

**Easter Sunday** April 16, 2017 † [goodshepherdchurch@frontiernet.net](mailto:goodshepherdchurch@frontiernet.net) † [www.gsceeg.org](http://www.gsceeg.org)

He is  
risen!



*Good Shepherd Catholic Church*

**Church, Office & School**  
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Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8am - 5pm  
Closed for lunch 12-1pm  
Closed Wednesdays

**Mission Statement:**

Good Shepherd Catholic Church is a diverse parish community; guided by the Holy Spirit into One Flock, following Jesus Christ, Our Good Shepherd to live and proclaim the Word of God.  
**We Value:** Life Long Faith Formation | Sacramental Devotions  
Evangelization | Community Service | Social Justice



## Parish Registration and Change of Address

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide weekly offering envelopes Yes No



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Easter 2017

Dear Parish Family,

*Easter provides an enormous injection of hope for the human spirit--and how much it is needed. There is a lot of tragedy in life. Good things are destroyed. Good People are cut down; Thomas Moore, Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King, Jr., Oscar Romero and of course, Jesus. He too was cut down. But, He rose again!*

*The world didn't take much notice of the resurrection of Jesus. The reason for this lies in the fact that it was a humble, hidden event. Jesus did not appear in triumph in the Temple of Jerusalem, humiliating those who humiliated Him. Only those He called by name with which He broke bread and to whom He spoke words of peace were aware of what happened. And even they had difficulty in believing. Like us, they were slow to believe. Yet, it was this hidden event that freed humanity from the shackles of death.*

*Jesus rose as a sign to those who loved Him that God's love is stronger than death. At Easter we still feel the pain of the world, the pain in our families and among our friends and the pain in our own hearts. But a new element has been introduced into our lives. It doesn't remove the pain, but it gives it a meaning. It lights up with hope. All is different because Jesus is alive and speaks His words of peace to us as He spoke them to the Apostles.*

*Faith in the resurrection of Jesus is the basis of our hope of eternal life, a hope which enables us to bear patiently the trials of life. Therefore, there is a quiet joy among us and a deep sense of peace, because we know that life is stronger than death, love is stronger than fear, and hope is stronger than despair.*

*On behalf of my clergy team, Fr. Lester, Deacon Bill Sousa, Deacon Ed Smith and the parish staff of Good Shepherd, I offer my gratitude and deep appreciation for your ongoing support of our great parish of Good Shepherd. May the Risen Christ continue to send His abundant blessing upon your family during this Easter season.*

*Devotedly yours in Christ,*

*Fr. Leon Juchniewicz*

*Pastor*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Monday:	Monday within the Octave of Easter; Income Tax Day
Tuesday:	Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
Wednesday:	Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
Thursday:	Thursday within the Octave of Easter
Friday:	Friday within the Octave of Easter
Saturday:	Saturday within the Octave of Easter; Earth Day

## Parish News

**Please note that the parish office will be closed on Monday, April 17, 2017.**

### DO YOU WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

Announcing the Good Shepherd's **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** Process for Catechetical Year 2017-2018. The RCIA Team will have Q&A sessions after the showing of an excellent documentary called *Convinced*. You can view the trailer at <http://donjohnsonministries.org/convinced/>. Join us in the John Paul II Conference Room on one or more of these Sundays from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.: Apr. 30, May 21, June 25 and July 30, Aug. 6 and Aug. 13. A mandatory session will be held on Sunday, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. for all Inquirers who will be ready to participate in the RCIA Process. For more information, contact Verne at [verne.bowers@advent-ca.com](mailto:verne.bowers@advent-ca.com) or by phone at (916)479-3930.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

All Catholic eighth grade students who are members of Good Shepherd Parish and who will attend a catholic high school are invited to participate in our 2017 High School Scholarship Contest. Three scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded. For entry forms visit the KofC website at [www.laguna-knights.org](http://www.laguna-knights.org).

### KINDERCHURCH NEWS

Kinderchurch would like to thank all those who volunteered their time and/or items for last weekend's Easter Egg Hunt. Your contributions are greatly appreciated. Kinderchurch is looking for additional volunteers to assist with the ministry. If interested please contact us at [kinderchurch@gscceg.org](mailto:kinderchurch@gscceg.org) for more information.

## St. Vincent de Paul News

Due to the rainy weather, through the month of April, **please make all non-food donations on Mondays at the SVdP locker between 8:00—11:00 a.m. while our volunteers are present.**

On April 3rd we served 42 families consisting of 157 people and gave out 157 boxes of food.

The food locker will be closed on Monday, April 17th. Regular SVdP locker hours are Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Volunteers are always welcome. To volunteer, contact us at (916) 647-1243.



## Upcoming Events

### The Divine Mercy 2017 Novena Schedule

April 14th & 15th at 3:00 p.m.  
Easter Sunday, April 16th at 2:30 p.m.  
April 17th & 18th at 9:15 a.m.  
April 19th at 9:45 a.m.  
April 20th & 21st at 9:15 a.m.  
April 22nd at 8:30 a.m.

