



ST. LUCY PARISH eNews - December 2014

Disciples Retreat

A strong table, stool, or tripod uses at least three legs to stand tall and firm. Otherwise it will fall over or be easily knocked. When it comes to our Catholic Faith do we have the same strength? Are we firm in our discipleship of Jesus and his Church?

December 13th is the feast of St Lucy. On this feast day, we are providing a short retreat encounter for you!

This Retreat will guide you to look at your relationship with Jesus using the three pillars of ACTION, DEVOTION, & KNOWLEDGE. It's intended for all parishioners, school parents, liturgical ministers, faith formation catechists, outreach ministers and more.

Presenters will be the Faith Formation & Evangelization Team (Fr. Kevin, Fr. Steve, Irma Alarcon de Rangel, Andrew Brown, Sue Grover, Antonio Ojeda, Patty Osorio & Jason Pyle).

Retreat: Saturday, December 13th, 2014 - 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
5:15 pm: Mass & Parish Feast Day Potluck Reception following

Childcare is available. **RSVP today to Andrew Brown** abrown@dsj.org!

St. Lucy Prayer Shawl Ministry (PSM)

The Prayer Shawl Ministry started over one year ago in July. The PSM consists of thirteen talented and committed women from the community of St. Lucy. In the last year, they have crocheted and/or knitted numerous shawls or lap throws. There have been twenty-eight shawls/lap throws that

were blessed and given out. At least five were given to a surviving family member of a deceased St. Lucy parishioner.

All parishioners are invited to submit a name of a loved one who has experienced an illness, having surgery, the loss of a loved one, celebrating a birthday, anniversaries, and/or a personal achievement.

The PSM meets on the Second Wednesday of each month at 11 am in the PAC room "C". If you would like to join the PSM or simply have a question, please send an e-mail to stlucyprayershaw@dsj.org or leave a message at the Parish Office at (408) 378-2464.

If you cannot knit or crochet you can participate by donating funds to PSM or by donating yarn that is new and in the original package. God Bless.

Influential Communication Workshop

About 25 St. Lucy Ministry Leaders attended a recent workshop on *Influential Communication* led by **Effective Training Associates Inc.** This was the second class presented by Sue Smith and her team to help St. Lucy support leadership development within our parish. Spanish translation was available at both classes.

All attendees actively participated in several activities that made the principles presented easy to understand and apply. Participants had lots of questions that were answered by the presenter. Many asked when the next class will be offered.

We are planning an additional one or two classes during the first 6 months of 2015. If you are interested in attending a Leadership class or have a suggestion for the focus of our next class, please contact Raymond Langford at the Parish Office - rlangford@dsj.com or (408) 378-2464.

Volunteers Needed for St. Lucy:

- **ADA Volunteer** - Someone is needed to help with the weekly tasks of updating the ADA posters, and keeping the pews stocked with ADA brochures for the 10 week period from Jan 24 - Apr 5. No public speaking or handling of donations is required. Contact Bach Nguyen at 408-540-4969 or bachnguyen89@yahoo.com if you are able to help.
- **Sunday 7am Cantor**
Do you like to sing? Would you like the opportunity to lead the music at the 7am mass? We need someone one Sunday a month. Jeanne,

our current cantor, is willing to share resources to help you make this a fun and exciting experience! Contact Jeanne at JML50@mac.com

- **Need help?** If your ministry would like to have a volunteer opportunity listed here, please send it to SLPeNews-Editor@dsj.org .

Upcoming Events - December 2014

Date	Time	Event	Location
Dec 3	7:30 PM - 9:30 PM	St. Lucy Christmas Concert	Church
Dec. 4	3:30 PM	Pro-Life Awareness Ministry meeting	PAC - B
Dec. 5	6:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Bilingual Reconciliations and Spanish Prayer Group	Church
Dec. 10	7:00 PM	Social Justice Ministry meeting	Parish Office Conference Room
Dec. 11	10:30 PM - 11:30 PM	Our Lady of Guadalupe Vigil Mass	Church
Dec. 11	9:30 PM - 2:00 AM	Our Lady of Guadalupe Vigil & Mañanitas	PAC A/B/C
Dec. 12	4:00 PM - 10:30 PM	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe	PAC A/B/C
Dec. 13	All Day	Feast of our patron - Saint Lucy	
Dec. 15	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Parish Advent Reconciliation Service	Church
Dec. 24	4:00 PM	Children's Mass - ENGLISH	Church
Dec. 24	6:00 PM	Mass - ENGLISH	Church
Dec. 24	8:00 PM	Mass - SPANISH	Church
Dec. 25	12:00 AM	Midnight Mass - ENGLISH	Church

Dec. 25	7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Christmas Day Mass - ENGLISH	Church
Dec. 25	1:00 PM	Christmas Day Mass - SPANISH	Church

SAINT LUCY FEAST DAY IS DECEMBER 13TH

December 13th is our patron saint's feast day! Saint Lucy (Santa Lucia) was a young virgin martyr in Syracuse, Sicily (Italy) in the late 200s A.D. who was put to death in 304 A.D. Excavation in Syracuse revealed a tomb dating to the 4th century with an inscription that it belonged to St. Lucy (her relics were removed hundreds of years after her death and are believed to currently be in Venice, Italy). Beyond this, little factual information is known about St. Lucy. Her name, Lucia in Italian, is believed to be derived from the Latin Lux, a term for "light." The earliest known written information about St. Lucy's story is from the late 400s, Acts of the Martyrs, which indicates there was already veneration shown to her by that time. By the 6th century, legends about St. Lucy had spread throughout Italy and other parts of Europe.

Saint Lucy is the patron saint of the blind.

St. Lucy Links...

Parish Office: 408-378-2464

[St. Lucy Parish Website](http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/) – <http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/>

[Bulletins](http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/Bulletins.html) - <http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/Bulletins.html>

[Homilies](http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/events.html) - <http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/events.html>

[Leadership Summaries](http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/Leadership.html) - <http://www.stlucy-campbell.org/AboutUs/NewsEvents/Leadership.html>