

The people of Good Shepherd Catholic Church
joyfully commemorate 25 years as a parish family
united in faith, hope and love.

January 28, 2018
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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LifeTeen Coordinator:
Joshua Hollcraft

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.

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
Preschool Director: *Tammy Babich (916) 691-4825*

Schedule

Mass Times:
Saturday at 5p.m. Vigil
Sunday at 7, 9, 11 a.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.

Liturgy of the Hours:

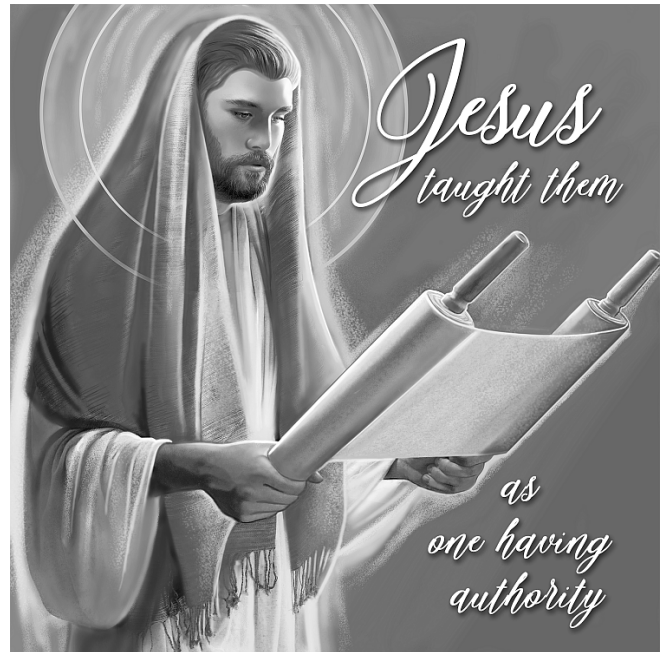
Weekdays at 7:45 a.m. in the Church

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

TRUE PROPHETS

In Deuteronomy today we hear that God's very words will fill the mouth of a true prophet, but a false prophet will, in a manner of speaking, put mere mortal words into God's mouth. In Mark's Gospel, we see Jesus teaching and healing as a true prophet, one filled with the authority of God's own voice. The whole history of our church is filled with both true and false prophets. Some false prophets were extremely popular and quite well-versed in scripture, and even held positions of authority. But in today's Gospel we learn that Jesus' fame spread because he taught with authority; he wasn't an authority because he was popular or famous. Elsewhere, we also learn from him, in his desert temptation confrontations with Satan, that anyone can quote scripture, even against God's purposes. Today we hear that his authority was not like that of the scribes, who held the official positions of religious authority in his day. Our work is to do our best to discern the true prophets in our midst, and to be true prophets as well. The psalmist tells us how to do this: by not hardening our hearts when God speaks. If we truly listen to God, it will be God's very words filling our mouths.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catholic Schools Week
Wednesday: St. John Bosco
Friday: The Presentation of the Lord; Groundhog Day;
First Friday
Saturday: St. Blaise; St. Ansgar; First Saturday;
Blessing of Throats; Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 -- 19:3; Ps 86:1-6;
Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19,
22-23; Mk 1:29-39

2017 Tax Statements

Please remember, if you are requiring a tax statement for your church donations, you must call or email the church office. **If you requested a tax statement last year, you will automatically receive one this year.**

Schedule Change

Please note that the time for First Thursday adoration will now be beginning at 6:00 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m.

Ash Wednesday (February 14th)

The schedule of Masses for Ash Wednesday is as follows:
7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m, 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Important Message

It has been brought to our attention that there was a family begging for money after Masses this past Sunday. They are telling parishioners that they have permission from Father. Please follow these guidelines ALWAYS: The first thing we never want to do is give ANY cash out. Please refer them to SVDP and if they refuse to leave, call Elk Grove PD. We have had to do this before. Father has never given anyone permission to beg for money and never would. Sometimes our parishioners, out of the kindness of their hearts, give money to strangers especially if they have children with them...they know this and that's why they continue to return...referring them to SVDP is the best option we have. SVDP's phone number is 647-1243. Under NO circumstances should any parishioners give cash to anyone.

