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February 25, 2018

Second Sunday of Lent



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Elizabeth Pott & Scotia Burrell

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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.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

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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.

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS

God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today's scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God's own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham's obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God's promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent; Penitential Rite for Candidates for Full Communion
Wednesday: Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sunset
Friday: Abstinence; First Friday; World Day of Prayer
Saturday: St. Katharine Drexel; First Saturday

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25
Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

Parish Office Needs

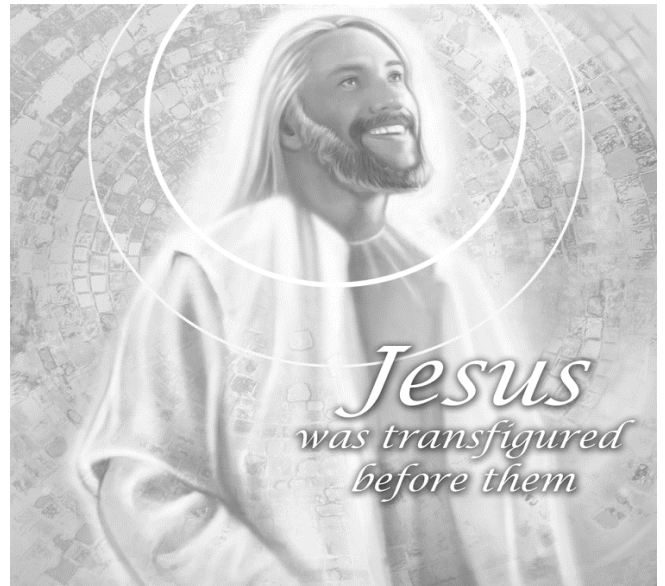
The parish office is in need of white copy paper, AA batteries and lighters (strickers). Your donations would be greatly appreciated.

Job Openings

The Diocese of Sacramento has several job openings. Visit www.scd.org/employment for more info and complete job descriptions.

Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you to those who have already made a one-time or ongoing donation to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal. Your gift will make a difference in someone's life. If you have not yet made a donation, it's not too late! Envelopes are still available in the church or in the parish office. Don't forget . . . 25% of what you give is returned to our parish to assist people in our community.



40 Days for Life

Please help build a Culture of Life by participating in 40 Days for Life. Through prayer and fasting, and being a public witness, babies are being saved from abortion. Parishioners will be praying the rosary at Planned Parenthood, 5385 Franklin Blvd. Sacramento from 10- 11 a.m on 2/27, 3/6, 3/13 & 3/20. We will meet in the narthex after morning mass to carpool. Pro-Lifers will be at the clinic Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. till 5 p.m., please stop by at your convenience. 40daysforlife.com/sacramento or contact Diane Lloyd at 916-582-4312 with questions.

Join fellow parishioners to walk/run for life during lent. The **A-Cross America Relay for Pro-Life** starts on Ash Wednesday and ends on Palm Sunday. You can sign up to walk/run a 5k or multiple 5k's during the 40 days at www.liferunners.org/across. For information please contact Juanita at juanita-baier@comcast.net.

Ministry Highlight

Interested in joining Cursillo? Cursillo is a Movement which attempts from within the Church to give life to the essential Christian truths. In discovering your potential and with friends, you will enrich meaning and constancy in your day-to-day life, personally and with others. Good Shepherd has a dynamic Cursillo group supporting and enriching our community. Twice a year, Catholics are invited to attend "the weekend," a life-changing orientation and retreat to join the Cursillo Movement. The women's weekend is in the Spring and this year on April 26-29th. The men's weekend is in the Fall. Contact Monica (smallusf77@yahoo.com) or Maria (serpamhome@gmail.com) for info on our Cursillo group or if interested in attending a "weekend" event. For more info: <http://www.sacramentocursillo.org/index.php/weekends> or <https://www.natl-cursillo.org/>. Are you are Cursillista and new to Good Shepherd? We want to get to know you! Join us for 4th Day Group meetings and for our events here and in the Sacramento diocese. Send us your contact information. We want to keep you informed on all activities.

Upcoming Events

Good Shepherd's 2018 Crab Feed

Thank you to the following for their donations and assistance in helping to make our crab feed another successful one: Christy Trillo, Nilda Jimenez, Eduardo Handal, Fabiola Harder, Chris Young, Laura & Steve Beck, Fernando Cisneros (Ray Morgan Co.), Gino Maiolini, Irma & Al Michel, Betty Santos, William Kennedy (World Market), Donna Ho, Steve & Carmen Ramirez, Paula Gonzalez, Tracy Nails, Rose Lee, Danielle Leatherby (Leatherby's Creamery), Nugget Markets, Sound Physics Entertainment, Ela's Sweet Treats, Terry & Ruth DeFrates; Crystal Basin Cellars, Nick Fischer, La Posh, Miguel Torres, Victoria Garcia, and Lynette Magnino.

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: Fridays during Lent at 5:45 p.m. in the Fr. Philip Wells Hall. Soup will be served at 6:00 p.m., followed by Stations of the Cross and Benediction in the church.

Stations of the Cross

Anyone wishing to attend Stations of the Cross during the daytime is welcome to attend on Wednesdays at 1:25 p.m. with the students of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton school.

24 Hours for the Lord

We invite everyone to celebrate **24 Hours for the Lord** to experience the Lord's loving mercy in the sacrament of reconciliation. There will be priests available for 24 hours of continuous confessions from noon on March 9th to noon on March 10th here at Good Shepherd. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at noon on the 9th and will continue until Benediction begins at 9:00 a.m. on the 10th. Confessions will continue until noon on the 10th.

