

# 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



# Palm Sunday

OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

March 28, 2021



When the centurion  
who stood facing him  
saw how he breathed  
his last he said,

## "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

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Mark 15:39

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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.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**  
Wednesdays: 5:45 to 7:00 pm

## Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 3:00 to  
4:30 p.m. in the John Paul II Room and  
Wednesdays from 5:45 to 7:00 pm in the  
Conference Room and Sacristy.

**Baptism:** Parents and godparents  
go to [www.gscceg.org/sacraments/  
baptism](http://www.gscceg.org/sacraments/baptism) for more information.

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

## HOLY WEEK

For the Palm Sunday Gospel, we return to the Gospel according to Mark. The account of the Passion takes up nearly one-third of Mark's entire Gospel and, of all the evangelists, he is the one who presents the details most graphically. He depicts the humanity of Jesus most intensely, describing his sufferings thoroughly. Mark portrays Jesus as a complete fulfillment of the "Suffering Servant" of Isaiah, the obedient, humble slave dying on a cross of whom Paul speaks in Philippians. But it is important to remember that we call this "Holy Week" and not "sad week" or "suffering week," for each of the readings today, even the lamentations of the psalm, end in the promise of the strength and hope that is granted by God to those who faithfully give of themselves in love. As we enter into this week through these readings, we must reflect deeply on the sufferings of Jesus, but still be confident in the joy of risen, eternal life that awaits all of us who faithfully walk with him through these days.

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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord; Passover begins at sunset
Monday:	Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday:	Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday:	Wednesday of Holy Week
Thursday:	Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins
Friday:	Good Friday of the Lord's Passion; Fast and Abstinence
Saturday:	Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	<u>Chrism Mass</u> : Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 <u>Lord's Supper</u> : Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday:	a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20- 22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8- 11; C) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

### Distribution of the Holy Eucharist

There is distribution of communion in the entrance to the Father Phillip Wells Hall on Sundays from 10:00-11:00 am. If you have watched Mass at home and are prepared to receive communion, we invite you to come during this time.

### Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at 5:00 pm. Please sign up online at <https://gscceg.org/lent>. If you're unable to attend in person, we invite you to watch the Stations of the Cross video on our website.

### Confession Times

Confessions are on Wednesdays from 5:45-7:00 pm in the conference room and in the sacristy and Saturdays from 3:00-4:45 pm in the John Paul II Room and in the entrance to the Fr. Phillip Wells Hall.

### Adoration

There is Adoration in the church every Wednesday evening from 5:45-7:00 pm. If you'd like to assist with Adoration, contact the office.



### Lenten Mission

Thank to you everyone who joined us virtually and/or in person at our recent Lenten Mission. If you missed it, the videos are still available for viewing on our YouTube channel and at <https://gscceg.org/2021-lenten-mission>.

## **Consecration to St. Joseph**

The Evangelization Outreach Ministry is facilitating a virtual 33 -Day Preparation for Consecration to St. Joseph from March 30 to May 1. We will use the book "Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father" by Fr. Donald Calloway. According to Fr. Calloway, consecration to St. Joseph will help us become "another Joseph" for Jesus and Mary. That is, entrusting ourselves to St. Joseph helps us become a faithful, loving and trusting companion of Jesus and Mary. The book is available on Amazon and shopmercy.com. For more info and to join, email ninfa.campomanes@gmail.com or call 916-840-6386.

## **Knights of Columbus: Into the Breach**

Ready to put your faith into action? Join the Knights of Columbus in a discussion of the Apostolic Exhortation: Into the Breach. This call to battle for Catholic men urges them to embrace masculine virtues in a world at crisis. Join us at 6:30PM on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 in the church. For more information and to sign up, visit <https://www.laguna-knights.org/>.

## **Join the Columbiettes**

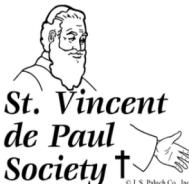
The Columbiettes, an organization of Catholic women dedicated to our Patronesses, Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Theresa the Little Flower and St. Joan of Arc, are comprised of affiliated Auxiliaries of the Knights of Columbus Councils. A Columbiette Auxiliary is in existence only with the consent and approval of the Council with which it is affiliated and is here to aid our Council spiritually, socially, and financially. If you are interested in joining, please contact Lady Becky @ susiesmom1@comcast.net – 916.743.3777 or Lady Michelle @ shellex36@yahoo.com – 916.717.4302 .

## **Spring cleaning alert!**

It's time to shred your old bank statements, tax forms, bills, etc. at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School's 2021 paper shredding fundraiser. This drive-thru event will be held on Saturday, April 24, 2021, from 8:30am – 12:30pm in the Church parking lot. The suggested donation is \$10 per box. Proceeds go to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School.

## **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. There will be food distribution on March 29 but next week, April 5, SVdP will be closed . SVdP has funds available for Utility assistance for our 95757 and 95758 residents. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.



## **Divine Mercy Novena and The Feast of the Divine Mercy**

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday. He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena, saving for the last day the most difficult intention of all, the lukewarm and indifferent of whom He said: "These souls cause Me more suffering than any others; it was from such souls that My soul felt the most revulsion in the Garden of Olives. It was on their account that I said: 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass Me by.' The last hope of salvation for them is to flee to My Mercy."

