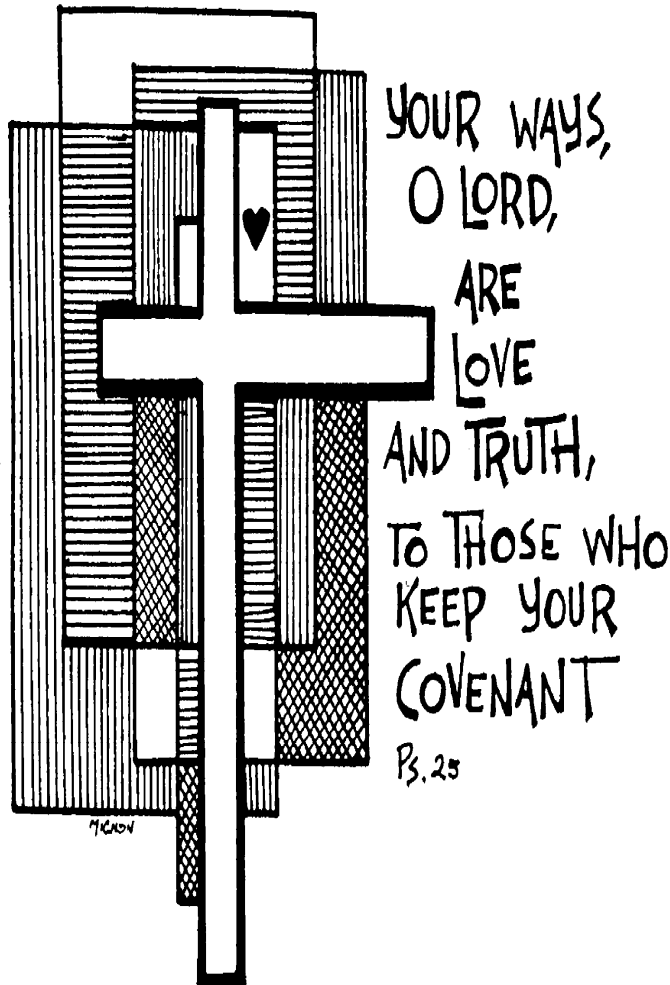




## Mass Celebrants



### Saturday, March 7

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Grivas Family

### Sunday, March 8

7:30 am Fr. Jonathan  
 9:00 am Fr. Kieran Joyful Noise  
 10:30 am Fr. Kieran Burning Bush  
 5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Mario & Co.

## Mass Intentions

March 2-8, 2009



**Monday** + Clemente & Filomena Chiari  
**Tuesday** + Robert Bergero  
**Wednesday** + Binn Trinh  
**Thursday** + Celia Lim & Frances Liao  
**Friday** + Jerome & Jerry M. Kozloski  
**Saturday**  
 8:30 am Brent Fendale  
 5:00 pm + Maria P. Mendoza  
**Sunday**  
 7:30 am For the People of St. Luke  
 9:00 am Damian Regaspi, Jr.  
 10:30 am + Binn Trinh  
 5:00 pm + Sylvia De Leon

## REFLECTION

If there is one word that stands out in today's readings, it is "covenant." God's faithfulness and goodness serve as examples to us of how to live. Genesis tells the story of Noah and of God's covenant not only with all people, but with all of nature. Never will the cleansing waters of the flood bring their destructive power to all the earth again. The sign, the reminder to both God and nature, is the rainbow in the heavens.

The psalm reminds us of this compassion of God, and begs God to remember us, not because of our goodness, but because of God's goodness and fidelity to the promise. God shows us how to be good, not by decree, but by example.

## Scripture Readings



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — I will set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth (Genesis 9:8-15).  
**Psalm** — Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).  
**Second Reading** — The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).  
**Gospel** — Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him (Mark 1:12-15)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46  
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15  
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32  
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12  
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26  
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48  
 Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

**Let us pray for the sick members & friends of our Parish and those who have asked for our prayers, especially;**

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|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Eileen Fernan        | Charlie Nielsen               |
| Muriel Campbell      | Ben Baro                      |
| Aida Albano          | Judith Gonzales               |
| Bonifacio Tiu        | Kelly Eagleton                |
| Gerada Cerdan        | Helen Borrone                 |
| Bozidar Mihelcic     | Vernetta Steele               |
| Pocholo Ramirez      | Pauline Iliff                 |
| Kookie Ramirez       | Shane Smith                   |
| Cardinal John Foley  | Scott Mather                  |
| Sue Rampa            | Victoria & Roanald Reidenbach |
| Jon & Shirley Miller | Hal & Rose Tanforan           |
| Juanita Roxas        |                               |



# Religious Education Program

Preschool– 8th Grade

## Mission Statement

As parents and members of St. Luke Catholic Church, we are called to share our faith, joy, and love with our children and with each other. Faith formation is intended to inform, form, and ever transform the children and their parents in living their Christian faith.

