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## **REFLECTION**

Today we encounter readings that draw us into the mystery of suffering and death. In the past few years we have witnessed the devastation of life and property through tsunamis and hurricanes. So many lifted their lament to God, simply asking, "Why?" This is an honest expression of anger toward a God who we believe is the giver of life. When we lose a loved one, we can wonder why the presence of Christ is not enough to make that person rise, even from death, as did the little girl in today's Gospel passage. Again we raise our voices and ask, "Why?" At moments such as these, let us make the prayer of the psalmist our own: "Hear, O Lord, and have pity on me; O Lord, be my helper." Let us pray that our mourning will one day be turned into dancing.

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## ♥ **Heart Warmers**

You changed my mourning into dancing;  
O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.

— *Psalm 30:13*

## **Mass Celebrants**



### **Saturday, July 4**

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Grivas Family

### **Sunday, July 5**

7:30 am Fr. Jonathan

9:00 am Fr. Bill Joyful Noise

10:30 am Fr. Bill Emmaus

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Couples for Christ

## **Mass Intentions**

**June 29-July 5, 2009**

### **Monday**

+ Mr. & Mrs. Naval, + Pacita Arnobit

### **Tuesday**

+ Robert Pangilinan

### **Wednesday**

+ Susan Abella

### **Friday**

+ Jerome & Jerry M. Kozloski

### **Saturday**

8:30 + Keniye Maria Arriola

+ William Arriola

5:00

+ Bertha Remotti

### **Sunday**

7:30 am For the People of St. Luke

9:00 For the United States of America

10:30 + Donald Sullivan

## ***Scripture Readings***

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — God did not make death, nor does God rejoice in the destruction of the living (Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24).

**Psalm** — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

**Second Reading** — Your abundance should supply the needs of the others (2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15).

**Gospel** — Your faith has saved you (Mark 5:21-43 [21-24, 35b-43]).

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34;

2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17; or, for Independence Day, any readings from the

Mass "For Public Needs," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5; Ps 123; 2 Cor 12:7-10;

Mk 6:1-6a

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

Eileen Fernan	Ben Baro
Muriel Campbell	Judith Gonzales
Aida Albano	Kelly Eagleton
Bonifacio Tiu	Helen Borrone
Gerada Cerdan	Bozidar Mihelcic
Vernetta Steele	Juanita Roxas
Scott Mather	Sue Rampa
Victoria Reidenbach	Jon & Shirley Miller
Hal & Rose Tanforan	Marvin Crockett
Ana Yu Giuseppe	Bernard Roberts
Consuelo Neves	James McDonald
John Schueler	

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

Larry L. Chan & Jeffrey Wright  
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.

**Prayer for Priests**

**Let us say at least one prayer for the Priest of the day.**

June 29	Fr. William Myers St. Raymond, Menlo Park
June 30	Fr. Michael Padazinski Mater Dolorosa, So. San Francisco
July 1	Pope Benedict XVI
July 2	William Cardinal Laveda Archbishop Emeritus of San Francisco
July 3	Archbishop Geo. Niederauer Archdiocese of San Francisco
July 4	Fr. James Aylward Archdiocese of San Francisco
July 5	Fr. Denis McManus, CSSp St. Raphael, San Rafael

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday:	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Peter and St. Paul
Tuesday:	The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Wednesday:	Blessed Junípero Serra; Canada Day
Friday:	St. Thomas; First Friday
Saturday:	St. Elizabeth of Portugal; First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary; Independence Day

**Religious Education Program**  
**Preschool– 8th Grade**

As this school year has ended, we are already planning for the school year 2009-2010. The hope is always to improve the Religious Education Program in such a way that the children feel excited about coming to class . The classes must be filled with learning in a safe and caring environment. The hope is to teach about the love of God and how that love touches family, friend and the world around us.

In the new school year, Wednesdays will still be the night for classes. The exception to this is for the Pre-K through K classes, they will continue to be on Sunday mornings. Please continue to check the Sunday bulletin for UPDATES and REGISTRATION SCHEDULES.



**Backpack Giveaway**

Preparations are underway for the annual Backpack giveaway! Please help the children of our neighboring communities by purchasing back to school supplies and backpacks. We are collecting: Backpacks for all ages, notebooks, 3 ring binders, binder paper, markers, pens, pencils, staplers, scissors, and glue sticks. If shopping is not your “thing,” Target gift cards are great way to support the children and it allows them to make their own purchases.

Please bring the supplies to St. Luke by August 10th during office hours or on Sundays when coming to Mass. We will deliver your gifts to the families in our area and to the Catholic Workers House for distribution. If you have any questions, Please call Nancy at 574-9191.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**



**Thursday, July2**

*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*

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## Stewardship a Way of Life

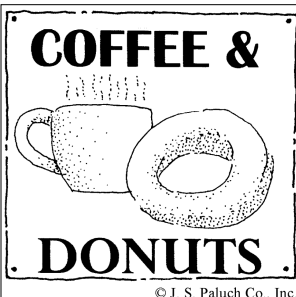
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's first reading from St. Paul explains the "divine economy" of stewardship—"the relief of others ought not to impoverish you; there should be a certain equality. Your plenty at the present time should supply their need so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need."

### Collection Update

SUNDAY COLLECTION \$ 4,826.25

Thank you so much for your generous contributions.



