

ST. LUKE PARISH REGULAR SERVICES

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 5 pm

DAILY MASS:

Monday-Saturday & Holidays 8 am

First Friday Mass is at 6:30 pm followed by an hour of adoration with benediction from 7-8 pm.

HOLY ROSARY

After morning Masses

CONFESSION

Monday-Thursday 7:40-7:50 am

Saturday 7:40 am to 7:50 am,

8:45 am to 9:30 am, 4:00 pm

to 4:20 pm

Sunday 8:10 am to 8:20 am,

10:10 am to 10:20 am, 4:40 pm

to 4:50 pm

By appointment. Contact the office.

MASS IN POLISH:

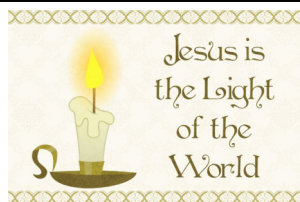
3rd Sundays, September-June,
3 pm

MASS IN SPANISH:

4th Sundays, April-October, 3 pm

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is available 24 hours per day. Please ask at the office for information on how to access.



4th Sunday in Lent

March 10, 2024

"The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light!"
John 3.14-21



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The Mercy of Confession

Have you discovered the great joy of going to Confession? Some do not consider the Sacrament of Confession to be a great joy. Instead, they see it as a painful and humiliating experience. But perhaps some need the humiliation of an honest confession to help break them out of their sin. Others, those who sincerely seek the abundant Mercy of God, will take great delight in going to Confession because they see the glorious effect it has upon their soul. Seek to love Confession. Pray that it becomes something that you long for as you anticipate the wonderful fruits of this holy purification (See *Diary* #817).

When is the last time you went to Confession? If it has been a while then this reflection is for you. The Lord is calling you to receive the Mercy He has infused into this glorious Sacrament. By going to Confession and receiving absolution you are encountering Jesus Himself. It is He, hidden within the priest, who absolves you and cleanses your soul. Do you believe this? Do you want this grace for your soul? Reflect upon that which deters you from Confession. It may be inconvenience, or a busy schedule, or fear, or distrust of a particular priest.

Whatever it is, keeping you from this Sacrament, allow the Lord to remove it. The Lord loves you and is calling you to His Merciful Heart. Rejoice in that fact and foster within your soul a holy longing to receive all that He wishes to bestow through this sacred gift of Mercy.

Precious Jesus, I entrust myself to Your Mercy and pray that I will be open to this gift as You desire to bestow it. I pray that I may have a burning desire for the Mercy You wish to offer me through this Sacrament. Humble me Lord, and help me to confidently open the wounds of my soul to Your healing grace. Jesus, I trust in You.

Penitential Service St. Luke Parish



Friday, March 15

6:45 pm Prayer Service

7:00 pm Individual Confessions

Pray the Stations of the Cross



Fridays of Lent

6:30 pm

March 22

Friday, March 15 6:00 pm

Regular confession schedule continues with additional confession times:

Thursday, March 28 9:30—10:30 am

Friday, March 29 9:30—10:30 am

Saturday, March 30 9:30—10:30 am

By appointment. Contact the parish office.

Altar Server Practices for Holy Week

Sunday, March 24 @ 12:30 pm
for Holy Thursday & Good Friday

Saturday, March 30 @ 1:00 pm
for the Easter Vigil

All altar servers who plan to serve at any of the Holy Week services are asked to attend the practices. New altar servers are welcome – boys or girls ages 8+ who have received the Holy Eucharist.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Monday, March 11—15
9 AM—1 PM



BACKPACKS NEEDED - NEW OR USED

The CWL is collecting backpacks in good and clean condition. They will be donated to our local migrant farm workers for use when they cycle to the fields or supermarket. Backpacks can be put in the marked collection box in PFC entryway or church vestibule or call Lynn Whalen 604 465-7376. Thank you for your support in helping the workers feel welcome.

Journey with Christ this Lent

'Man has a noble task: That of prayer and love. To pray and love, that is the happiness of man on earth.' -St. Jean Marie Baptiste Vianney

This Lenten season, learn what prayer is and how it can enrich your spiritual life as we journey each week through the Compendium of the Catholic Church's section on Prayer.

In the Old Testament, what relationship do the king and the temple have to prayer?

