



## March 19, 2017 Third Sunday of Lent

Through the Spirit, Jesus pours his Grace into our hearts to satisfy our greatest thirsts. This 'living water' can soften even the most hardened of hearts.

### Readings for March 26, 2017

1<sup>st</sup> 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6 – 7, 10 – 13a  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ephesians 5: 8 - 14  
Gospel John 9: 1-41



### MASS INTENTIONS – March 19 - 25, 2017

6:30 AM	+ Parishioners of St. Luke's	
7:30 AM	+ Brayleigh Floyd	
8:45 AM	+ Rick Peters	
10:15 AM	+ Michel Abdallah	
11:45 AM	+ Narag Pinzon, in thanksgiving – Sauro family	
1:15 PM	+ Victoriano Hernandez	
5:30 PM	+ Antonio Murillo	
Monday	6:45	+ Atanasio & Alejandra Paraguya
	8:30	+ Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday	6:45	+ Ken Volpi
	8:30	+ In Thanksgiving-Reynaldo Franco
Wednesday	6:45	+ Pio, Luisa Tacan and Irene Amancio Dano
	8:30	+ Jovita Campos
Thursday	6:45	Birthday – Arlene Lytle
	8:30	+ Lily C. Canton
Friday	6:45	+ Mia McQuiddy
	8:30	+ Birgitta Phoompatna
Saturday	8:30	+ Irineo & Adriana De Jesus
	5:30	+ Tony and Edmund Zeiter



### DEATHS

Please pray for the soul of Ruth Campofiroito and Guadalupe Juarez who passed away this week. May God grant them eternal rest and bring consolation to their families.



### PLATE COLLECTIONS

March 12, 2017 \$ 10,372.<sup>00</sup>  
St. Luke School \$ 2,458.<sup>00</sup>

### SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection next weekend supports the Church in Latin America as well as the work of Catholic Relief Services.

## RAPID WEIGHT LOSS

Drop the weight from the burdens, guilt, and grief of sin at the feet of our Savior!

### COMMUNAL CELEBRATION OF PENANCE AT ST. LUKE

Tuesday, March 28 at 7:00 pm.

Attend as a family or as an individual. Priests will be available for confession in English, Spanish, Tagalog, and Vietnamese.

### FOOD FOR FAMILIES

THIS weekend, March 18 & 19, St. Luke's Youth Group will be collecting your non-perishable food for Catholic Charities Food Pantry.



### RICE BOWLS

... are available on the table in the vestibule. Rice Bowl proceeds support the work of the Missionary Church in countries around the world. Remember Lent is a time of **FASTING**, **ALMSGIVING**, and **PRAYER**. Please help us provide basic food products for people in disadvantaged and remote parts of the world. Thank you.



### BISHOP'S MINISTRY APPEAL: IF Not YOU, Who ???

If you missed your opportunity to support the Bishop's Ministry Appeal, it is not too late. Please make your pledge to the BMA today. Pledge envelopes can be found in the vestibule area of the church. Please make checks out to the Bishop's Ministry Appeal Trust.



**St. Luke Youth Group** will be taking your orders for Easter lilies in memory of loved ones to beautify our Easter sanctuary on the **weekend of April 1 & 2**. The money raised **THAT WEEKEND** helps us reach out in faith to the young people of our parish and neighborhoods. It also helps provide an opportunity to send youth to SYLC, the Salesian Youth Leadership Conference, in order for them to better serve our parish and their peers!



### SISTER ODETTA'S BIRTHDAY

Join Sr. Odetta as she celebrates her **80<sup>th</sup> birthday**, Sunday, **March 26** after the 10:15 AM Mass in the gym. Come have some cookies and punch and wish her "abundant birthday blessings,"

because she's been and continues to be such a blessing to all of us!!!



### **LUMPIAS FOR EASTER!**

The Filipino Catholic Families will be accepting pre-orders for lumpias.

Cost is \$5/dozen. Lumpias will be ready for pick-up on Sunday, April 2 after the 10:15 am and 11:45 am masses. Please contact Astrid Antaran at 209-478-4815 or Rose Punzalan at 209-598-8280.

### **A HEARTFELT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM RCIA**

We ask for your continued prayers for those preparing to receive the sacraments at Easter Vigil and throughout the Easter Season. Lift them up in prayer, especially this season of Lent, as they enter the period of purification and enlightenment. Now more than ever, they need our encouragement and our witness of a good and joyful Christian life.

### **TEXAS ROADHOUSE FUNDRAISER**

The **Italian Catholic Federation** is sponsoring a "drive-through" dinner on Monday, April 3. Tickets are only \$15 per person and, in the Italian tradition, there will be *VERY* generous and delicious portions of food! For tickets contact Joe Curtis at 209-406-4778 or Frannie (Curtis) Simmons at 209-670-6914.



**The ICF supports the Bishop's Seminary Burse**, the fund the Church uses to help young men preparing for the priesthood pay for their education. Your support of this fundraiser will allow the ICF #138 to continue to help the Church supply much-needed priests for parishes both now and into the future. Thank you for your support!

### **FATHER RIC FLIES AGAIN!**



Father Ric's pilgrimage to the Holy Land will be October 1-10, 2017.

Father Ric is very familiar with all the best places to visit and tour. If you are interested in going, contact Father Ric ASAP as his tours fill up quickly.

### **From our neighboring Parishes**

Fr. Joe Maghinay invites you to attend a...

### **3 Hour Inter-Parish Lenten Reflection**

March 25, 2017 (Saturday, 9 A.M. to 12:00 Noon)

Guadalupe Hall, **Presentation Church**

We invite participants to bring a dish to share for lunch.

### **...and at St. Bernadette's**

**SHALOM REVIVAL...Friday, March 24, 5 PM - 9:30.**

*an evening of Praise, Preaching & Adoration*

*call 676-0176 for more information*

### **FRUIT OF THE VINE**

Live music, an array of restaurant food



vendors and food trucks, and offerings from local wineries and craft breweries. All funds raised will directly benefit the students of St. Luke School. Tickets are on sale at the school & include wine glass and plate.

**When: Saturday, April 1, 2017 -**

**6 pm - 9:30 pm**

**Tickets: \$30 general admission; \$45 VIP**



Tickets will be sold after Sunday morning Masses on March 26. For details, call the school off, 464-0801, Andrea Bear, 609-6973 or April Rubio, 598-2108.

### **MASS OF THE OILS**

On Thursday, April 6 at 6:00 pm, Bishop Blaire and the priests of the Diocese will celebrate the annual Chrism Mass. As this Mass, all the priests of the Diocese renew their priestly vows. The Bishop blesses and consecrates the sacred oils to be used throughout the year ahead for baptism, confirmation, ordination, anointing of catechumens and anointing of the sick. All are invited.



### **PAULINE BOOK FAIR**

The Pauline Sisters will be at St. Luke's to sell books and other media resources **THIS** weekend, March 18 & 19. Materials will be available in English and Spanish.



### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**



Friday devotionals or Stations of the Cross is held every Friday in Lent beginning at 7:00 PM in the church.

**THIS** Friday the school children will lead their Stations of the Cross at 9:30 AM. All are invited to come to either service.

### **Pope Francis and mothballs ???**

In a recent interview the Holy Father urged lay people to go outside of themselves and take risks in sharing the Faith, rather than staying stuffed up at home while the moths move in. "They have to go out, they have to go and bring the message of Jesus" to others, he said, explaining that the Good News is meant to be shared, not stored away. "The message of Jesus is to give it; Christians shouldn't "can" the message, trying to conserve it in a jar, because "it's not to save, it's to give."