Flu Season

Flu season is here. Bishop Soto has issued the following directives in order to protect the health and well-being of everyone: the use of the Communion Cup is temporarily suspended; please receive the Body of Christ in the hand; do not shake hands or hold hands during the Our Father. The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days does not apply to those who are sick. If you are sick, out of consideration for others, please stay home. Pray for those who are sick. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.

Good Shepherd's 23rd Annual Crab Feed - SOLD OUT

Our annual crab feed is sold out! However, we are still in need of volunteers and donations—especially auction items. Vacation rentals, tickets to events and restaurants and gift cards are all great donations. Please stop by the table in the narthex for donation suggestions and volunteer sign-ups or contact the church office at 916-684-5722 or by email at: gscoffice@frontier.com.

Upcoming Events

40 Ways to Grow Spiritually—FEBRUARY 9, 2018

Evangelization Outreach Ministry will host Guest Speaker Dr. Marcellino D' Ambrosio - known as "Dr. Italy" -40 DAY'S 40 WAY'S to grow spiritually during Lent and after. In this talk, Dr. Italy will introduce the audience to a brand new Lenten experience. After giving deeper insight into where Lent came from and what it means, the talk presents positive, proactive ways to approach the season instead of the same old "giving something up." The result will be a SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION and a closer walk with Christ — not only during Lent but throughout the year. February 9, 2018 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. in the church.

Soup For The Soul

Come and draw closer to Jesus through a simple meal of bread and hot soup and enrich your Catholic faith through a series of DVD's. Begins Friday, Feb. 16th, at 5:45 p.m. in the church Narthex. Soup will be served at 6:00 p.m., followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction.

Diocesan Job Openings

Please visit the Diocese of Sacramento's website, www.scd.org/employment, for more information on the following open positions: Director of Family & Faith Formation, Data Entry Specialist, Coordinator for Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Mechanic, Funeral Director, and several others.

Our Catholic schools also welcome Catholics to apply for a variety of positions including teachers, aids, librarians, and others. For more information, call Tosha at 916-733-0118 or email tillotson@scd.org.

World Marriage Day—Renewal of Vows

On Sat., Feb. 24th there will be a special 11:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral in which married couples may renew their wedding vows. Informal reception to follow. For more information, visit www.SacWMD.com or call 916-733-0123.

Rachel's Vineyard Healing Retreat—February 16-18

If you, or a loved one, have been hurt by abortion, come and experience God's healing love and forgiveness in a safe, non-judgmental environment. For more information, contact Paula at 916-733-0161 or email projectrachel@scd.org.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School News

You're invited to the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School (SEAS) Family Dinner Night Out Fundraiser at **Jack's Urban Eats**, 7701 Laguna Blvd, on Tuesday, **February 13th**, 4:00pm - 8:00pm. Download or print the flyer from the SEAS or Good Shepherd websites and bring it with you. Please share the flyer and information with family and friends. Thank you for your support!

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. **We are in need of any size diapers and baby wipes.**

On January 22, we served 39 families consisting of 152 people and gave out 148 boxes of food.



From October-April our hours will be Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Volunteers are always welcome. To volunteer, contact us at (916) 647-1243.

LifeTeen News

High School Teens! Our LifeTeen youth group will be meeting every Sunday at the 5:00 p.m. youth mass followed by our "Life Nights" at 6:30 p.m. in the youth room. Bring your friends and come enjoy food, fellowship, games and more. For more information, visit our website or contact Joshua at lifeteen@gscceg.org.

