is a four-week season, it will seem quite short due to the fact that the 4th Sunday of Advent is December 24th. The Mass schedule for that day will seem almost like a marathon. The regular Sunday morning Masses celebrating Advent followed in the later afternoon with the Vigil Masses celebrating Christmas—Emmanuel—Jesus among us!

During Advent, there will be two evenings of Reflection. The first one will be on Thursday, December 14th at 7:00 pm concluding with Benediction. The second evening is Thursday, December 21 and will be combined with our Advent night of Reconciliation starting at 7:00 pm.

## Crab Feed Meeting

The next Crab Feed meeting is **November 28th at 7:00 pm**. We already have chairpersons for the major committees, but we need others who would like to share their ideas or who would like to carry out the ideas of the committees. Join this fun group this coming Tuesday.

## Liturgy Committee

The Liturgy Committee needs you! If you are an idea person, an artist, or a worker bee, the Liturgy Committee cordially invites you to join them at their next meeting, **November 29th at 1:00 pm**. **ALERT ~ This is a departure from the regular day and time this committee usually meets ~ please mark your calendars.**



## Youth Ministry ~ DYI

Elaine Rachko ~ 573-7409

View our calendar, etc. @

[www.stlukedyi.org](http://www.stlukedyi.org)

### Divine Youth Image Mission Statement

In our continual journey to achieve a *Divine Youth Image*, the Youth Ministry of St. Luke Church will reach out to and unite the youth in our community. We will provide a safe, fun and comfortable place where the youth can grow and share in their Christian faith.

We, as *Divine Youth Image*, promise to follow in the footprints of Jesus and help others in need.

## Confirmation & Ninth Grade

November 30th ~ 7:30 pm ~ Confirmation Class

December 7th ~ 7:30 pm ~ 9th Grade Class

December 14th ~ 7:30 pm ~ Confirmation Class

December 17th ~ 5:00 pm ~ Youth Mass

December 21st ~ 7:30 pm ~ 9th Grade Class

December 24th ~ 10:30 pm ~ Youth Mass

Christmas Eve Mass with Pageant

## Faith Formation Group

The St. Luke Faith Formation group gathers each Tuesday at 7:00 pm. Be part of the lively discussions and join in the companionship of fellow parishioners as they strive for a closer relationship to the Lord. They are participating in a video course is called "The Great Adventure Bible Timeline." Call Deacon Paul for more information 349-3090. All are most welcome ~ there are even cookies to share!

## The St. Luke Web Site

Have you checked out the St. Luke web site lately? It is improving all the time! And there is tons of information to be found... a calendar, the Sunday bulletin, committees and a link to the DYI Youth Ministry web site! Take a look as St. Luke strives to become more tech friendly! If you have a question about St. Luke, you may find the answer at: [www.saintlukefc.org](http://www.saintlukefc.org)

## First Friday—December 1st

Participate in the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

throughout the day beginning immediately after the 8:30 am Mass.

Spend some quiet time in the presence of the Lord.

The chapel is open the entire day.

Benediction is at 7:30 pm

## Religious Education

Pre-K through 8th grade

Nancy Becerra — 574-9191



## Calendar of Classes

### November

22 No classes due to Thanksgiving Day

29 5:30 pm RCIC Class ONLY ~ NO OTHER CLASSES ON THE LAST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

### December

3 9:00 am ~ Pre K/K

6 5:30 pm ~ Grades 1 thru 4  
7:30 pm ~ Grades 5 thru 8

10 9:00 am ~ Pre K/K

13 5:30 pm ~ Grades 1 thru 4  
7:30 pm ~ Grades 5 thru 8

17 9:00 am ~ Pre K/K

20 5:30 pm ~ Grades 1 thru 4  
7:30 pm ~ Grades 5 thru 8

27 Winter Break Until January 10, 2007

## RCIC Classes for 3rd ~ 8th Grades

These classes are for children who are in grades 3 through 8 and have not received one or all of the following Sacraments: Baptism, Reconciliation and First Eucharist. These classes are very condensed. Therefore, **YOU MUST ATTEND ALL THE CLASSES TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS!**

The class for RCIC students will be Wednesday, November 29th, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

