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joyfully commemorate 25 years as a parish family
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April 29, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Easter



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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.gsceeg.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 9 p.m. First Friday, Exposition at 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. with Divine Mercy chaplet and solemn benediction.

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

LIVING BRANCHES

The Gospel and second reading for this Fifth Sunday of Easter emphasize the need for us to remain in Christ, and he in us. This shared life finds expression in the image of the one vine and many branches. We become living branches of the vine, members of the Body of Christ through baptism, Eucharist, and confirmation, sacraments of sharing God's own life. The First Letter of John describes the fruit of this vine as active love of neighbor: "And his commandment is this: we should believe . . . and love one another" (1 John 3:23).

Our first reading from Acts shows us an example of someone who shares in Christ's life in the person of Saint Paul. Paul's fearless witness, even at the risk of his life, is proof to everyone that the risen Lord's Spirit truly fills him with life and is bearing fruit in him.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Monday:	St. Pius V
Tuesday:	St. Joseph the Worker
Wednesday:	St. Athanasius
Thursday:	Ss. Philip and James; National Day of Prayer
Friday:	First Friday
Saturday:	First Saturday; Cinco de Mayo

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a 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
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday:	Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17 or Jn 17:11b-19

First Eucharist Celebration

On the **first Saturday of May** (May 5th, 2018), our first communicants will celebrate their First Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. and at 1:00 p.m. Please keep our children in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Lord for the very first time. May it be the beginning of a lifelong love and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

Ever Consider Becoming Catholic? Wait no more!

Our parish **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** Process for 2018-2019 begins soon! The first stage of our process will begin in August. In the meantime, you can submit our **RCIA Registration Form** and **Expectation form** which are available for download on our website or in the church office. Please email your forms to Valerie or drop them off at the church office. For more info, contact Valerie and Carlos Ramos at RCIA@gscceg.org or call Valerie at (916)317-9385, or Carlos at (916)284-2077.

Parish Pictorial Directory

Our 25th Anniversary parish directories have arrived. If you had your portrait taken last fall, please stop by the table in the narthex this weekend after mass to pick up your complimentary directory. Directories not picked up this weekend will be available in the church office during regular business hours. A sincere thank you goes out to everyone who participated by having their photo taken and to the many volunteers who helped make this project a success.

Scholarship Contest

All Catholic eighth grade students who are members of Good Shepherd and will be attending a Catholic high school are invited to participate in the Knight's of Columbus Laguna Council #11236 2018 High School Scholarship Contest. Students are encouraged to write a 500 to 750 word essay on the following theme: Importance of Religious Freedom. Three scholarships of \$1,000.00 each will be awarded. The entry form and instructions are available at www.laguna-knights.org. No entrant will be admitted without the completed parental consent section. Essays will not be accepted after 12:00 p.m. on May 1, 2018.

The Divine Mercy Charismatic Group

The Divine Mercy Family Prayer Group - Catholic Christian families dedicated to bringing CHRIST to the families and families to CHRIST. The group will be meeting on May 12th at 3:30 p.m. in the St. John Paul II room next to the parish office. All are welcome. For more information about the group, please call (916) 203-8765 or email us at sugonzales@msn.com.

Sacramento Classic and Collar Cup

Save the dates for the Sacramento Classic—4th Annual Basketball Game (May 30) and the Collar Cup Soccer Match (June 23). Both games will be priests vs. seminarians. Our very own Father Ed will be participating in the Sacramento Classic! For more info, call 916-733-0258 or email msmith@scd.org.



You're invited to the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School (SEAS) Family Dinner Night Out Fundraiser at Pizza Bell, 8591 Elk Grove Blvd., on Wednesday, May 22, 2018, 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. Download or print the flyer from the SEAS or Good Shepherd website and bring it with you. Please share the flyer with family and friends. Thank you for your support!

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School Openings - Are you interested in Catholic education for your child? SEAS has a few openings in 3rd grade beginning in the 2018-19 school year. There is a one-time scholarship available for first-time applicants. For more information and a tour, please contact the principal, Mrs. Marci Greene, (916) 684-7903.

Preschool Registration now in progress

2 days a week - 3 year olds

3 days a week - 4 year olds

Please call for a tour and to receive registration information.

Tammy Babich, Director @ 916-691-4825.

Life Teen News

All high school teens are invited to join Good Shepherd's youth group, "Life Teen," Sundays at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Room, preceded by the 5pm Youth Mass! Next Sunday (May 6), following an awesome retreat, we are diving back in and, surrounded by friends, we are taking a look at Dignity! Want to listen to the music played in the 5pm youth Mass? Visit the website's youth page <http://gsccg.org/ministries/youth-life-teen> to find our YouTube playlist of worship songs.

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. On April 23 we served 40 families consisting of 176 people and gave out 158 boxes of food. Beginning May 1st, our locker hours will be Monday 9:00-10:00 a.m. For assistance, call (916) 647-1243.



