

# 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

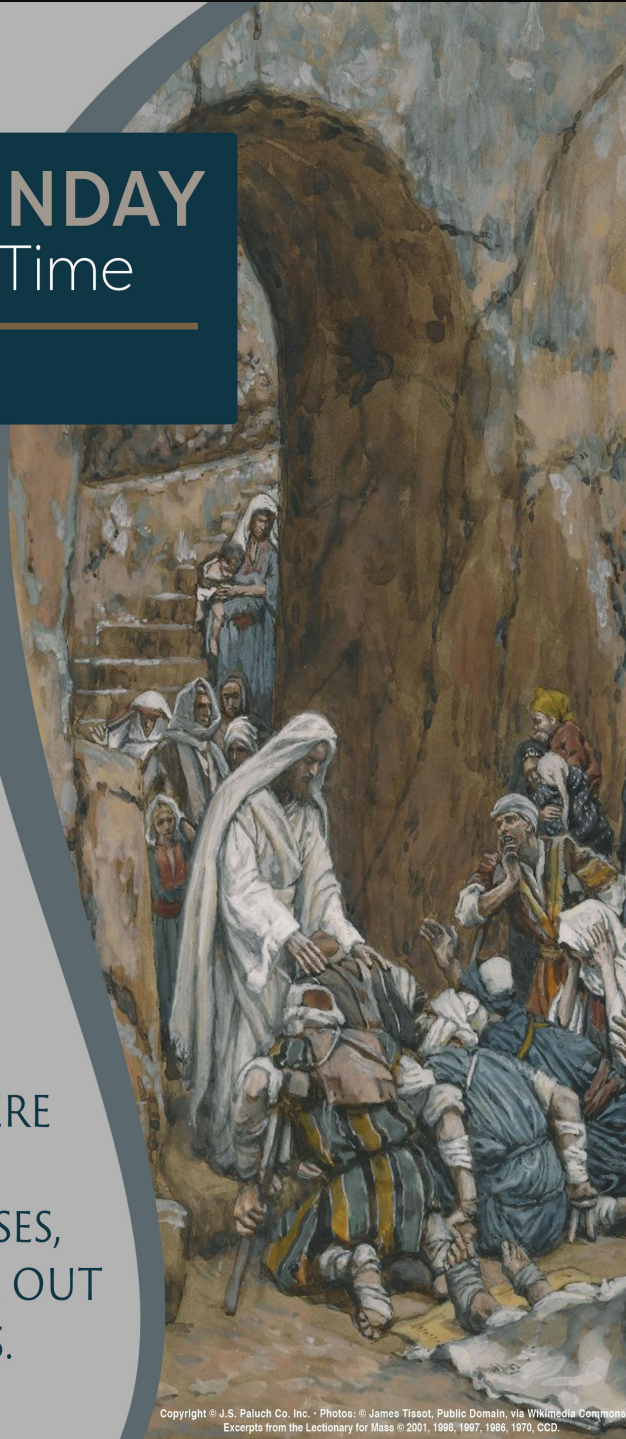


## FIFTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

February 7, 2021

JESUS CURED  
MANY WHO WERE  
SICK WITH  
VARIOUS DISEASES,  
AND HE DROVE OUT  
MANY DEMONS.

MARK 1:34



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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.gscccg.org/sacraments/  
baptism](http://www.gscccg.org/sacraments/baptism) for more information.

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

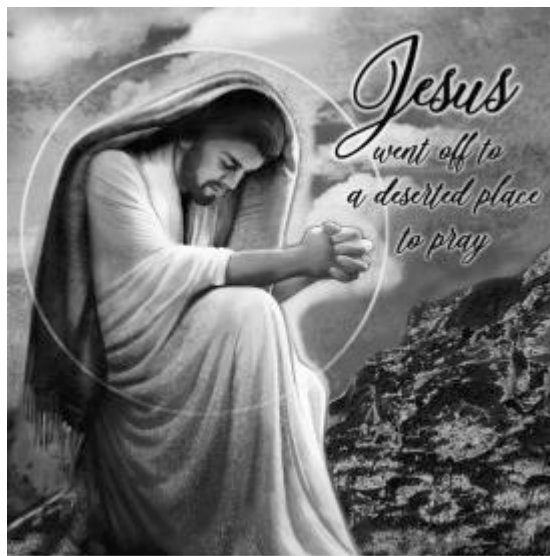
## THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; / they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). Not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone.

Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33-34)). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior.

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Consecrated Life; Scout Sunday
Monday:	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking
Wednesday:	St. Scholastica
Thursday:	Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
Friday:	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday; Lunar New Year 4719
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday:	Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday:	Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday:	Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday:	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

## Welcome Father Michael Vaughan

We are happy to welcome **Father Michael Vaughan** as our new Pastor. Father Vaughan was most recently assigned as the Vicar General at the Diocese of Sacramento. Be sure to extend a warm "Good Shepherd" welcome to him when you see him at Mass this weekend.

You can watch Father Vaughan's vocation story on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BNNmL4bBZy0>.

## Bring Last Year's Palms

Please bring your palms from last year and drop them in the baskets in the Narthex or in the parish hall when you come for Mass. They will be burned for the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

## 2020 Tax Statements

Tax statements for 2020 have been mailed out. If you previously requested a tax statement, you should receive one this year.

## Connect With Good Shepherd

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

- **Our website, [www.gscccg.org](http://www.gscccg.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 [gsccdevelopment@frontier.com](mailto:gsccdevelopment@frontier.com) to be added to our email list.

## Catholics Returning Home

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. For more information, please call Verne Bowers at 916-479-3930.

## Formed Daily Reflections

This Lent, we invite you to journey with Dr. Tim Gray by signing up for FORMED Daily Lenten Reflections at [formed.org/lent](http://formed.org/lent). Each day you will receive in your inbox a short video which features Dr. Gray commenting on the daily Mass readings, explaining the Scriptures, and providing you with concrete ideas on how to apply them to your Christian life. Sign up today for free by visiting [formed.org/lent](http://formed.org/lent)!

## 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. On Feb. 1st we distributed 144 boxes of food to 34 families (169 people). **SVdP has funds available for Utility assistance for our 95757 and 95758 residents. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.**



## Attending Mass

We are so grateful for the continued support of our Good Shepherd community and for those of you that join us for outdoor Mass. **Please take a few moments to read the following reminders.**

- If there is a change to the schedule 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 is signing up online to attend. And please remember it's important to arrive at least 15 minutes early to Mass!
- If you or a family member or someone you have been in close contact with are sick or showing ANY symptoms of COVID, we urge you to stay home. The dispensation from attending Mass remains in effect until further notice. We all must be responsible and do our part to protect everyone in our community.
- For everyone's safety, we continue to sanitize the worship area after each Mass.

## Diocesan News and Upcoming Events



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**ON FIRE: Keep the Light Bright** – "Into the Desert" Join us Sat. Feb. 20th from 2pm to 4pm for ON FIRE: Keep the Light Bright. "Into the Desert" is a Lenten experience for teens where we reflect on Sunday's Gospel as Jesus wanders into the desert and emerges with a mission. Similarly, the pandemic is the desert experience that challenges us—youth and young adults—to be the disciples that our friends, families, and society need. We must emerge with the mission of proclaiming the good news of God. Get more information at [www.onfirenorcal.com](http://www.onfirenorcal.com) or contact Jennifer Campbell at [jcampbell@scd.org](mailto:jcampbell@scd.org).

## Navigate—Virtual Youth Group

Navigate, our diocesan wide virtual youth group invites all teens to watch the next livestream on Sunday, February 14th at 6:30PM via Zoom. This is a time for teens to find community and fellowship as they learn how to navigate their lives towards Christ. For more info visit <https://www.scd.org/Navigate> or contact Antony Ta at [ata@scd.org](mailto:ata@scd.org).

