

May 21, 2017

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

The Easter Season
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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: Trina Koontz (916) 684-7903
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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.

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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; Mt 28:16-20
(for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or
(for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23;
Mt 28:16-20



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"I will ask the Father, and he will give you . . . the Spirit of truth."
-- John 14:16-17

PEOPLE OF HOPE

Throughout this Easter season the readings have drawn us into the experience of the early church. We have tasted the excitement and zeal of the first Christians. Now, with them, we listen to the words of Saint Peter, who reminds us that when people notice that we are people of hope, we should be ready to explain why. This challenges us. Do others even notice that we are people of hope? In a world often marked by cynicism and hopelessness, do we stand out as people who offer hope and reassurance to others? In today's Gospel Jesus promises that when he leaves the earth he will not leave us orphaned. Today he promises to send his Advocate, the Spirit of truth who will be with us always. Let us acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit and ask the Spirit to make us people of hope.

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Parish News and Announcements

All are welcome to the Good Shepherd Parish Fellowship!

Our monthly Fellowship breakfast will be today, May 21st, following the 7:00 a.m. Mass with continuous serving until shortly before 11:00 a.m. Mass begins. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and hosted by the Hospitality Ministry. We ask for a free will offering to cover expenses. Breakfast will consist of blueberry pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, milk, and juice. 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!

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.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Rita of Cascia; Victoria Day (Canada)
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord
(unless transferred to Sunday)
Julian Calendar Ascension
Friday: St. Philip Neri
Saturday: St. Augustine of Canterbury

Job Opening: Admin Assistant to the Auxiliary Bishop

The Bishops Office at the Diocesan Pastoral Center has an immediate opening for a full-time Executive Administrative Assistant to the Auxiliary Bishop. Successful applicant must be a practicing Catholic and be fluent in English and Spanish. For more information and a complete job description, visit www.scd.org and look under employment. Position is open until filled.

Second Collection for Catholic Communications

Next weekend we will take up a second collection for Catholic Communications. Donations help fund the efforts of the Church to reach out to Catholics and others through print, television, internet, and radio. The funds raised benefit both our diocese and national programs. Please visit www.usccb.org/ccc for more information. Thank you for your generosity.

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.

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!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The custom of genuflection is not found everywhere in the Catholic Church. In fact, it is a bit of breach of etiquette to genuflect in most Eastern Catholic Churches. If you're visiting an Eastern Catholic or an Orthodox church, the "when in Rome" rule should be adopted. Watch what the home team is doing! Usually, Eastern Catholics and Orthodox reserve a small portion of the eucharistic bread for the dying in a cupboard or eucharistic dove, but it is not a center of attention or devotion. The rule is to make a profound bow, called a "metasis," toward the altar--bowing deeply while making the sign of the cross.

East and West split years before we Westerners began to reserve the Blessed Sacrament prominently in our churches. Thus, the East never changed the original custom of bowing toward the altar. Increasingly, as tabernacles became more widespread in the West and moved into prominent placement within churches, we replaced the bow toward the altar with a genuflection toward the Blessed Sacrament when its place of reservation is visible.

In a church where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in a special chapel or off the main axis of the building, normally you should bow toward the altar when you enter your pew, because the eucharistic table is the principal sign of Christ's presence in the church building. If you have ever participated in the liturgy of Dedication of a Church and Altar, there is no mistaking the altar's significance: it is first slathered with chrism and then adorned with a brazier billowing clouds of incense that fill the whole church as a sign of prayer and presence!
--Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

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 15th we served 42 families consisting of 180 people and gave out 167 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

Please join our Knights of Columbus St. John Paul II Fourth Degree Assembly in celebrating the Third Anniversary of the Canonization of St. John Paul II on May 27th. We will participate at the 5 PM Mass, then have a reception in Fr. Philip Wells Hall. We will show the video, *Liberating a Continent: John Paul II and the Fall of Communism* during the reception. All parishioners are invited to this celebration of our Patron Saint and teacher of our beloved pastor, Fr. Leon.

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. 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.

Register for Camp Pendola . . . Today!

"Up in the pines there stands a camp. A camp of honor and of faith." For 57 years Camp Pendola has been offering camp to the children and youth of the Diocese of Sacramento. Keeping traditions of Camp Pendola and our faith alive are all part of the experience every person who comes to camp will go away with. For more information, check out our web site www.pendola.org or call 916-733-0123.

