

April 19, 2020

Divine Mercy Sunday

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
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Mass Times:

Saturday: 5p.m. Vigil
Sunday: 7, 9, 11 a.m. and 1, 5 p.m.
Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.
First Saturday of the month: 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. Sunday Masses
Kinderchurch: 9 a.m. Mass only
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
First Thursday, silent adoration, and with
prayers of devotion: 6-8:30 p.m.
First Friday, Exposition: 10 a.m. until 3
p.m. with Divine Mercy chaplet and
solemn benediction.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.
in church, or by appointment.
Baptism: Parents and godparents
refer to www.gscccg.org baptism
information to schedule baptism class.
Marriage: Engaged couples begin
preparation at least six months before
wedding date. Schedule with parish
office.

GET REAL!

Those of us who flatter ourselves that we have a “realistic” view of the world may listen to the first reading today and say, “Get real!” when we hear Luke’s account of the early, Elysian days of the Christian movement. All seems to be rosy, lots of wonders are performed, everyone shares selflessly, they eat together in “exultation,” and the Lord added to their numbers? Well, who wouldn’t be attracted to a group like this? From the wind that swept through the upper room at Pentecost as the Spirit of God blew over the face of the waters in Genesis, and the fire that appeared over each disciple as the light appeared at the dawn of creation, Luke’s intent in Acts is to show a new creation, a restoration of creation’s original goodness through the working of the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit who continues to make us into the Body of Christ. We may occasionally, like Thomas in the Gospel, say, “Get real!” but our ultimate reality in the Spirit is to work continually to make our Christian community a new creation, one in which others will find God’s joy and beauty.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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| Sunday: | Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy); Julian Calendar Easter |
| Tuesday: | St. Anselm; Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) |
| Wednesday: | Administrative Professionals Day; Earth Day |
| Thursday: | St. George; St. Adalbert |
| Friday: | St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen; National Arbor Day |
| Saturday: | St. Mark |

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday: | Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8 |
| Tuesday: | Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15 |
| Wednesday: | Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 |
| Thursday: | Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36 |
| Friday: | Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15 |
| Saturday: | 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20 |
| Sunday: | Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35 |

Alternatives to Attending Mass

Since we are unable to go to Mass, please watch us on our YouTube channel. We are posting Mass every day. Our website also contains many valuable online resources for prayer, scripture readings, daily reflections and family activities.

If you prefer to watch on TV, look for the Eternal World Television Network (EWTN) on your local cable channel lineup. You can also listen to Relevant Radio, the local Catholic radio station, on AM 1620.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

Those who are unable to physically receive communion may pray the following:

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

Create A Family Prayer Space At Home

In the coming weeks, families will be spending more time together at home. One good use of this time would be to pray together on a regular basis. This prayer time together can be enhanced by creating a place in your home dedicated to prayer.

Making a place for prayer in our home can help us do what the Gospel tells us, to go into an “inner room” to pray (Matthew 6:6). Make your prayer place as quiet, uncluttered, and “desert-like” as possible. It can be the corner of a room or any unused space. Furnish your prayer place with a Bible, prayer books, cross, rosary, icons, and a candle. Encourage family members to use the prayer place for personal as well as family prayer. You can bless your place of prayer, saying: Come, Holy God. Dwell in this place of prayer, and bless it with your peace and presence. Bless all who seek you here. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

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Parish News

All upcoming events at Good Shepherd have been cancelled until further notice.

Parish Office Hours

The parish office is open by appointment ONLY. We are available to answer phones and email during our regular business hours. If you need to come in to the office, please call to schedule an appointment.

Church Hours

The church will be open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for individual, private prayer. This schedule will remain in effect until further notice. If you chose to visit the church, please follow social distancing regulations.

Individual Confessions

Confessions will be by appointment ONLY. Please call or email the parish office to schedule at time.

Stay Connected!

There are several ways to stay connected and aware of what is going on here at Good Shepherd.

- The best way is to check **our website, www.gscceg.org**. There you will find links to watch Mass online, information regarding schedule changes and links to other online resources.
- You can also download **our app, My Parish**. We use the app to send out important messages. The app includes links to daily Mass, scripture readings, etc.
- **Our YouTube channel**. Search for "Good Shepherd Catholic Church Elk Grove" and subscribe to our channel. You'll be able to view Mass celebrated every day right here in our Church.
- **Our Facebook page**. Search for "Good Shepherd Catholic Church" and find the page with our picture. We post most recent information and links to Mass, etc.

