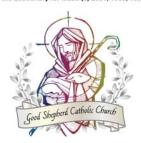
Second Gunday of Lent

March 8, 2020

From the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Matthew 17:5

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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.gscceg.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

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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.

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CHANGE

Lent is all about change and change is usually not easy. In order to change we have to leave something behind. Today we hear about a very old man who decides to answer God's call. Abram experiences a tremendous amount of change when he leaves everything behind, risking it all for God's promise. Jesus changes, is transfigured, right before the eyes of his disciples. The Lenten scriptures issue the call for us to change, to be transfigured, so that we, too, will soon share in the glory of God. What is it that the Lord is asking us to leave behind? Are we willing to take the risk for the promise made by God? These questions are at the heart of the Lenten journey of conversion.

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 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]



Our monthly Fellowship will be **TODAY**, March 8th, following the 7:00 a.m. Mass with continuous serving until shortly before the 11:00 Mass begins. The meal is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and hosted by the Hospitality Ministry. Please join us for fellowship and a delicious pancake breakfast!

Soup for the Soul

Every Friday during Lent at 5:45 p.m. in the Fr. Philip Wells Hall, come and draw closer to Jesus through a simple meal of bread and hot soup and enrich your Catholic faith. This year's presentation will be the "WILD GOOSE" series with Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, focusing on discovering a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit. Following the video series, there will be Stations of the Cross in the Church.

Daytime Stations of the Cross

Everyone is welcome to attend Stations of the Cross on Wednesday afternoons at 1:15 p.m. with the children of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton school. Perfect for anyone who doesn't like to drive in the evenings!



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time

begins; International Women's Day

Monday: St. Frances of Rome;

Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sunset

Friday: Abstinence

Schedule Change for Confessions

Our Confirmation Masses this year will be on Saturday, March 28th. Our regular confession time at 3:30 p.m. is CANCELLED for that day only. There will be no confessions on March 28th. Please call the office to schedule a confession time or attend our Communal Reconciliation Service on April 1st at 7:00 p.m.

Church Environment During Lent

Lent is a more solemn season in preparation for the Easter Triduum. Any decoration for the church should be more subdued than normal. Flowers are specifically banned as decorations. Please do not leave plants or flowers in the church during Lent.

The Divine Mercy Charismatic Group

The Divine Mercy Family Prayer Group - Catholic Christian families dedicated in bringing CHRIST to the families and families to CHRIST. Our goals are to create a loving-family type of environment for men and women (young and old), where everyone is encouraged to grow as a servant of God; to follow JESUS, as model, in living and sharing our gift (talent and time) to our family, church (Good Shepherd), friends and neighbors.

Please join us in our prayer meeting and bible study with Deacon Al Llenos every second Saturday of the month at 2:00 p.m., at the St. Paul John II room next to the parish office. For more information about our group, please call (916) 203-8765 or email at sugonzales@msn.com. "Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

Parish News

Kinderchurch Easter Egg Hunt

Our 9th Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Sunday, April 5. We would appreciate donations to fill eggs such as wrapped candies, small toys and treats to the buckets in the Narthex labeled "Kinderchurch Easter Egg Hunt." We also need large and medium sized plastic eggs. Donations qualify towards volunteer hours Email kinderchurch@gmail.com for additional info.

SEAS Preschool/Summer School Registration

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Preschool Registration for Fall 2020 is now open. Please call for a tour and more info: Tammy Babich, Preschool Director, 916-691-4825 or email tbabich@stelizabetheg.org. Summer School Registration is open now, too.

Download Our Parish App!

Be sure to check the Inspire Daily Reflections button on the MyParish app for special Lenten-themed daily reflections! You can get the app by downloading it at **myparishapp.com**, searching your phone's app store for **myparish**, or clicking on the **MYPARISH** icon on our church website.

Stay inFORMED

As we go further into the season of Lent, be sure to make use of the online resources provided to you on formed.org. You can find videos and sign up to receive daily emails with scripture and reflections for Lent.

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St. Vincent de Paul News

Thank you for all you do to support SVdP. We must follow strict guidelines on what can be safely distributed to those who come for food on Mondays. Therefore, we request 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.

On February 24th we served 46 families consisting of 197 people and gave out 184 boxes of food. On March 2, we served 36 families consisting of 148 (people and gave out 139 boxes of food. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.

Upcoming Events



St. Patrick's Dinner

The Knights of Columbus will host their 8th Annual St. Patrick's Dinner on Sat., March, 14th in the Fr. Wells Parish Hall. For ticket information, contact Terry Rees, (916) 687-1266.