*Everyone is invited  
for  
Fellowship after  
the 9:00  
and 10:30 am Masses  
every Sunday!*

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### Word of Life

In the present situation of our nation, a serious question has arisen about the moral obligation of Catholics to work for the overturning of the Supreme Court decisions in *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*. There are those who would tell us that such work is futile and, therefore, to be abandoned, so that we can devote ourselves to help prevent individuals from choosing abortion. As Catholics, we can never cease to work for the correction of gravely unjust laws. Law is the fundamental expression of our culture and implicitly teaches citizens what is morally acceptable. Our efforts to assist those who are tempted to do what is always and everywhere wrong or are suffering from the effects of having committed a gravely immoral act... ultimately make little sense, if we remain idle regarding unjust laws and decisions of courts regarding the same intrinsic evils. We are never justified in abandoning the work of changing legislation and of reversing decisions of the courts which are anti-life and anti-family.

—Most Rev. Raymond L. Burke, Prefect of the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura, Address to the National Catholic Prayer breakfast, May 8, 2009

St. Luke Catholic Church  
Offices will be closed  
Friday, July 3, 2009 in  
remembrance of our  
independence day.  
**HAPPY  
INDEPENDENCE DAY!**



### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULT (RCIA)

The RCIA Formation class has ended. We will begin a new class in October, 2009. If you know someone who may be interested in becoming a Catholic or in knowing more about the Church, please contact Deacon Paul Lucia at the Parish Office, 345-6660.

### ROSARY MAKERS

Would you like to learn to make a Rosary? We will have a Rosary Makers Class at St. Luke on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> from 2pm to 4pm. It's absolutely free and all the components for the Rosaries will be provided. Not only will you learn to make rosaries but those that are made that day will be sent to Missions throughout the world as well as locally. This is another way to follow Jesus' call to "Go into the whole world and make them my disciples."

### Attention prayerful men!

The Holy Trinity Trappist Monastery (for men) in Huntsville, Utah will be hosting a "live-in Experience" vocational retreat soon. The monks are on a scenic 2000 acre farm. Work and pray with the monks and enjoy the vocational talks. The group Live in is Aug. 5-9. (Individual dates available at your convenience.) There is no cost. Call toll free 1-800-221-1807. If you take a bus or plane to Salt Lake City they will pick you up for free.

Pope Benedict has declared a Year of the Priest beginning June 19th. The following is a Prayer for Priests.

Lord Jesus, you have chosen Your priests from among us and sent them out to proclaim Your word and to act in Your name. For so great a gift to Your Church, we give You praise and thanksgiving. We ask You to fill them with the fire of Your love, that their ministry may reveal Your presence in the Church. Since they are earthen vessels, we pray that Your power shine out through their weakness. In their afflictions let them never be crushed; in their doubts never despair; in temptation never be destroyed; in persecution never abandoned.

Inspire them through prayer to live each day the mystery of Your dying and rising. In time of weakness send them Your Spirit, and help them to praise Your heavenly Father and pray for poor sinners. By the same Holy Spirit, put Your word on their lips and Your love in their hearts, to bring good news to the poor and healing to the brokenhearted. And may the gift of Mary, Your mother, to the disciple whom You loved, be Your gift to every priest. Grant that she, who formed You in her human image, may form them in Your divine image, by the power of Your Spirit, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

O Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to you. (3 times)

## ***BE ENRICHED ...***

### **ENCYCLICAL LETTER *SPE SALVI*...**

25. What this means is that every generation has the task of engaging anew in the arduous search for the right way to order human affairs; this task is never simply completed. Yet every generation must also make its own contribution to establishing convincing structures of freedom and of good, which can help the following generation as a guideline for the proper use of human freedom; hence, always within human limits, they provide a certain guarantee also for the future. In other words: good structures help, but of themselves they are not enough. Man can never be redeemed simply from outside. Francis Bacon and those who followed in the intellectual current of modernity that he inspired were wrong to believe that man would be redeemed through science. Such an expectation asks too much of science; this kind of hope is deceptive. Science can contribute greatly to making the world and mankind more human. Yet it can also destroy mankind and the world unless it is steered by forces that lie outside it. On the other hand, we must also acknowledge that modern Christianity, faced with the successes of science in progressively structuring the world, has to a large extent restricted its attention to the individual and his salvation. In so doing it has limited the horizon of its hope and has failed to recognize sufficiently the greatness of its task—even if it has continued to achieve great things in the formation of man and in care for the weak and the suffering.

26. It is not science that redeems man: man is redeemed by love. This applies even in terms of this present world. When someone has the experience of a great love in his life, this is a moment of “redemption” which gives a new meaning to his life. But soon he will also realize that the love bestowed upon him cannot by itself resolve the question of his life. It is a love that remains fragile. It can be destroyed by death. The human being needs unconditional love. He needs the certainty which makes him say: “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord” (*Rom* 8:38-39). If this absolute love exists, with its absolute certainty, then—only then—is man “redeemed”, whatever should happen to him in his particular circumstances. This is what it means to say: Jesus Christ has “redeemed” us. Through him we have become certain of God, a God who is not a remote “first cause” of the world, because his only-begotten Son has become man and of him everyone can say: “I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me” (*Gal* 2:20).

*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

**Faith Formation:** Every Tuesday Night at 7pm. Contact Kevin Lucia 650-349-3090

**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: ( 6 5 0 ) 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. \_\_\_\_\_