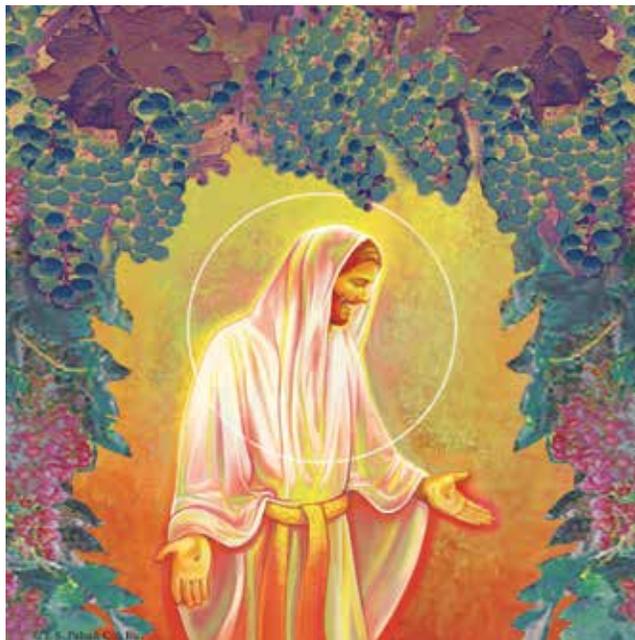


# SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST

## *Catholic Community*

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 4, 2020



*Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,  
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,  
make your requests known to God.*

*— Philipians 4:6*

### MISSION STATEMENT

St. Luke the Evangelist Parish is a Roman Catholic Community dedicated to carrying out the Gospel message of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Our mission is to - welcome, evangelize and educate; provide spiritual nourishment; promote Christian values; foster peace and justice; encourage service to others.

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## PARISH INFORMATION

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## PASTORAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am-5:00 pm  
(Currently closed to the public.)

## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKEND MASSES

### Virtual Sunday Mass

www.stluketemplecity.org

Indoor (in-person) Masses are  
suspended until further notice.

## Content Submission Deadline

### Oct. 11 Bulletin:

Due Monday, Oct. 5

Please deliver submissions to the Pastoral Office  
or send to [bulletineditor@stluketemplecity.org](mailto:bulletineditor@stluketemplecity.org).

Please submit information by the  
Monday before the publication date;  
printed as space allows.

## COVID-19 PHASED REOPENING UPDATES

### Per state guidance, the following is currently in effect:

- In-person Masses are suspended until further notice.
- Sunday Virtual Mass will continue to be available online.

### 'Drive-thru' Communion Reception Line

A "drive thru" communion line is offered each Sunday from 10:00-10:45 am. Please line up going south on Cloverly Avenue by car and turn into the church parking lot. PLEASE DO NOT PARK. We will stand and distribute communion to people in the car in the hand. Please wear a mask as we approach your car. Drive off safely through exit on Broadway.

### 'Drive-thru' Confessions

'Drive-thru' Confessions are offered at 1:00 pm on Saturdays. Please wear a mask and drive through the church parking lot where you will be directed through the back alley to approach one of the priests who will hear your brief confession from outside the passenger side of the car.

If there are multiple people in the car, the passenger/s may exit and stand at a safe distance and we will come to them after hearing the driver's confession. This is not a prolonged counseling moment: we want anybody who wants a brief confession following these months of lockdown to have the opportunity, so please be prepared and expedient. Please drive out safely the rear gate onto Live Oak Avenue.

### Pastoral Office Hours

The Pastoral Office is now closed to the public until further notice; however, the office will continue to be staffed to receive phone calls, e-mails, and conduct parish business Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

- Items can left in office mailbox; it's checked regularly.
- Please be reminded that the Chapel is still closed and no parish-related meetings, events or activities are being conducted on or off property at this time (Room reservations for activities are not being accepted at this time as well.).
- Parish buildings and grounds are closed to the public (staff and vendors excluded).
- There are no other sacraments that are being scheduled or performed at this time.
- Eucharistic Ministers should not visit the sick.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this difficult time.  
Remember, while the *doors* of the church may be closed, **our Church is never closed.**

Visit Us Online at [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org) for the Latest Reopening News.

### Pick Up Missalettes for Home Use - at Parish Office

Missalettes are available for parishioners to pick up for use at home in the Pastoral Office while supplies last. Please ring office doorbell. Donations gratefully accepted.

## Father Mark's Corner

**W**e have endured a very difficult journey. Perhaps for some, it has been the journey of Job. I think each of us is ready for some sense of normalcy and for this prolonged Lenten journey to finish long before our next season of Lent approaches. In fact, maybe we should just skip next Lent and jump right into a prolonged Easter!!! LOL! Well, we can have a laugh at the thought of that as we continue our reflections and scriptures.

