

July 26, 2020

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



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Schedule

Mass Times:

Saturday: 6:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday: 6:30, 8:30, 10 a.m. and 6:00
and 7:30 p.m.

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.

First Saturday of the month: 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. Sunday Masses

Kinderchurch: 9 a.m. Mass only

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Thursday, silent adoration, and with
prayers of devotion: 6-8:30 p.m.

First Friday, Exposition: 10 a.m. until 3

p.m. with Divine Mercy chaplet and

solemn benediction.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.
in church, or by appointment.

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.



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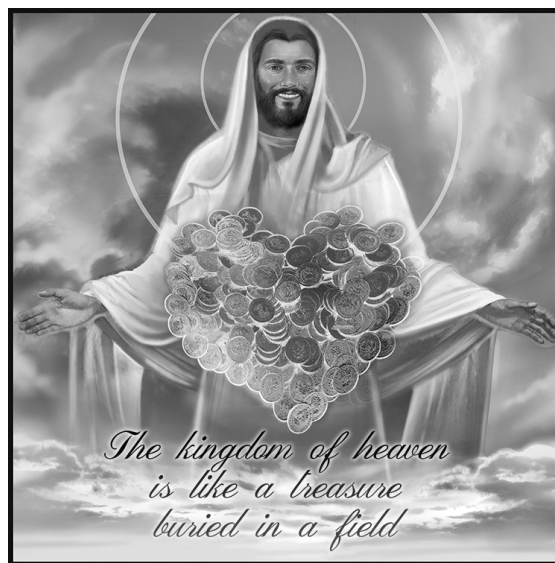
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A SHARE IN GOD'S KINGDOM

Today concludes a three-week series of Gospel texts in which we have listened to a total of seven parables about the Kingdom. The believer is asked to consider the request that God made of Solomon in today's first reading: "Ask something of me and I will give it to you" (1 Kings 3:5). Today's parables about the treasure buried in the field and the pearl of great price should prompt us to answer, "A share in your kingdom, O God!" Today we discover that the kingdom of God is beyond value, a priceless treasure. Unfortunately, our culture bombards us with things that it believes are priceless treasures—the bigger and better SUVs, anti-aging and anti-balding creams and salves, miracle diets, and so much more. Having a share in God's kingdom and helping to bring about that kingdom are the greatest treasures that we can ever hope to gain.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:	St. Martha
Thursday:	St. Peter Chrysologus
Friday:	St. Ignatius of Loyola
Saturday:	St. Alphonsus Liguori; First Saturday

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday:	Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday:	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday:	Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday:	Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday:	Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

Thank you Volunteers!

Thank you to our ushers who go above and beyond at each Mass— helping everyone maintain a safe social distance and cleaning and sanitizing in between each Mass! Their hard work allows us to follow health and safety guidelines. Thanks also to all volunteers who are helping at the Mass check-in table. Your cooperation with all of our volunteers is much appreciated. Please remember that these people are giving of their time to ensure that we can follow all necessary protocols and remain open.

Returning to Mass

Please go to our website to sign up to attend Mass. We ask you to keep in mind the following:

- All parishioners (except children under 2 years old) are required to wear a mask.
- Mass check-in begins 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass. Please arrive no later than 10 minutes before Mass. Mass will begin promptly and there will be no admittance once Mass starts.
- If you sign up and then are unable to attend Mass, please delete your sign up or call the parish office to let us know. Our sign ups are getting full but we have people who are not showing up for Mass. **Also, do not reserve spots for family members unless you are certain they will attend with you.** Please be courteous to your fellow parishioners — remember we have many people trying to make a reservation to attend Mass.
- If you would like to reserve a spot for Mass but the sign up is full, you may still be able to attend. We suggest that you arrive 20-30 minutes prior to the start of Mass. You'll be asked to wait in a standby line. If we have no-shows, those people in the standby line will be allowed inside on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please note that we can not guarantee you a spot at Mass if you are in the standby line.
- Please take a moment to view the videos on our website so that you will know what to expect when returning to Mass.
- We appreciate your patience and understanding as we continue to adapt to these ever-changing circumstances.

Parish News

Farewell to Fr. Ed

We have been fortunate to have Father Edgardo Garcia Velazquez as our Parochial Vicar for the past three years. However, as of September 1, Father Ed will be reassigned as Parochial Vicar at Holy Rosary Parish in Woodland. Since we are unable to have a farewell gathering, if you would like to drop off a card or note for him you may do so in the parish office between now and August 28th.

Please join us in welcoming Father Julius Kiogora Kaburu as our new Parochial Vicar as of September 1. Father Julius is currently the Parochial Vicar at St. Joseph parish in Lincoln.

Baptisms at Good Shepherd

Good Shepherd is still welcoming new members into our parish family at baptism. We were able to baptize 11 children since our reopening in June. Our baptism ministry is in need of volunteers that can assist the priest or deacon on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays by setting up for baptism and helping check in the families as they enter. Our first outdoor baptism will be Saturday, July 25th. We hope to return to baptisms in the church when it is allowed. The commitment is approximately 2 hours on one of those mornings from 9 am until 11am. We hope to have enough volunteers to assist so that your time would only be one Saturday every 2 months. Please call the office or email Monica Goodale at gscoffice@frontier.com if you would like to help.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for parishioners to help with usher duties for our weekday Mass at 8:30 a.m. and for special Masses such as funerals. If you are interested in helping out please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Church Hours

The church is usually open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for individual, private prayer. If you chose to visit the church, please follow social distancing regulations. The church may also be closed for funerals. It's always a good idea to call the office prior to visiting the church so that we can confirm that it is open.

