

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

September 25, 2016 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*Designated Holy Door
Pilgrimage Site*

Church, Office & School

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Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8am - 5pm
Closed for lunch 12-1pm
Closed Wednesdays



2016

H O L Y Y E A R O F M E R C Y

December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016

Corporal Works of Mercy

Feed the hungry
Give drink to the thirsty
Clothe the naked
Shelter the homeless
Visit the sick
Visit the imprisoned
Bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

Admonish the sinner
Instruct the ignorant
Counsel the doubtful
Comfort the sorrowful
Bear wrongs patiently
Forgive all injuries

Pray for the living & the dead

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. Sibele 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 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.

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

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School

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

tkoontz@stelizabetheg.org

Preschool Director: Tammy Babich (916) 691-4825

Schedule

Mass Times:

Saturday at 5p.m. Vigil

Sunday at 7, 9, 11 a.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, and 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.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10



Parish News and Announcements

Jubilee Year of Mercy

Jubilee for Catechists

Amos castigates religious people who, "comfortably complacent" (6:1, 5), ignore the unfolding collapse of culture, nation, religion (6:6). In Jesus' parable, such complacency becomes the rich man's undoing. He neither hurt nor harmed Lazarus, neither denied him leftovers nor ordered him removed. That is Jesus' devastating point. The rich man did nothing wrong to Lazarus; he just did nothing at all good for him. Only in death, separated by "a great chasm" (Luke 16:26), could the rich man finally see Lazarus, whom he had failed to see in life, right before his eyes. Like the rich man's "five brothers still in my father's house" (16:27-28), we who are alive in the Church still have time to see that same Someone, Jesus, lying neglected right at our door--and time to do something. Who, specifically, concretely, practically, is Lazarus in my life? What can I do for that Jesus-in-the-flesh during this Jubilee Year of Mercy?

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The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

We still have room to accommodate Inquirers who wish to participate in this year's RCIA Process with a cut-off date of October 16th to be considered for Easter reception. Please call Verne Bowers at 916-479-3930 or email rcia@gscceg.org.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian
Tuesday: St. Vincent de Paul
Wednesday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions;
St. Wenceslaus
Thursday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael,
Archangels
Friday: St. Jerome
Saturday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus;
First Saturday

Evangelization Outreach Ministry invites you to join us for Father Leon's Summer Reading Book Club discussion on October 12, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Church. Books are still available for purchase for \$5.00.

Please keep an eye out for the Lighthouse Kiosk which will be in the Narthex every 2nd weekend of the month after every mass. Books and cd's will be available for purchase, including "Confessions of a Mega Church Pastor" and other new releases.

A Prayer for Our Country

O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care.

Most Holy Mother, we beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection.

Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life. *Amen.*

Parish News

Good Shepherd Fall Festival

The Fall Festival is this weekend. Please come join the fun and if you still haven't bought your raffle tickets, there's still time! The raffle will be at 2:00 on Sunday afternoon.

The festival will feature games, food, sweet shops, entertainment, and much more. You can even escape the heat and play some Bingo in the nice cool youth room. See you all there!

October 15th-Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day

Have you suffered the loss of a baby during pregnancy or after birth? If you or someone you know has, you are not alone. With help from God, our faith, and each other, the Elizabeth Ministry would like to give you the opportunity to honor the many babies we hold in our hearts. All are welcome to join the Elizabeth Ministry on **Saturday, October 15th for 5:00 p.m. mass.** We will have time for fellowship and will provide supplies for you to personalize candles from 3:30-4:45 pm in the St. John Paul II Room. Immediately following mass, we will gather in the Our Lady of the Divine Shepherd Prayer Garden for our 4th Annual Candlelight Prayer Service. Light refreshments will be served. Questions? Contact Celeste at 916-769-8448 or email elizabethministry@gscceg.org. For more information on national events visit <http://www.october15th.com>.

School News

You're invited to the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School Family Dinner Night Out Fundraiser at Rubio's from 4:00-8:00 p.m. on October 12th. Download or print the flyer from the SEAS or Good Shepherd website and bring it with you. Electronic versions shown on your mobile device will be accepted, too. Be sure to share your flyer with family and friends. All dine-in and take-out purchases are eligible but each purchase must be accompanied by a flyer. Thank you for your support!

Kinderchurch News

Thank you for all of the wonderful donations given to our Adopt-a-Bear Booth. We are very lucky to have so many generous people in our Parish. The children that go to our booth will definitely have fun with their new friends. Thank you again!

Kinderchurch families please check your SPAM folders if you are not receiving our emails. Classes have begun and registration is officially open! If you are interested in volunteering please let us know. More information can be found at www.gscceg.org and you can email any questions to kinderchurch@gscceg.org.

