

## 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



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF

# Easter

APRIL 25, 2021

I am the good shepherd,  
and I know mine and mine know me,  
just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;  
and I will lay down my life for the sheep.

John 10:14-15

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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  
First Friday: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

## Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. in the St. 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.gscccg.org/sacraments/baptism](http://www.gscccg.org/sacraments/baptism) for more information.

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

## RESPONDING TO THE CALL

Do we truly know the voice of Christ? Do we truly respond to the voice of our shepherd with our own distinctive voice? How often we attempt to imitate those around us, appropriating the response of another member of the flock to Christ. Perhaps we need to balance the image of being sheep of one flock with the image from the second reading, which tells us that we are all children of God. What child has precisely the same interaction with parents as his or her siblings? Instead, they frequently do and say things to distinguish themselves in the eyes of their parents.

Whether we use the image of children or of sheep to understand our relationship with Christ, we believe that we are all known and called by name. With this great gift comes a responsibility: to respond to the call with our own distinctive voice, to take time to discern exactly what our call is, to determine precisely what the will of the Father is for each of us.

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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter;  
World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
Wednesday: St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort  
Thursday: St. Catherine of Siena  
Friday: St. Pius V; National Arbor Day  
Saturday: St. Joseph the Worker; First Saturday

### First Saturday Mass

Our monthly "First Saturday" Mass will be on May 1 at 9:30 a.m. The online sign up for those wishing to attend this Mass is available on our website. Attendance at this Mass will be limited as per current safety protocols. We are very thankful to those parishioners who volunteered to facilitate this Mass!

### Parish Office Hours

The parish office is now open to the public from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. We request that you schedule an appointment. We are closed for lunch from noon to 1:00 pm and every Wednesday.

### Church Closure

Due to COVID restrictions, the church may be locked at times while funerals, weddings or baptisms are taking place. If you are planning to visit the church, you may want to call us ahead of time.

### 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.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10  
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30  
Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;  
Jn 12:44-50  
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;  
Jn 13:16-20  
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6  
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14  
or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or  
Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14,  
16; Mt 13:54-58  
Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32;  
1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

### World Day of Prayer for Vocations

World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be observed on Sunday, April 25, 2021 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Resources for promoting vocations can be found on the USCCB website ([www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)).

### Adoration

There will be Adoration on the **First Friday** of every month from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm (to conclude with Chaplet of Divine Mercy) and **every Wednesday evening** from 5:45-7:00 pm. Additional helpers are needed to assist with Adoration. If you are able to serve, please contact the parish office.

Adoration  
of the  
Blessed Sacrament



### SAVE THE DATE May 23, 2021

Did you know that the Church has an actual birthday? It's Pentecost Sunday. Every year, 50 days after Easter, we celebrate Pentecost, the day that the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and they received the gifts of the Holy Spirit. On that day, the apostles all began to preach in their native tongues and they were understood by all. Three thousand people were converted and baptized. For this reason, it is known as the birthday of the church. Because we are all members of the body of the Church, it is our birthday as well. So we're going to celebrate!

Please plan to join us for a picnic on the school lawn on May 23<sup>rd</sup> beginning at noon. Bring your own lawn chairs, blankets and lunch and we will provide drinks and dessert and enjoy an

afternoon of fellowship and fun for the entire family.



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If you would like to volunteer to help with this event, please contact the parish office.

### Knights of Columbus: Into the Breach

Ready to put your faith into action? The Knights of Columbus are hosting 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. **Open to ALL Catholic men.** Join us at 6:30 pm on Tuesdays in the Fr. Phillip Wells Hall. For more information and to sign up, visit <https://www.laguna-knights.org/>.

### Join the Columbiettes

Interested in learning about how you can serve our parish? We are forming a chapter of Columbiettes here at Good Shepherd. This organization of Catholic women is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Theresa the Little Flower and St. Joan of Arc, is affiliated with the local Knights of Columbus Council and is **open to ALL Catholic women.** We are having a meet and greet on May 16th at noon and would love for you to join us! For more info, contact Lady Michelle at [shellex36@yahoo.com](mailto:shellex36@yahoo.com) or call 916.717.4302.

### 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. **SVdP has funds available for Utility assistance for our 95757 and 95758 residents. For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.**



### Young Adult Ministry

Fiat is a ministry for Catholic young adults (ages 18-39) that seeks to inspire personal holiness through holistic formation, authentic friendships, intentional discipleship, vocational discernment, & a deeper encounter with Christ. Join us each Wednesday for fellowship after Adoration. We will meet in the Narthex and then go to a local eatery. To contact us, please email us at [fiat.ya.eg@gmail.com](mailto:fiat.ya.eg@gmail.com). For more events & updates, follow us on Instagram @fiat\_ya, or find us on Facebook by searching Fiat Catholic Young Adults.



