

## November 14, 2021

### Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Those whose names are in the Book shall live forever in light and joy!

Readings for November 21, 2021

1 <sup>st</sup>	Daniel 7:13-14
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Revelation 1:5-8
Gospel	Gospel John 18:33b-37

#### MASS INTENTIONS November 14-20, 2021

<b>Sunday</b> <b>11-14-2021</b>	8:30 AM – + Domingo Oclaray + Margaret Mary Rieschick
<b>Sunday</b>	10:00 AM – + St. Luke Parishioners
<b>Sunday</b>	12:00 PM – + Cecilio & Maxima Alicea
<b>Sunday</b>	4:00 PM – + Joe Garcia, Jr. & family
<b>Monday</b> <b>11-15-2021</b>	6:45 AM – + Lieu Thi Dang 8:30 AM – + Danette Curtis
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>11-16-2021</b>	6:45 AM – + Arturo De Jesus 8:30 AM – + Adelina & Manuel Masiglat
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>11-17-2021</b>	6:45 AM – + Rosada Nguyen 8:30 AM – + Nicandro & Victoria Campos
<b>Thursday</b> <b>11-18-2021</b>	6:45 AM – + Manuel Antaran 8:30 AM – + Antonio Legaspino
<b>Friday</b> <b>11-19-2021</b>	6:45 AM – + Edilberto Melchor & Ludivina Apostol 8:30 AM – + Estela & Rodolfo Natividad, Sr.
<b>Saturday</b> <b>11-20-2021</b>	8:30 AM – + Felicitation & Alberto Raguini 4:00 PM – + Bob & Donnie Queirolo & Catalano family

#### ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM

Please pray for the soul of Bryon Lee Enni and Martha C. Perez who passed away recently. May God grant them eternal rest and bring consolation to their families.

#### PLATE COLLECTIONS



November 7, 2021	\$ 12,203. <sup>00</sup>
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 2,233. <sup>00</sup>

#### SECOND COLLECTIONS

*November 14, 2021 – St. Luke School*

Half the proceeds fund student scholarships; the other half goes into the school's general fund.

*November 21, 2021 –*

*Catholic Campaign for Human Development*

The national anti-poverty and social justice program of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

#### DIVAS WOMEN'S MINISTRY ROSARY FOR PEACE

How can you combat evil, anxiety and fear? As St. Padre Pio has said the "Rosary is the most powerful weapon of our time." Therefore, the DIVAS Women's ministry is participating in an ongoing Rosary for peace in our country and will end on December 24. The first 27 days will be for petition and the second 27 days will be for thanksgiving. Join us each day (men, women, families) on our St. Luke's DIVAS Facebook page at 7:00pm every night where several volunteers will lead the Rosary via livestream. This is a national movement and is supported by <http://www.queenofpeacemedia.com>. If you would like more information or would like to participate visit our DIVAS Facebook page.



#### MEN: HEADING INTO THE BREACH

The man who steps into the breach puts himself between what he is defending and disaster. Family, work, and our own spiritual well-being often makes men feel under attack. This Advent St. Luke's will begin hosting a Saturday, early morning gathering for men at 7:15 AM in the Social Hall. Bring your own coffee, the donuts are on us! We'll watch a 10 – 15 minute video, spectacularly produced with clips from Catholic speakers, professional athletes, and others who will challenge us to be the men God calls us to be. We'll share in a brief discussion and closing prayer. Open to all men, 18 and older. Dads & Granddads invite your adult sons. Sons, invite your dads. Want more details? Call the Parish Office, 948-3450, and ask for Paul. He'll tell you how 1 hour a week can make a difference in your life.

#### YARD SALE

Sacro Costato Lay Association will hold a yard sale at the Convent on November 13 and 14 beginning at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, and at 9:00 A.M. on Sunday. Proceeds will be used for the various Mission programs the Sacro Costato supports around the world.

## **NEW MASS SCHEDULE FOR ST. LUKE**

Beginning the weekend of **January 8 & 9, 2022**, St. Luke Parish's new post-COVID weekend Mass schedule will be:

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 7:00 am – 8:45 – 10:15 – 5:00 pm  
12:00 pm SPANISH

## **BRIEF USHER MEETING AND TRAINING**

... **Monday, Nov. 15, 5:30 in the church**, for those who are CURRENTLY AN USHER, have BEEN AN USHER BEFORE COVID, or would like to BECOME AN USHER. The new year is going to bring some promising changes, and we'll need more help. Our ushers are fantastic! Men, women, teens and adults are invited.

## **THANKSGIVING DAY MASSES**

...A day to give thanks, why not come celebrate with our community one of the liturgies on Thanksgiving Day (the word 'liturgy' means 'thanksgiving.')

Masses are 9 AM in English and 11 AM in Spanish. Join us in the tradition of bringing wine or cider, bread or rolls, or something else from your Thanksgiving dinner and have it blessed.

## **LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLES**

This year at each Advent Mass on Saturday evenings and Sunday Masses (beginning Nov. 27) we invite families to come forward and together light the Advent candles. Make this a new and most special tradition for your family as you make preparations for the coming of Christmas. Call the Parish Office, (209) 948-3450 during business hours Mondays – Thursdays and sign up for a mass.

## **FAITH NIGHT AT THE STOCKTON HEAT!**

Join the Stockton Heat hockey team on Friday, December 3 at 7 pm as the Heat host the San Diego Gulls for the first-annual *Faith Night* at the Stockton Arena. The Heat is donating \$10 from every ticket purchased, using St. Luke School's unique online link ([stocktonheat.spinzo.com/st.luke](http://stocktonheat.spinzo.com/st.luke)) to St. Luke School! Even better news – our very own choir has the opportunity to sing the National Anthem before the game! The deadline to purchase tickets for St. Luke School to receive credit is November 17! There are a limited number of tickets available in the school office, but seating is limited.



## **REFLECTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS**

The first reading today from the Book of Daniel tells us: "Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace." This is the kind of statement that makes us have a bit of fear. We hope that we shall be among those who shall live forever.

If we look at Scripture as a whole, this possibility of hell, of being rejected, is always there. On the other hand, it is never the great focus of the Scripture. The focus of Scripture is God's everlasting love for us; God's desire that all be saved; God's walking with us to lead us in the path of salvation. While we should always be aware of our capacity to reject God and to reject the ways of God, we should be more aware of God's love for us and should try to respond to that love. God invites us to know His love, His saving power, His delight in us.

The second reading is from the Letter to the Hebrews. The point of this selection today is to remind us that any human high priest cannot make a complete amendment for our sins. Neither you nor I can atone completely for our sins. It takes Jesus, who is God and man, to make the one sacrifice for sins that never needs to be repeated. Sin is vanquished in Christ Jesus. On the other hand, sin in us is only overcome when we become one with Jesus Christ. God truly loves us and sends His own Son to take away sin so that we can live forever with God.

The Gospel from Mark is also about the final coming of the Lord and is clear that no one knows the day or the hour. How often we hear predictions based on Scripture about when the end of the world will happen. We should always listen politely but in our hearts listen to the words of the Lord: "But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

*The challenge is not to know when the end is coming but to live today as if the end will be right now.* There is no sense in pretending with God. God knows our hearts and our minds, even more than we do. We must simply get on with living now as if this is our last moment—with no fear and no upset, completely trusting in the love of the Lord.

*Abbot Philip, Monastery of Christ in the Desert*

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