



January 10, 2021 The Baptism of the Lord

Readings for January 17, 2021

1st 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19
2nd 1 Corinthians 6:13c-20
Gospel John 1:35-42



MASS INTENTIONS: January 10 – 16, 2021

Sunday 10:00 AM	Special Intention – Susie Foronda + Go Ang Huat Anecita Chua Gan
12:00 PM	Thanksgiving – Victor Gagno + Alberto & Corinne Jimenez
4:00 PM	+ Kristen Garcia + Mercedes Ballesteros
Monday*	6:45 AM - + Virginia Ruiz Garcia 8:30 AM - + Frederick Cook
Tuesday*	6:45 AM – + Danette Curtis 8:30 AM – + Danny Herman
Wednesday	6:45 AM – + Felice DeLeo 8:30 AM – + Prudencio Baldoria
Thursday	6:45 AM – + Madre Teresa Quaranta 8:30 AM – + Danette Curtis
Friday	6:45 AM – For the general chapter of MSC 8:30 AM – Thanksgiving & Special Intention - Rosario Ramirez
Saturday	8:30 AM + Veronica Garcia 4:00 PM + Danette Curtis

PLATE COLLECTIONS



January 3, 2021 \$ 7,902.⁰⁰
2nd Collection Diocesan Assess. \$ 1,238.⁰⁰

SECOND COLLECTIONS

January 9 & 10, 2021 – St. Luke School

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

January 16 & 17 – Salesian Seminary Fund

Supports the education of young men studying to become Salesian priests.



REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please pray for the soul of Michael Zarate, (the brother of Father Ramon Zarate), Maria Eduwiges Escobarete, and Tomas Cano, who passed away recently. May Grant them eternal rest and bring consolation to their families.

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Check the website often for up-to-date information about upcoming events, schedules and COVID schedule changes.



... will be held in San Francisco on **Saturday, January 23**. We strive to shed light on all issues of life but particularly to change hearts hurt by the violence of abortion.

Women and men deserve better! **Due to COVID restrictions, there will be no bus leaving from St. Luke Church**; however, you can drive your own car or take Bart to Market Street near the Civic Center. The walk will begin down Market Street to the Embarcadero just as in years past. Thank you for your perseverance over the years in championing this important cause. There may be a group caravanning in our own cars if anyone is interested. Call Kathleen for more information at 601-7807.

THE PRECIOUS LIFE OF THE UNBORN CHILD

A baby's life in the womb is an astonishing odyssey of growth and development. As science makes clear, it is at fertilization that a new, unique and genetically complete human being comes into existence. From that moment onwards each of us did not grow and develop *into* a human being. We grew and developed *as* a human being.

At 11 weeks fingerprints and fingernails can be clearly seen.

At 12 weeks the baby's lips open and close. The baby can turn his or her head and move around the womb.

(To be continued...

We must let our elected officials know that we expect them to uphold the dignity and right to life of every person, born and unborn.)

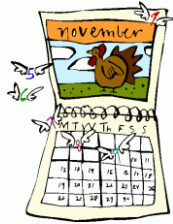


"He who passively accepts evil is as much involved in it as he who helps to perpetrate it. He who accepts evil without protesting against it is really cooperating with it."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

2021 CATHOLIC CALENDARS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE

Catholic calendars for 2021 are now available in the parish office. St. Luke is asking for a donation of \$3 per calendar to cover the cost of the calendars and printing. (The safety of our parishioners and office staff is our top priority, so if possible, please bring exact change – it will cut down on the number of times the calendars, receipts, and money is passed back and forth.) Catholic calendars give you information you won't get on any other Christian calendar, so they're great for children who may be away at school, shut-ins, and ourselves – we all may need a reminder now and then about holy days and the feast days of saints! Stop by the parish office to get yours soon.



IT'S NEVER TOO LATE



BAPTISM

If you have a teen (Junior High thru Senior High) who has never been baptized or is still in need of First Communion, please call Paul in the Parish Office, 948-3450. We will soon be starting online Zoom sessions for those teens in need of Baptism and/or First Communion.

