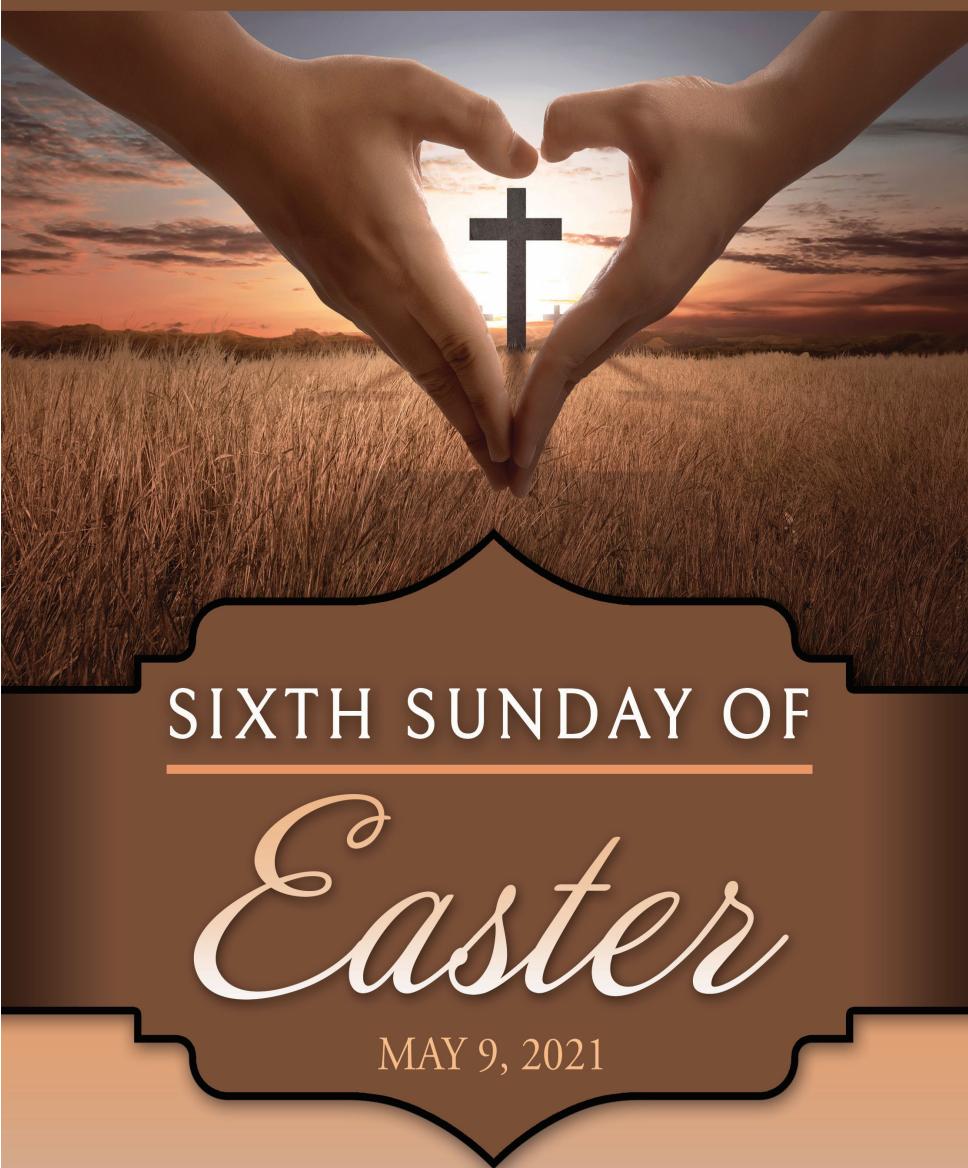


# Good Shepherd Catholic Church

## 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



## SIXTH SUNDAY OF *Easter*

MAY 9, 2021

No one has greater love than this,  
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

John 15:13

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## Schedule

### Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. and  
1:00 and 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.

### Distribution of Holy Eucharist:

Sunday: 10:00-11:00 am in the en-  
trance to the Fr. Phillip Wells Hall

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday: 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.gscceg.org/sacraments/  
baptism](http://www.gscceg.org/sacraments/baptism) for more information.

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

## THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have a unique episode in the Acts of the Apostles today. A whole roomful of people are baptized with the Holy Spirit before they are baptized with water! The verb used—"the Holy Spirit 'fell' on them" (Acts 10:44)—is characteristic of the way the Spirit works throughout the book of Acts: powerful and surprising. Though this "baptism" is not the normative way the New Testament describes baptism, it is still a good reminder today that the Holy Spirit is not controlled by whether or not we pour water, but rather that our sacramental signs reveal the presence of the Spirit at work among us. And we have a double reinforcement of how this work is accomplished from a Letter and a Gospel bearing John's name. It is love, self-sacrificing and self-giving love, that manifests the Spirit of Jesus in our midst. It is love that is the greatest of commandments. The Spirit is manifested equally through those who live in that love.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; or, for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day
Monday:	St. Damien de Veuster; St. John De Avila
Wednesday:	Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras; Eid al Fitr (Islamic observance) begins at sunset
Thursday:	The Ascension of the Lord (unless transferred to Sunday); otherwise Our Lady of Fatima
Friday:	St. Matthias
Saturday:	St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day

## 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.



## Reminder

As a reminder, when you receive communion at Mass, consume the consecrated host at the altar by stepping to the side and lifting your mask. Please do not walk away from the altar until you have consumed the host.