Upcoming Events

Hearts of Compassion/Bereavement Ministry

Good Shepherd's Grief and Bereavement Ministry, "Hearts of Compassion," will offer Monday evening group sessions through May 21 from 6:30- 8:00 p.m. in the conference room. This outreach ministry, led by grief peer counselors, provides support to parishioners and their family and friends who are experiencing the loss of a loved one. For more info, please call Suzanne at 916-801-0561. All are welcome!

Knights of Columbus, Council 11236 Rosary Night of Prayer

The Knights of Columbus is offering a Rosary Night of Prayer in honor of our Blessed Mother, the patroness of our Order, on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Church. We ask her to pray for us and ask that she bestow her blessings to us. All parishioners and all Brother Knights are invited to attend. What a great opportunity for you 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 916-416-7327.

Hidden Cursillistas or Interest in joining Cursillo?

Cursillo is a movement which attempts from within the Church to give life to the essential Christian truths. Good Shepherd has a dynamic Cursillo group supporting and enriching our community. Are you a Cursillista and new to Good Shepherd? We want to get to know you. Join us for 4th Day Group meetings and events both at Good Shepherd and in the Sacramento diocese. Send us your contact information to keep you informed on all activities. Contact Monica at smalusf77@yahoo.com or Maria at serpamhome@gmail.com. **SAVE THE DATE: Good Shepherd Cursillo Mini-Ultreya May 15th.** More information to come. Guests and interested individuals are welcome.

Good Shepherd Silver Jubilee 25th Anniversary

Our 25th Anniversary celebration will continue with more events to come this year. Contact Betty or Steve at 916-683-3088 or email 25thanniversary@gsccg.org for more info.

- Save the date for June 23: "Brews and Q's at Good Shepherd" Craft Brew Picnic

Good Shepherd 20th Annual Parish Festival 2018

Our 20th Annual Parish Festival Fundraiser Dinner and Carnival will be September 22nd-23rd. Are you interested in making friends while helping with the next Annual Parish "Friendraiser?" Join the planning team! Our first planning meeting will be May 14th at 6:30 pm in the St. Monica classroom. We need help from both seasoned and new parishioners. For more information, call Kathy at 916-730-7304, or email festival@gsccg.org.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 28, 2018

5:00 pm

Chris Dige (SI)
Emeteria Canio (+)
Florentino Curso (+)
Jan Dige (+)
William Fletcher (+)
Linda Lechner (+)

Sunday, April 29, 2018

7:00 am

Emeteria Canio (+)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Dominador Delos Reyes (+)
Castora Delos Reyes (+)

9:00 am

David Henry Preciado (SI-H)
Florentina Curso (+)
Porfie Lujan (+)
Myrna Quero Panelo (+)
Primitiva Quero Panelo (+)
Victims of Abortion (+)

11:00 am

Elberta Corpuz (BD)
Dave Gianatasio (BD)
Jan Dige (+)
Araceli Felicidadario (+)
John MacRae (+)

1:00 pm

Lisa Ortiz (SI-H)
Daniel Bormann (+)
Teri DeLuca (+)
Mike Dodd (+)
Alcinda Nunes (+)

5:00 pm

Martin Gomez (BD)
Medardo Bejarin (+)
Felix Buenafe (+)
Gliceria Molo Tonel (+)
All souls in purgatory (+)

Monday, April 30, 2018

8:30 am

Austria Family (SI)
Emeteria Canio (+)
Catalino Canlas (+)

Tuesday, May 1, 2018

8:30 am

Joseph & Kristie Escarez (SI)
Emeteria Canio (+)
Elydia Ibañez (+)
Primitiva Quero Panelo (+)

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

8:30 am

Zenaida Pangilinan (BD)
Emeteria Canio (+)

Thursday, May 3, 2018

8:30 am

Emeteria Canio (+)
Anita Estrada (2yrDA)

Friday, May 4, 2018

8:30 am

Cicily Anthony (+)
K.C. Anthony (+)
Florentina Curso (+)
Domingos Fagundes (+)
All souls in purgatory (+)

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 21/22: \$20,640.36
- 2nd collection/Catholic Home Missions: \$3,911.16
(weekly 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.

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Christ is risen! As His disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of Christ's Resurrection. The fruitful ministries at our parish are examples of how many of you have answered, and continue to answer, that call. To ensure such work can continue requires not only gifts of time, but also of financial help. We ask you to prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through Faith Direct. You can find paper enrollment forms in the parish office, or you can sign up online on our website or www.faithdirect.net by using our church code, CA688. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

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Then the angel showed me the river of life-giving water, sparkling like crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb down the middle of its street. On either side of the river grew the **tree of life** that produces fruit twelve times a year, once each month; the leaves of the trees serve as medicine for the nations.

Revelation 22:1-2



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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