

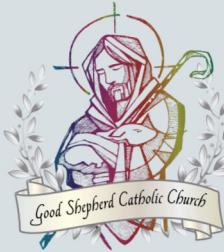
# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • JANUARY 24, 2021

## Good Shepherd Catholic Church

### 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



Jesus came to Galilee  
proclaiming the gospel of God:  
“This is the time of fulfillment.  
The kingdom of God is at hand.  
Repent, and

*believe  
in the  
gospel.”*

MARK 1:14-15



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### Schedule

#### Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Vigil  
Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11 a.m. and 1:00  
and 5:00 p.m.  
Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.

### Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the John Paul II Room.

**Baptism:** Parents and godparents go to [www.gscceg.org/sacraments/baptism](http://www.gscceg.org/sacraments/baptism) for more information.

**Marriage:** Engaged couples begin preparation at least six months before wedding date. Schedule with parish office.

## A NEW DAY DAWNS

Today we hear how Jonah, sent by God to warn the people, storms through the streets of Nineveh, scaring the citizens out of their wits. And it works! God has a change of heart, seeing "by their actions" how the people turn from evil (Jonah 3:10). A new day dawns.

Next we hear Paul telling the Corinthians, "The world in its present form is passing away" (1 Corinthians 7:31). He calls for a change of heart. Stopping short of telling them to stop carrying out their everyday activities, he urges them—rather mysteriously—to live "as though" they aren't doing the things they are doing. A new day has dawned.

Finally, Jesus stands on the shore and cries, "The kingdom of God is at hand!" (Mark 1:14). Simon and Andrew abandon their nets—and even their father—and follow him. A new day had dawned.

Everyone has to change when a new day dawns: the Ninevites, the Corinthians, the apostles, even Jesus! Didn't a new day dawn today for us as well?

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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
Tuesday:	Ss. Timothy and Titus
Wednesday:	St. Angela Merici; Tu B'Shvat (Jewish new year of trees) begins at sunset
Thursday:	St. Thomas Aquinas

### Connect With Good Shepherd

There are several ways to stay connected and aware of what is going on at our parish.

- **Our website, [www.gscceg.org](http://www.gscceg.org).** There you will find links to watch Mass online, information regarding schedule changes and links to other online resources.
- Download **our app, My Parish.** We use the app to send out important messages. The app also includes links to daily Mass, scripture readings, etc.
- **Our YouTube channel.** Search for "Good Shepherd Catholic Church Elk Grove" and subscribe to our channel. You'll be able to view our Sunday Mass.
- **Our Facebook page.** Search for "Good Shepherd Catholic Church" and find the page with our picture. We post most recent information and links to Mass, etc.
- **Evangelus.** Allows us to send email and/or text messages to parishioners. Please contact us at [gscdevelopment@frontier.com](mailto:gscdevelopment@frontier.com) to be added to our email list.

### Stay Informed!

Remember to make use of our subscription to **Formed.org**. It's a huge multimedia library that is available to you at no cost. Explore books, movies, guided prayer and more. This is especially valuable right now. They even have faith based children's programs and books!



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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday:	Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
Friday:	Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday:	Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

### Thank You From Father Julius

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Christians and the staff office members for the best wishes they accorded me when was marking 10 years of my priestly ordination. I felt blessed and May God bless you too for your brotherhood and sisterhood.

Best Regards,  
*Father Julius*

### Farewell to Fr. Chris

We have been fortunate to have Father Chris Frazer as our Pastor for the past 18 months. However, as of February 1, Father Chris will be reassigned as Vicar General for the Diocese of Sacramento. Since we are unable to have a farewell gathering, Father Chris will be at all Masses on the weekend of January 30 & 31 to say goodbye. If you would like to send a card or note for him you may mail it to the parish office.

Please join us in welcoming **Father Michael Vaughan** as our new Pastor. Father Vaughan is the current Vicar General.

## **2020 Tax Statements**

Please remember, if you require a tax statement for your church donations, you must call or email the church office **unless you have previously requested a tax statement.** If you have requested a tax statement in the past, there is no need to contact us.

## **Donation Request**

The parish is in need of plain white hand towels to be used at baptisms. If you would like to donate some, please drop them off at the parish office. Thank you.

## **Catholics Returning Home**

Do you know someone who has left the Church? Most of us do not have to look very far to find non-practicing Catholics in our circle of family and friends. Many of us are concerned about these loved ones, but we don't know how to help them. Obviously, most of them are searching, but how can we help them find their way home?

As baptized practicing Catholics, we have a precious gift of faith and love from the Lord that needs to be shared with our non-practicing brothers and sisters. First, we need to pray for them. Next, we need to extend a personal invitation to them to come home to the Catholic Church. Most non-practicing Catholics are waiting for an invitation to return. Many mistakenly think they are excommunicated and are not welcome to return for a variety of reasons.

Our "Catholics Returning Home" ministry is here to help non-practicing Catholics return to the Church. The series begins **Thurs. February 11th.** Please pick up a brochure and a registration form and pass it on to anyone you know who might be interested. Or you can download a brochure and registration form from our website. Registration ends on Feb. 4th. For more information, please call Verne Bowers at 916-479-3930.