Today, we hear from Job: a wonderfully famous biblical character whom we can admire – usually, from a distance. During this pandemic we have all had a taste of some of what Job experienced. Just like Job, we have been forced to ask ourselves: “In whom or what do I place my trust?” With the shifting conditions of pandemic, politics, protests, etc., hopefully we have spent some time being absorbed in the knowledge of the profound love that God has for each one of us.

This Sunday we begin the month of October with Respect Life Sunday. Certainly, respect for life from the moment of creation to the moment of natural death has been emphasized in our Catholic faith for centuries. Today, there are challenges to this moral teaching in many forms, most which make the focus on an individual’s “right” to make certain decisions about their own bodies.

We are amid troubling times when life in the womb is not respected and once born into this world many children who suffer the indignities of abuse around the world. We see euthanasia spreading to many countries, including our own. We have allowed others to control how we think and what should be considered a life worth living while defining choice as if it is made in a vacuum of non-responsibility. God is love who gives life. Respect this God-given life with love.

*Respect Life!*

*The journey continues...wrapped in the loving arms of our God.*



## Religious Education NEWS and NOTES

### 2020-2021 Program Registration

Registration for our 2020-2021 Religious Education Program is now open. Our programs include Preschool, Family Catechesis, Home Church, and Youth and Adult Confirmation.

This year’s classes will take place online through Zoom/Google Classroom due to COVID-19. Classes begin in early fall. The 2020-2021 Program Packet is available at [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org) (under the Faith Formation tab). See pgs. 8-9 for more information.

Registration forms and the deposit can be dropped off or mailed to the Pastoral Office. A member of the Religious Education Office will contact you once the registration materials and deposit are received. God bless you and your family.

### Questions? Please contact:

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## STEWARDSHIP NEWS

### Continuing Your Weekly Offering

As we navigate through these unprecedented times we appreciate your continued support with your weekly offering for our parish operations. Please know your contribution is vital to our mission as a church. We have a small budget and need to continue paying our bills.

Contributions can be mailed to the Pastoral Office, dropped in the office mailbox, or contributed through our online giving program. Visit [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org) for details.

You can call Vanco at 1-800-675-7430 Monday-Friday between 6:00 am and 4:00 pm to make your contribution as well (Our parish client ID is ES11182).

*Please help spread the word to fellow parishioners who don't have Internet access about the options of mailing/dropping off contributions to the office or calling Vanco. Thank you for your generous support!*

## WATCH MASS FROM HOME

### Sunday Mass from St. Luke

Visit [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org)

### Masses from the Cathedral

[www.lacatholics.org/emergency](http://www.lacatholics.org/emergency)  
(Check in advance to confirm times.)

**Daily Mass (M-F):** 8:00 am

**Sunday Mass:** 10:00 am

### 9:00 am Sunday Mass

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# Sunday Readings

## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reading 1

Is 5:1–7

Let me now sing of my friend, my friend's song concerning his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside; he spaded it, cleared it of stones, and planted the choicest vines; within it he built a watchtower, and hewed out a wine press. Then he looked for the crop of grapes, but what it yielded was wild grapes.

Now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard: What more was there to do for my vineyard that I had not done?

Why, when I looked for the crop of grapes, did it bring forth wild grapes? Now, I will let you know what I mean to do with my vineyard: take away its hedge, give it to grazing, break through its wall, let it be trampled!

Yes, I will make it a ruin: it shall not be pruned or hoed, but overgrown with thorns and briars; I will command the clouds not to send rain upon it. The vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his cherished plant; he looked for judgment, but see, bloodshed! for justice, but hark, the outcry!

**Response:** *Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 80:9, 12, 13–14, 15–16, 19–20

**Response:** *(Is 5:7a) The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.*

A vine from Egypt you transplanted; you drove away the nations and planted it. It put forth its foliage to the Sea, its shoots as far as the River.

**Response:** *The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.*

Why have you broken down its walls, so that every passer-by plucks its fruit, The boar from the forest lays it waste, and the beasts of the field feed upon it?

**Response:** *The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.*

Once again, O LORD of hosts, look down from heaven, and see; take care of this vine, and protect what your right hand has planted the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

**Response:** *The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.*

Then we will no more withdraw from you; give us new life, and we will call upon your name. O LORD, God of hosts, restore us; if your face shine upon us, then we shall be saved.

**Response:** *The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.*

### Reading 2

Phil 4:6–9

Brothers and sisters: Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you.

**Response:** *Thanks be to God.*

### Gospel

Mt 21:33–43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.'

They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times."

Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

**Response:** *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RCIA Classes to Begin Soon

St. Luke Parish welcomes new members into the Catholic Church as well as those who need to complete their Initiation Sacraments. This is done through a process of education, faith sharing, and rituals known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). This process includes several Rites which take place within the context of the Mass.

