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March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday of Lent



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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

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.

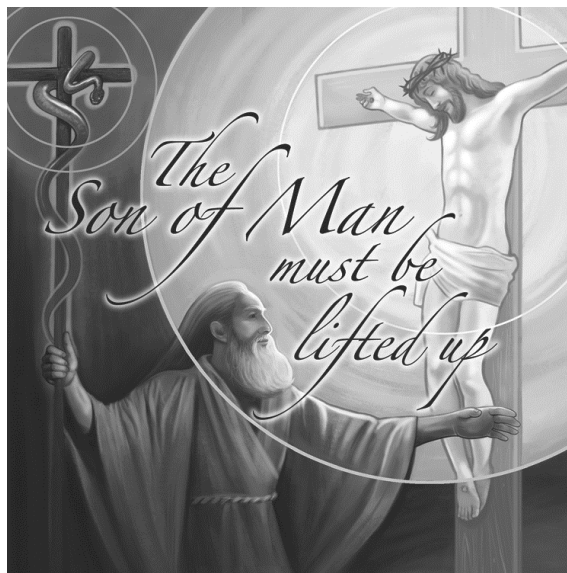
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COMMUNAL RESPONSIBILITY

The people of God forgot the covenant and flouted God's laws. They did not listen to the prophets among them, who spoke for God in warning them. Prophets are sent from God to remind us why we are here, but they are often, even in our own time, mocked, disregarded, and mistreated rather than thanked and listened to.

The book of Chronicles tells the results of these sins: the destruction of the temple and all of Jerusalem, murder, mayhem, and finally exile to a foreign land. Why are these stories in the Bible? Just to inform us of what happened to our ancient forebears? What good would that be unless there were a message and a warning for us as well? Are we people who follow the teachings of God, who obey the words of Christ in the second covenant in his blood? Or do we continue to wreak works of darkness and violence? We are reminded by these readings that we will be judged as a people, not just as individuals.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fourth Sunday of Lent; Second Scrutiny; Daylight Saving Time begins; Girl Scouting Sunday
Friday:	Abstinence
Saturday:	Saint Patrick

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday:	Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
Thursday:	Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday:	Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday:	Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday:	Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33 Alternate readings (Year A): Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

Second Collection/Catholic Relief Services

This week we are taking up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to respond to Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Sharing and Caring Senior Singles

Our next meeting will be March 24th at 1:00 p.m. in the John Paul II Room. As we start a new year, we will discuss upcoming events and take all suggestions from the group. If you have any questions, please call Teresa at 916-647-3366.

Please join us in welcoming these new members to our parish family:

Jack & Lisa Martin

All are welcome to the Good Shepherd Parish Fellowship!

Join us this morning for our monthly Fellowship breakfast following the 7:00 a.m. Mass with continuous serving until shortly before 11:00 Mass begins. 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 10:00-11:00 a.m. on 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** started 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 juanitabaier@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; monthly visits to care homes and assisted living facilities; twice monthly visits at Kaiser South. Interested persons must first be trained Eucharistic ministers to apply. For more information, contact Pat Viduya at 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.

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

Chrism Mass—March 22nd 6:00 p.m. at the Cathedral
Bishop Soto will bless the Holy Oils that are used in sacramental celebrations throughout the coming year.

Holy Saturday Pilgrimage—Radio Santissimo Sacramento invites you to join them on a journey of almost 8 miles of sacrifice and prayer on March 31st beginning at 7:00 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Parish and concluding at the Shrine of Guadalupe in Sacramento around 2:00 p.m. For more info, visit www.radiosantisimosacramento.com or call 916-442-7389.

Knights of Columbus Rosary Night of Prayer

All are welcome on Mon., March 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church as we offer this Rosary to our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph honoring him on his feast day. What a great opportunity to give thanks for blessings received, to pray for the sick in our parish family, or to pray for a special intention that you may have. Best of all, it gives us all an opportunity to pray the rosary together as a parish community. For more information, contact SK Iggy Lopez-Alvarez at 916-689-2428.