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### 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.gsccge.org](http://www.gsccge.org)
- Download our app, **My Parish**
- **Our YouTube channel.** Search for "Good Shepherd Catholic Church Elk Grove" and subscribe.
- **Our Facebook page.** Search for "Good Shepherd Catholic Church" and like our page.

### Annulment Workshop

What is an annulment? Who can get one? There are many misconceptions about annulments in the Catholic Church, especially regarding the difficulty, cost, and process. We want to make the process accessible and comfortable for all who desire it. Join us for an informal conversation ONLINE with Cheryl Tholcke, the Moderator of our diocesan Tribunal Chancery and Fr. Mark Richards, our diocesan Judicial Vicar. They will fully explain the process and answer any questions you may have. The Zoom link will be provided after registration. Monday, May 24 from 6:30-8:00 PM ONLINE. RSVP by May 20 to Darcy Wharton at SS. Peter & Paul Parish, Rocklin ([darcy.wharton@rocklincatholic.org](mailto:darcy.wharton@rocklincatholic.org)).



### 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!**

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, April 24**

**5pm**

Nick Soberanis (SI)

**Sunday, April 25**

**7:00 am**

Pete Bulatao (+)

**9:00 am**

Peter Chuc Nguyen (+)

**11:00am**

Rudolph (Rudy) Martinez (+)

**1:00 pm**

William Sweeney (+)

**5:00 pm**

Nieves Mejia (+)

**Monday, April 26**

Benny and Shybi (BD)

**Tuesday, April 27**

Mary Machado (+)

**Wednesday, April 28**

Prudencio C. Lagunzad, Sr. (+)

**Thursday, April 29**

Yong Hye Heap (+)

**Friday, April 30**

Catalino Canlas (+)

**Key:** *Deceased (+) Thanksgiving (TG)*

*Death Anniversary (DA) Birthday (BD) Special Intention (SI) Wedding Anniversary (WA) SI-H) Special Intention for healing*

### This week we will remember in prayer:

**Birthday:** Marcos Savella (1pm 4/25), Judith Marshall (5pm 4/25), Isla Rose Escarez (4/28), Thelma Tan (4/30)

**Thanksgiving:** Melba Abero Heap (4/29), Tony & Rose Sarmiento (9am 4/25)

**Special Intention for Healing:** David Monteiro (7am 4/25), Charles Torneros (4/26)

**Special Intention:** Mibin Monsy (5pm 4/24 and 4/27), Thomas Murikken (11am 4/25), Cita Lumbang (4/27)

**Anniversary:** Maximino and Benjamina Marquez ( 56 years, 5pm 4/24), Darin Stahl and Ana Naval-Sthal (22 years, 1pm 4/25)

**Death Anniversary:** Marlyn Esperanza (9am 4/25), Lolly St. James Saso (9am 4/25), Ylrcih Floresca (1yr 4/29), Selfa Perez Cajandig (4/30), Paz Hernandez (4/26)

**Rest of the Soul:** Pete Bulatao (5pm 4/24 , 7am 4/25, 4/26), Primitiva Quero Panelo (5pm 4/24), Samuel Rinelli (5pm 4/24), Sally A. Smolinski (4/25 & 4/25), Don Herbelin (4/24 & 4/25), Carmenchita O. Daclan (7am 4/25), Conrado & Estela Gunabe (7am 4/25), Linda Lechner (7am 4/25), Bernardo A. Barba (9am 4/25), Ricardo Bocalbos (11am 4/25), Secundina Bocalbos (11am 4/25), Emma Bardaro (11am 4/25), Deceased members of the Do and Nguyen families (1pm 4/25), All souls in purgatory (1pm 4/25), Cristina Tabladillo (1pm 4/25), Jacinto Tabladillo (1pm 4/25), Marcelina Albano (5pm 4/25), Elbert Anthony Arceo (5pm 4/25), Gloria Mejia (5pm 4/25), Candy Tabladillo (5pm 4/25), Adrian Bonilla (4/26), Galo Orlando Jarlego (4/28), Luz Joson (4/28), Theofilia Basa (4/24 & 4/25)

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### *Stewardship at Good Shepherd*

Weekly Collection Total for 4/10-4/11: \$19,895.84

*(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](https://faith.direct/CA688), or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801. Thank you for your continued support!**

## CONNECT WITH GOOD SHEPHERD

Please take advantage of these two valuable digital resources offered for you to stay up-to-date on what is happening at Good Shepherd and to deepen your faith. Check the information below to find out how to easily access both of these great resources.

Our app, called MyParish, is a great way to stay connected to news and events here at our parish. It's also a source for daily readings, Mass and prayers.

Evangelus, our new communication tool, allows us to reach you directly with important messages. If you haven't already received messages from us, please use the links below to add your information to our contact list.

## Catholic Life Every Day

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