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WATCH FOR COMING MAILER FROM FR. RAMON

If COVID has taught us anything, it is the importance of having up-to-date methods of communication available to us. Our staff is working to update all of our parishioner records to make sure we have current phone numbers, e-mail addresses and mailing addresses. You will shortly receive a mailer with a place to write your information and a self-addressed envelope with which you may return your survey. Please take a few moments to look over the questionnaire and submit your answers. It would help us greatly if you are able to type your answers or write slowly and carefully so as to be legible. The information you provide will stay in St. Luke Parish in the Diocese of Stockton. Your data will not be sold or shared with any other organizations. Thank you for your help.

BECAUSE OF THE CURRENT SPIKE IN COVID CASES:

ALL ST. LUKE WEEKEND MASSES WILL CONTINUE OUTSIDE in front of the church (*weather permitting*).

Reservations are NOT required.

Please bring your own chair.

The benches are reserved for elderly or disabled parishioners.

Due to dropping temperatures **the Saturday and Sunday evening masses will move up to 4 PM.** The first **Sunday morning mass will be celebrated at 10 AM.** The **Spanish Mass will continue to be offered at Noon.**

Please remember that if you have a fever or any signs of the virus, or have been in recent contact with someone who has COVID 19 please remain home!

Also, at this time there are NO indoor OR outdoor WEEKDAY morning masses. Our priests continue to livestream Mass at 8:30 AM on our website as well as our Facebook page.



ONLINE GIVING IS NOW AVAILABLE!

Please consider sending your offering to St. Luke Church using **ONLINE GIVING.** Click the icon on our website to begin.

TAKING THE GOSPEL HOME

Since most of us were baptized as infants, we do not remember the event. Yet, no matter what age you were baptized, it still has the same effects: cleansing of sin, imparting of grace, giving of the Holy Spirit, adoption as a child of God, and incorporation into the Church. Take time today to thank God for the gift of baptism and reflect on the importance of your baptism.

Baptism begins our covenant relationship with God. Like all covenantal relationships (e.g. marriage), this relationship takes work. Make an extra effort this week to invest time and energy into your relationship with God and ask for His grace to help you grow closer to Him.



2020: A dark and gloomy year for many, yet the light of Christ continues to shine in our lives in various ways and especially in the reception of the Sacraments.

Congratulations and blessings on the children and adults baptized in 2020. May their parents, Godparents, family and all our parish family, by word and example, continue to accompany them towards a daily deepening encounter with our Lord Jesus!

Congratulations!

Jan. 25, 2020

Melani Khaleesi Adatan
Parents: Mark and Maria

Celeste Jaquez Vazquez
Parents: Erick and Deayana

Feb. 15, 2020

Adelina Andrea Robleto
Parents: Fausto and Andrea

Feb. 22, 2020

**Genesis Lethian Acosta
Leon Justus Acosta
and Julius Augustin Fermin Acosta**
Parents: Mickey and Mai

Jaycie Jeanne-Sally Grijalva
Parents: Jason and Grace

Feb. 22, 2020 (cont.)

