

# Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Celebration of Mass

February 7-8, 2026 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Entrance: [Come Now Is The Time To Worship](#)

*Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.*

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One day ev'ry tongue will confess you are God.

One day ev'ry knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those who  
gladly choose you now.

*Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God.  
Come.*

## Penitential Act: *Confiteor*

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Kyrie, éléison

Christe éléison

Kyrie éléison

Glory to God (Mass of Spirit and Grace)

*Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will.*

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the  
Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

# Liturgy of the Word

## Readings from USCCB

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# Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things  
visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only  
Begotten Son of God, born of the Father  
before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God  
from true God, begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father; through him  
all things were made. For us men and for  
our salvation he came down from heaven,

(Bow your heads)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of  
the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# Presentation of the Gifts I: A Light to the Nations

You built a city on mountain peaks.  
Your voice from heaven in thunder speaks  
the great commandment, compelling us  
to a world that needs to know your love.

*A light to the nations,  
a great celebration  
of the mercy that is lavished on us.  
A hope for the hopeless,  
a sign of forgiveness;  
God let us be a light to the nations.*



Restore the zeal of your holy Church,  
a Pentecost and a second birth.  
Your love within us, a beacon bright  
to a world that needs  
to know your might.

*A light to the nations,  
a great celebration  
of the mercy that is lavished on us.  
A hope for the hopeless,  
a sign of forgiveness;  
God let us be a light to the nations.*

Our greatest fear is our light,  
not our darkness.

We're meant to shine,  
manifesting your greatness.

A city set on a hill for all to see,  
Oh let us be:

*A light to the nations,  
a great celebration  
of the mercy that is lavished on us.  
A hope for the hopeless,  
a sign of forgiveness;  
God let us be a light to the nations.*

# Preparation of the Gifts II: Our Hope and Our Salvation

Come, O Christ's beloved,  
come draw near to him;  
laying down your troubles,  
let your new life begin.  
Leave behind your burdens;  
cast aside your shame.

The Son of God the Father,  
Lord o'er all the world,  
gave us life eternal  
through his cross and blood.  
Our chains are truly broken,  
our chains are truly broken!

*Blessed be our God,  
the Father of us all,  
who gave to us a savior  
to save us from the fall:  
the light of every nation,  
our hope and our salvation.*

Behold in faith the victor,  
God's begotten Son,  
death by death defeated,  
our freedom he has won.  
Exalt the Lord in triumph,  
exalt the Lord in triumph!



*Blessed be our God,  
the Father of us all,  
who gave to us a savior  
to save us from the fall:  
the light of every nation,  
our hope and our salvation.*

All power, all honor, all glory are yours,  
as always and now is forevermore.

Rise up, holy people;  
sing your songs of joy.  
What love in love has given,  
death could not destroy.  
Christ the Lord is risen!  
Christ the Lord is risen!

*Blessed be our God,  
the Father of us all,  
who gave to us a savior  
to save us from the fall:  
the light of every nation,  
our hope and our salvation.*

# Liturgy of the Eucharist

Holy, Holy, Holy (Mass of Spirit and Grace)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he

who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

# Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this Bread and drink this cup, we  
proclaim your death, O Lord, until You come  
again.

# Great Amen

Amen, amen, amen.  
Amen.

## Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, grant us peace, grant us  
peace.



# Pre-Communion Prayer: Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
pure and holy, tried and true;  
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you.

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# Communion I: Tend the Ground

*We till the earth, we tend the ground,  
sowing hope and peace where none is found.  
In selfless love God's life abounds.  
We will the earth, we tend the ground.*

As God provides our every need,  
with grateful hearts let us receive  
these gifts of love, and make return  
to bless the world, to bless the world.

*We till the earth, we tend the ground,  
sowing hope and peace where none is found.  
In selfless love God's life abounds.  
We will the earth, we tend the ground.*

All creatures share one common home,  
one loving God, one song of hope.  
The rocks cry out and praises ring,  
rise up and sing, rise up and sing!

*We till the earth, we tend the ground,  
sowing hope and peace where none is found.  
In selfless love God's life abounds.  
We will the earth, we tend the ground.*

With open hand our Lord has giv'n  
his life for all that we might live.  
No greater love is there than this,  
no greater love, no greater love.

*We till the earth, we tend the ground,  
sowing hope and peace where none is found.  
In selfless love God's life abounds.  
We will the earth, we tend the ground.*



Where hardened hearts  
have turned to greed,  
trampling upon the fledgling seed,  
help us to tend to others' needs,  
open our eyes, open our eyes.

*We till the earth, we tend the ground,  
sowing hope and peace where none is found.  
In selfless love God's life abounds.  
We will the earth, we tend the ground.*

On rocky paths and trodden roads,  
Lord, clear the ground  
where thorns have grown.  
Give us the grace to follow you.  
Make straight the way,  
make straight the way.

*We till the earth, we tend the ground,  
sowing hope and peace where none is found.  
In selfless love God's life abounds.  
We will the earth, we tend the ground.*

Let plows be forged  
from swords that kill.

Let tools of war be shaped to till  
and break the hard and stony ground.

Lord, bring your peace,  
Lord, bring your peace.

*We till the earth, we tend the ground,  
sowing hope and peace where none is found.  
In selfless love God's life abounds.  
We will the earth, we tend the ground.*

Let mercy fall on us like rain  
to clear the air and heal the pain.  
Where sin has broken bonds of love  
let mercy reign, let mercy reign.

