

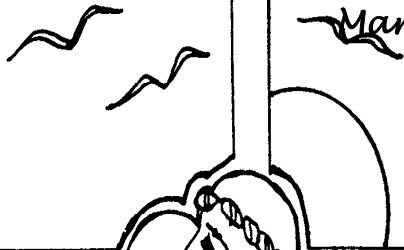
# Saint Luke Catholic Church

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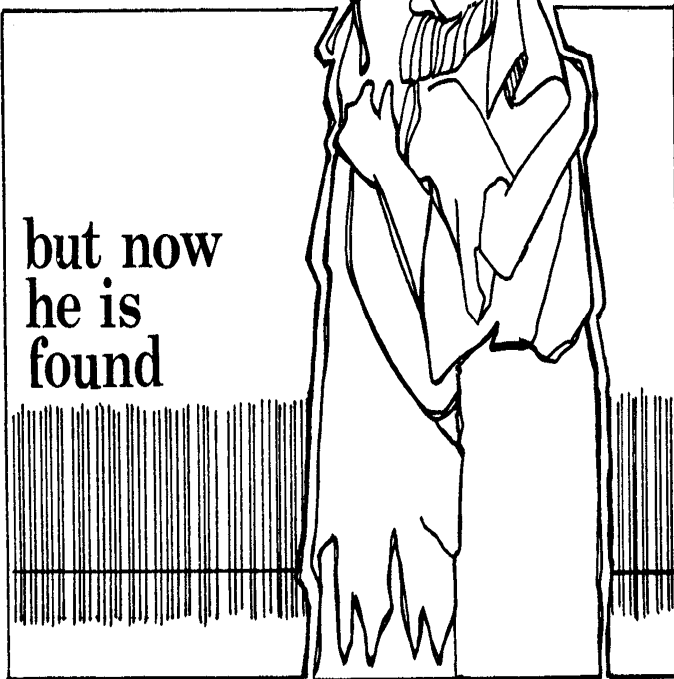
## Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 14, 2010

Your  
brother  
was lost



but now  
he is  
found



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### *Mission Statement*

The Mission of St. Luke's Catholic Faith Community is to provide the environment where the community joins together to fulfill the spiritual and social needs of all by living and sharing the message of Christ.

### *Welcome!*

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our faith Community here at St. Luke Parish. Whether you are a long time resident or newly arrived in the parish, we thank God for you. If you are not registered, please stop by, or call the parish office.

### Pastoral Staff

#### *Pastor*

*Rev. Jonathan G. Paala*

#### *Special Associate*

*Rev. Kieran McCormick*

*Rev. William Quinn*

#### *Deacons*

*Deacon Paul Lucia*

*Deacon Mar Tano*

#### *Parish Manager*

*Deacon Paul Lucia*

#### *Office Manager*

*Sr. Ma. Nora Regaspi, RVM*

#### *Director of Religious Education/Youth Ministry*

*Nancy Becerra*

### Schedule of Sacraments

#### Eucharistic Celebrations

Monday through Saturday - 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Anticipated Mass

Sundays - 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.

#### Sacrament of Baptism (Infants)

Baptismal Preparation Class - every 2nd Saturday 11:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Baptism - every 4th Saturday after the  
10:30 a.m. Mass

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday - 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Please call the Parish Office at least six (6) months before  
the desired wedding date.

#### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office at (650) 345-6660

### Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday

9:00a.m. - 12 noon

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday 9:00 a.m.

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**Fourth Sunday of Lent ~ Year C-2**

*Jos 5:9a,10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3,11-32*

Having arrived in the promised land, the Hebrews celebrated their deliverance from affliction and distress (Ps) in the Passover (1). Christ, our Passover, has entrusted to us the message of reconciliation (2); let us forgive one another and celebrate the unconditional and abundant love of God our father (3).