St. Vincent de Paul News

Sutter Health will again be providing Free Flu Shots for all who qualify this Monday, 9/26/16, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. To qualify, you must have Medicare part B and must NOT have an HMO Supplement Plan (Kaiser, Health Net, Medicare Advantage, etc). Sutter will provide the shot to anyone who wants one at a cost of \$30.00. Cash or check accepted. No appointment required.

This week we were able to help 51 families consisting of 197 people and 179 boxes were given out. We are in need of canned soup, baby wipes and diapers. We are also accepting donations for the "New Truck" fund. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Beginning October 1st, the SVdP locker hours will be from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Volunteers are always welcome. To volunteer, contact us at (916) 647-1243.

Upcoming Events

Novena to St. Therese

Sept. 23-Oct. 1

Flower Power? What really is that? Join us for the Novena to St. Therese on the following dates.

Sept. 26-28—7:00 p.m.

Sept. 29—6:00 p.m.

Sept. 30—7:30 p.m.

Oct. 1—following morning mass

40 Days for Life

September 28—November 6

Believers are invited to join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. The designated vigil site for our church will be at 1442 Ethan Way in Sacramento (across from Cal Expo). Pro-Lifers will be there Monday through Friday, 7am to 7pm. Good Shepherd parishioners will be at the clinic from 10:00 to 11:00am every Tuesday. We will meet in the narthex after morning Mass if you would like to carpool. For more information please contact Diane Lloyd at (916)582-4312 or visit 40daysfor-life.com/sacramento.

Bible Study - Fall Session

We will be focusing on Paul's Letter to the Corinthians. Meeting every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Materials available for purchase for \$15. Contact Kerry (510) 304-4978 or Donna (916) 208-1363. Drop-ins welcome. Please check gscceg.org for updated schedules.

Good Shepherd Grief and Bereavement Ministry, "Hearts of Compassion,"

will offer seven weekly group sessions 9/12/16 - 10/24/16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room in the Narthex. This ministry provides support to those who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. For more info, call Suzanne at (916) 801-0561. All are welcome!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016

5:00 pm

Kyle Kloeppel (SI)
Michelle Kelly (DA)
Zoraida Ruiz (+)
Peter An Tran (DA)
Frank Young (+)

Sunday, Sept. 25, 2016

7:00 am

Oscar Aguilar (BD)
Evangeline Arevalo (SI)
Alfredo Batoon Sr. (DA)
Mary Kessinger (+)
Patsy Ludwig (1yrDA)

9:00am

Josephine Marquez
Banggawan (DA)
Emerito Lopez (+)
Francisco Parcutilo (DA)
Paulina Parcutilo (DA)

11:00 am

Eleanor Balneg (TG)
Jouie & Lerida Torneros (TG)
Victor Luchico (SI-H)
Crisostomo Balneg, Jr. (+)
Jared Crisologo Smith (+)

1:00 pm

Caridad Inagapad (BD)
Mike Hernandez (SI-H)
Maria Dolores Anguiano (+)

5:00pm

Marie Anne Legaspi (BD)
Jesus Mendoza Estavillo (+)
Susana Gayon (+)
Amelito Lising (+)
All souls in purgatory (+)

Monday, Sept. 26, 2016

8:30am

Austria family (TG)
Matilde Palmer (BD)
Norman Tinio (BD)
Fernando DeLara (+)
Zoraida Ruiz (+)

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2016

8:30am

Carlos B. Lim (+)
Zoraida Ruiz (+)
Angeles Urbano (+)

Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2016

8:30am

Liwanag Domingues (+)
Zoraida Ruiz (+)

Thursday, Sept. 29, 2016

8:30am

Dela DeGuzman (BD)
Carl Mogavero (+)
Nancy Maria Olivares (+)
Michael Salgado (3yrDA)
Al Sandberg (DA)
Zoraida Ruiz (+)

Friday, Sept. 30, 2016

8:30am

Zoraida Ruiz (+)
Roger Vizcarra (+)

Key:

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

Birthday (BD) Special Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA)

(SI-H) Special Intention for healing

Stewardship at Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Collection total for Sept. 10/11 = \$17,814.53

(includes Faith Direct)

2nd Collection for Priests Retirement = \$6,334.50

Collection total for Sept. 17/18 = \$17,690.76

(includes Faith Direct)

2nd Collection for Louisiana Flood Relief = \$5,184.31

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

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ONE FLOCK ONE FAMILY

18th Annual Parish Festival

Celebrating the Year of Mercy

Don't Miss Out!

PARISH FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 24 & 25, 2016

The Marketplace

Are you interested in having a booth at our annual Marketplace? Stop by the Parish Office for a registration form or download it from our website.

Annual Parish Dinner

Buy Your Tickets Today!

This event WILL sell out. Our annual Parish Dinner occurs under the lights in the Good Shepherd Plaza complete with a five-course dinner, live auction, and fun. Look for more information on our spectacular New Orleans themed dinner in next week's bulletin.

TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Following Mass



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

Please fill out and deposit in Offertory Basket. Thank You!