*We till the earth, we tend the ground,  
sowing hope and peace where none is found.  
In selfless love God's life abounds.  
We will the earth, we tend the ground.*



## Communion II: By Our Love

*By our love, by our love,  
They will know we are Christians  
by our love.*

*Not by words, but how we live,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love.*

When we feed the hungry,  
they will know by our love,  
Lifting up the lowly,  
by our love, by our love.  
We are one in the Spirit,  
we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity  
may one day be restored.

*By our love, by our love,  
They will know we are Christians b  
y our love.*

*Not by words, but how we live,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love.*

Welcome to the stranger,  
they will know by our love,  
Shelter for the homeless,  
by our love, by our love.  
We will walk with each other,  
we will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the news  
that God is in our land.

*By our love, by our love,  
They will know we are Christians  
by our love.*

*Not by words, but how we live,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love.*

Freedom to the captive,  
they will know by our love,  
Comfort to the broken,  
by our love, by our love.  
We will work with each other,  
we will work side by side,  
And we'll guard each one's dignity  
and save each one's pride.

*By our love, by our love,  
They will know we are Christians  
by our love.*

*Not by words, but how we live,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love.*

We sing praise to the Father,  
from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus,  
his only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit,  
who makes us one,  
They will know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love.



*By our love, by our love,  
They will know we are Christians  
by our love.*

*Not by words, but how we live,  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians  
by our love, by our love.*

# Communion II: Hold on to Love

There is a place for the sadness.

Hold on to Love.

There is a season of gladness.

Hold on to Love.

When pain and confusion seem endless,

Hold on to Love.

We cultivate healing through kindness.

Hold on to Love.

*Hold on to Love,  
Where hope is found.*

*Hold on to Love,  
Where joy abounds.*

*Hold on to Love,  
Where grace and mercy's overflowing.  
Hold on to Love.*

When terror and fear overwhelm us,  
Hold on to Love.

Courage and faith will sustain us.  
Hold on to Love.

When violence seeks to destroy us,  
Hold on to Love.

Acts of compassion restore us.  
Hold on to Love.

*Hold on to Love,  
Where hope is found.*

*Hold on to Love,  
Where joy abounds.*

*Hold on to Love,  
Where grace and mercy's overflowing.  
Hold on to Love.*

When hatred is used to divide us,  
Hold on to Love.

Wisdom and truth reunite us.  
Hold on to Love.

When prejudice poses as freedom,  
Hold on to Love.

Dignity means “all are welcome!”  
Hold on to Love.

*Hold on to Love,  
Where hope is found.*

*Hold on to Love,  
Where joy abounds.*

*Hold on to Love,  
Where grace and mercy's overflowing.  
Hold on to Love.*

## Communion III: Unwavering

Blessed are the poor, the kingdom is theirs,  
alive in the promise to be dead to the world.  
Blessed are the meek, in awe of you, Father;  
the world at your right hand,  
the Spirit of truth.



*Unwavering is your voice,  
unwavering is your hand;  
unwavering is the heart  
that bled for the sins of man.  
Unwavering is your will,  
unwavering is your plan;  
the fount of salvation  
on which we will stand.*

Blessed are the righteous on bended knee,  
bound in this freedom, committed to you.  
Blest are those who see the heights of glory  
found in the valley, in suff'ring for you.

*Unwavering is your voice,  
unwavering is your hand;  
unwavering is the heart  
that bled for the sins of man.  
Unwavering is your will,  
unwavering is your plan;  
the fount of salvation  
on which we will stand.*

Send us out to be  
your hands and feet....

*Unwavering is your voice,  
unwavering is your hand;  
unwavering is the heart  
that bled for the sins of man.  
Unwavering is your will,  
unwavering is your plan;  
the fount of salvation  
on which we will stand.*

# Meditation: You Are the Light

You are the light that stands alone  
in depth of night and eye of storm.

Where shadows fall, you enter in;  
ignite with hope what dark has dimmed.

And though our eyes may fail to see,  
it is the heart that's given sight  
through night and storm, to trust in you.

Upon our path you are the light.

You are the word that's written deep  
within the hearts of all who long  
for endless days beyond the skies,  
for peace on earth, a kingdom come.  
We sing the name that heals our souls,  
and share the way, the truth, the life.  
For hearts that long, both lost and found,  
we speak the word: you are the light.

O you are God who spoke the dawn;  
the savior son who came in flesh  
to be a lamp for wand'ring hearts,  
to steal our darkness by your death.  
And as you rose, you gave us peace,  
your Spirit gift to kindly lead.  
Sweet mystery, how true you guide.  
We look to you; you are the light.



# Recessional: City of God

Awake from your slumber!

Arise from your sleep!

A new day is dawning for all those who weep.  
The people in darkness have seen a great light.

The Lord of our longing  
has conquered the night.

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*Let us build the city of God.  
May our tears be turned into dancing!  
For the Lord, our light and our love,  
Has turned the night into day!*

We are sons of the morning;  
we are daughters of day.  
The one who has loved us  
has brightened our way.  
The Lord of all kindness  
has called us to be  
A light for his people  
to set their hearts free.

*Let us build the city of God.  
May our tears be turned into dancing!  
For the Lord, our light and our love,  
Has turned the night into day!*

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