

May 7, 2017

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

The Easter Season
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www.gscccg.org

Church, Office & School

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Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. 8am - 5pm
Closed for lunch 12-1pm
Closed Wednesdays

Parish Staff

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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 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
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Schedule

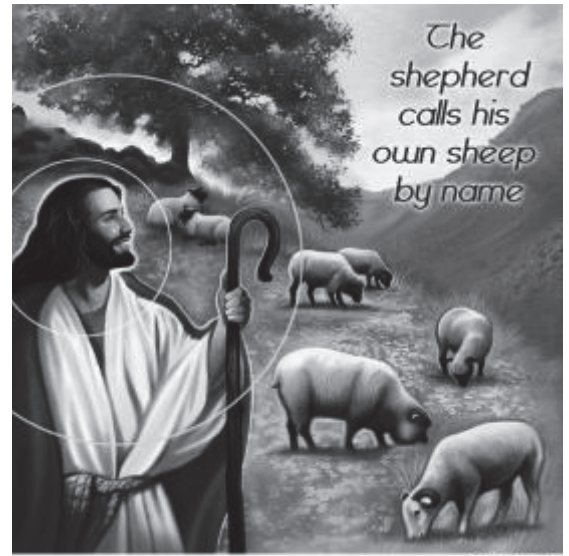
Mass Times:
Saturday at 5p.m. Vigil
Sunday at 7, 9, 11 a.m. and 1, 5p.m.
Weekdays at 8:30 a.m.
First Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m.
Holy Days of Obligation - 7p.m. Vigil, and 8:30 a.m. and 7p.m.
Children's Liturgy of the Word: 9, 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Masses on Sunday.
Kinderchurch: 9 a.m. Mass only
Exposition 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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
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
Sunday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that,
free from sin, we might live for righteousness.
-- 1 Peter 2:24a



THE CALL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Twenty-third Psalm, today's responsorial psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The line that reads "Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff / that give me courage" (Psalm 23:4) connects this week's scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Emmaus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with him. That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our baptism, carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

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Parish News and Announcements

All are welcome to the Good Shepherd Parish Fellowship!

Our next monthly Fellowship will be Sunday, May 21st following the 7:00 a.m. Mass with continuous serving until shortly before 11:00 a.m. Mass begins. We would like to invite and encourage those individuals and families who regularly attend 11:00 a.m. Mass to join us beforehand to enjoy breakfast. The meal is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and hosted by Hospitality Ministry. It will consist of blueberry pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, milk, and juice. We ask for a free will offering to cover expenses. This will be our last breakfast before a summer break, and we look forward to seeing everyone in the autumn when we resume. Please join in Fellowship!

Second Collection Next Week

Next week our parish will participate in a national collection for the Trinity Dome to complete the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, before its 100th anniversary. Also known as America's Catholic Church, the National Shrine has been a century in the making, built by and for the faithful of our great nation in honor of our Blessed Mother, the patroness of the United States. Become a part of Mary's Shrine and help to bring completion to our church. For more information, please visit: www.trinitydome.org.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter;
World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Wednesday: St. Damien de Veuster
Friday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras
Saturday: Our Lady of Fatima

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.: May 21, June 25, July 30, Aug. 6 and Aug. 13. A mandatory session will be held on Sunday, Aug. 20th 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 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.

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.

Congratulations to Our Altar Servers

Congratulations to our Altar Server Olympic Team who brought home the 1st place trophy!! It was our first time competing at the Altar Server Olympics for our church and our Good Shepherd Altar Servers showed the other parishes their knowledge of their faith and their service to the church! I am so proud of Joshua Cortez, Nathaniel Lim, Jayden Ducusin and Allison MacRae. They did a great job today and had fun doing it! I would also like to thank Mrs. MacRae for chaperoning our team! We also had a great cheering section with our parents and family members! So if you see them in Mass please congratulate them all on a job well done!

Hearts of Compassion

Good Shepherd Grief and Bereavement Ministry, "Hearts of Compassion," will offer seven Monday evening group sessions beginning May 1 from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm. 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.

