

PALM SUNDAY

March 25, 2018

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Good Shepherd Catholic Church

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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

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.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School

K-8 Principal: Marci Greene (916) 684-7903

mgreene@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 8:30 p.m. **First Friday**, Exposition at 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. with Divine Mercy chaplet and solemn benediction.

PASSION

The contrast between the processional reading in today's liturgy and the proclamation of the Passion is striking. We are given a glimpse of how profoundly the word of God is fulfilled in Jesus. First he must be hailed as the Messiah, the One who is to come. He must be acknowledged by all, though they do not know what they are saying. They think he is the promised king, a worldly king of the Jews who will free them from the Roman occupation. They do not yet understand, even the disciples, exactly where this triumphal procession is leading. In our lives, we too do not know where we are going. It is in faith that we can follow Christ wherever he may lead us, trusting that death is not the end, nor evil the victor.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Monday:	Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday:	Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday:	Wednesday of Holy Week
Thursday:	Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum
Friday:	Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence; Passover begins
Saturday:	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night; Holy Saturday

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	Is 52:13 -- 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 -- 19:42
Saturday:	a) Gn 1:1 -- 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 -- 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 -- 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass)

Easter Sunday Mass Schedule:

Masses will be held at 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. There will be no 5:00 p.m. mass on Easter.

Parish Office Closure:

Please note that the parish office will be closed on April 2nd.



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Ministry Highlight

The Divine Mercy Charismatic Group

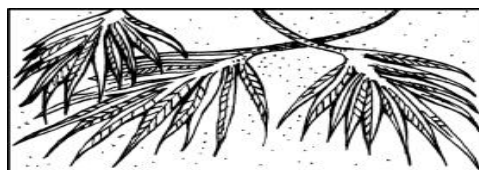
The Divine Mercy Family Prayer Group - Catholic Christian families dedicated to bringing CHRIST to the families and families to CHRIST. Our goals are to create a loving-family type of environment for men and women (young and old), where everyone is encouraged to grow as a servant of God; to follow JESUS, as model, in living and sharing our gift (talent and time) to our family, church (Good Shepherd), friends and neighbors. The group meets every second Saturday of the month at 3:30 p.m. in the St. John Paul II room next to the parish office. For more information about the group, please call (916) 203-8765 or email us at sugonzales@msn.com. "Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

The Divine Mercy 2018 Novena

Schedule as follows:

Fri. March 30th and Sat. March 31st @ 3:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday, April 1st @ 2:30 p.m.
Mon. April 2nd and Tues. April 3rd @ 9:15 a.m.
Wednesday, April 4th @ 9:45 a.m.
Thursday, April 5th @ 9:15 a.m.
Friday, April 6th @ 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 7th @ 8:30 a.m.

The Celebration of the Feast of the Divine Mercy will conclude on Sunday, April 8 at the 1:00 p.m. Mass. Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be held right after Mass followed by fellowship in the Fr. Philip Wells Hall. For more information, please call: (916) 203-8765.



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Upcoming Events

Holy Week Confession Schedule

Mon. March 26 & Tues. March 27: 10:00 a.m. –noon
Wed. March 28: 10:00 a.m. –noon and 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross— There will be no stations of the cross on Wed. 3/28. However, we will have Last Supper, Calvary Walk and Live Stations of the cross on Holy Thursday at 10:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross will also be held on Good Friday at noon.

Good Friday Collection— Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Please make your check payable to Good Shepherd. Thank you for your generosity.

Blessing of the Baskets—The Blessing of the Baskets will take place on Holy Saturday at 3:00 p.m. The three part blessing prayers specifically address the various contents of the basket with special prayers for the meats, eggs, cakes and breads. Bring wine for the Easter table as well.

Holy Saturday Pilgrimage—Radio Santissimo Sacramento invites you to join them on a journey of sacrifice and prayer on March 31st. For more info, visit www.radiosantisimosacramento.com or call 916-442-7389.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School Openings

Are you interested in Catholic education for your child? St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School has a few openings in 3rd grade beginning in the 2018-19 school year. There is a one-time scholarship available for first-time applicants. For more information and a tour, please contact the principal, Mrs. Marci Greene, (916) 684-7903.

Hearts of Compassion/Bereavement Ministry

Good Shepherd Grief and Bereavement Ministry, "Hearts of Compassion," will offer seven Monday evening group sessions beginning April 9 thru May 21 from 6:30- 8:00 p.m. in the conference room. This outreach ministry, led by grief peer counselors, provides support to parishioners and their family and friends who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. For more info, please call Suzanne at 916- 801-0561. All are welcome!

Christ the King Retreat Center

Our parish has scheduled retreat times each year and parishioners can call the retreat center to find a retreat that best suits them. Upcoming retreats for men and women will be held in April. Retreats are a valuable way to become closer to Christ. For more info, contact Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center at 916-725-4720, or visit <http://christthekingretreatcenter.org/>.

St. Vincent de Paul News

St. Vincent de Paul Society wishes to thank you again for all you do to help us provide for those in our community who are in need. **Please do not leave perishable food in the cart in the Narthex. It will spoil and be thrown out.**



Please note that the locker will be closed on Monday, April 2nd. From October-April our hours will be Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. For assistance, contact us at (916) 647-1243.