St. Vincent de Paul News

Thank you for all you do to support SVdP. Due to the Covid-19 virus, SVdP will NOT be accepting clothing, small appliances or personal items until further notice. 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 July 20th, we served 38 families consisting of 167 people and gave out 153 boxes of food. **For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.**



2020-2021 Religious Education Registration is Now Open!

Online Registration for “Distance Catechesis” for the 2020-2021 CFF, First Holy Communion & Confirmation catechetical year is open until **August 31, 2020**. Due to many concerns and logistics involved with Covid-19 as they relate to our Parish and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton facilities (which we use for all of our Religious Education catechesis), ALL of our Religious Education Programs for 2020-2021 will be moved to “Distance Catechesis (Learning)” for the whole year. We hope to resume in-person classes for the 2021-2022 catechetical year.

To greatly minimize foot traffic in the Parish & CFF Offices, Religious Education registration has been moved to ONLINE REGISTRATION. You can complete the Registration Packet and submit your payment through the parish website. Registrations will not be processed until we receive BOTH the completed registration packet AND confirmation of the online payment.

If you have any questions, concerns, or you do not have online access and need to submit a registration packet and/or payment in person, you MUST contact the CFF Office at CFFAdmin@gscceg.org (email is the best & fastest way to communicate with us) or call the Religious Education Office at 916-683-2963, to schedule an appointment.

Knights of Columbus Laguna Council # 11236

You've seen the Knights in their blue or red polo shirts maybe sitting next to you at Mass. What do these guys do? What sets us apart? Why do we smile, wave, and acknowledge each other either before or after Mass? Well, here are some answers... We are your Priests, we are your Deacons, we are your Ushers at all the Masses, we are your EM's at the Masses, we are Ministry Leads of quite a few of the Parish Ministries. Laguna Council # 11236 helps fund Parish Ministries with our fundraisers, dinners, and events. We help set up tables and chairs. We help set up the Parish Festival booths and tents. We answer the call when Father Chris needs help. We love making a difference at Good Shepherd Catholic Church!

Our motto in the council is “Charity, Fraternity, and Unity.” If this looks like something you'd be interested in or have some questions, please contact Rich Thompson – Chancellor (916) 895-9121 OR email: uwdawg1950@gmail.com

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 25, 2020

6:00 pm

Rizalina Alontave Herco (SI-H)
Richard & Ruby Acojedo (25yrWA)
Justin & Leela Mattathil (29yrWA)
Edgar & Betty Bermudez (55 yr WA)
Sarah Jo Miller (BD)
Jeremiah C. Pulanco (BD)

Sunday, July 26, 2020

6:30 am

Malia Abria (BD)
Elijah Aileen Mueller (BD)
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)
Covid 19 souls in purgatory (+)

8:30 am

Julia Stoner (BD)
Rufina Apilado Saltiban (+)

10:00am

Malcom Benedict Francisco (BD)
Maria Velma Killan (SI-H)
Lamberto Bachiller (+)
Terri Stanton (+)

6:00 pm

Good Shepherd Parishioners (SI)

7:30pm

Good Shepherd Parishioners (SI)

Monday, July 27, 2020

8:30 am

Catherine Cumagun Jones (BD)
Jevin Mattathil (BD)
Laureano Baclig (DA)
Mariean Delapena (+)

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

8:30 am

Ricardo Cruz (BD)
Jose & Ilda Martins (+)
Inocencia Ong (+)

Wednesday, July 29, 2020

8:30 am

Thursday, July 30, 2020

8:30 am

Zenen Magtoto (BD)
Belen Young (TG)
Scott Avis (+)

Friday, July 31, 2020

8:30 am

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

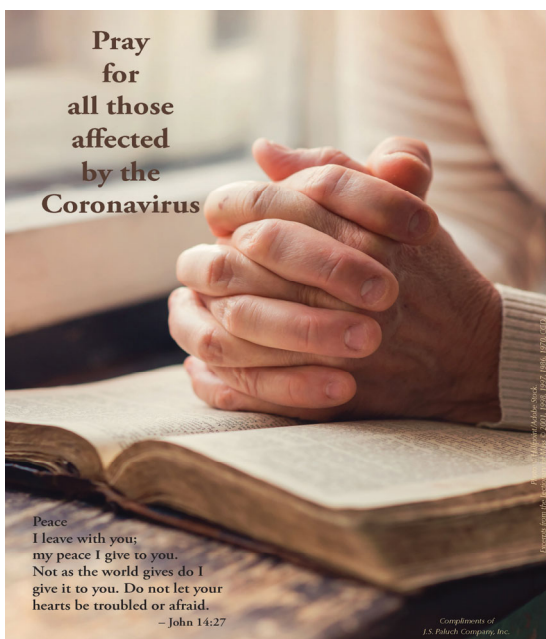
Weekly collection total for July 11/12: \$18,788.66
(Weekly totals include contributions made through Faith Direct.)

Businesses and churches are beginning to reopen, however Good Shepherd still depends on online donations to continue our ministry.

We prayerfully invite you to sign up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/CA688, or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!



PRAYER TO OUR LADY, HEALTH OF THE SICK

O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, united with Jesus’ pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. He who took our suffering upon Himself, and burdened Himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test — and deliver us from every danger. O glorious and blessed Virgin.

—Pope Francis, March 11, 2020

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**Parish Registration and
Change of Address**

New to Good Shepherd Catholic Church Community?

Recently moved or changed phone number?

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Name _____

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