**or Fourth Sunday of Lent ~ Year A Readings (RCIA)**

*1 Sm 16:1b,6-7,10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38*

**THE HEART OF CONVERSION**

Today's scriptures bring us to the heart of the meaning of the Christian journey of conversion. Saint Paul sums it up beautifully: "Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The Gospel passage, the parable of the prodigal son, shows us just what this new creation is like. It is all about reconciliation. Just as God removes the yoke of slavery from the shoulders of the Israelites—see today's first reading—so, too, does the father in the Gospel remove the yoke of guilt and shame from the shoulders of his wayward son. That son first needed to turn away from his sin and seek out and ask forgiveness of his father. That is precisely what we have been doing during this season of repentance. We can only begin to imagine the kind of reconciliation feast that awaits us when we are embraced by our forgiving God.

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**Amazing Grace**

After apartheid was abolished in South Africa, special hearings were held to allow victims a voice, and to establish justice and peace. One day an elderly black woman and a white police officer faced each other across a courtroom. The officer, a Mr. van der Broek, had just been found guilty of murdering the woman's son and her husband. He had come to her home a number of years earlier, shot her son, and burned the body while he and his cronies reveled in the act. Later, he returned and took her husband. For two years, she heard nothing about him. Then van der Broek came and led the woman to a river bank, where she saw her husband bound and beaten on a pile of wood. The last words she heard him say were, "Father, forgive them," as the officers poured gasoline over him and set him on fire. Justice caught up with Mr. van der Broek. He was found guilty, and it was now time for sentencing. The judge asked the woman, "What should be done to this man who so brutally destroyed your family?" She replied, "I want three things. First, I want to be taken to where my husband's body was burned so that I can gather up the dust and give him decent burial. My husband and son were my only family, so I want, second, for Mr. van der Broek to become my son. I would like him to come twice a month to the ghetto and spend a day with me so that I can pour on him whatever love I still have within me. Third," she said, "I would like Mr. van der Broek to know that I forgive him because Jesus Christ died to forgive me." She walked across the courtroom and embraced him. The policeman fainted, overwhelmed by her response. Then quietly, friends, family, and neighbors—all victims of similar oppression and injustice—began to sing, "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound."

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**Mass Celebrants**

**Saturday, March 20**

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Mario & Co.

**Sunday, March 21**

7:30 am Fr. Jonathan  
 9:00 am Fr. Kieran Children's Choir  
 10:30 am Fr. Kieran Emmaus  
 5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan Kevin's Flock

**Mass Intentions for Mar. 15-21**

Date	Time	Intention	Pray for your Priests
<b>MON 15</b>	8:30 a.m.	SI Cara Johnson	Rev. Roberto Andrey, St. Robert
<b>TUE 16</b>	8:30 a.m.	† Jack Tiano	Rev. Ed Dura, St. Patrick
<b>WED 17</b>	8:30 a.m.	† Isaac Deleon, Jr.	Rev. Elmer Magat, Star of the Sea
<b>THU 18</b>	8:30 a.m.	† Albert, Primitiva & Vertilia Camacho	Rev. John Talesfore, St. Mary's Cathedral
<b>FRI 19</b>	8:30 a.m.	† Jerome & Jerry Martin Kozloski	Rev. Raymund Reyes, St. Anne of the Sunset
<b>SAT 20</b>	8:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	SI Allison Patron † Benjamin Apolinar	Rev. Francis Garbo St. Timothy's church
<b>SUN 21</b>	7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	For the People of St. Luke † Fr. Jack Penebsky † Maria, Francisco & Luis Augusto Bueno † Alejandro & Elisa Bravo	Rev. Jonathan Paala St. Luke Catholic Church Foster City

Legend: † - deceased, SI- Special Intention, BD- Birthday

**Readings for the Week**

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54  
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16  
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30  
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47  
 Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a  
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53  
 Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11  
 Alternate readings (Year A):  
 Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

