

## Divine Mercy Sunday

April 23, 2017

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### Good Shepherd Catholic Church

#### Church, Office & School

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Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8am - 5pm

Closed for lunch 12-1pm

Closed Wednesdays

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

## Parish Staff

### Pastor: Rev. Leon Juchniewicz

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Lester Menor

Deacon: William Sousa

Deacon: Edward Smith

Office Manager: Denise Wesleder

Parish Office Receptionist: Monica Goodale

### Catholic Faith Formation: (916) 683-2963

Director, Faith Formation: Sr. Sibebe Gaya Moreira, VDMF

Coordinator, Religious Education: Menchie Cabrera

ONE EIGHT/EDGE Confirmation Preparation Coordinators:

Elizabeth Pott & Scotia Burrell

Life Teen Coordinator: Brennen Cull

## 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:** Trina Koontz (916) 684-7903

[tkoontz@stelizabetheg.org](mailto:tkoontz@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 9 p.m. First Friday, Exposition at 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. with Divine Mercy chaplet and solemn benediction.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8  
Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20  
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: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21  
Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21;  
Lk 24:13-35

"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."  
-- John 20:29b



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## A SEASON OF JOY

"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers" (Acts 2:42). This first line of today's first reading sets the tone as this fifty-day celebration of Easter opens before us. Today we listen to the teachings of three apostles--Luke, Peter, and John--who remind us that even though we have not seen Christ, we nonetheless are filled with joy as we place our belief in his saving death and resurrection. Each week during the Easter season we will gather as a community of faith to find strength and support from our God and from one another. Each week we will gather to break bread and offer the great prayer of thanksgiving, actions that will manifest the very presence of the risen Christ in our midst. Let us be open to the wonders of this season of joy.

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## Parish News and Announcements

### 2nd Collection for Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Next week will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

**Attention Parishioners - the Good Shepherd Music Ministry needs your help!** We are looking for donations of gently used musical instruments. If you have an instrument that you don't play anymore, we would love to have it. Your donation would not only enhance our worship experience but could also be a tax write-off for you. We'll be happy to arrange for pick up, too. If you have an instrument you would like to donate, please contact Carlos @ 916-284-2077.



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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter  
(or of Divine Mercy)  
Monday: Yom Ha-Shoa  
(Holocaust Remembrance Day)  
Tuesday: St. Mark  
Wednesday: Administrative Professionals Day  
Friday: St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignion de  
Montfort; Arbor Day  
Saturday: St. Catherine of Siena

### Do You Want To Become a Catholic?

Announcing the Good Shepherd's **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** Process for Catechetical Year 2017-2018. The RCIA Team will have Q&A sessions after the showing of an excellent documentary called Convinced. You can view the trailer at <http://donjohnsonministries.org/convinced/>. Join us in the John Paul II Conference Room on one or more of these Sundays from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.: Apr. 30, May 21, June 25 and July 30, Aug. 6 and Aug. 13. A mandatory session will be held on Sunday, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. for all Inquirers who will be ready to participate in the RCIA Process. For more information, contact Verne at [verne.bowers@advent-ca.com](mailto:verne.bowers@advent-ca.com) or by phone at (916)479-3930.

## Parish News

### Knights of Columbus Scholarship Contest

All Catholic eighth grade students who are members of Good Shepherd Parish and who will attend a catholic high school are invited to participate in our 2017 High School Scholarship Contest. Three scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded. For entry forms visit the KofC website at [www.laguna-knights.org](http://www.laguna-knights.org).

### Men's Day of Faith Renewal

April 29th at St. Mel Parish in Fair Oaks. Sign up at [www.smpcevents.org](http://www.smpcevents.org) or call Chuck at 916-635-7791 for more information.

### GSCC Wine & Food Dinner June 3, 2017 – SAVE THE DATE

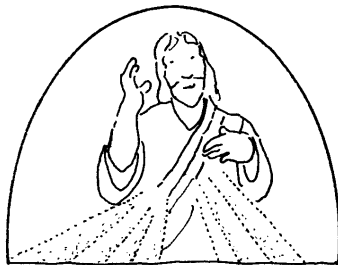
If you're looking for a new opportunity for fellowship, mark your calendars for Saturday, June 3 for a very special evening on the Rectory patio as GSCC hosts our third annual Wine & Food Dinner starting at 6:30 PM. Tickets for this five-course dinner will go on sale April 29 after all Masses.