The Divine Mercy Ministry cordially invites you to attend The Celebration of the Feast of the Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 23, 2017 at the 1:00 p.m. Mass. **Please note:** Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be held right after Mass followed by a reception at the Parish Hall. For more info, please call (916) 203-8765.

### Men's Day of Faith Renewal

April 29th at St. Mel Parish in Fair Oaks. Sign up at [www.smpcevents.org](http://www.smpcevents.org) or call Chuck at 916-635-7791 for more information.

### Apologetics Toolkit

The Evangelization Outreach ministry invites you to join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the church as we shine the light on some key Catholic topics which you might be questioned about such as, faith & works, the Eucharist, and Mary's role in the church. Apologetics is the defense and explanation of the teachings, beliefs, and practices of the Catholic Church. Come join us and learn some great things!

### GSCC Wine & Food Dinner June 3, 2017 – SAVE THE DATE

If you're looking for a new opportunity for fellowship, mark your calendars for Saturday, June 3 for a very special evening on the Rectory patio as GSCC hosts our third annual Wine & Food Dinner starting at 6:30 PM. Tickets for this five-course dinner will go on sale April 29 after all Masses.

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, April 15, 2017**

**8:00 pm**

Easter Vigil

No Mass Intentions

**Sunday, April 16, 2017**

**7:00 am**

Karl Christian Arana (SI-H)

Jose Samaniego Sr. (+)

Fely Samaniego (+)

Teresa Samaniego Skinner (+)

**9:00 am**

Anastacia Villa Juan (BD)

Nate Keaton (BD)

Mattathil Family (SI)

Myrna Quero Panelo (+)

Eileen Schneider (+)

**11:00 am**

Agnès Sheller (SI)

Daniel Sheller (SI)

Isaac Sheller (SI)

Nenita Go-Fontanilla (+)

Encarnacion Rojas (+)

**1:00 pm**

Lalie Digal (90yrBD)

Michael Beaty (+)

Anastacio Dominguez (+)

Hilario Escudero (1yrDA)

All souls in purgatory (+)

**Monday, April 17, 2017**

**8:30am**

Carmen Cua (BD)

Owen Magtoto (BD)

**Tuesday, April 18, 2017**

**8:30am**

Len Beltran (TG)

**Wednesday, April 19, 2017**

**8:30am**

Michele Hunt (BD)

Paulin Ong Sr. (DA)

Drexel K. Wesleder DA)

**Thursday, April 20, 2017**

**8:30am**

Anthony Salgado (BD)

Rebecca Urbano (+)

**Friday, April 21, 2017**

**8:30am**

Urbana Flores (+)

**Key:**

*Deceased (+) Thanksgiving (TG) Death Anniversary (DA)*

*Birthdays (BD) Special Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA)*

*(SI-H) Special Intention for healing*

## Stewardship at Good Shepherd

- Collection total for April 1/2 = **\$21,008.75**  
*(includes Faith Direct)*
- 2nd Collection for Building Fund = **\$7,285.80**
- Collection total for April 8/9 will appear in next week's bulletin.

*Thank you for your generous support. Your ongoing donations are essential in helping us meet the many needs of the parish and community.*

### E-Giving with FaithDirect

The Lord is risen! As Christ's disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting Good Shepherd with electronic donations through Faith Direct. You can sign up online by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: **CA688**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!



*This is the  
day the Lord  
has made;  
let us rejoice  
and be glad.*

## Parish Staff

**Pastor: Rev. Leon Juchniewicz**

Parochial Vicar: *Rev. Lester Menor*

Deacon: *William Sousa*

Deacon: *Edward Smith*

Office Manager: *Denise Wesleder*

Parish Office Receptionist: *Monica Goodale*

**Catholic Faith Formation: (916) 683-2963**

Director, Faith Formation: *Sr. Sibebe Gaya Moreira, VDMF*

Coordinator, Religious Education: *Menchie Cabrera*

ONE EIGHT/EDGE Confirmation Preparation Coordinators:

*Elizabeth Pott & Scotia Burrell*

Life Teen Coordinator: *Brennen Cull*

## Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. at the church, or by appointment.

**Baptism:** Parents and godparents please see our baptism information at [www.gscccg.org](http://www.gscccg.org) regarding scheduling for the baptism class.

**Marriage:** Engaged couples begin preparation a minimum of six months prior to the date of the wedding. Please contact the parish office to schedule.

## St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School

**K-8 Principal:** *Trina Koontz (916) 684-7903*

[tkoontz@stelizabetheg.org](mailto:tkoontz@stelizabetheg.org)

**Preschool Director:** *Tammy Babich (916) 691-4825*

## Schedule

**Mass Times:**

*Saturday at 5p.m. Vigil*

*Sunday at 7, 9, 11a.m. and 1, 5p.m.*

*Weekdays at 8:30 a.m.*

*First Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m.*

*Holy Days of Obligation - 7p.m. Vigil, and*

*8:30 a.m. and 7p.m.*

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** 9, 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.

Masses on Sunday. **Kinderchurch:** 9 a.m. Mass only

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

**First Thursday,** silent adoration, with prayers of devotion - 6 to 9 p.m. **First Friday,** Exposition at 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. with *Divine Mercy* chaplet and solemn benediction.

Diane Marcotte

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