- ✠ Inform – to nurture people’s minds and hearts in the wisdom of the Christian faith so that who they are and how they live is deeply influenced by what they “Know”.
- ✠ Form – to nurture people’s identity and lifestyle in Christian discipleship.
- ✠ Transform – to promote personal and social transformation; to “change the world”.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR

### MARCH

11	5:30	GRADES 1-4
	7:30	GRADES 5-8
15	9:00	PRE K/K
18	5:30	GRADES 1-4
	7:30	GRADES 5-8
29	9:00	PRE K/K

### CONFIRMATION CLASS

### MARCH

5	Lent/Easter Candidates' Activities
19	Celebrating Sacrament of Confirmation...

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN

### MARCH

1 SUN	10:15– 11:30 AM
29 SUN	10:15– 11:30 AM

## Our 2009 Confirmation Candidates need your prayers...

Below are the names of the 45 candidates in the Confirmation Program who are slated to receive the Sacrament of confirmation in the spring of 2009. As they prepare for this special event in their lives we ask you to pray that they may open their minds, hearts, and souls in the promptings of the Holy Spirit and perceive clearly the presence of God in their everyday life and grow deeper in their faith.

Akhavein, Kimia	Garcia, Nicholas	Nikovits, Matthew
Afanador, Juan	Goell, Jacob	Padayhag, Nico
Araujo, Calvyn	Gruber, Kevin	Ramirez, Sharmayne
Bautista, Alyssa	Hammer, Marisa	Richman, Benjamin
Brady, Brittany	Jurado, Matthew	Roberts, Travis
Chua, Jacques	Kelly, Conner	Roman, Enrique
Cretcher, Clinton	Kelly, Justin	Runco, Nick
Croft, Alexandria	Killgrew, Rachel	Schembri, Tyler
Del Pozo, Rolando	Killgrew, Nicole	Sturla, Brittany
Donati, Paulo	Lutz, Marissa	Taylor, Conner
Doan, Vinh	Martin, Ariana	Ticson, Jennifer
Ecker, Christopher	Masarova, Lucia	Wischer, Shannon
Fadden, Jamie	Mendez, Monica	Yeung, Catherine
Fitzgerald, Erin	Moraros, Chris	Young, Christopher
Foster, Shannon	McKown, Tommy	Zurcher, Sean

**For our recently deceased** parishioners, Relatives, & friends especially;

- Elena Salvador
- Marty Taylor

We pray that they may be welcomed into the reign of everlasting joy & for those who mourn, that they may be comforted and consoled.

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 (650) 345-6660.



## March 5 & 6, Thursday & First Friday

*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*

## ♥ Heart Warmers

Humanity is never so beautiful as when praying for forgiveness, or else forgiving another.

### We Invite You!

We invite you to learn more about the beliefs we hold as Catholic Christians and the great joy we have in Jesus Christ our Savior. One of the best ways to explore an interest in Catholicism is by joining our **RCIA** group where you will be joined with others like yourself in learning what it means to be Catholic -- what we believe, how we worship and pray and how we try to live our lives.

We meet every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. here at St. Luke Catholic Church. For further information, please call Deacon Paul Lucia at the Parish Office, (650)345-6660.

We invite all members of our community to pray for **Pedram Hajarian & Michael Lu** who are preparing for Baptism, Confirmation, & First Eucharist and **Jeanette Guillory** who is preparing for Confirmation which they will receive this year at Easter Vigil.



### *Stewardship a Way of Life*

#### First Sunday of Lent

The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops' pastoral letter on the stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism...that people place their gifts, their Resources-- their selves--at God's service in and through the Church."

### **Collection Update** **SUNDAY COLLECTION**

SUNDAY COLLECTION      \$ 4,998.00

*The special collection for March 7 & 8 is for Catholic Charities Appeal.*

Thank you so much for your generous contributions.

### **Crab! Crab!** **Crab!**

**DON'T FORGET!!!** Buy your Crab Feed tickets now, before they are all gone. Remember how the Pasta Fest sold out??? It is just two weeks until March 14, and you do not want to be left out in the cold for the Crab Feed. Gather your friends and get those tickets. They are on sale after all the Masses. You may also purchase them in the office during regular office hours. We have ordered lots of CRAB and we want to share it with YOU!!



### **MINISTRY FAIRE**

There will be a **MINISTRY FAIRE** on the weekend of March 28th and 29th. All Parish Ministry groups are encouraged to participate. We want to assure that everyone of you in the Parish is informed about the various ministries here and we encourage that you inquire as to how you might become involved.

**NEXT WEEK [TODAY] IS CATHOLIC CHARITIES CYO "LOAVES & FISHES" SUNDAY.** Catholic Charities CYO receives no funding from the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal or directly from the Archdiocese, so let's support quality social services in our community by donating generously as possible to help Catholic Charities CYO reach its spring goal of \$300,000. Every dollar contributed directly supports programs that provide relief for homeless, ailing seniors, immigrants, the working poor, troubled teens, and many other clients in need.

