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March 4, 2018

Third Sunday of Lent



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ONE EIGHT/EDGE Confirmation Preparation Coordinators:

Elizabeth Pott & Scotia Burrell

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](http://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](mailto: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.

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## KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH

There's no better way to deepen our Lenten practice than to review the Ten Commandments. The first three, having to do with our right relationship to God, get the most ink. The one we busy people probably have the most problem with is keeping holy the Sabbath.

If we take this commandment literally, babies will go undiapered and dishes will stay on the table, or perhaps meals will not be served. The sick will go unattended and nothing that has anything to do with physical labor will be done. Is mental labor really work? How about changing that dirty diaper (poor baby!)? We need to depend on God to discern how to observe real Sabbath time in our lives. The point of this commandment is that God has given us a great gift: one whole day per week when we are free to rest, worship God, sing, feast, love, and rejoice. As Psalm 19 proclaims: "The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul" (19:8). Our Sabbath rest is a great gift, to be received from God with joy, not with nitpicking.

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## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent; First Scrutiny  
Wednesday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity  
Thursday: St. John of God  
Friday: St. Frances of Rome; Abstinence

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30  
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35  
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19  
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23  
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34  
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14  
Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21; Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

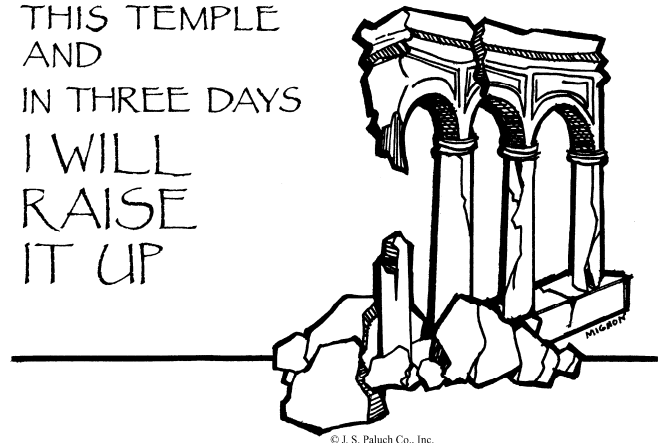
## Second Collection/Catholic Relief Services

Next week, our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here at home and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC, and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

## Anointing of the Sick

Please join us on March 8th from 7:00-8:00 p.m. for an hour of reflection and prayer, followed by the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Reflections will be on the teachings of St. Therese, with the recitation of the rosary and the devotion of the Holy Face. Fr. Leon and Fr. Ed will anoint the sick at the conclusion of the hour. Please contact Anne at 916-719-3978 for more information.

DESTROY  
THIS TEMPLE  
AND  
IN THREE DAYS  
I WILL  
RAISE  
IT UP



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## All are welcome to the Good Shepherd Parish Fellowship!

Our next monthly Fellowship breakfast will be Sun., March 11th following the 7:00 a.m. Mass with continuous serving until shortly before 11:00 Mass begins. We would like to invite and encourage those individuals and families who regularly attend 11:00 Mass to join us beforehand to enjoy breakfast. The meal is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and hosted by Hospitality Ministry. It will consist of blueberry or plain pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, milk, and juice. We ask for a free will offering to cover expenses. Please join in Fellowship.

## 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](http://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](http://www.liferunners.org/across). For information please contact Juanita at [juanita-baier@comcast.net](mailto:juanita-baier@comcast.net).

## Ministry Highlight

Members of the Homebound Ministry visit and offer the Eucharist/Communion to members of the community who are unable to attend Mass. Time commitment: weekly visits in private homes, care homes, assisted living facilities, once a month, Kaiser South hospital twice a month. Interested persons must first be trained Eucharistic ministers to apply. For more information, contact Pat Viduya [patviduya@surewest.net](mailto:patviduya@surewest.net) or 916-525-1595.

## Upcoming Events

**Please join us for the following events during Lent:**

**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. Stations of the Cross will also be held every Friday at 7:00 p.m. Please be a part of this beautiful traditional devotion of our Church during this season of Lent.

**24 Hours for the Lord—March 9-10** 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.

**Communal Penance Service** —March 21st at 7:00 p.m.

### Bereavement Retreat

A One Day Bereavement Retreat entitled "This Day You Shall Be With Me in Paradise" will be held on March 16, 2018 at Christ the King Retreat Center. The retreat includes lunch and concludes with the Eucharist. Register Online at [ChristTheKingRetreatCenter.org](http://ChristTheKingRetreatCenter.org) or call 916-725-4720 Ext 301 for more information.