The prayer of the People of God developed in the shadow of the dwelling place of God—the Ark of the Covenant, then the Temple—under the guidance of their shepherd. Among them there was David, the King “after God’s own heart,” the shepherd who prayed for his people. His prayer was a model for the prayer of the people because it involved clinging to the divine promise and a trust filled with love for the One who is the only King and Lord.

https://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium_ccc/documents/archive_2005_compendium-ccc_en.html

Members of the St. Luke Legion of Mary invite parishioners to celebrate ACIES at St. Luke on **Saturday, March 23** beginning at 11 am in the church and followed by fellowship in the Parish Family Centre Hall.



Knights of Columbus Host Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 17
after the 8:30 am Mass

Good food, good friends,
good price! By donation



All net proceeds help the Knights of Columbus in their works of service at the parish and in the community.

What is ACIES? It is a solemn ceremony in which the legionaries as a body assemble to renew their faithfulness to Mary, Queen of the Legion, and from her to receive strength and blessing for yet another year's battle with the forces of evil. The ACIES is the great central annual function of the Legion, so that it is necessary to stress the importance of attendance on the part of every Active member. The ACIES is the Legion's solemn expression of the union and dependance on Mary, its Queen, the renewal—individual and collective—of the legionary declaration of faithfulness. ACIES usually takes place on the 25th day of March, the Annunciation of the Lord, or a day close to it as possible.

Please Pray for the Sick

Scott Graves, Elimar Santos, Grazyna, Aljon Labuanan, Marivic Bano, Linda McLaughlin, Ellen McBride, Evangelina Silva, Joel S, Denise Kruger, Mike G., Margaret Eek, Patti Swinburn, Austin Kennedy, Alan Fitterer, Marcel Renaud, Jim Brown, Jared Casey, Derek Doucette, Petr Plesner, Nikki Marie, Denise Sharp, Tracy Tripp, Ciara Connolly, Kratos Walton, Helena Seifried, Shirley Ewart, Jill Anderson, M.J., Ann Anzulovich, Felix Lucarino, Rosalie Lucarino, Clara Gustafson, Raphael, Laura Welton, Sherry Lloyd, Amy Levitsky, Mary Young, Rudy Reffgen, Charlene M., Peter H. Tampus, Maria Stradiotto, Sharleen Meadows, Millie Santos, Stephanie, Patricia C., Claire Pratt

Names not on this list have been moved to the chapel list. If you would like your name removed from the list, please contact the parish office.

***Mary, Health of the Sick,
Pray for Us***

Mass Intentions

March 11– March 16, 2024

Mon 8:00 AM Alex Babiuk†
Tue 8 AM Arne Gustafson†
Wed 8 AM Phit Pham†
Thur 8 AM Jeremias Pacheco†
Fri 8 AM Margarida de Sousa†
Sat 8 AM Glenn Chafe†

5th Sunday of Lent—

March 17, 2024

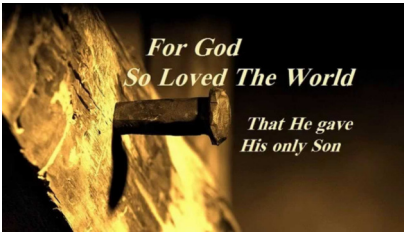
Sat 4:30 PM Hermogenes Francisco†
Sun 8:30 AM Armando† and Gracinda† Ramos
Sun 10:30 AM Parishioners Living and Deceased†
Sun 5 PM Braeden Peterson

Requests for 2024 Masses will now be sent to Holy Spirit Parish, New Westminster.

**Youth Gr 9+ Join us
Monday March 18 for a one evening study on the Passion of Christ**

Good Friday Young Adults...

Meet young adult Catholics in the parish and share a meal



4th Sunday in Lent

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is called Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday...Since this Sunday occurs in the middle of Lent, ...Laetare Sunday reminds us

of the Event we look forward to at the end of the penitential season. ...Rose-colored vestments may replace violet and flowers may grace the altar. These outward signs symbolize the Church's joy in anticipation of the Resurrection, a joy which cannot be contained even in Lent, though we still refrain from Alleluias and the singing of the Gloria until the magnificence of the Easter Vigil.