## Into the Mix

Into the Mix has their next live stream scheduled for Thursday, February 18th at 7PM! "Into the Mix" is a monthly livestream for young adults where we will have guests share about their spiritual lives, talk theology and reveal their signature drink. Come to the table with a drink, some snacks and join in the conversation. For more info visit <https://www.scd.org/youth-and-young-adult-ministry/into-the-mix> or contact Antony Ta at [ata@scd.org](mailto:ata@scd.org).

## Family Lent Retreat-At-Home

Starting February 17, 2021— Lent helps us in our conversion process, that is, to reach a transformation of the heart that shows that Christ really lives in us. Register at <https://forms.gle/sDAcEiV9q6xsaCrX6> Questions? Teresa Donan [TDonan@scd.org](mailto:TDonan@scd.org)

**World Marriage Day** – Renewal of Vows Saturday, Feb 20 9:00 am Mass via live-stream at St. Isidore Church, Yuba City. Bishop Soto will preside over this Mass in which married couples will have the opportunity to drive-thru to receive a special blessing. Register at <https://catholic.formstack.com/forms/worldmarriageday2021>. For more info call Moises De Leon at (916) 733-0133.

## Christ the King Retreats

Christ the King Retreat Center is offering virtual retreats this year. The upcoming men's retreat "We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe" will be offered Feb 26-27. 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.



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## Praying For Our Community

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

### Saturday, February 6, 2021

5:00 pm

Ninfa Campomanes (BD)  
Leonora Zafra (BD)  
Christina Pascua (SI)  
Valmores family (TG)  
Marvel Patricia Opfer (+)  
Myrna Quero Panelo (+)

### Sunday, February 7, 2021

7:00 am

Isaiah David Monteiro (SI-H)  
Michael & Maria Pittman (WA)  
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)  
Alfred & Helen Lial (+)  
Manuel & Tina Marquez (+)

9:00 am

Young Yu (SI)  
Sae Yu (+)

11:00am

Huong Banh (SI-H)  
Phat Banh (+)

1:00 pm

Carl dela Cruz (BD)  
Jeslin & Jevin Mattathil (SI)  
Bert Arellano (+)  
Dominador Villegas (+)

5:00pm

Rose Sapnaro (BD)  
Ivan Castellanos (+)  
Norbert Strecker (+)

### Monday, February 8, 2021

8:30 am

Munachiso Ozioko (BD)  
Huong Banh (SI-H)  
Phat Banh (+)  
Rolando Santiago (40dayDA)

### Tuesday, February 9, 2021

8:30 am

Huong Banh (SI-H)  
Phat Banh (+)  
Domingos & Maria Fagundes (+)

### Wednesday, February 10, 2021

8:30 am

Huong Banh (SI-H)  
Phat Banh (+)  
Dr. Guillerma Naval-Sahagun (+)

### Thursday, February 11, 2021

8:30 am

Huong Banh (SI-H)  
Phat Banh (+)  
Jess Fernandez (DA)  
John Hayes (DA)

### Friday, February 12, 2021

8:30 am

For our parishioners celebrating  
The Lunar Calendar New Year (TG)  
Russell Goodale (BD)  
Huong Banh (SI-H)  
Phat Banh (+)  
Roger Williams (+)

#### 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

Weekly collection total: Jan 23/24 = \$15,253.86

*(weekly total includes contributions made through Faith Direct)*

This time last year the full scope and inherent dangers of COVID-19 were becoming clear. Our world was brought to a standstill, but our parish ministries continued because so many people needed our help. Recurring gifts helped sustain our parish in unprecedented times and continue to be a vital source of support for ministries that are a lifeline to those in need in our community.

To continue to make a difference in 2021, we are reaching out to our parishioners. The more people use eGiving, the stronger foundation we will have for ministries that bring hope in times of uncertainty. 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. **Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/CA688](https://faith.direct/CA688), or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801. Thank you for your continued support!**

## Now Enrolling *for the* 2021-2022 School Year



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### Parish Registration and Change of Address

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Recently moved or changed contact information?

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