Evangelization Outreach Ministry - Summer Reading

Summer is right around the corner and it's that time once again to be engaged in a easy, good read. Please be sure to purchase your book for \$5.00 in the Narthex after all the masses beginning the weekend of 5/21/17. This year's 2017 Father Leon Summer Reading Book will be "RESISTING HAPPINESS" by Matthew Kelly. Every single moment is a chance to turn it all around –a true story about why we sabotage ourselves, feel overwhelmed, set aside our dreams, and lack the courage to simply be ourselves... and how to start choosing happiness again!

St. Vincent de Paul News

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 May 1st we served 42 families consisting of 170 people and gave out 157 boxes of food.



We are now on our summer hours, Mondays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 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.

Knights of Columbus Mother's Day Rose Sale

The Knights of Columbus will be selling beautiful red roses after all masses on May 14th for that special person in your life. All sale proceeds and donations will go to the Sacramento Life Center in order to assist them in their efforts to help protect mothers and their unborn babies. This is a great event and the roses sell out quickly.

Knights of Columbus, Council 11236 Rosary Night of Prayer

The Knights of Columbus of Good Shepherd Catholic Church is offering a Rosary Night of Prayer in honor of our Blessed Mother, the patroness of our order, on **Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 6:30 pm** in the Church. We ask her to pray for us and ask that she bestow her blessings to us. All Good Shepherd parishioners and Brother Knights are invited to attend. This evening marks the last of four KofC sponsored Rosary services for the 2016-2017 Columbian year. 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 Carlos Llarena at ifourc@hotmail.com.

Sharing and Caring Senior Singles

On Wednesday May 10, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. our members will be taking a tour of the Elk Grove PD. There are still a few openings left. After the tour we will be having lunch at Five Guys. Please call Helen Bayha for more info 916-683-1943.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 6, 2017

5:00 pm

Caridad Leobrera (2yrDA)
Alfred & Helen Lial (+)
Diana Velasquez Novoa (+)
Magdalena Pascua (+)
Jared Smith (DA)

Sunday, May 7, 2017

7:00 am

Carmen Soberanis (TG)
Mary Lea (1yr DA)
Desmond Lea (+)
Eduardo Quiambao (+)
Bonifacio Urbano Sr. (+)

9:00am

Virgil King (SI-H)
Ann Narloch (BD)
Venancio Del Rosario (+)
Felix Del Rosario (+)
Leo Licastro (+)

11:00 am

Edna Nazareno (BD)
Ruben Nazareno (SI-H)
Tina Marquez (+)
Erlinda Saul Masmela (+)
Elson Saul (+)

1:00 pm

Noelle Mathew (SI)
Neal Nathew (SI)
Francis Xavier Ho (+)

5:00pm

Karl Christian Arana (SI-H)
Elpidio Reyes, Sr. (DA)
Dewain Charles Vick (+)
Grace De Leon (+)
All Souls in Purgatory (+)

Monday, May 8, 2017

8:30am

Mitzi Magtoto (BD)
Miriam Thomas (BD)
Laureano Baclig (+)
Rosario Martin (+)
Bonifacio Urbano Jr. (+)

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

8:30am

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

8:30am

Thursday, May 11, 2017

8:30am

Carl Mogavero (+)
Nancy Maria Olivares (+)

Friday, May 12, 2017

8:30am

Jocelyn Baclig (BD)
Steve Parathathu (BD)
Carlos Singh (+)

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 29/30 = \$18,530.03
- 2nd Collection/SVdP = \$5,421.00
(weekly total includes Faith Direct contributions)

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

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 using our church code: **CA688**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!



Come Holy Spirit

Please keep the youth of
Good Shepherd Parish in your prayers!

For two years, our students have journeyed to fully prepare to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** in mid-May. This year more than 175 8th graders will be confirmed at Good Shepherd.

More than 200 2nd grade students also will receive their **First Holy Communion** this May.

The prayers and support of the parish community in the weeks ahead strengthen these young people as they grow in faith and share in the sacramental grace poured forth in these sacraments of initiation.



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!