

# St. Luke's Parish

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Masses: Saturday - 5:00 P.M.  
 Sunday - 8:45, 10:30 and 12:15 P.M.  
 Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. - 9:00 A.M., Tue. - 7:00 P.M.  
 Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Tuesday - 7:00 P.M.  
 Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 P.M. and Tuesday after Devotions  
 Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30-4:00 905-881-2786

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This week's gospel invites us to make a response to Christ's call to **"Come, follow me."** It is the will of the Good Shepherd that we follow his lead in helping him to build up his kingdom on earth. This may involve a call to change our way of life and a letting go of past values.

Vocation Sunday speaks of a divine plan unfolding in all of our lives and of the need to put our trust in God who will show us how to co-operate with it. In whatever work we do, we have so much to give and so much to receive. We are called to embrace the challenges of the gospel in our daily lives and act in such a way as to make a difference in our world. The best thing we can do for others is to help them discover how best to find God, discover love and search for a way to serve people in their lives.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday	Soul of <b>Pasquale Gambino</b>
Tuesday	Souls of <b>Rosina &amp; Titta Zannese</b> Souls of <b>Rajpat &amp; Rookmin Teresa</b>
<b>Kawall</b>	Soul of <b>Marika Schmoll</b> Souls of the <b>Bursey Family</b> Soul of <b>Leo Ceolin</b> Soul of <b>Ita Sutikno</b>
Wednesday	Souls of <b>John &amp; Lily Gomes</b>
Thursday	Mass of Thanksgiving – <b>Bernadine Cheung</b>
Friday	Souls of the <b>Troke Family</b>

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

If we experience persecution, we should find joy; it is a sign that we are doing something right. The Gospel is radical, and to live out the Gospel, one must do so radically.

We read about Paul and Barnabas' journey as Christ's apostles in the first reading. A journey they met with great persecution, but rather than becoming discouraged, they "shook off the dust from their feet... and are filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit." The message of Christ is worth sharing. Look at the second reading; this is a celebration of worship for the victory that Christ won. This is the image that drives the two apostles: the image of Christ winning every heart. They are driven by the great love Jesus has for the Church; they are driven by the great love that Jesus has for every sheep in the flock.

What drives our life? What does it mean to act and live a life of humble boldness? Christ calls us every day; do I respond to Him with this great love?

Persecution may come, but the risk is worth it. Souls are worth it, because persecution is temporary but heaven is forever.

**Reflect:**

Often, we cannot recognize Christ's voice because we fill our lives with so many other voices. Take some time this week to list those "other voices" in your life. Ask yourself, are they leading you closer to Christ or away from Him? Ask the Lord to help you "weed out" those voices that cause you to turn away from Him or to sin.

To practice clearing out your mind and heart of those non-essential voices, spend ten minutes in silence each day.

Mindful of the wounds on his risen body, we are filled with a desire for communion with Jesus and we are placed in communion with one another, sharing his ministry of reaching out to the people on the margins, to those who have separated themselves and to those who are isolated and excluded. Creighton Online Ministries.

Please pray for the sick in our community. May the healing power of God touch their hearts and ease their burdens especially: **Maria DiRienzo, Donna Shen, Marie McCarron, Mike McCloskey, Rosaria Lee, Magdalene Ki, Abraham Matias, John Brancati, Tita Mateo and Teresa Kim**

**PRAYER REQUEST LINE**

905 881-2786 ext. 250

May 8, 2022



**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** at St. Luke's Parish is in need of volunteers. In particular, we need someone to audit our books and also people to help with the Poor Box collection after Sunday Masses. Please contact the parish office. Thank you.

## BUNDLE UP WEEKEND

### Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

We will be collecting gently used clothing, footwear and linens **this weekend - May 7-8<sup>th</sup>**. The trailer will be located in the NW corner of our parking lot & will be open from 8:00 am until 6pm on Saturday & from 8:00 until 2pm on Sunday.

Thank you for your donations and for assisting those most in need.

\* We require 1 or 2 volunteers to assist at the trailer ½ hour before each mass to accept the donations & load the trailer to maximize the space.

\*\* Please note **we do not accept** appliances, furniture (including baby furniture) mattresses, dishes, construction material, video tapes or books.

For more information visit [www.ssvptoronto.ca](http://www.ssvptoronto.ca)



This weekend the **Catholic Women's League** will be selling roses for **Mother's Day**. They will be \$2 for 1 rose and 3 roses for \$5.00. Proceeds will be going toward social justice programs the League has planned for this year.

Buy your Mother's Day flowers for mom at St. Luke's at all the weekend masses on the weekend of May 8<sup>th</sup>.

**MOSAIC INTERFAITH** with Temple Har Zion & The Enhancing Social Justice Education Group present a timely and important webinar –

### OUR RELIGIOUS SYMBOLS: Uses and Abuses

**Monday May 9, 2022 at 7:00 pm**

Learn about the meaning and importance of many of our religious symbols. It is also important for parents, educators, and law enforcement to learn how some of these symbols have been distorted and abused by extremist groups and hate mongers .. and how to tell the difference.

For a link to the webinar go to: [www.harzion.ca](http://www.harzion.ca)

## ShareLife

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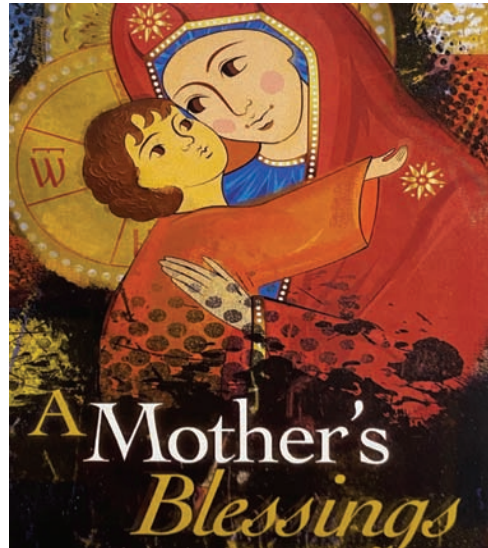
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### ShareLife and the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

When you support ShareLife, you help educate our future priests. Through ShareLife, you invested in our Church's future by supporting 60 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary in this past academic year.

If you have not yet contributed, please make your sacrificial gift through the parish office or at [sharelife.org](http://sharelife.org).

**Thank you for supporting ShareLife!**



*Let us pray*

Good and gracious God, creator of all good things in the universe, your Son, Jesus Christ, loved his Mother and modeled for us how we should love our mothers. Bless all women in our lives who model for us the love of a mother.

Protect them and encourage them to love as you have loved us.

Bless and protect those men in families who have no female partners and give them courage and strength to love their children in the absence of a mother.

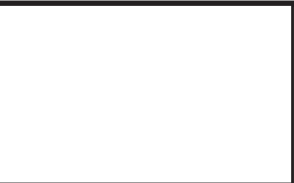
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