## BIG!

The **BIG!** Deadline is Dec. 2 for discounted tickets for HILLBARN'S special production (just for St. Luke Parish!) of the family musical, "BIG!" Join your fellow parishioners, their family and their friends on **Tuesday night, December 12** for this exciting show, a **FUND RAISER for St. Luke**. With a cute story, great music, and a cast of over 40, including **our very own RUTH SIEBER**, the evening promises to be a fun way to get together. Use the ticket order form from last week's bulletin; mail it in before December 9th and mark your calendars for **FUN!**

## Christmas at Kohl '06

Visit the Mercy High School Alumnae Association annual Holiday Boutique. There will be gifts and treasures offered for sale along with live holiday music, food and drink. Enjoy a tour of the beautifully decorated Kohl Mansion, which is a part of Mercy High School. Wednesday, November 29th from 5:00-9:00 pm, 2750 Adeline Drive in Burlingame ~ Donation \$7.00.

# BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS

## Scripture Readings

Week of November 26, 2006

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Feast of Christ the King</b> Daniel 7: 13-14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1: 5-8; John 18: 33b-37
<b>Monday:</b>	Revelation 14: 1-3,4b-5; Psalm 24; Luke 21: 1-4
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Revelation 14: 14-19; Psalm 96; Luke 21: 5-11
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Revelation 15: 1-4; Psalm 98; Luke 21: 12-19
<b>Thursday:</b>	Romans 10: 9-18; Psalm 19; Matthew 4: 18-22
<b>Friday:</b>	Revelation 20: 1-4,11-21:2; Psalm 84; Luke 21: 29-33
<b>Saturday:</b>	Revelation 22: 1-7; Psalm 95; Luke 21: 34-36
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b> Jeremiah 33: 14-16; Psalm 25; 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2; Luke 21: 25-28,34-36



## Mass Intentions

For the week of November 26

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Linda DeMartini, Healing</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Linda DeMartini, Healing</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Romy &amp; Edda, Special Intention</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>+Rosalie Carlson</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>+Jerome &amp; Jerry M. Kozloski</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Linda DeMartini, Healing</b>
<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>+Claudia Millan</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	
<b>7:30 am</b>	<b>For the People of St. Luke</b>
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>+Deceased Members of the Banks and O'Donnell Family</b>
<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>+Carmen &amp; +Susano Santiago</b>
<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Linda DeMartini, Healing</b>

## We Celebrate ~ December 2 & 3, 2006

<b>Saturday</b>	
5:00 pm	Fr. Jonathan, Choir: Mario & Company
<b>Sunday</b>	
7:30 am	Fr. Jonathan
9:00 am	Fr. Kieran, Choir: Joyful Noise
10:30 am	Fr. Kieran, Choir: Emmaus
5:00 pm	Fr. Jonathan, Choir: Couples for Christ

## Remember in Prayer...

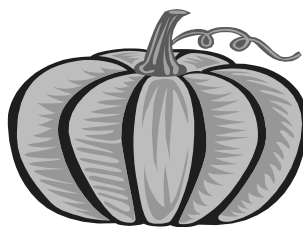


If you or a member of your family would like the faith community of St. Luke Parish to join you in prayers for special needs, contact the parish office at 345-6660. Please take some time this week to remember the following people and intentions in your prayers:

- ✠ **For all those who are ailing** especially: **Father Jack**, Antonia Canoy, Barbara Hammerman, Chester Fox, Betty Johnson, Lydia Xavier, Bonifacio Tiu, Gary Weiss, Lolita Lopez, Paul Majoulet, Joice Sauer, Carol Bridgeman, Mike McCrory, Anna Chambers, Doreen James, Linda DeMartini, Jeff Cherrington, and Eleanor Lindquist, that they may be returned to health.
- ✠ **For our nation** and the loved ones of parishioners currently serving in Armed Forces. We ask the Lord to protect them as they protect us, blessing them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us. The **Yellow Ribbon** in the Community Center is a visual reminder for us to pray for those who are serving our country. If you have a family member or friend in the Armed Services, you are invited to place his or her name on the green cards found near the ribbon and they will be affixed to the yellow ribbon.
- ✠ **For our recently deceased** parishioners, relatives and friends, especially Cliff O'Rourke, we pray that they may be welcomed into the reign of everlasting joy and for those who mourn, that they may be consoled.