## **St. Vincent de Paul News**

 Thank you for all you do to support SVdP. We are currently not accepting clothing or household goods. We also ask 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. Food distribution is on Mondays from 10:00-11:00 a.m. **SVdP has funds available for Utility assistance for our 95757 and 95758 residents. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.**

## **Bring Last Year's Palms**

Please bring your palms from last year and drop them in the baskets in the Narthex. They will be burned for the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

## **Christ the King Retreats**

Christ the King Retreat Center is offering virtual retreats for the rest of the Retreat Season. The retreat "We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe" will be offered Jan 29-30 and March 26-27 (for women). The men's retreat will be Feb 26-27 and April 16-17. These weekends are open to any parish group or individuals. For more information and to register visit [christthekingretreatcenter.org](http://christthekingretreatcenter.org) or call the Retreat Center at 916-725-4720 ext.305 or Suzanne Dodd at 916-801-0561.



## **Knights of Columbus Laguna Council # 11236**

The Knights of Columbus are looking for a few good men! If you are interested in joining the largest Catholic men's fraternal organization then look no further. We are your Priest (Fr. Chris and Fr. Julius ), we are your Deacons (Deacon Bill and Deacon Rommel ). We are many of the Lectors, EM's, Ushers, and many Parish Ministry Leads are Knights. Chances are the Catholic man that sits in front or behind you at Mass is a Knight. We do great things at Good Shepherd. For more info contact: Richard Thompson (916) 895-9121 or [uwdawg1950@gmail.com](mailto:uwdawg1950@gmail.com). God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

## **Employment Opportunities**

Looking for an opportunity to share your talents in our faith community? St. Francis Catholic High School is currently seeking to expand and diversify our candidate pool for all current and future employment opportunities. At this time, we have an open call for applications and resumes in teaching, administrative support, athletic, and other positions. For more information please visit: [www.stfrancishs.org/careers](http://www.stfrancishs.org/careers). In the spirit of Pax et Bonum, we look forward to receiving and reviewing your application!

The Diocese of Sacramento also has several open employment opportunities. For a full list of positions throughout the diocese, visit [www.scd.org/employment](http://www.scd.org/employment).

## **Attending Mass**

All of our Masses will continue outside until County health ordinances change. PLEASE be mindful that if there is a change due to inclement weather an email will be sent to all who have signed up to attend Mass. Our website will also be updated. It's a good idea to always check your email and/or our website before coming to Mass. Thank you to everyone who continues to sign up online to attend. And please remember it's important to arrive at least 15 minutes early to Mass!

## *Praying For Our Community*

*We lift up their names in our prayers of the faithful*

### **Saturday, January 23, 2021**

#### 5:00 pm

Barbara Swingle (BD)

Robert Tan (+)

Reynaldo & Juanita Castro (+)

Aida de la Vega (DA)

Frank & Maria Macedo (+)

### **Sunday, January 24, 2021**

#### 7:00 am

Deacon Rudi Fernandes (DA)

Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)

#### 9:00 am

Marie Perez (SI-H)

Aquilina Ceballos (+)

Rick Perez (+)

#### 11:00am

Huong Banh (SI-H)

Phat Banh (+)

Eddie & Ella Saez (WA)

Charles Cuny (+)

#### 1:00 pm

Steven P. (SI)

Arcadio Gabito Fruto (+)

#### 5:00pm

Ivan Castellanos (+)

Jeanette Ford (+)

### **Monday, January 25, 2021**

#### 8:30 am

Eddie & Ella Saez (WA)

Selvathy Joseph (+)

### **Tuesday, January 26, 2021**

#### 8:30 am

Jocelyn Enriquez (BD)

Felipe Enriquez (DA)

Jorge Fernandez (DA)

Buenaventurada Roblon (+)

### **Wednesday, January 27, 2021**

#### 8:30 am

Philipson Cossid (BD)

Jeffrey Gunabe (BD)

Mary Machado (+)

Agostinho & Merces Martinho (+)

Mathew (DA)

### **Thursday, January 28, 2021**

#### 8:30 am

Jovita Candalla (DA)

### **Friday, January 29, 2021**

#### 8:30 am

Lilian Soto (BD)

Ivan Castellanos (+)

Jeanette Ford (+)

#### **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*

Christmas collection total: \$35,386.75

Weekly collection total: Jan 2/3 = \$22,740.50 ~ Jan 9/10 = \$14,552.21

(weekly total includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

This new year is filled with hope and promise – opportunities abound to grow our vital ministries, explore new ways to share the good news of Christ's love, and reflect His care and mercy to those in need throughout the community. To continue to make a difference in 2021, Good Shepherd is reaching out to our parishioners. Begin the new year with eGiving to help sustain and build ministries throughout 2021 that reflect the promise of God's love. The need is great in our community, and your generous online gifts will help people all around us.

We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

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