## Finance Council Vacancy

Fr. Vaughan is currently seeking a parishioner to fill a vacancy on the Parish Finance Council. This Council functions as a consultative body to the pastor. It consists of selected professionals to advise the pastor in these areas:

- Preparation of the annual operating budget
- Long-term financial planning
- Annual parish financial report, which is submitted to the Diocesan Bishop
- Annual and periodic financial reports to the faithful

The Council ensures that an adequate system of internal controls is in place to guide the parish in caring for and managing financial resources and temporal goods. The Parish Finance Council observes all policies and procedures outlined in the Parish Financial Management Handbook. If you are a business professional looking for a way to serve your parish, please forward a brief summary of your experience to the parish office at [goodshepherdchurch@frontiernet.net](mailto:goodshepherdchurch@frontiernet.net) before June 1st, 2021.

## **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 church. 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. On May 3 we distributed 136 boxes of food to 33 families consisting of 158 people. 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.**



## **Memorial Day Mass**

Good Shepherd Armed Forces Veterans Ministry and St. John Paul Assembly invite everyone to their joint celebration of Memorial Day on Monday, May 31st beginning with Mass at 8:30 a.m. After the mass, parishioners will be invited to proceed to our Lady of Divine Shepherd Garden for a wreath laying by Fr. Michael. All military personnel, policemen and firemen are encouraged to wear their respective military dress uniforms.



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The Veterans Ministry is inviting all parishioners with relatives who are members of the Armed Forces to submit a picture of their loved one for a Memorial Day display in our narthex. We will be including them in our prayers at Mass. Please email [BobbyNavRet@aol.com](mailto:BobbyNavRet@aol.com) for more information.

## **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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## **Life Teen**

# **TEEN NEWS**

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Please join us on May 30th after the 5:00pm mass for pizza, outdoor games and fellowship. We will meet around 6:15pm on the blacktop area by the Youth Room and will conclude at 8:00pm. If you have any questions please email [Lifeteen@gscceg.org](mailto:Lifeteen@gscceg.org). See you there!

## **Parent Support Workshop**

Join the next Diocesan monthly Parent Support Session on May 17th at 8:00 pm. Members of the Office of Family & Faith Formation and Youth & Young Adult Ministry will share ideas for talking to your children about love, sex and marriage. During this session the team will help you learn your rights as a parent to review and opt out of sex education in the public schools. Learn where to find resources to teach about love, sex and marriage from a Catholic perspective. Watch live at <https://www.scd.org/parentsupport>.

## **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](http://www.gscceg.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.
- Make sure we have up-to-date contact information for you. You can update it on our website at <https://gscceg.org/about/update-your-contact-information>.



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Thank you to the 7th and 8th grade students of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School who recently spent time spring cleaning the church and narthex!

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, May 8**

Baby and Mary (WA)

**Monday, May 10**

Rosita Baysa (+)

**Sunday, May 8**

**7:00 am**

Satornina Tomack (+)

**Tuesday, May 11**

Layla Mangoba (BD)

**9:00 am**

Brielle Locarinas (BD)

**Wednesday, May 12**

Pablo Veridiano III (BD)

**11:00am**

Maria Martins (+)

**Thursday, May 13**

Joe Avis (+)

**1:00 pm**

Rufina Maduli (DA)

**Friday, May 14**

Ivan Castellanos (+)

**5:00 pm**

Mary Machado (+)

**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:** Jocelyn Baclig (5/12), Steven Parathathu (5/12)

**Special Intention for Healing:** Isaiah David Monteiro (7am 5/8), Margie Estavillo (7am 5/9),

**Special Intention:** Roger and Karin Geach (5pm 5/8), Ubois family (5pm 5/8), Thai family (1pm, 5/9)

**Anniversary:**

**Death Anniversary:** Susana Andrade (5pm 5/9), Consuelo Roxas (5/13)

**Repose of the Soul:** Laureano Baclig (5pm 5/8), Marianne Morrow (5pm 5/8), Myrna Quero Panelo and Primitiva Quero Panelo (5pm 5/8), Frank Ubois (5pm 5/8), Jose de Jesus (5/8 and 5/9 all Masses), Conrado and Estela Gunabe (7am 5/9), Raul Urbano (9am 5/9), Roslen Urbano (9am 5/9), Bernardo A. Barba (11am 5/9), Sheila Blakey (9am 5/9), Diane Champion (9am 5/9), Venancio Del Rosario (9am 5/9), Joanne Early (9am 5/9), Martinha Avis (11am 5/9), Maria Brasil and Maria Fagundes (11am 5/9), Maria Macedo (11am 5/9), Rudy Martinez (11am 5/9), Ilda Martins (11am 5/9), Merces Martinho (11am 5/9), Rovelinson Flojo (1pm 5/9), Emma Ruth Maribao (1pm 5/9), Jeffrey Connor (1pm 5/9), Rene and Bessie Ramos (1pm 5/9), Thomas and Maria (5pm 5/9), Gregoria Rodriguez (5pm 5/9), All souls in purgatory (5pm 5/9), Lalu and Ammini (5/10), Mark P. (5/10), Susana Barron (5/11), Kunjumon P. (5/11), Sarah P. (5/12), Raju P. (5/13), Abraham and Mary 5/14), Shaji and Rajamma (5/14), Somini and Soumya (5/14)

## Offertory at Good Shepherd

Weekly Collection Total for 4/24-4/25: \$17,958.51

(weekly total includes contributions made through Faith Direct)

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Recurring gifts sustain our parish through the brightest days and the darkest storms. You'll provide us with consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community.

**Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/CA688](http://faith.direct/CA688), or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801. Thank you for your continued support!**

# Let's Gather

AND AWAKEN THE JOY!

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# Family picnic



**Sunday  
May 23, 2021**

*On the grassy fields behind our school!  
Enter under the Balloon Arch and reconnect  
with friends and family as we celebrate the  
birthday of the Church!*

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### Parish Registration and Change of Address

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