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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.gscceg.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: Marci Greene (916) 684-7903

mgreene@stelizabetheg.org

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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:

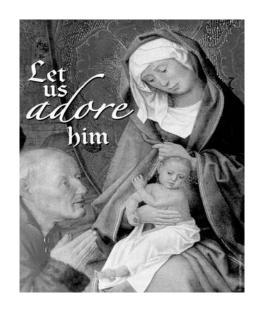
First Thursday, silent adoration, and with prayers of devotion - 6 to 8:30 p.m. First Friday, Exposition at 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. with Divine Mercy chaplet and solemn benediction.

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LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Epiphany can be understood as an extension of the Nativity of the Lord that we celebrate on December 25. While at Christmas we celebrate Jesus' coming as the long-awaited king and Messiah of the Jewish people, on Epiphany we celebrate the revelation that Jesus is the Savior and Light of all nations—Jews, Gentiles, and all people.

The star shines so brightly that it attracts magi who come from far distant countries to worship Jesus. They are not Jews, yet they are drawn to the Light of the world. The letter to the Ephesians reveals that the Light of the world was for the Gentiles as well as the Jews—Christ gathers all people into the light of his love. The reading from Isaiah also describes a gathering of diverse peoples, but this time it is to the light that emanates from the people of God.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;

Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;

Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10;

Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;

National Migration Week

Monday: St. André Bessette

Tuesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;

Julian Calendar Christmas

Fellowship Breakfast

Please join in Fellowship! What a great way to start your new year! Mark your calendars. All are welcome to our Fellowship Breakfast on Sunday, January 12th following the 7:00 a.m. Mass with continuous serving until shortly before the 11:00 a.m. Mass begins. We encourage those who regularly attend the 11:00 a.m. Mass to join us beforehand to enjoy breakfast. The meal is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and hosted by the Hospitality Ministry. It's a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners!

13th of the Month Rosary

Our 13th of the Month Fatima Rosary prayer will be on Mon., Jan. 13 after the 8:30 a.m. mass in the church. Please join us and let us make Our Blessed Mother smile and happy as we obediently fulfill our promise to her......pray, pray, pray the Rosary everyday.

Environment Change

The Art and Environment Ministry will be changing the church environment back from Christmas to ordinary time on January 18th at 9:00 a.m. This is a large undertaking that will require lots of help. Sign up under the volunteer link on our website. Your help will be much appreciated!

St. Vincent de Paul News

Thank you for all you do to support SVdP. We must follow strict guidelines on what can be safely distributed to those who come for food on Mondays. Therefore, we request that the following items NOT be placed in the wagon in the narthex: fresh food, expired canned goods, partially consumed foods, or medications of any kind. On December 23rd we served 57 families consisting of 263 people and gave out 235 boxes of food.

Food distribution hours are Mondays from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Please note that there will be no food distribution on December 30th. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.

Parish News

LifeTeen

Sunday evening Life Nights will resume with our spring kick-off on Feb. 2nd. Until then . . . Join us for the Walk For Life on January 25th! Parents and kids—stay up to date on our activities by registering on our website to receive text updates.

Grief Support Sessions

St. Joseph's Ministry of Consolation will be offering seven weekly grief support sessions on Wednesday mornings from Jan. 8 until Feb. 19, 2020 from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. We are present for those grieving the loss of a loved one or other significant loss in one's life. This ministry takes place in the context of faith, and is caring, supportive, and compassionate. For more info, please contact Marilyn at 916 769-5835 or Mary Ellen at 916 893-8863.

Stay inFORMED

Remember to make it a point to enjoy the free movies, books, talks, and study programs on **formed.org** that are provided to you at no cost by Good Shepherd. Visit our website and click on the "Formed" link on the home page for free access.

Download Our Parish App!

Don't forget to check out our app, MYPARISH. This is a great tool to stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar and much more! Download it at myparishapp.com, search your phone's app store for myparish, or click on the MYPARISH icon under the "more/parish resources" tab on our website.

Ministry Highlight

Social Committee

Our Social Committee is a very active service ministry. Often, our function is to set up for an event, organize food, serve our guests, and clean up. A few of the events the Social Committee has participated in this year have been the receptions for Father Chris, pancake breakfasts and reception for Father Baptista. The Social Committee will be putting on our 25th annual Crab Feed on February 29th.