Gatherings are provided to encourage conversion and an awakening of faith as we study the Gospel in light of Catholic tradition and dogma.

If you or anyone you know is interested in taking this journey with us to the Easter sacraments, please call the Pastoral Office at (626) 291-5900 for more information. These classes will begin in the fall, possibly virtually if restrictions are still in place due to the pandemic. Either through electronic means or in person, we look forward to meeting with you and taking this faith walk together.

### Food Assistance Available for Parishioners in Need

Our St. Luke Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference wants our parishioners to know that food is available in our St. Luke Food Pantry if you are in need because of your inability to access food during the Covid-19 crisis.

We are very grateful for the food that our generous parishioners have previously donated and though our Pantry Share Days have been temporarily halted, we can still make the food available for our parish family. All our food is shelf stable and does not include fresh produce or foods that require refrigeration.

Please call (626) 684-2914 and one of our SVdP members will make arrangements to deliver or have you safely pick up the food at the Pantry. We continue to pray for all of our generous parishioners and we look forward to the time when we can reopen our doors for our normal distribution.

In keeping with our Vincentian mission to assist those in need in our local community, our conference continues to provide financial assistance for rent, utilities, food and household items during the Covid-19 crisis.

### Mass and Prayer Intention Requests

**Sunday Virtual Mass Intention** requests can be made by calling the Pastoral Office at (626) 291-5900 or e-mail [kerrin@stluketemplecity.org](mailto:kerrin@stluketemplecity.org). Offerings greatly appreciated. Names also listed in the bulletin.

If you would like to make a **Sunday Prayer Intention** for someone, you may do so online at [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org). These individuals will be remembered during the Virtual Mass and listed in the Parish Bulletin (Names will not be said during the Mass). Requests made by Wednesday of each week will be a part of the upcoming Sunday Virtual Mass, offered during the Prayer of the Faithful.

A card is available at [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org) for you to send to the person for whom you have requested a Mass or Prayer Intention.

### Light a Devotional Prayer Candle Virtually

Parishioners are invited to have a candle lit in our church for someone for whom they would like to pray. The candles will be shown after our Virtual Sunday Mass each week so you may pray and reflect, just as you would do when you come to church. Offerings greatly appreciated. Candle requests by Wednesday will be lit for the upcoming Sunday Mass. Visit [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org) to submit a request.



## INTENTIONS

### Week of October 4, 2020

#### Sunday, October 4

Modesto & Emilia Torrijos  
Steven Piccione  
Joseph Tzu-Li Ching  
Maria Martin  
Barbara Prutsos  
Manny Torrijos-SI

#### Virtual Mass Offering

Marek

#### Monday, October 5

St. Luke Parishioners

#### Tuesday, October 6

St. Luke Parishioners

#### Wednesday, October 7

St. Luke Parishioners

#### Thursday, October 8

St. Luke Parishioners

#### Friday, October 9

Mercedes R. Cruz

#### Sunday, October 11

Eva Arrighi  
Niko D'Eliso  
Kevin Fitzhenry  
James Provenzano  
Sarah Abraham-SI  
Gene & Kathy St. Pierre-SI  
64th Wedding Anniversary

*During the suspension of in-person Masses, please know that our parish priests are keeping your intentions in their daily prayers.*

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October 4, 2020

Once again,  
**O Lord of hosts,**  
 look down from heaven, and see;  
 take care of this vine,  
 and protect what your  
 right hand has planted.

Psalm 80:15-16

Twenty-Seventh  
**SUNDAY**  
 in Ordinary Time

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The Church presents today's Old Testament and Gospel readings together, as a pair. We delight in the symmetry between the two passages. Jesus, who is the Word of God, knows the Hebrew scriptures by heart and intends for his parable to echo Isaiah. As Jesus begins speaking, he summons the words of Isaiah, knowing his learned audience of chief priests and elders will feel comfortable with a familiar scripture passage. These scholars recognize immediately that Jesus is referring to a prophetic passage about sin, about the chosen people's tendency to turn away from God and grow "wild."

### AMAZED BY INNOVATION

What Jesus does next surprises his audience. He adds a new twist to Isaiah's well-known words, adding a new character, the landowner's very own son. Adding this innovation shows that Jesus confirms the prophet's warning—that God longs for "his cherished plant" to grow according to the divine plan. The narrative twist also allows Jesus to reveal the fullness of God's plan in a way

his audience can understand. Like a master teacher, Jesus respects the knowledge and faithfulness of the chief priests and elders, and then builds on what they know. By adding the landowner's son to the parable of the vineyard, Jesus gently expresses his own mission as the Son of God. Matthew's Gospel often depicts the chief priests and elders as oppositional; they worry that Jesus will abolish the law and foment rebellion. As the Lord said earlier in Matthew's Gospel, however, "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill" (Matthew 5:17). Jesus' audience is skeptical about him, horrified at the thought of a mere human being claiming that he is the Son of God. Jesus' masterful approach provides an opportunity for his audience to give him the benefit of the doubt. In this way, Jesus proposes—not imposes—his kingship, inviting us all to follow him.

