

January 17, 2021

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Through baptism we have been joined to the Lord who calls us to be His disciples. How well do we listen to His voice? How willing are we to do His will?

**Readings for January 24, 2021**

1<sup>st</sup>           Jonah 3:1-5, 10  
 2<sup>nd</sup>           1 Corinthians 7:29-31  
 Gospel       Mark 1:14-20



**MASS INTENTIONS: January 17-23, 2021**

10:00 AM	+ Philamer Bitanga, + Julian Abrajano, + Fortunato Loloy & + Chua & Gregorio Gan	
12:00 PM	Thanksgiving – Jean Lallana + Cecilio & Maxima Alicea	
4:00 PM	+ Mona Peters Villareal + Joe Garcia, Jr. & family	
Monday*	6:45 AM - 8:30 AM - + Fernandez Fagundes	
Tuesday*	6:45 AM – 8:30 AM – + Gilbert Charbonnet	
Wednesday	6:45 AM – 8:30 AM – * Edward & Bernice Endow	
Thursday	6:45 AM – 8:30 AM – + Ken Volpi	
Friday	6:45 AM – 8:30 AM – Thanksgiving – Inez Galvez	
Saturday	8:30 AM	+ Adam Kowalczyk
	4:00 PM	+ Bonnie Blevins

**PLATE COLLECTIONS**



January 10, 2021           \$ 7,383.<sup>00</sup>  
 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Luke School       \$ 421.<sup>00</sup>

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

**January 16 & 17 – Salesian Seminary Fund**

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

**January 23 & 24 – Church in Latin America**

The 2021 collection highlights the faith of Latin America and the many opportunities we have to share faith with them. We also recognize the tremendous benefit of having our Latin American brothers and sisters in the Church and the revitalization their fervor brings to the faith.



**REQUIESCAT IN PACE**

Please pray for the soul of Rocklyn “Rocky” Urriarte (age 6) who passed away recently. May Grant her eternal rest and bring consolation to her family.



... 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.

**Friday, January 22**, the U.S. Church observes the annual **“Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.”**

This day is set aside to pray for the legal protection of human life and to do penance for the violations to human dignity through abortion. We are called to observe this day through prayer and penance. More information: [respectlife.org/January-22](http://respectlife.org/January-22).

**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 16 weeks the baby reacts to sound, sucks, swallows and yawns.*

*At 18 weeks most mothers feel the baby moving. The baby exercises her or his developing muscles by pushing with the feet and head. The baby now sucks her or his thumb.*



(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.)

If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential and compassionate help is available. Visit **HopeAfterAbortion.org**.

## **CHRISTMAS, EPIPHANY, LENT???**

How fast time flies! Ash Wednesday is just a month away! Don't let it take you by surprise! Begin to think about how the upcoming Lenten season can help you deepen your spiritual life. In a week or so, St. Luke's will receive copies of Bishop Barron's Lenten Reflections for 2021. His 2020 Reflections were enjoyed by many of our parishioners. Watch the bulletin for their arrival date... they'll go like hotcakes (well, maybe like Lenten hot cross buns!) Suggested donation will be \$5.00. Lenten Reflections also available in Spanish.



## **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.



## **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.

## **2021 CATHOLIC CALENDARS**

... are still available in the parish office. A donation of \$3 is asked to cover the expenses of producing the calendars. Pick up one today!

**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 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 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**

"Jesus said to them, 'Come, and you will see.'" In today's gospel, Jesus invites us into His personal space. Discipleship does not happen from afar. Relationship with Jesus, as with others, often *begins* from afar, but Jesus acknowledges—even anticipates—our curiosity and draws us in. In today's first reading, Samuel, who is unfamiliar with the LORD, hears a voice calling to him in his sleep. Perhaps this is how Jesus reaches out to you — with quiet and persistent subtlety. In the gospel, Jesus looks directly at the disciples and invites them to follow Him. Maybe Jesus has been this blatant in His call to you. Regardless of how He reaches out to you, your FIAT\* begins when you respond to Jesus' invitation to come and see.

*\*The word "fiat" is Latin, literally meaning "Be it done," as the "yes" of Mary at the Annunciation.*