Good Shepherd Silver Jubilee 25th Anniversary 2018

We will be celebrating our 25th Anniversary in 2018 with events planned throughout the year. Please join us to plan these memorable events. We need additional leadership and volunteers. Please call Betty or Steve May at 683-3088 if you can help. We would love to have both seasoned and newer parishioners on our planning team and a good cultural cross representation of our parish family.

Save these Dates:

- **Now-February 14th** - Purchase leaves for the Tree of Life for your favorite Valentine and receive a special Valentine signed by Father Leon. Thank you to all who've already purchased them and for those most generous donations to this project.
- Next Planning session is **February 5** in the St. Lucia (5th grade) classroom at 6:30 pm. All are welcome!
- **February 21st at 6:00 p.m.** Good Shepherd Catholic Church's story board creation. Send us digital images of your fond memories of Good Shepherd Church with the date and a short description of the pictures to 25thanniversary@gscceg.org.
- Jubilee Mass **April 21st at 5:00 pm** celebrated with Bishop Soto and past and present Clergy; includes the unveiling of the new stained glass and the dedication of a very special brick St. John Paul II had installed in 2000 to seal one of the Holy Doors in Rome and opened to give way to the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy in 2015. Followed by formal gala/dinner.
- **April 21 & 22** - Receptions following each of the Masses will be open to all parishioners to attend (no tickets needed).

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 27, 2018

5:00pm

Melecio Adao (+)
Gina Bertulano (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Jesus De Vera (+)
Juanita Dimaycyac (+)
Agostinho & Mercedes
Martinho (+)

Sunday, January 28, 2018

7:00 am

Benjamin Sandoval (SI)
Serapion Cortez (+)
Leonarda Cortez (+)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Josephine Quiroz (+)

9:00 am

Simon & Rosemary Mbongo
Family (SI)
Florentina Curso (+)
Marcelino Madayag (+)
Myrna Quero Panel (+)
Amelia Silva (+)

11:00 am

Leoncia Joson Del Mundo (+)
Charito Felicidadario (+)
Nicholas Gapuz (+)
Marcelino Madayag (+)
Gosay Steven (+)

1:00 pm

Epifania Bernadas (+)
Amando Dancel (+)
Luz Joson (+)
Maria Mendoza (+)
Paulino Ong Jr. (+)

5:00 pm

Billy Langbehn (SI-H)

Monday, January 29, 2018

8:30 am

Simon & Rosemary Mbongo
Family (SI)
Guillermo Austria (DA)
Romanus Kwaye (+)

Tuesday, January 30, 2018

8:30 am

Alani R. Kendrick (3yrBD)
Simon & Rosemary Mbongo
Family (SI)
Serapion Cortez (+)

Wednesday, January 31, 2018

8:30 am

Simon & Rosemary Mbongo
Family (SI)
Sylvester Joseph (+)
Renee Lee (+)
Joseph Thanh Tang (+)

Thursday, February 1, 2018

8:30 am

Simon & Rosemary Mbongo
Family (SI)

Friday, February 2, 2018

8:30 am

Simon & Rosemary Mbongo
Family (SI)
Angela Robinson (BD)
Alicia Perez De Gonzalez (+)

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 for Jan. 20/21 = \$19,974.88

(Includes Faith Direct contributions)

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Giving opens doors to Christ—beginning with the practical reality of keeping parish doors open, funding programs and enabling ministry. But it doesn't stop there. Giving also opens hearts to greater surrender, deeper investment in parish life and in the central mission - to make Jesus known. Simply put, giving is a spiritual practice, with practical implications. Giving to Good Shepherd is easier than ever with FaithDirect. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: CA688. Thank you for your continued support!

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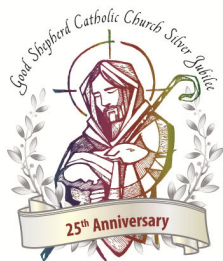
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Phone _____

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City, Zip _____

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