Liam Ray Bierman
Parents: Thomas and Sandra

Emma Lana Hammerstone
Parents: Robert and Lindsey

Kayson Gerald Hughes
Parents: Kyle and Bernadette

Alexander Liam Martinez
Parents: David and Rosemarie

Ethaniel Santiago Tolentino
Parents: Peter and Raquel

Noah Moises Zaragoza
Parents: Zachary and Hilda

Feb. 23, 2020

**Isaac Chi-Bao Phung
and Marilyn Bao-Anh Phung**
Parents: Andy and Duyen

Mindy Mai Phung
Feb. 23, 2020
Parents: Minh and Hue

Feb. 29, 2020

Kylie Patricia Asuncion Blas
Parents: Kyle and Alfreda

Jun. 27, 2020

Ethan Balbarino
Parents: Richard and Erika

Eliana Balbarino Dela Cruz
Parents: Michael and Emille

Zoe Elette Dumadag
Parents: Christopher and Paola

Taylor Jade Hoang
Parents: Thai and Tiffany

Michael Reed Gaerlan Ramos
Parents: Shane and Kimberly

July 15, 2020

Jayden Jay Rallios
Parents: Steven and Maria

Aug.. 22, 2020

**Emile Nicholas Garcia
Ayla Shay Garcia**
Parents: Albert and Michelle

Emma De Los Reyes Fabella
Aug.. 22, 2020
Parents: Earlhbeth and Mae

Tuamalama Israel Taifane
Aug.. 22, 2020
Parents: Eric and Christina

**Aiden Joseph Chavez
and Ellise Marie Chavez**
Parents: Nicolas and Lacy

**Alyssa Rose Contreras
Joel Eliaz Contreras**
Parents: Rosario and Monique

Xavier Anthony Moreno
Parents: Jose and Leticia

Zita Rebecca Solari
Parents: Kevin and Melissa

**Abigail Elisabeth Staggs
Alessio Marcello Staggs**
Parents: Joshua and Andrea

Kevin Josue Tlapa
Parents: Luis and Ledvia

Sept.. 19, 2020

Nicole Alexandra Bacca Velasco
Parents: Elmar and Fatima



Sept. 20, 2020

Robert Grijalva
Anthony Grijalva

Parents: Robert and Carmen

Elize Moreno

Parents: Raymond and Maria

Alicia Ott

Parents: Charles and Liway

Maria E. Martinez-Torres

Parents: Gerardo and Mariana

Sept. 26, 2020

Chase Logan Alcantra

Parents: Adam and Brittany

Alexis Nevaeh Castillo

Parents: Hector and Stephanie

Guilietta Marie Ochoa-Solorio

Parents: Ramon and Maria

Rhiane Ysabelle Sevalle

Parents: Realcin and Gladys

Oct. 19, 2020

Natalia Lilly Alvarez Escuen

Parents: Domingo and Liliana

Jonathan Morales-Martinez

Parents: Denisse and Sarai

Oct. 24, 2020

Vermon Trimble Bantilan Jr.

Parents: Vermon and Courtney

Aria Ivy Mendez

Parents: Ignacio and Davy

Elianna-Marie Cordero Ochoa

Arianna-Grace Cordero Ochoa

Parents: Nicanor and Wenna

Graciela Elise Sanchez

Parents: Rick and Jessica

Nov. 21, 2020

Delayah Rose Montejano

Parents: Christian and Rosalva

Ella Jasmine Gamiao Alvarez

Parents: Joedel and Elizabeth

Ashley La'Ren Parungao Brown

Justice Brown

Parents: Adarius and Charlene

Nov. 21, 2020 (cont.)

Ariel Ramona Canela

Parents: Anthony and Brianna

Kyro Bryce Seldon-Young

Parents: Javaun and Roldalynn

Camila Loreto Zapien

Parent: Laura

Nov. 28, 2020

Alejandro Sanchez DeLaTorre

Fernando Sanchez DeLaTorre

Gabriel Sanchez DeLaTorre

Parents: Leo and Romy

Marques Prince Yarbrough

Parents: Tino and Sandra

Dec. 20, 2020

Danna Paulette Castillo Lopez

Parents: Christopher and Sandra

Adult Baptisms:

May 23, 2020

Tyler Lew

May 30, 2020

Jeremy Jerick Asican



Around this time each year
We Catholics celebrate the
Baptism of the Lord.

What a great opportunity to spend
some time reflecting on our own
baptism (and our children's
baptisms).

A certain religious order (the
Norbertines) take a vow of
continual, lifelong conversion.
We may not be members of a
religious order but certainly our
Catholic Faith calls us to look for
and be open to continued
conversion throughout our lives.

Being 'born again' isn't restricted
to the day of our Baptism. Look at
Peter in the Gospels. On
numerous occasions he grows in
trust and understanding, (even
after a stumble in faith).

Remember how Jesus invited
Peter to go out into deeper water
and put out his nets? That
invitation is given to us too.

Let's use this occasion to look at
our own journey with Jesus and
go a little deeper with Him.

Celebrate baptismal anniversaries.
Tell your children stories about
their baptisms, the choosing of
names, the picking of God
parents, etc. Celebrate our
inheritance as heirs to the
Kingdom of God!!