The central theme of today's readings is that our salvation is the free gift of a merciful God given to us through Jesus, His son. The readings stress God's mercy and compassion and remind us of the great love, kindness, and grace extended to us in Christ. As an act of love and gratitude to God Who is "rich in mercy" and as an expression of our Faith, we are invited to share Jesus' sufferings by doing penance during Lent so that we may inherit our eternal salvation and the glory of his resurrection in Heaven. As we continue our Lenten observance for the fourth week, the Sacred Liturgy invites us to enter more deeply into the mystery of God's grace, mercy and salvation.

John 3:16 is probably the best loved verse in the Bible and it has been called "everybody's text" and the "Gospel of the Gospels." "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." This is the summary of the Gospel message of salvation through Christ Jesus. This text is the very essence of the Gospel. It tells us that God takes the initiative in all salvation because of His love for man. As St. Augustine puts it, "God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us to love." It also explains to us the universality of the love of God. God's motive is love and God's objective is salvation. Those who actually receive eternal life must believe in the Son. "Such depth of God's love this Gospel reveals: God gave the only; Son, allowed the only Son to be "lifted up" on a cross, and now remains patient with us while we struggle with choosing between darkness and light, evil and truth. Moreover, in the very midst of our ongoing struggle, it is God who brings us to greater belief and leads us to eternal. Life. Such is the depth of love God has for us! God's love in unconditional, universal, forgiving, and merciful. Let us try, with His help, to make an earnest attempt to include these qualities as we share our love with others during Lent. <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2018-03/gospel-reflections-sunday.html>

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

March 2 & 3, 2024:

Envelopes: \$5,723.00 Loose: \$36.10

Thank you for your kind support without which we would be unable to minister to the people of this community. May God bless you all.

Easter Services at St. Luke

Saturday/Sunday, March 23 & 24 Palm Sunday

Sat. Confessions: 8:45 am – 10:30 am
(extended)

Sat. Confessions: 4 pm – 4:20 pm

Sun. Altar Server Practice: 12:30—2:30 pm
(for Holy Thursday & Good Friday)

Regular Mass Schedule

Thursday, March 28 Holy Thursday

No morning Mass

Confessions: 9:30 am—10:30 am

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7 pm

Adoration: 8 pm – midnight

Friday, March 29 Good Friday

No morning Mass

Confessions: 9:30 – 10:30 am

Stations of the Cross Dramatization: 11 am

The Passion of the Lord: 3 pm

1st Day of Divine Mercy Prayers after service

Saturday, March 30 Holy Saturday

No morning Mass

Divine Mercy Novena 2nd Day: 11:30 am

Blessing of Easter Foods: noon

Altar Server Practice: 1—2 pm (for the Vigil)

The Great Easter Vigil: 9 pm

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday

Mass: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, & 5 pm

Divine Mercy 3rd Novena: 9:45 am

Monday, April 1 – Saturday, April 6

Mass: 8 am

Regular Confession Schedule

Divine Mercy Novena 4th - 9th Day: 8:45 am

Sunday, April 7 Divine Mercy Sunday

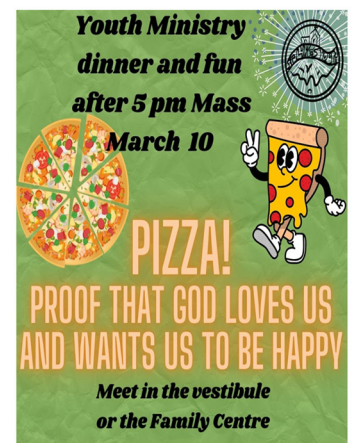
Regular Masses

Divine Mercy Sunday: 2:45 PM Prayers

3 PM Hour of Mercy

Youth Ministry

Join us this
Sunday after
5 pm Mass



This Lent, let's work toward Reaping our Rights. This year, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's Create Hope: Reaping our Rights campaign calls you to stand with small-scale farmers and peasant communities who feed the world while caring for the Earth. Do this by donating online at devp.org/give or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on **March 17**, the fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 73 projects in 36 countries around the world!

2. Learning more by reading the Mini-magazine and other resources available at devp.org/lent/resources.



PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS:

Parishioners are invited to join in a weekly devotion dedicated to praying for our priests and religious on **Thursdays 6:30 - 7:15 PM** in the adoration chapel. Prayer materials will be provided.



CWL will once again offer beautiful locally grown hanging baskets for Mother's Day.

Watch for more information. Thank you.

Our "Amen" is important because that one word means so much, particularly at Holy Communion. First, it is our assent of faith that we believe Jesus Christ is present in the Host we receive, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity.

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