We are open to all parishioners who enjoy serving others, meeting people, and spending time with our parish family. We meet the first Monday of each month. We would love for you to join us! If you are interested, please call Cathy at 916-947-9483.

Upcoming Events

Walk for Life West Coast 2020

The 16th Annual Walk for Life in San Francisco is Sat., Jan. 25th, 2020. For the 14th year, we are chartering buses to attend the Walk. The cost is \$25/person. Please consider joining us to stand against the culture of Death and proclaim life in our Lord. For more information about the Walk, please visit www.walkforlifewc.com or email Gary Hickman at greenhope28@yahoo.com.

Retreat For Our Parish Women

Join the women of the parish for the annual retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center on the weekend of January 10-12. The retreat theme this year is "Meeting Jesus Again as if for the First Time Reflecting on the Gospel of John." Reserve your space by calling 916-725-4720 or online at christthekingretreatcenter.org. For more information you can also call Suzanne at 916-801-0561.

St. John Caregiver Support Group

The St. John Caregiver Support Group will be meeting on Dec. 12th from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. Anyone caring for a disabled person is encouraged to attend. For more info, contact Norma at nf972419@gmail.com.

Religious Education Raffle Basket Fundraiser

Congratulations to all our CFF Raffle Basket Winners!!!

Basket 1 (Disney Vacay) Toni Westermann

Basket 2 (GSCC Events) Barbara Casey

Basket 3 (Come Away With Me) Jennifer Garcia for Melanie Tuason

Basket 4 (Lake Tahoe) Christopher Edralin

Basket 5 (Jumbo TV & Soundbar) Tim Treichelt

Basket 6 (All About Me) Deborah Sauls

Basket 7 (Royal Experience) Diane Pittenger

Basket 8 (Smart Home) Marylane Deatherage

Basket 9 (Nintendo) Carline de Vera

Basket 10 (This Queen Does Not Cook) Emilie Hoang

Basket 11 (Apple of My Eye) Samantha Angeles

Congratulations to all the winners. Thank you to all of our CFF families for your continued support of our Religious Education Ministry. Big thanks also to our parishioners for their support and participation. Special thanks to Al & Irma Michel, Deacon Bill & Sharon Sousa, Mike & Elizabeth Pott, Michelle Hayes, Sophia of La Posh Salon, Knights of Columbus and Ruth & Terry de Frates.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 4, 2020 5:00 pm

Marilou Agustin (SI-H)
Pablo Torrella (SI-H)
Vicente Torrella (SI-H)
Grand Canyon Hiking Group (SI)
Domingos Fagundes (+)
Remedios Paneda Fines (+)

Sunday, January 5, 2020 7:00 am

Grand Canyon
Hiking Group (SI)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Alfred and Helen Lial (+)

9:00 am Samuel Mark (+)

11:00 am

Lamberto Bachiller (SI-H) Eileen Carreon (BD) Yumena & Mercado family (SI) Bachiller & Corpuz family (TG) Brad Poling (+)

> <u>1:00 pm</u> Fr. Edgardo Garcia (SI)

5:00 pm Richard Ramirez (DA)

Fr. Christopher Frazer (SI)

Monday, January 6, 2020 8:30 am

Arlene Martin (+) Angeline L. Pawid (DA) Luis I. Pawid (+)

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 8:30 am

Pablo & Felicidad Almodovar (+) Manuel & Tina Marquez (+) Alfred Solorio (1yrDA)

Wednesday, January 8, 2020 8:30 am Harold Hale (SI-H)

Thursday, January 9, 2020 <u>8:30 am</u>

Friday, January 10, 2020 8:30 am Alice Cardozo (+)

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

- Collection Total for Dec. 21/22: \$19,620.28
- The collection total for Christmas and December 28/29 will be in next weekend's bulletin.

(Weekly total includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful feast of Epiphany. We are thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but we realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, Faith Direct. Faith Direct will automatically process any offertory or second collection donations of your choosing. You can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: CA688.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

Good Shepherd's 25th Annual Crab Feed



Sat., Feb. 29th, 2020 Father Phillip Wells Hall

6:00 pm to 11:00 pm 6 pm ~ No Host Bar 7 pm ~ Dinner Served Tickets on Sale Jan. 11~12

\$50.00 per person Table of 10 ~ \$450.00*

*Must be paid in one transaction to receive the \$50.00 discount

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