Today's Readings: Is 5:1–7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13–14, 15–16, 19–20; Phil 4:6–9; Mt 21:33–43

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#### Take advantage of TikTok's parental controls

The social media site TikTok has exploded in popularity during the coronavirus pandemic, with children and adults using it to connect and pass time while in quarantine. Unfortunately, apps like TikTok are often targeted by predators as easy ways to get in touch with vulnerable children.

TikTok has "Family Pairing" capabilities, which allow parents to set restrictions on their children's usage. It is also important to have ongoing, open discussions with your children about how they use social media, who they "talk" to and what they share.

For more information about TikTok's parental controls, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.



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### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Program Description & Important Dates PRESCHOOL, HOME CHURCH, FAMILY CATECHESIS, ADULT/TEEN CONFIRMATION

*Due to COVID-19 All classes will take place through Zoom/ Google classroom*

#### **PRESCHOOL (Ages 3, 4, and 5 years old)**

Meets during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass in the Parish School building.

First class: Classes begin in early fall.

\*Child must be 3 yrs. old by September 1, 2020

\*Child must be able to use restrooms on their own

*Registration Still Open!*

#### **FAMILY CATECHESIS/HOME CHURCH**

Sunday mornings 10:30am – 1:00pm

(Including 10:30 Mass every other Sunday)

First class: Sunday August 30, 2020

#### **ADULT CONFIRMATION**

See Family Catechesis

#### **CONFIRMATION (Teens)**

**YEAR I** Sunday afternoons from 3:00pm – 6:30pm

**(includes 5:30 Mass every other Sunday)**

**YEAR II** Sunday afternoons from 3:00pm- 6:30pm

**(includes 5:30 pm Mass every other Sunday)**

All classes gather in the Parish Hall and surrounding Hall Rooms.

Each class session will conclude after the 5:30 Youth Mass

First class: **YEAR I** Sunday, August 23, 2020.

**YEAR II** Sunday, August 23, 2020

**Calendars for the above-mentioned programs will be found on our parish website [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org). And in the parent handbooks**

All registration forms can be accessed through our website

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

Religious Education registration forms can be mailed to the Pastoral Office or dropped in the office mailbox. Classes begin in early fall.

Upon receipt of all forms and deposits you will be contacted.

Make checks payable to St. Luke RE or make payments thru our online giving program using Religious Education Tuition Tab.

If there is any questions regarding registration or program fees, please contact the RE office 626 291-5900 Ext 227or Ext 232

or email [barbara@stluketemplecity.org](mailto:barbara@stluketemplecity.org)

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Class size is limited

Please note: We have ONE registration form for an entire family.

*Fees reflect the amount per child the parish pays to run these programs.  
(Books, classroom materials, insurance and emergency supplies)*

Family Catechesis/Home Church	\$145.00 per Family
Adult/Teen Confirmation & Preschool	\$ 95.00 per Student

**Sacramental Fees**

*Fees reflect additional supplies necessary for sacrament*

1<sup>st</sup> Communion & YR II Confirmation fee: \$90.00 per student

**Confirmation Retreat**

*Fees reflect necessary supplies for Retreat*

*(Religious Materials, Meals & Transportation when necessary)*

YR I	\$125.00 per student
YR II	\$175.00 per student
Parent/Teen Retreat	\$ 40.00 per parent/teen

**\$40.00 Non-Refundable deposit** required at time of registration; this deposit will be applied to registration fees. A schedule of remaining payments should be arranged with the RE department before the first day of class.

**\$25.00 returned check fee** will be charged on any returned check and cash or money orders will be required.

**To Register for St. Luke Religious Education Programs:**

Complete all registration materials:

- Registration Form
- Emergency Release Form Photo permission, TTS, Emergency contact
- Parish Registration
- A copy of students Baptismal Certificate
- A copy of First Communion Certificate for those registering for Confirmation
- Non-Refundable deposit

For those in Confirmation YR 2/Adult Confirmation the following are also required at time of registration

- Confirmation Sponsor Eligibility Form
- Parent /Teen Retreat (Unless attended Confirmation Yr. 1)

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Visit the Parish Website ([www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org)) for information about all parish ministries and organizations.

**VIRTUS REMINDER:** If you have taken a VIRTUS class, a copy of the certificate needs to be turned in to the Pastoral Office so that your attendance is recorded. Classes are only good for four years. You must take a recertification class before the four years expire. *If you know that you are not current in VIRTUS, the Pastoral Office has a list of classes being held in the area.*



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