Have You Ever Thought about Becoming a Sister?

Young Women's Discernment Retreat —Are you a young woman age 18-35 trying to discover God's call for your life? Come to our Young Women's Discernment Retreat on Sat. March 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Includes mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and discussions on religious life as well as marriage. Cost is \$40 and includes lunch, dinner and materials. Scholarships are available for those in need. To register visit sacramentonewman.org. Contact Cecelia at Cecelia@sacramentonewman.org for more information.

The Daughters of Charity have an April Religious Vocation Discernment Retreat for women 18-40. April 20-22, 2018 in Los Altos Hills, CA. Contact Sr. Lisa Laguna, D.C. 650-949-8890 or 213-210-9903 or email srllaguna@doc1633.org. For more info, visit www.daughters-of-charity.com/retreats/.

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. **Please do not leave perishable food in the cart in the Narthex. It will spoil and be thrown out.**



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

If you are a high school teenager, come be a part of Good Shepherd Youth's Life Teen group! Every Sunday, 5pm Youth Mass followed by "Life Night," 6:30-8:30 p.m. This Sunday (Feb 25) come to an amazing night of community, Praise-and-Worship, Adoration, and encountering Christ together. Want to sing with the Life Teen choir? Contact Joshua Hollcraft for this or any other Life Teen questions: lifeteen@gscceg.org.

Kinderchurch News

Kinderchurch is preparing for the 7th Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 25, 2018, and is accepting donations to fill eggs such as wrapped candies, small toys and treats. Donations can be delivered to the Narthex in the buckets labeled "Kinderchurch Easter Egg Hunt." Please note that donations also qualify towards volunteer hours. Email kinderchurch@gmail.com for additional information.

Good Shepherd Silver Jubilee 25th Anniversary

We are celebrating our 25th Anniversary with events planned throughout this year. Please join us to plan these memorable events. All are welcome. We need seasoned and newer parishioners on our planning teams and a good cultural cross representation of our parish family. Contact: Betty or Steve at 916-683-3088 email 25thanniversary@gscceg.org. **Save these Dates:**

- **Now** - You can purchase leaves for the Tree of Life for \$300. Thank you to all who've already purchased them and for those generous larger donations to this project.
- The next general meeting is Monday, **March 5 in the St. Lucia/5th Grade Room at 6:30 pm.**
- **April 21st-** Jubilee Mass celebrated with Bishop Soto and past and present Clergy; includes the unveiling of the new stained glass and the dedication of two very special bricks 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. Thank you to Jerry and Verne Bowers for the extremely generous gift of the second Holy Brick.
- **April 22nd** - Receptions following each of the Masses; open to all parishioners to attend (no tickets needed).

Many other exciting events are being planned throughout the liturgical year so keep your eyes peeled for more information.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 24, 2018

5:00 pm

Isabel P. Codamon (BD)
Zdenka Bezmalinovich (SI-H)
Florentina Curso (+)
Phat Dinh (+)
William Sweeney (+)

Sunday, February 25, 2018

7:00 am

Felisa Constantino (BD)
Cayetano Daus (SI-H)
Jaime & Agnes Pasos (34yrWA)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Teresita Santos (+)

9:00 am

Marty Andaluz (+)
Donato Caluza (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Myrna Quero Panelo (+)
Primitiva Q. Panelo (+)

11:00 am

Benjamin Balanon (+)
Natividad de Jesus (+)
Ramon Orzales (+)
Michael Robert Quiroz (+)
Henry St. Cyr (+)

1:00 pm

Bill Barrett (SI-H)
Gladys Roxas (TG)
Inocencia De Peralta (+)
Jess Solomon (+)

5:00 pm

Jose Felix Lucero (+)
Walter & Maria Zawojski (+)
All souls in purgatory (+)

Monday, February 26, 2018

8:30 am

Jorge Fernandez (+)

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

8:30 am

Cora Casela (BD)
Oscar Manlangit (BD)

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

8:30 am

Lolita Del Rosario (BD)
Caridad Gonzales (TG)
Rosario Maniquis (SI-H)
Modesto Balance (DA)
Fe De Guzman (+)

Thursday, March 1, 2018

8:30 am

Leo Licastro (+)
James Fejta Sr. (+)
Sharon Fejta (DA)
Markose P. (+)

Friday, March 2, 2018

8:30 am

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 total for Feb 17/18 will be in next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your generous support. Your ongoing donations are essential in helping us meet the many needs of the parish and community.

E-Giving with Faith Direct

Fast. Pray. Give up your envelopes! We invite you to help our parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide Good Shepherd with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season! Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: CA688. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Silver Jubilee

Join us as we celebrate the
25th anniversary of the parish

Saturday, April 21, 2018



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Liturgy 5:00 p.m.

Bishop Jaime Soto, Celebrant

\$75.⁰⁰
per person
Adults only

Gala Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Fr. Philip Wells Hall

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Cocktail
attire

*Gala dinner reservations accepted after Masses beginning
March 3/4, 2018, and in the parish office on weekdays.
Please watch for reservation forms available in the bulletin.*

All are welcome to attend 25th Anniversary receptions
following all Masses on
Good Shepherd Sunday, April 22, 2018



Parish Registration and Change of Address

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

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City, Zip _____

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