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

Elena Santiago	Ron Galasi
Naty Ramirez	Nancy Kellerman
Riane Acero	Karen Wickham
Sonia Cicerone	Jane Schmidt
Joseph Touchstone	Cathy Costanza
Lydia Xavier	Katie McNamara
Hal & Rose Tanforan	Rose Tracy
Alan Paolucci	Kim
Stephan Sabellano	Dolores Maga
Roy Fong	Federico Cachapero

**For our recently deceased** parishioners, relatives, & friends, especially *Dion S. Villano* nephew of Mr. & Mrs. Villano and the Haitian people who died in the earthquake, 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. (650) 345-6660.*

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent;  
Daylight Saving Time begins

Wednesday: St. Patrick

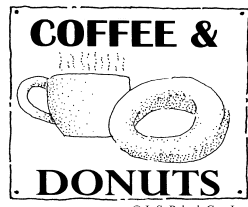
Thursday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Friday: St. Joseph; Abstinence

Saturday: Spring begins

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The Adult Faith Formation group is ongoing every Tuesday at 7:00pm here at the Church (if a particular class is cancelled it will be announced during the Sunday Masses). All are invited to attend. Contact Kevin Lucia, 349-3090 for further information. Also, our **RCIA formation class began on October 1<sup>st</sup>**. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or if you know anyone who is interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith please contact Deacon Paul Lucia at the Parish Office at 650-345-6660.



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

## Religious Education Program/ Youth Ministry

**Preschool– 8th Grade**

Nancy Becerra  
Office Hours:

Mon, Tues, Thurs: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Wed: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Tel. No. (650) 574-9191

### Religious Education CALENDAR OF CLASSES

March

17	5:30-6:30	Grades 1 Thru 4
	7:30-8:30	Grades 5 thru 8
21	9:00 a.m.	Pre K/K
28	9:00 a.m.	Pre K/K

#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Children

28 Sunday 10:15 to 11:30 a.m.

April 9-6:00 p.m. Confirmation-Bishop William Justice

### Important Dates to Remember...

#### Communal Celebration of Penance—March 25, 2010

7:00 p.m., Reflection and Penance Service  
With the opportunity for private confession

#### Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion— March 28, 2010

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.

#### Good Friday—April 2, 2010

12:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross  
1:00 p.m.—Liturgy of Good Friday & Holy Communion  
2:00 p.m.—Reflections on the Seven Last Words of Christ  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Liturgy & Holy Communion

#### Holy Saturday—April 3, 2010

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon  
Easter Vigil Mass—8:00 p.m.

#### Easter Sunday Masses—April 4, 2010

7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.

† Stations of the Cross †

Every Friday during Lent –7:00 p.m.

### Catholic Radio

Tune your radio to 1260 AM for 24-hour broadcasts concerning Catholic teachings and prayers.

## COLLECTION UPDATE

SUNDAY COLLECTION 3/7/10 \$ 6,400.00  
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*Thank you! Your generous donations help to  
make our ministries possible.*

## ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2010

*"You are the Light of the World"*

This week marks the beginning of the *Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2010 (AAA)*. Our parish assessment is \$ 65,900. All dollars donated in excess of this assessment will be returned to the parish to meet our needs. Some ways we might use those funds are: to assist in funding the youth programs, outreach to the unemployed, help for the needy in the parish and other worthwhile ministries of St. Luke's.

Through the Appeal we join with other parishes and the Archbishop in ministering to youth, seniors, families, the sick and disadvantaged. We help train priests and deacons and we care for our retired priests. The Annual Appeal also helps the Archbishop provide seminary tuition assistance, hospital chaplains and Archdiocesan services and ministries that benefit every parish and mission.