The Novena schedule is as follows:

**April 2-4:** No novena will be held in the church, please see parish app for the novena prayer. **April 5-9** at 9:15 am in the church immediately following morning Mass; **April 10** at 1:00 pm in the church. The Celebration of the Feast of the Divine Mercy will be on **April 11** at 1:00 p.m. with Mass, Exposition, Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament to be held after Mass. For more info please call Susan or Rolly at (916)203-8765 or Maria at (916) 230-9605.

## **Is God Calling you to be a Sister?**

Meet the Sisters and find out! Single Catholic women ages 18 - 40 are invited to an **ONLINE Religious Vocation "MEET THE SISTERS" Prayerful and Reflective Discernment Retreat** with the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul on Sat., April 17<sup>th</sup>. Email Sister Lisa Laguna, D.C. at [srllaguna@doc1633.org](mailto:srllaguna@doc1633.org) for the Zoom link or sign up at [www.Daughters-of-Charity.com/retreats/](http://www.Daughters-of-Charity.com/retreats/) or call 213-210-9903.

## **Mother Daughter 2021 Program—Saturday, April 10**

The Mother-Daughter Programs for teens and tweens explore God's special gift of human fertility and the beauty and wonder of God's plan for growing up and becoming a woman. All presentations are pure, light-hearted and affirming! For more info, visit [www.scd.org/motherdaughter](http://www.scd.org/motherdaughter), or contact Jackelin Aguilar at 916-733-0156 or [Jaguilar@scd.org](mailto:Jaguilar@scd.org).

## **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.

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday, March 27</b>	<b>Monday, March 29</b>
<b>5:00 pm</b>	Antonio David (6yrDA)
Dr. Guillermo Naval-Sahagun (+)	
<b>Sunday, March 28</b>	<b>Tuesday, March 30</b>
<b>7:00 am</b>	Carlos & Isabel Llarena (53yrWA)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)	
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Wednesday, March 31</b>
Do family (TG)	Manuel & Martinha Avis (+)
<b>11:00am</b>	
Do family (TG)	
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Thursday, April 1/Holy Thursday</b>
Good Shepherd parishioners (TG)	No Morning Mass
<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>Friday, April 2/Good Friday</b>
	No Morning Mass

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

## This week we will remember in prayer:

**Birthday:** Gary Marquez (3/29), Benjamina Marquez (3/31), Abraham Mattathil (97yr 3/31)

### Thanksgiving:

**Special Intention for Healing:** Isaiah David Monteiro (7am 3/28), Tina Giles (9am 3/28), Melinda Martin (9am 3/28)

### Special Intention:

### Anniversary:

**Death Anniversary:** Canuto Curso (5pm 3/27), Encarnacion Rojas (11am 3/28), Theresa Ramos (3/30), Robert Palmer (3/31)

**Repose of the Soul:** Francisco Espejel (5pm 3/27), Mary Machado (5pm 3/27), Samuel Rinelli (5pm 3/27), Pepita Fontanilla (7am 3/28), Conrado and Estela Gunabe (7am 3/28), Emerito Lopez (7am 3/28), Teresita Jacinto (9am, 3/28)

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## Stewardship at Good Shepherd

Weekly collection total: March 13/14 = \$16,471.81  
(weekly total includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

Thinking about spring cleaning? Why not streamline your offertory and simplify your support for Good Shepherd and the ministries that mean so much to you? Now is a great time to make the switch to eGiving – you can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts help sustain our parish as we continue to confront the challenges and turmoil sparked by COVID-19, and as we work to reopen more of our programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community. **Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/CA688](http://faith.direct/CA688), or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801. Thank you for your continued support!**

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

# Holy Week/Easter Schedule

Please sign up online to attend.

## **Holy Thursday- Mass of the Last Supper**

- Mass: 4:00 and 6:30 pm in the church (extra seating available in the hall)
- No daily Mass at 8:30 am
- Communion distribution from 5:00-6:00 pm.
- Adoration of the Reposed Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 pm in the hall.
- The 4:00 pm Mass will be livestreamed on YouTube.

## **Good Friday— Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord**

- Service times: Noon and 3:00 pm in the church (extra seating available in the hall)
- The Noon service will be livestreamed on YouTube.
- Distribution of Communion from 2:00-3:00 pm.
- Stations of the Cross at 5:00 pm.

## **Easter Vigil**

- Mass at 7:30 pm in the church (extra seating available in the hall)
- Approximate running time for this Mass is about 3 hours therefore it may not be ideal for children
- Livestreamed on YouTube.

## **Easter Sunday**

- Mass: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm in the church (extra seating available in the hall)
- Communion distribution from 10:00-11:00 am and from 2:00-3:00 pm.
- The 7:00 am Mass will be livestreamed on YouTube.



## **Parish Registration and Change of Address**

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please provide weekly offering envelopes  Yes  No

***Please fill out and deposit in Offertory Basket. Thank You!***