Stay inFormed!

Remember to make use of our subscription to **Formed.org**. It's a huge multimedia library that is available to you at no cost. Explore books, movies, guided prayer and more. This is especially valuable right now. They even have faith based children's programs and books!

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 April 6th, we served 30 families consisting of 135 people. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.



Divine Mercy Prayer

You expired, O Jesus,
but the source of life gushed forth for souls
and an ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world.
O Fount of Life,
unfathomable Divine Mercy,
envelop the whole world
and empty Yourself out upon us.
O Blood and Water,
which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus
as a fount of mercy for us,
I trust in You.
Amen.

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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.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 18, 2020

5:00pm

Jovito Javier (+)
Corazon Joves (+)
Istria Lopez-Alvarez (DA)
Feliciano V. Lumaban (+)
Paulino Ong (DA)

Sunday, April 19, 2020

7:00 am

Stefan Makia Manaos (BD)
Rosita Baysa (DA)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Fred Gunabe (DA)
Gail Sewell (+)

9:00 am

Antonio Albarillo (BD)
Darlene Escarez (BD)
Divine Mercy Prayer Group (TG)
Erlinda Sandoval (+)
Jose Sandoval (DA)

11:00 am

Lourdes Ancheta (DA)
Ava Rose Estrada (+)
Jaime Estrada (+)
Gloriela Olson (+)
Drexel K. Wesleder (DA)

1:00 pm

Deceased members of the
Do family (+)
Alice Marie Mayfield (+)
Eduardo Quiambao (+)
Bill Sweeney (+)
All souls in purgatory (+)

5:00pm

Michele Hunt (BD)
Joao Silva (+)
All souls in purgatory (+)

Monday, April 20, 2020

8:30 am

Scott Avis (+)
Rosita Baysa (+)
Emitera Canio (DA)

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

8:30 am

Wednesday, April 22, 2020

8:30 am

Pauline Erhard (DA)
Ava Rose Estrada (+)
Rosie Lagula (+)

Thursday, April 23, 2020

8:30 am

Ellen Cariaga (BD)
Fely Ramirez (BD)
Paz Hernandez (+)
Emma Bertha Magaña (+)

Friday, April 24, 2020

8:30 am

Celino and Nena Marquez (55yrWA)
Paz Hernandez (DA)

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

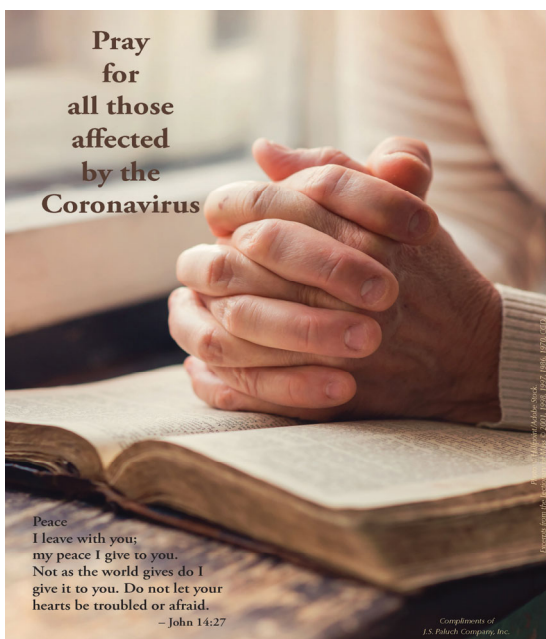
Weekly collection total for March 29: \$9,912.31

(Weekly totals include contributions made through Faith Direct)

Good Shepherd needs your support now more than ever! Join the parishioners who are using Faith Direct for automated giving to Good Shepherd. Faith Direct offers a safe and secure way to donate to our parish in this time of uncertainty. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish.

Getting started is easy! Visit faith.direct/CA688 or text the word ENROLL to (916) 439-8801.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family, especially during this difficult time for all of us.



PRAYER TO OUR LADY, HEALTH OF THE SICK

O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, united with Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. He who took our suffering upon Himself, and burdened Himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test — and deliver us from every danger. O glorious and blessed Virgin.

—Pope Francis, March 11, 2020

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Parish Registration and Change of Address

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