### Sweet Charity at Christian Brothers High School

Come out and see a great show put on by the CB theatre program April 28-30 and May 5-7. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at [www.cbhs-sacramento.org](http://www.cbhs-sacramento.org).

### E-Giving with FaithDirect

The Lord is risen! As Christ's disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting Good Shepherd with electronic donations through Faith Direct. You can sign up online by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: **CA688**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!



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## St. Vincent de Paul News

Due to the rainy weather, through the month of April, **please make all non-food donations on Mondays at the SVdP locker between 8:00—11:00 a.m. while our volunteers are present.**

On April 10th we served 48 families consisting of 191 people and gave out 180 bags of food.



Regular SVdP locker hours are Mondays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Volunteers are always welcome. To volunteer, contact us at (916) 647-1243.

## Upcoming Events

### 100th Year Anniversary- Our Lady of Fatima

Let us celebrate and honor the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady's apparition to three shepherd children May 13th, 1917, at Fatima in Portugal. There will be Mass at noon, Saturday May 13, 2017. Procession immediately after mass followed by the Holy Rosary Prayer at Lichtenberger Park across the street. Afterwards, we will have fellowship in the Father Wells Hall. Please come and join the celebration and be obedient to Our Blessed Mother's request. You may bring statues or pictures of Our Lady of Fatima for Blessing. For more information contact Fely Salgado at 916 284-1214.

### Hearts of Compassion

Good Shepherd Grief and Bereavement Ministry, "Hearts of Compassion," will offer seven Monday evening group sessions beginning May 1 from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. This outreach ministry provides support to parishioners and their family and friends who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. The sessions will help in understanding the stages of grief, surviving stress and loneliness, and will offer a session on how memories can become tools for starting a new life. Led by grief peer counselors, the group meets in the Conference room. For more information, please call Suzanne Dodd, 916- 801-0561. All are welcome.

### Apologetics Toolkit

The Evangelization Outreach ministry invites you to join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the church as we shine the light on some key Catholic topics which you might be questioned about such as, faith & works, the Eucharist, and Mary's role in the church. Apologetics is the defense and explanation of the teachings, beliefs, and practices of the Catholic Church. Come join us and learn some great things!

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, April 22, 2017**

**5:00 pm**

Virginia Hearne (SI-H)  
Jaime Pasos (TG)  
Antonio Kilayko (+)  
Maria Van Hoa (+)

**Sunday, April 23, 2017**

**7:00 am**

Jose Samaniego Sr. (+)  
Fely Samaniego (+)  
Teresa Samaniego Skinner (+)  
Aniceto Somera (+)  
Cesar Tila (DA)

**9:00am**

Elson Saul (+)  
Linda Solmasmela (+)  
Romy Reyes (+)  
Adela Caracas (+)

**11:00 am**

Hanna Vu (SI-H)  
Ava Rose Estrada (+)  
Istria Lopez-Alvarez (4yrDA)  
Fidela Urena-Rojas (+)

**1:00 pm**

Patrocinia Abregana (+)  
Paula Cardenas (+)  
Indalicia Gastador (+)  
Nicolas Gastador (+)  
Felicisima Gastador (+)  
Arsenio Roxas (+)

**5:00pm**

Karl Christian Arana (SI-H)  
Martha Le Thi Nam (+)  
Paul Nguyen Nghien (+)  
Anthony Volpendesta (+)  
All Souls in Purgatory (+)

**Monday, April 24, 2017**

**8:30am**

Brian Steen (+)

**Tuesday, April 25, 2017**

**8:30am**

Victor Garcia (BD)

**Wednesday, April 26, 2017**

**8:30am**

Manuel Curso (BD)  
Adrian Bonilla (+)

**Thursday, April 27, 2017**

**8:30am**

Angeles S. Urbano (+)

**Friday, April 28, 2017**

**8:30am**

Eufracia Chavez-Tuzon (+)

**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 April 8/9 = \$25,794.29  
(includes Faith Direct)

Collection total for April 15/16 will be in next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your generous support. Your ongoing donations are essential in helping us meet the many needs of the parish and community.



**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 visit our website to sign up for e-giving through Faith Direct.

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