### RCIA Update

Bishop Cotta presided over the Rite of Election and the Call to Continuing Conversion at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Sunday of Lent. This celebration ended the Period of the Catechumenate, and the "newly" Elect and Candidates are now beginning their Period of Purification and Enlightenment. Please pray for our Elect and our Candidates as they begin their final intense preparation for reception of the Sacraments of Initiation and Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Over the next five Sundays of Lent, three scrutinies and the presentations of the Creed and the Lord's Prayer take place. This period will conclude with the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation and Full Communion at the Easter Vigil.



You're invited to the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School (SEAS) Family Dinner Night Out Fundraiser at **The Habit Burger Grill**, 7400 Laguna Blvd, on Tues., **March 6<sup>th</sup>**, 4:00 - 10:00pm. Download or print the flyer from the SEAS or Good Shepherd website 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. **Please do not leave perishable food in the cart in the Narthex. It will spoil and be thrown out.**



On Feb. 26th we served 25 families consisting of 107 people and gave out 97 boxes of food.

From October-April our hours will be Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. For assistance, contact us at (916) 647-1243.

## Life Teen 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. This Sunday (Mar 4) simply come enjoy fellowship, games, and a bunch of food! Want to sing with the Life Teen choir? Contact Joshua Hollcraft for this or any other Life Teen questions at [lifeteen@gscceg.org](mailto: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](mailto: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. Contact: Betty or Steve at 916- 683-3088 email [25thanniversary@gscceg.org](mailto: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. We have approximately **150 leaves remaining**.

•Bring in your **NON-returnable**, unframed pictures of your GSCC memories to the parish office or give to Betty or Steve by March 31st to be used in a special collage to be on display the weekend of April 21st/22nd. Pictures should be no larger than 4"x6" and must have the date and names on the back of the picture. Remember... these **images will not be returned to you**.

•The next general meeting is Monday, **March 5 in the St. Lucia/5th Grade Room at 6:30 pm**. All are welcome.

•**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

•**April 22nd** - Receptions following each of the Masses; open to all parishioners to attend (no tickets needed).

•June 23rd Fundraiser - Cook-off and Micro Brew picnic

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, March 3, 2018**

**5:00 pm**

Florentina Curso (+)  
Alfred & Helen Lial (+)  
Zenaida Perido (+)  
Mary C. Rooney (20yrDA)  
Mary K. Rooney (+)

**Sunday, March 4, 2018**

**7:00 am**

Giovanni Bocade (BD)  
Gil & Giselle Cantiller (BD)  
Mary Joyce Pimentel Floretes  
(DA)  
Eduardo Quiambao (+)  
Corazon Moya Udtujan (+)

**9:00 am**

Fredelisa Caballes (BD)  
Necita Ruiz (SI-H)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Lina Nacienceno (+)  
Primitiva Q. Panelo (+)

**11:00 am**

Zdenka Bezmalinovich (SI-H)  
Jose Aguinaldo (+)  
Domingos Fagundes (+)  
Nadine Lucio (+)  
Theresa Perez (+)

**1:00 pm**

Ric and Lorna Cruz (SI)  
Brianna Uzoh (SI)  
Eva Rose Estrada (+)  
Rosie Lagula (+)  
Erlinda Tan (1yrDA)

**5:00 pm**

Louise Gomes (+)  
Olegaria Jorin (+)  
Jose Lugo (+)  
Arturo & Lilia Ramirez (+)  
All souls in purgatory (+)

**Monday, March 5, 2018**

**8:30 am**

Rose Langamon (TG)  
Florentina Curso (+)  
Kyle David Smith (5yrDA)

**Tuesday, March 6, 2018**

**8:30 am**

Felicidad Sarmiento (BD)  
George Joseph (SI)  
Neal Mathew (SI)  
Noelle Mathew (SI)  
Maria Thomas (SI)

**Wednesday, March 7, 2018**

**8:30 am**

Domindor Oyam (TG)  
Alberta Salindong (TG)  
Patricio Salindong (TG)  
Pedro Salindong (TG)  
Rosario Salindong (TG)  
Elmer & Mario Laurente (+)

**Thursday, March 8, 2018**

**8:30 am**

Alejandro Ancheta (+)

**Friday, March 9, 2018**

**8:30 am**

Petra O. Alontave (DA)  
Manuel & Martinha Avis (+)

**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 Ash Wednesday = \$9,594.93

Collection total for Feb. 17/18 = \$19,788.09

Collection total for Feb. 24/25 = \$20,493.53

*(Weekly collection totals include contributions made through Faith Direct)*

*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](http://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.<sup>00</sup>  
per person  
Adults only

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

Black Tie/  
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 25<sup>th</sup> 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?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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City, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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