

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

9539 Racquet Court, Elk Grove, CA 95758

Pastor: Rev. Chris Frazer
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Edgardo Garcia
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Bill Sousa
Deacon: Rommel Declines
Deacon: Al Llenos



Mission Statement

Good Shepherd Catholic 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 and Social Justice

Directory of Services and Ministries

Parish Office: 916-684-5722
Fax: 916-684-4472

Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs. and Fri. 8 to 5 (Closed for Lunch from 12 pm to 1 pm.)
Closed on Wednesdays and all Major Holidays

Email: goodshepherdchurch@frontiernet.net
Website: www.gscccg.org

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC SCHOOL K-8

9539 Racquet Court, Elk Grove, CA 95758
Office: 916-684-7903

Principal: Marci Greene
mgreene@stelizabethg.org
Preschool Director: Tammy Babich
916-691-4825

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
(CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM)**
916-683-2963

Religious Education Coordinator:
Menchie Cabrera:
goodshepherdcff@frontiernet.net

**EDGE Coordinators: Elizabeth Pott and
Scotia Burrell (Confirmation prepara-
tion)** goodshepherdedge@gscccg.org

Life Teen/high school- Youth Minister:
Joshua Hollcraft: lifeteen@gscccg.org

Parish Life Ministries

Bible Study for adults: Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00pm. Various studies throughout the school year. Please call the church office at 916-684-5722

Knights of Columbus: A fraternal international organization open to all male Catholics focused on charitable services and giving. Contact Nick Suarez at <http://www.laguna-knights.org>

Respect Life: Committee members seeks to increase awareness concerning the value of Life from conception to natural death. Contact Gary Hickman at respectforlife@gscccg.org

Social Committee: The committee organizes fundraising events throughout the year, and all other parish wide reception events. Contact Cathy Lorda at socialcommittee@gscccg.org

Youth Group: Also known as LifeTeen is open to all high school youth who wish to explore and deepen their faith. Contact Joshua at lifeteen@gscccg.org. Meet every Sunday at 5pm at Mass followed by gatherings at 6:30 in the youth room (building closest to racquet club).

Santo Nino Prayer Group: The prayer group seeks to propagate and spread devotion to the Holy Infant Jesus and our Blessed Virgin Mary. Contact Agri or Tessie through the church office.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Staffed by volunteer catechists, this program is for those considering to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church whether baptized in another denomination or baptized Catholics lacking in all other sacrament(s). Contact Valerie or Carlos Ramos at rcia@gscccg.org

Bless These Rings Marriage Preparation classes: Meets several times throughout the year, in September, January and May on the 4 Thursday evenings of those months. Must sign up in the church office before attending the class.

Outreach Ministries

Lazarus Ministry: Members journey with bereaved family members in preparing for the Vigil Service and Funeral Mass. Contact Liz Ponce at lazarusministry@gscccg.org

Hearts of Compassion Ministry: provides support to parishioners/family/friends experiencing the loss of a loved one. Provide support through group discussions usually over a 6-8 week period. **Contact Suzanne Dodd or Parish Office-(916) 684-5722**

Elizabeth Ministry: Provide support and encouragement to other women experiencing either the a joy or crisis related to pregnancy or childbirth. Contact Celeste Hickman at elizabethministry@gscccg.org

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Provides food, clothing, partial rent and utility assistance to those in need on a case by case basis. Contact Judith Marshall at svdp@gscccg.org **916-647-1243.**

Schedule of Masses

Mo.—Friday 8:30 am

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 pm

First Saturday—9:30 am

Sundays: 7 am, 9 am, 11 am,
1 pm and 5 pm

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil 7 pm; Day 8:30 am & 7 pm

Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday 3:30 pm—4:30 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every **first Thursday** of the month from 6 pm to 98 pm, with silent adoration followed by vocal prayers lead by devotional groups.

Every **first Friday** of the month, from 10 am to 3 pm with Divine Mercy Chaplet and solemn benediction.