Next Weekend, March 20th and 21th, we will launch our 2010 Archbishop's Annual Appeal by conducting an in-pew opportunity to complete those forms provided by the Archdiocese. Something new this year is that we have the opportunity to contribute or pledge online via credit card or automatic debit. Go to [www.sfarchdiocese.org](http://www.sfarchdiocese.org) and click on the "Donate to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal" link below the revolving banner on the front page. There, you will receive more information or start your donation process or you can go to the office and fill-out the form for credit card donation. Thank you in advance.

## LOST AND FOUND

Various items are often left behind in the church following the Sunday Masses. These include prescription glasses, umbrellas, children's toys, books, etc. When these items are located they are brought to the Parish Office and are kept for a good length of time. If you have lost anything and you think it might be here, please contact our Parish Office at 650-345-6660.

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## *Lenten Disciplines and the Easter Vigil*

### **Abstinence**

Everyone fourteen years of age and older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

### **Fast**

Everyone eighteen years of age and older, but under the age of sixty, is also bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days, the law of fast allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food during the day, so long as this does not constitute another full meal. Drinking liquids during the day is permitted.

When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. In doubt concerning fast or abstinence, a priest assigned to pastoral ministry or confessor should be consulted. In the spirit of penance, the faithful should not lightly excuse themselves from this obligation.

### **The Time of the Easter Vigil**

The Roman Missal states, "The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil takes place at night. It should not begin before nightfall." Nightfall can be determined by various calculations, and it changes from year to year as the date of Easter changes.

Archbishop Niederauer has directed that the Easter Vigil on the night of April 03, 2009 may begin at 8:00 p.m. or anytime thereafter.

## **Easter Vigil Mass**

Easter is rapidly approaching and most of us will be at one of the Easter Sunday Masses. However, have you ever heard of the Easter Vigil Mass? This Mass starts at 8 pm on Saturday (April 3rd). It is extremely special since just prior to going inside the church, the Easter fire is lit (in the Community Center) and the Paschal Candle (Easter Candle representing the Light of Christ) is lit from the fire. The procession with the Paschal candle begins into the Church with all the parishioners following and also holding lighted candles. (the regular church lights are out at the time). A special proclamation is sung, then the readings begin. After the homily, new members of the Church are welcomed, some are then baptized. Then, they later receive their First Holy Communion and a little later they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is a beautiful Mass and we want to invite everyone to be a part of it. Our Pastor, Father Jonathan, will be the celebrant. Remember, it begins in the Community Center at 8pm.



### *Please Pray for Priests*

Dear Lord,  
 we pray that the Blessed Mother  
 wrap her mantle around your priests  
 and through her intercession  
 strengthen them for their ministry.  
 We pray that Mary will guide your priests  
 to follow her own words,  
 "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5).  
 May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph,  
 Mary's most chaste spouse.  
 May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart  
 inspire them to embrace  
 all who suffer at the foot of the cross.  
 May your priests be holy,  
 filled with the fire of your love  
 seeking nothing but your greater glory  
 and the salvation of souls.  
 Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

### **What's happening at St. Luke this week? March 15-21, 2010**

Date	Time	Activities
<b>MON 15</b>	7:30 p.m.	Women of Grace Meeting
<b>TUE 16</b>	7:00 p.m.	Faith Formation St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
<b>WED 17</b>	5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Religious Ed—Grades 1-4 Religious Ed—Grades 5-8
<b>THU 18</b>	7:30 p.m. 7:45 p.m.	All Day Adoration Benediction RCIA
<b>FRI 19</b>	7:00 p.m.	Benediction Stations of the Cross
<b>SAT 20</b>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary Legion Of Mary –Junior Archbishop's Annual Appeal Launching Crab Feed 2010
<b>Sun 21</b>	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	PreK/K Archbishop's Annual Appeal Launching

A simple judge of my character is how I treat a person who can do absolutely nothing for me.

~ Anonymous

### 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

### *Welcome in Jesus' Name!!*

If you wish to join the parish, or if you want to update your information, please fill out this form and either return it to the parish office, or drop 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. \_\_\_\_\_