Life Teen News

If you are a high school teenager, come be a part of Good Shepherd Youth's Life Teen group! Every Sunday, 5:00 p.m. Youth Mass followed by "Life Night," 6:30-8:30 p.m. This Sunday (March 25) is Palm Sunday and we are getting ready to head into the last week of Lent. Join your peers as we take a look at what this week means. There is NO Life Night next Sunday (Easter Sunday). Contact Joshua Hollcraft for Life Teen questions at lifeteen@gscccg.org.

Kinderchurch News

The 7th Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be this morning, March 25th after the 9:00 a.m. mass at the SEAS track/field. \$5 per child or \$10 family (fundraiser event for the Kinderchurch Ministry). Activities include an egg hunt, bubble station, face painting, chalk art contest, raffles and more!

Good Shepherd Silver Jubilee 25th Anniversary

We are celebrating our 25th Anniversary with events planned throughout this year. Contact: Betty or Steve at 916-683-3088 or email 25thanniversary@gscccg.org.

WANTED: Silver trays, 13 1/2" or larger for parish silver anniversary gala centerpieces. We welcome loans which would be returned, donations, or we are willing to buy for \$5 or less. These will be used for our April anniversary celebrations.

Save these Dates:

•**Now** - You can purchase leaves for the Tree of Life for \$300. Thank you to all who've already purchased them and for those generous larger donations to this project.

•Bring in your **NON-returnable**, unframed pictures of your GSCC memories to the parish office or give to Betty or Steve by March 31st for a special collage. Pictures should be no larger than 4"x6" and must have the date and names on the back of the picture. Remember... these **images will not be returned to you.**

•The next general meeting is Monday, **April 2 at 6:30 p.m.** in Room A St. Lucia (5th grade). All are welcome.

•**April 21st-** Jubilee Mass celebrated with Bishop Soto and past and present Clergy; includes the unveiling of two very special bricks St. John Paul II had installed in 2000 to seal one of the Holy Doors in Rome.

•**April 22nd** - Receptions following each of the Masses; open to all parishioners to attend (no tickets needed).

•**June 23rd** Fundraiser - Cook-off and Micro Brew picnic

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 24, 2018

5:00 pm

Joy Cabangon (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Primitiva Quero Panelo (+)
Arsenio Sahagun (+)
William Sweeney (+)
Edilberto Tuzon (+)

Sunday, March 25, 2018

7:00 am

Leonardo Cortez (+)
Serapion Cortez (+)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe(+)
Victims of Abortion (+)

9:00 am

Toots Adornado (+)
Joy Cabangon (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Ramon Orzalas (+)
Myrna Quero Panelo (+)
Mark Watson (+)

11:00 am

Nenita Chagas (+)
I.K. Mathew (DA)
Encarnacion Rojas (+)
Felisa Vergara (+)
John Valenciano (DA)

1:00 pm

Lisa Ortiza (SI-H)
Brianna Uzoh (SI)
Nenita Chagas (1yrDA)
Otilia Pajares Machuca (+)

5:00pm

Mariano P. Perez (DA)
All Souls in Purgatory (+)

Monday, March 26, 2018

8:30 am

Joy Cabangon (+)
Juanita Cabrera (+)
I.K. Mathew (DA)

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

8:30 am

Eddie Cabrera (BD)
Guillermo Naval Sahagun (DA)

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

8:30 am

Alba Escarez (4yrBD)
Aaripina Baeza (7yrDA)
Dinah G. Martin (+)
Robert Palmers (DA)
Carole Raasch (+)

Thursday, March 29, 2018

8:30 am

Holy Thursday -no Morning Mass
And No Mass intentions
for our 7pm Mass

Friday, March 30, 2018

8:30 am

Good Friday -no Mass

Key:

Deceased (+) Thanksgiving (TG) Death Anniversary (DA) Birthday (BD) Special Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA) Special Intention for healing (SI-H)

Stewardship at Good Shepherd

Collection total for March 17/18 will be 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 Faith Direct

During Lent, we focus our daily activities on growing closer to Christ through an increase in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. It is a wonderful goal to try and extend some of the changes we make in our lives beyond the liturgical season. Signing up with *Faith Direct* is a great way to focus on almsgiving throughout the year. It is a secure and convenient way to make a conscious decision about your financial support of our many wonderful ministries. You can find paper enrollment forms in the parish office, or you can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net by using our church code, **CA688**.

Silver Jubilee

Join us as we celebrate the
25th anniversary of the parish

Saturday, April 21, 2018



Liturgy 5:00 p.m.
Bishop Jaime Soto, Celebrant

\$75.⁰⁰
per person
Adults only

Gala Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Fr. Philip Wells Hall

Black Tie/
Cocktail
attire

*Gala dinner reservations accepted after Masses beginning
March 3/4, 2018, and in the parish office on weekdays.
Please watch for reservation forms available in the bulletin.*

All are welcome to attend 25th Anniversary receptions
following all Masses on
Good Shepherd Sunday, April 22, 2018



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 _____

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