## Attention Lectors!

The new "Workbook for Lectors and Gospel Readers" is waiting to be picked up by all lectors. They can be found near the sign-up bulletin board in the church's Community Center. Please take advantage of this great workbook when preparing the readings for the Sundays you have been assigned. (Not sure of which day or Mass you have been given? Check our website: [www.saintlukefc.org](http://www.saintlukefc.org)) There is a place to sign your name as you take a book.



Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin. God lifts you up, takes you in, and washes all the dirt off of you. He opens you up, touches you deep inside and scoops out all the yucky stuff... including the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc. Then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see.

## Contact People

**Altar Linens:** Mary True - 571-8783

**Altar Servers:** Perry Durant - 571-5051

**Anointing of the Sick:** If you know of any parishioners who are sick or hospitalized or are unable to attend Mass due to illness or age, please call the office.

**Archdiocesan Pastoral Assistance Coordinator:** Barbara Elordi, Marriage and Family Therapist, for persons who have suffered sexual abuse from members of the Catholic clergy. 415-614-5506 (secured phone line-answered only by Ms. Elordi)

**Baptism:** 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. Contact office for preparation class information – prior registration required.

**Christian Burial:** Kindly call the parish office before meeting with the funeral director.

**Cursillo:** John & Mary Sue Weston - 355-2253

**Divorced and Separated Catholics:** 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m., St. Stephen's Church, San Francisco. Call Parishioner, Gail Castro - 591-8452

**Finance Council:** Bob Morehead - 358-0487

**Legion of Mary:** Saturday at 9:00 am.  
- Bien David - 341-5144

**Lectors & Eucharistic Captains:**  
- Peggy Simkins - 573-5370

**Liturgy Committee:** Jean Allard - 345-6797

**Marriages:** Contact the office at least 6 months before the desired date.

**Marriage Encounter:**

**Music Groups:**

Children's Choir - We are looking for a **volunteer!**

9:00 am. Sunday - The Joyful Noise  
- Kevin Lucia - 349-3090

10:30 a.m. Sunday - The Burning Bush  
- Elysabeth Allen - 573-6858

Emmaus Choir - Kevin Lucia - 349-3090  
5 p.m. Youth Choir - Elaine - 573-7409

**Pastoral Council:** John Sanchez - 574-1535

**Right to Life:** Donna Sanchez - 574-1535

**Sandwiches on Sunday:** Peg Culver - 349-1408

**Social Justice:** Carolyn Colburn - 570-5043

**St. Vincent De Paul Conference:**  
Peggy Simkins - 573-5370

## This Week in Our Parish

**Tuesday, November 28**

7:00 pm ~ Faith Formation Group

7:00 pm ~ Crab Feed Meeting

**Wednesday, November 29**

1:00 pm ~ Liturgy Committee Meeting

5:30 pm ~ Religious Education RCIC

7:30 pm ~ RCIA

**Thursday, November 30**

All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 ~ Benediction

7:30 ~ Confirmation Class

**Friday, December 1**

First Friday All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 pm ~ Benediction

**Saturday, December 2**

9:00 am ~ Legion of Mary

10:00 am ~ Junior Legion of Mary

12:00 pm ~ Legion of Mary Luncheon

## Coming Events

**Tuesday, December 12**

8:00 pm ~ Fun and Fundraiser!

Special production of "BIG" at Hillbarn Theatre

## Men's Prayer Group

A small group of St. Luke men meet for an hour at 7:00 am, on the first and third Wednesday of the month for prayer and Scripture discussion. **All are welcome.** **The next meeting is Wednesday, December 6th.** For more information, call Dan James @650-574-3835.

## Junipero Serra High School

Junipero Serra High School in San Mateo, will be holding its **Annual Open House Program** for elementary school students, parents and friends on Thursday, November 30, 2006, at 7:00 pm. The entrance exam will be given on Saturday, January 6, 2007, 8:30 am to 11:30 am. Applications for next fall's freshman class are currently available by contacting the school at 650-345-8207.

### KEEPING IN CONTACT... *St. Luke Parish Community*

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian friendship to you, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. If you are not registered, or have moved, or have other needs, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail to the Parish Office. We will send new parishioners a census form.

New Parishioner

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Have moved, here's the new address

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I have changed my phone number

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Am moving, please remove my name from list.

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

I am a shut-in and would like someone to visit.

I am going to be in the hospital, please call me.

I'd like information about \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like to volunteer as \_\_\_\_\_