Thinking about Separation and Divorce? - Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouville is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or reawaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 6-9, call (415) 893-1005 or email: [SF@RetroCA.com](mailto:SF@RetroCA.com) or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

Immaculate Heart Radio's On-Air Pledge Drive will be held Tuesday, March 10th through Thursday, March 12th—from 6 am to 6 pm each day at Immaculate Heart Radio's Live Studio located at Mater Dolorosa School in South San Francisco.

Please join the Immaculate Heart Radio Staff at our upcoming Pledge Drive. Meet Catholic Radio Personalities, be interviewed live on the radio, pray the Rosary with Catholics in your area, talk with listeners and witness their testimonies, and experience the joy and peace that comes from sharing your Catholic Faith. Refreshments served all day. Free Giveaways!!

Spaces are limited—Sign-up for any time between the 6 am - 6 pm during Pledge Drive. Call Debora Heinrichs at 866-774-3278 ext. 221 or email her at [dheinrichs@ihradio.org](mailto:dheinrichs@ihradio.org).

### **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

11th Annual Catholic Lobby Day  
Tuesday, April 28, 2009

Inspirational Speakers  
Key Issues & Public Policy Overview  
chance to collaborate with Diocesan Directors.  
Lunch and fellowship with other Catholics  
Opportunity to call on the lobby Legislators

Begins at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament 1017  
11th St. Sacramento, CA 95814

March with hundreds of California Catholics to our  
State Capitol

# BE ENRICHED ...

## ENCYCLICAL LETTER *SPE SALVI*...

6. The sarcophagi of the early Christian era illustrate this concept visually—in the context of death, in the face of which the question concerning life's meaning becomes unavoidable. The figure of Christ is interpreted on ancient sarcophagi principally by two images: the philosopher and the shepherd. Philosophy at that time was not generally seen as a difficult academic discipline, as it is today. Rather, the philosopher was someone who knew how to teach the essential art: the art of being authentically human—the art of living and dying. To be sure, it had long since been realized that many of the people who went around pretending to be philosophers, teachers of life, were just charlatans who made money through their words, while having nothing to say about real life. All the more, then, the true philosopher who really did know how to point out the path of life was highly sought after. Towards the end of the third century, on the sarcophagus of a child in Rome, we find for the first time, in the context of the resurrection of Lazarus, the figure of Christ as the true philosopher, holding the Gospel in one hand and the philosopher's travelling staff in the other. With his staff, he conquers death; the Gospel brings the truth that itinerant philosophers had searched for in vain. In this image, which then became a common feature of sarcophagus art for a long time, we see clearly what both educated and simple people found in Christ: he tells us who man truly is and what a man must do in order to be truly human. He shows us the way, and this way is the truth. He himself is both the way and the truth, and therefore he is also the life which all of us are seeking. He also shows us the way beyond death; only someone able to do this is a true teacher of life. The same thing becomes visible in the image of the shepherd. As in the representation of the philosopher, so too through the figure of the shepherd the early Church could identify with existing models of Roman art. There the shepherd was generally an expression of the dream of a tranquil and simple life, for which the people, amid the confusion of the big cities, felt a certain longing. Now the image was read as part of a new scenario which gave it a deeper content: "The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want ... Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, because you are with me ..." (*Ps* 23 [22]:1, 4). The true shepherd is one who knows even the path that passes through the valley of death; one who walks with me even on the path of final solitude, where no one can accompany me, guiding me through: he himself has walked this path, he has descended into the kingdom of death, he has conquered death, and he has returned to accompany us now and to give us the certainty that, together with him, we can find a way through. The realization that there is One who even in death accompanies me, and with his "rod and his staff comforts me", so that "I fear no evil" (cf. *Ps* 23 [22]:4)—this was the new "hope" that arose over the life of believers.

To be continued...

## Contact People

**Altar Linens:** Mary True: (650) 571-8783

**Altar Servers:** Perry Durant: (650) 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. Call (415) 614-5506 (direct & secured phone line of 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:** Duncan Fife: (650) 345-3345

**Divorced and Separated Catholics:** 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m., St. Bartholomew Church, San Mateo. Call Gail Castro: (650) 591-8452

**Finance Council:** John Bernat: (650) 341-4045

**Knights of Columbus:** Marvin A. Crockett: (650)341-4058

**Legion of Mary:** Saturdays at 9:00 am. Kathi Byrd: (650) 345-6660

**Lectors & Ministers of Holy Eucharist Captains:**

Peggy Simkins: (650) 573-5370

**Liturgy Coordinators:** Watch bulletin for meeting times

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

**Music Groups:**

Children's Choir, The Joyful Noise & Kevin's Flock  
– Kevin Lucia: (650) 349-3090

The Burning Bush, Emmaus Choir, & Youth Choir  
– ElysaBeth Allen: Tel. No. (650) 573-6858

**Pastoral Council:** Tom Consunji (650) 345-1441

**Right to Life:** Donna Sanchez: (650) 574-1535

**Sandwiches on Sunday:** Peg Culver: (650) 349-1408

**St. Vincent De Paul Conference:** Peggy Simkins: (650) 573-5370

## KEEPING IN CONTACT...

If you would like to register, or if you need to update your information, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket.

Register

Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Update Member Information

Name: (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_