

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



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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 for more information.

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

FEBRUARY
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Sixth Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

Brothers and sisters,
whether you eat or drink,
or whatever you do,
do everything for the

GLORY OF GOD.

1 Corinthians 10:31

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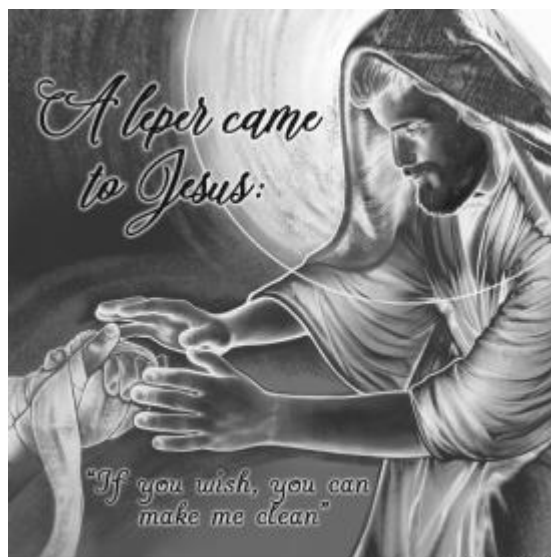
JESUS' WAY

Today's readings present a contrast between "Jesus' way" and the "old way." An example of the old way is the law given to Moses and Aaron about leprosy: the leper was unclean and cast out of the community. Jesus' way is the opposite: the leper is reached out to, touched, and finally cured.

Nor ought we think of the "old way" as restricted to the days of Moses and Aaron, or even to the "old" testament. The difference between the old way and Jesus' way arises in our own lives. We still choose, every day, to live in our old way or in Jesus' way.

Jesus dared to touch a leper, disregarding the old way. The leper then was changed forever. He felt a calling. He couldn't keep himself from proclaiming that he had been touched by Jesus (even though Jesus told him not to!). Once Jesus touches us, we are called to proclaim his way.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Marriage Day; Valentine's Day
Monday: Presidents' Day
Tuesday: Mardi Gras; Shrove Tuesday
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast and Abstinence;
Almsgiving
Friday: Abstinence

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;
Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b,
9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22;
Mk 1:12-15



Our schedule for Ash Wednesday is as follows:

Mass:

8:30 am, noon, 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Prayer Service with distribution of ashes:

10:00 am and 3:30 pm

All Masses and Prayer Services will be indoors. Please sign up online to attend. If you are unable to reserve a spot, there will be distribution of ashes in the church parking lot. Check our website for further details.

The 8:30 am Mass and the 10:00 am Prayer Service will be livestreamed and available for you to watch on our YouTube channel.

There will be **Stations of the Cross** on February 19th and every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm in the church. Please sign up online to attend.

Stations of



Lenten Regulations

During Lent the Church calls us all to a spirit of penance through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

- Everyone over 14 years old is obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.
- Everyone aged 18-59 is obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means that one full meal may be taken. Two other small meals may be eaten, but together they should not equal one full meal.
- We are urged to read and pray with sacred Scripture more intently during Lent and to participate in special devotions such as Eucharistic adoration, praying the Rosary, and Divine Mercy Chaplet, for example.
- You are especially encouraged to partake of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent.

Annual Catholic Appeal

Next weekend we will have the opportunity to walk with others as Jesus asks us to do. Together as Catholics, we extend our hand to those who need help. We assist them beyond dire circumstances and to begin again, refreshed and renewed. As our communities overcome the paralyzing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, let us accompany those in physical and emotional poverty. Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, really do make a difference in someone's life. Please prayerfully consider what you can give this year.

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. 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!

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. 7th we distributed 112 boxes of food to 31 families (138 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 Mass. **Please take a few moments to read the following reminders.**

- 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.
- Masks are required at all times while inside the church.
- Thank you for respecting our ushers as they are working hard to help keep everyone safe by following social distance protocols.
- For everyone's safety, we continue to sanitize the church after each Mass.

Diocesan News and Upcoming Events

Have you visited the diocesan website lately? They have a variety of resources to prepare for the Lord's Day with Reflections and Activities following the Gospel of Sunday, and much more. <https://www.scd.org/family-and-faith-formation/home-resources-families-faith-formation>.



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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. Get more information at www.onfirenorcal.com or contact Jennifer Campbell at 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.

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. For more info visit <https://www.scd.org/youth-and-young-adult-ministry/into-the-mix> or contact Antony Ta at 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

An Evening with Brenda and Bertha

Join the St. Josephine Bakhita Ministry for a virtual presentation sharing insights on black history, activism, race and faith with Ignatian spiritual director Brenda Harris and community activist Bertha Gaffney-Gorman. Thurs, Feb. 18 at 7:00 pm via Zoom. Contact Valerie at valerie.ramos@comcast.net for more information.



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Praying For Our Community

We lift up their names in our prayers of the faithful

Saturday, February 13, 2021

5:00 pm

Bert Arellano (+)
Joe Avis (+)
Manuel Garcia (+)
Marcela Gerardo (+)
Teresita Guerrero (+)
Cornelio Mendoza (DA)
Celeste Gatimaitan Perez (+)

Sunday, February 14, 2021

7:00 am

Abraham Santos (BD)
Christina Blanco (SI-H)
Isaiah David Monteiro (SI-H)
Gunabe/Williams/Carvin
Families (TG)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)

9:00 am

Kobe and Gigi Bryant (+)
Leo Licastro (+)
Leticia Montgomery (+)

11:00am

Luis Avis (+)
Huong Banh (+)
Phat Banh (+)

1:00 pm

Suzanne Dodd (SI)
Sarah Maya (SI-H)
Rolando Santiago (+)

5:00pm

Ivan Castellanos (+)

Key:

Deceased (+) Thanksgiving (TG)

Death Anniversary (DA) Birthday (BD) Special

Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA) Special

Intention for healing (SI-H)

Monday, February 15, 2021

8:30 am

Huong Banh (+)
Phat Banh (+)
Aquilina Ceballos (+)
Corazon T. Dabalos (+)
Irin Hurtado (+)

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

8:30 am

Jed Ashley Pulanco (BD)
Huong Banh (+)
Phat Banh (+)
Corazon T. Dabalos (+)

Wednesday, February 17, 2021

8:30 am

Huong Banh (+)
Gabriel & Serina Silvestre (SI-H)
Phat Banh (+)
Corazon T. Dabalos (+)
Albert Erhard (DA)

Thursday, February 18, 2021

8:30 am

Huong Banh (+)
Ernesto Abaya (DA)
Phat Banh (+)
Corazon T. Dabalos (+)
Corazon Joves (+)
Remedios Sichon (+)
Anastacia Villa Juan (DA)

Friday, February 19, 2021

8:30 am

Huong Banh (+)
Phat Banh (+)
Adela Caracas (DA)
Corazon T. Dabalos (+)
Ned Salumbides (2yrDA)

Stewardship at Good Shepherd

Weekly collection total: Jan 30/31 = \$15,541.25

(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, or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801. Thank you for your continued support!**

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Change of Address**

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E-mail _____

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City, Zip _____

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