St. Maria Goretti Vacation Bible School

Registration is now open for VBS, July 9 – 13, for children 5 to 12 years old. VBS is a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn about God, make new friends, and have fun as they participate in: Bible adventures, arts & crafts, music, and games. A community service project is always included. Last year, VBS collected over 3 barrels of food for the Elk Grove Food Bank. Cost is \$30. To register go to www.smgcc.net or contact St. Maria Goretti at 916-647-4538, ext. 203 or cff@smgcc.net.

Social Ministry Specialization Series—Beginning April 7

This series of classes will give a foundational understanding of Catholic Social Teaching and help you build a parish community "where social ministry is integral, not optional; where it is the work of every believer, not just the mission of a few committed people and committees." Questions? Contact Lauralyn Solano at 916-733-0153 or LSolano@scd.org.

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 March 5, we served 38 families consisting of 168 people and gave out 148 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 11) join other teens as we begin a new exploration into who Jesus really was. Contact Joshua Hollcraft for Life Teen questions: lifeteen@gscccg.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. Contact: Betty or Steve at 916- 683-3088 email 25thanniversary@gscccg.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 19 at 6:30 p.m.** in the St. John Paul II room. 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 10, 2018

5:00 pm

Zdenka Bezmalinovich (SI-H)
Makai Magtoto (BD)
Petra Alontave (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Rod & Julieta Laurente (+)

Sunday, March 11, 2018

7:00 am

Melecio Adao (+)
Loraine Barbee (+)
Juanita Dimayacyac (1yrDA)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Vicente Teves, Sr. (+)

9:00 am

Florentina Curso (+)
Venancio Del Rosario (+)
Primitiva Q. Panelo (+)
Eufracia Tuzon (+)
Diosdado Vida (+)

11:00 am

Gil & Giselle Cantiller (BD)
Theodore Hawkins (SI)
Manuel Caceres (+)
Evangeline Gonzalez (+)
Fred, Gloria, Eduardo and Victor Luchico (+)
Sue Stephen Simon (+)

1:00 pm

Lisa Ortiz (SI-H)
Brianna Uzoh (SI)
Hermogenes De Peralta (+)
Bonifacia Lagunday (DA)
Alicia Rulloda (+)

5:00 pm

Julian Penaranda (BD)
Ricardo Anuat (+)
All souls in purgatory (+)

Monday, March 12, 2018

8:30 am

Jeslin Mattathil (SI)
Rolando Santiago (BD)
Primitiva Q. Panelo (+)
Eufracia Tuzon (+)

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

8:30 am

Joe Avis (+)
Cora G. Calapine (1yrDA)
Eufracia Tuzon (+)

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

8:30 am

Ambrosio Gonzales (TG)
Maxima Gonzales (TG)
Melchor Gonzales (TG)
Vicente V. Ticsay (+)
Eufracia Tuzon (+)

Thursday, March 15, 2018

8:30 am

Francisco & Maria Martins (+)
Rhonda Paulino (+)
Eufracia Tuzon (+)

Friday, March 16, 2018

8:30 am

Micaiah Magtoto (BD)
Omar Magtoto (BD)
Antonio E. Alontave (+)
Narciso Antolin Burgos (DA)
Eufracia Tuzon (+)

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 March 3/4 = \$23,068.31

2nd Collection/Building Fund = \$6,494.67

(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

During Lent, we focus our daily activities on growing closer to Christ through an increase in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. It is a wonderful goal to try and extend some of the changes we make in our lives beyond the liturgical season. Signing up with *Faith Direct* is a great way to focus on almsgiving throughout the year. It is a secure and convenient way to make a conscious decision about your financial support of our many wonderful ministries. You can find paper enrollment forms in the parish office, or you can sign up online at www.faithdirect.net by using our church code, **CA688**.

Silver Jubilee

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

Saturday, April 21, 2018



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

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 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? ☐

Recently moved or changed phone number? ☐

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Phone _____

E-mail _____

Address _____

City, Zip _____

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