Pilgrimage to Fatima

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes celebrating the 100th year anniversary of the apparition - Sep. 22, 2017. For details, please call Angela at Travel Travel -510 724 4200 or 707 315 4686.

Youth on a Mission

Do you know a teen in your parish that has what it takes to be a great leader? Challenge them to take their Catholic Faith to the next level with the Youth On A Mission 4 day program this summer July 20-23, 2017. More information available online at www.norcalcatholicityouth.com.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 20, 2017

5:00 pm

Sheila Sarmiento (BD)
Fr. Phil Wells (SI-H)
Maria Do Kim Oanh (+)
Hospicio Pascua (+)
Isabel Pascua (+)

Sunday, May 21, 2017

7:00 am

Carmelita Sarmiento (BD)
Jose & Junia Dela Cruz (TG)
Sydney Uzoh (SI-H)
Fr. Phil Wells (SI-H)
Mary Joyce P. Floretes (+)
Rebecca Urbano (+)

9:00am

Tony & Carmen Cua (SI)
Gus & Lilia Saca (57yrWA)
Florentina Cua (+)
Myrna Quero Panelo (+)
Joao G. Silva (+)

11:00 am

Nicolás Muñoz (BD)
Derek, Deisree, and Brianna
Uzoh (BD)
Tony Uzoh (SI)
Maria Kim Oanh Do (+)
Carmelita Hallare Lagda (+)

1:00 pm

Allen Barroga (BD)
Angelita Curso (BD)
Olivia Acuña (SI-H)
Helen Thai Family
& friends (SI)
Antonio Alontave (+)

5:00pm

Andres Agagas (SI-H)
Fr. Phil Wells (SI-H)
Natividad Alig (+)
Rosabella Manibusan (+)
All Souls in Purgatory (+)

Monday, May 22, 2017

8:30am

Guillen Austria (TG)
Jed Ashley Pulanco (TG)
David Anaya (DA)

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

8:30am

Zenen & Vicky Magtoto
(41yrWA)
Magdalena Salumbides (2yrDA)

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

8:30am

Kobe Bernadas (BD)
Lino Gonzalez (1yrDA)
Amelito Lising (DA)
Bill Triffo (+)
Doning Santiago Vitug (+)

Thursday, May 25, 2017

8:30am

Maria Mathew (BD)
Jesiross Vasquez (BD)
Roberta Bearden (SI-H)

Friday, May 26, 2017

8:30am

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 May 14/15 = \$20,324.57
- 2nd Collection/Trinity Dome = \$2,666.42
(weekly total includes Faith Direct contributions)

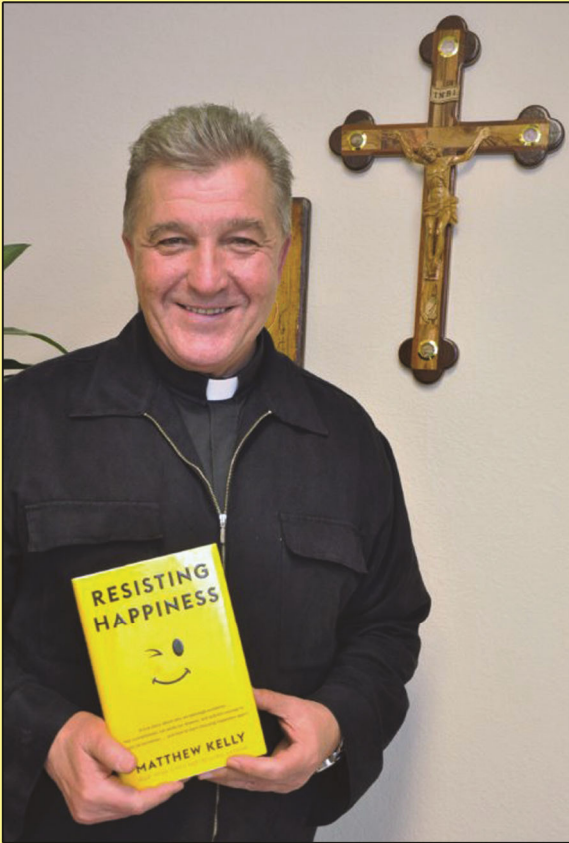
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Do you have plans for Memorial Day? Are you booking your summer vacations? Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct to make sure that your gift can reach Good Shepherd even when you cannot. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **CA688**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

JOIN US!

Fr. Leon's Summer Reading
Book Club 2017 



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