Baptism—Parents need to call the parish office to register for baptism preparation classes, a requirement prior to the scheduling of the child's baptism date. Please visit our website to download General Instructions and necessary forms for church documentation.

Marriage—Engaged couples should begin preparation a **minimum** of six (6) months prior to the date of the wedding. Please call the parish office to schedule an appointment with one of the priests. For more information visit our website and click on the Marriage site.

Funeral Arrangements—Arrangements for Funeral Mass to be celebrated at Good Shepherd are usually made through the Funeral Director. Please call the parish office for more information.

Answering God's Call to Belong

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers: Open to all boys and girls who have received their First Eucharist and Reconciliation, in 4th grade 10 years old and older, and enrolled in the CFF Program or SEAS. Contact Irene or Natalie Camerino at altarservers@gscceg.org

Art and Environment: The committee works to enhance the theme of the liturgical seasons in the church environment. Contact Terry De Frates at environment@gscceg.org

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Designed to introduce children 1st through 4th grades to the Word of God in age appropriate language during homily. Volunteer catechists are usually parents who are in good standing with the Catholic Church. Contact Kate Le at clow@gscceg.org

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Communion: Distribute holy communion during all liturgical celebrations. Contact Clara Evans at emhc@gscceg.org.

Homebound Ministry: Visits the sick in their home, local assisted facilities, hospitals to administer Holy Communion and pray with them. Contact Pat Viduya at homeboundministry@gscceg.org

Lectors: Proclaim the Word of God during the Liturgy of the Word. Contact Chris Faull at lectors@gscceg.org

Martha Ministry: Members diligently and reverently care for all the altar lines, purificators, and towels used during Mass. Contact Junia dela Cruz marthaministry@gscceg.org

Mass Coordinators: Oversees the proper set up and functioning of all scheduled liturgical ministers. Contact Gary Watson at masscoordinator@gscceg.org

Ushers: Greets and assist parishioners with seating and/or special needs during Mass and responsible for taking collections. Contact Ed Camerino at ushers@gscceg.org

Evangelization

Couples for Christ: An international Catholic movement focused on individual, family and church renewal. Contact Ernie and Nita Sahagun at couplesforchrist@gscceg.org

Cursillo: An international lay movement focused on evangelizing through living our faith. "Make a friend, be a friend, and bring a friend to Christ." Contact Monica Small at cursillo@gscceg.org

Divine Mercy Charismatic Group: A charismatic prayer group composed of Christian Catholic families dedicated to bringing Christ to the families and families to Christ. Contact Rolly and Susan Gonzales at dmcg@gscceg.org

Legion of Mary: A worldwide organization who offer their services to their pastor by assisting him in performing spiritual works of mercy within the parish community. Contact Tina Sandoval at legionofmary@gscceg.org

Evangelization Outreach Ministry (EOM)—supports and serves our parish and surrounding communities in the efforts of bringing lifelong faith formation through special events which deepens relationships to Christ and transforms society and culture. For more information please contact Donna Gutierrez at outreach@gscceg.org

Vocations Ministry: Promotes vocations to the priesthood and religious life within the faith community. Contact Vanessa at orvanetfabela@aol.com

Music Ministries

Adult and Youth Music: six adult/youth choir groups leading the congregation with liturgical hymns during Saturday/Sunday Masses. Contact the pianist [at the Mass](mailto:attheMass) **time you attend or call the church office.**

Educational and Sacramental Preparation Ministries

Baptism: Volunteers assist the clergies prepare for the Sacramento of Baptism with the once a month Baptism Preparation Classes and setting up for the celebration of the sacrament. Contact the church office at: gscceoffice@frontier.com

Catholic Faith Formation: This program is for Grades 1-8 and is staffed by volunteer catechists certified by the diocese through the Religious Education Office. Contact Menchie Cabrera at goodshepherdcdff@frontiernet.net

KinderChurch: A parent participation ministry for 12 months through Kindergarten children to learn about our Catholic faith through age appropriate stories. Contact Victoria Garcia at kinderchurch@gscceg.org