Forty Days for Life

The Respect Life Ministry promotes LIFE from conception through natural death. This Lent, join us in support of the prenatal child. We will meet in the Narthex after the morning Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays during Lent to carpool to Planned Parenthood (located at Fruitridge Rd. and Franklin Blvd.) where we take action to end abortion. We pray, sing and share our love of LIFE with others. Any questions? Text or leave a voicemail message for Margaret at 916-512-0865.

13th of the Month Rosary

Our 13th of the Month Fatima Rosary prayer will be on Fri., March 13 after the 8:30 a.m. mass in the church. Please join us and let us make Our Blessed Mother smile and happy as we obediently fulfill our promise to her......pray, pray, pray the Rosary everyday.



St. John Caregiver Support Group

The St. John Caregiver Support Group will meet on March 12th from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. Anyone caring for a disabled person is encouraged to attend. For more info, contact Norma at nf972419@gmail.com.

LifeTeen

Join us for a pizza party at our next Life Night **TONIGHT**, March 8^{th} , after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Parents and kids—stay up to date on our activities by registering on our website to receive text updates.

"A Heart Renewed" Online Retreat

Participate in this online Lenten retreat offered by the Jesuit School of Theology. You will receive daily prayers and reflections on the scripture readings in your inbox during Lent. Sign up at www.scu.edu/aheartrenewed.

Reflection Guides for Lent

Pope Francis reminds us that missionary disciples need to leave the comfort of the shore in order to have an authentic encounter at the periphery. Lent is our time to reflect on what is getting in the way of our going forth to share the Good News. Find reflection guides and more resources at: https://www.maryknoll.us/home/resources/mission-spirituality/lent-2020.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 7, 2020

5:00 pm

Jovita Candalla (+) Isagani Candalla (+) Hector Encarnacion (+) Manuel Garcia (13yrDA) Manuel and Tina Marquez (+)

Sunday, March 8, 2020 7:00 am

Patrīcia Arizzī (SI) Jerome and Marytess Rosales (25yrWA) Mario Arizzi (+) Medardo Bejarin (+)

Leila Adora Garcia (+) 9:00 am

Gloria Galbadores Austria (+)
Fred and Gloria Luchico (+)
Eduardo Luchico (+)
Victor Luchico (+)
Rebecca Toledo (+)

11:00 am

Sridevi (SI-H) Huan Le (SI-H) Martha Smith (SI-H) Tante Del Castillo (+) Albert Erhard (+)

1:00 pm

Marie & Mariah Langley (TG) John Jersins (SI-H) Narcisa de la Cruz (DA) Hermongenes Deperalta (DA) Anchelle G. Punla (+)

5:00 pm

Petra O. Alontave (DA) Jose De Guzman (+) Mike Lucero (+) Esther, Olejaria and Lilia Maciel (+) All Souls in Purgatory (+)

Monday, March 9, 2020 8:30 am

Marshall Dela Pena (BD) Anthony Larsen (SI-H) Martinha Avis (+) Maria Fagundes (+)

Tuesday, March 10, 2020 8:30 am

Phyllis Bueche (+) Antonio Morando (+)

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 8:30 am

Patricia Arizzi (SI) Aurea Ingusan (BD) Fr. Gerard Ingusan (BD) Mikai Magtoto (BD) Mario Arizzi (+) Eduardo Hernandez (+)

Thursday, March 12, 2020 8:30 am

Rolando Santiago (BD) Bonifacia Lagunday (DA)

Friday, March 13, 2020 8:30 am

Silvia Sotelo (80yrBD) Joe Avis (+)

Key:

Deceased (+) Thanksgiving (TG) Death Anniversary (DA) Birthday (BD) Special Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA) SI-H) Special Intention for healing

Stewardship at Good Shepherd

Collection total for Ash Wednesday and Feb. 29/March 1
 will be in next weekend's bulletin.

During Lent, we prepare ourselves through prayer and giving back to our parish. But, with busy lives and active families, it's easy to skip a weekly tithe when you are unable to attend Mass or are out of town

This Lent, we invite you to join many others at Good Shepherd in setting up recurring eGiving though Faith Direct. Thanks to eGiving, your weekly offertory will be automatically taken care of, which saves you time and saves our parish money by eliminating all those unused offertory envelopes. Getting started is easy! Visit faith.direct/CA688.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.



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