

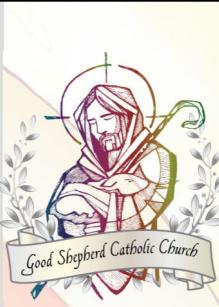
**August 2, 2020**

*Eighteenth 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



## Parish Staff

**Pastor: Rev. Christopher Frazer**

Parochial Vicar:

Rev. Edgardo J. Garcia Velazquez

Deacon: William Sousa

Deacon: Edward Smith (Ret.)

Deacon: Rommel Declines

Deacon: Al Llenos

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Menchie Cabrera

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**K-8 Principal:** Marci Greene

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**Preschool Director:** Tammy Babich

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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:** By appointment only.

Contact the office to schedule.

**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.



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## OUR DEEPEST NEEDS

The word of God serves up a tremendous feast for us today. Isaiah beckons all who hunger and thirst to come to the Lord for satisfaction. The psalmist cries out, "The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs" (Psalm 145:16). Saint Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Finally, in the Gospel, we hear the story of the miraculous feeding of over five thousand people from a mere five loaves and two fish. Most of us have our material needs met on a day-to-day basis. These scriptures, nevertheless, have much to say to the contemporary believer. We must ask ourselves, "Where are my deepest hungers? Where are my thirsts?" After material needs are satisfied and, in some cases, over-satisfied, many people still experience a deep longing for spiritual balance and well-being. As the loaves and fish are multiplied in today's Gospel, perhaps our prayer can be a longing for the satisfaction of the deepest needs that only God can fill.

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*They all ate and were satisfied*

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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	St. John Vianney
Wednesday:	Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
Thursday:	The Transfiguration of the Lord; Hiroshima Memorial Day
Friday:	St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan; First Friday
Saturday:	St. Dominic

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday:	Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday:	Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday:	Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
Friday:	Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday:	Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

### Stirring up a cooling breeze

With gratitude to **Ray Kapahi** and **Denise Wesleder** for their swift thinking and generous donation of Good Shepherd Catholic Church hand fans! With our transition outdoors for Mass, the personal fans keep parishioners cooler as temperatures rise. The fans, beautifully designed by parishioner Lynette Magnino, offer our image of the Good Shepherd and the perfect verse in these unique times: *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I lack...he restores my soul.* Psalm 23  
**If you have one, please be sure to bring it each week. Stay cool!**

## Attending 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.
- Check-in begins 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass. Please arrive no later than 10 minutes before Mass. We 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*

### **2020-2021 Good Shepherd Parish RCIA Begins August 2nd!!**

If you are interested in joining this year's cohort on the road to full reception in the Catholic Church, which includes: **adults desiring baptism, Holy Communion, and/or confirmation**, classes begin August 2<sup>nd</sup>. You may pick up registration paper in the office or download at <http://gscceg.org/ministries/education-and-sacramental-preparation-ministries>. Please email Valerie Ramos at [Valerie.ramos@comcast.net](mailto:Valerie.ramos@comcast.net) or call (916) 317-9385 for more information.

### **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. Baptisms are currently being held outside. **Our baptism ministry is in need of volunteers that can assist the priest or deacon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays by setting up for baptism and helping check in the families as they enter.** 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 [gsccoffee@frontier.com](mailto:gsccoffee@frontier.com) if you would like to help.

### **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. Please remember that the church may be closed for funerals so it's always a good idea to call the office prior to visiting.

## *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 27th, we served 35 families consisting of 152 people and gave out 139 boxes of food. **For assistance please call (916) 647-1243.**



### **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. If you would like to help with either of these ministries, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

### **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](mailto: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](mailto:uwdawg1950@gmail.com).

## *Mass Intentions*

### **Saturday, August 1, 2020**

6:00 pm

Fr. Leon Juchniewicz (BD)  
Leopoldo Domingo (SI)  
Petra O. Alontave (+)  
Joseph Do Ngoc Luc (+)  
Siddy John Suson (+)

### **Sunday, August 2, 2020**

6:30 am

Wilma Balsicas (+)  
Conrado & Estela Gunabe (+)  
Alfred and Helen Lial (+)  
Margarita Millare (+)  
Ciciliy Sebastian (+)

8:30 am

Vanessa Del Rosario (BD)  
Brenda Eliazo (BD)  
Lamberto Bachiller (+)  
Santos Corpuz (+)  
Venancio Del Rosario (+)

10:00am

Fr. Leon Juchniewicz (BD)  
Ortiz family (TG)

6:00 pm

7:30pm  
Joao Mendes (+)

### **Monday, August 3, 2020**

8:30 am

Jose Ma Geoffrey Guanco (BD)  
Russell Goodale (SI)  
Maria del Carmen Barragan (+)  
Gerry Lau (DA)  
Conrado Gunabe (+)

### **Tuesday, August 4, 2020**

8:30 am

Do family (SI)  
Legaspi family (TG)  
Domingos Fagundes (+)

### **Wednesday, August 5, 2020**

8:30 am

Cenen Cumagun (BD)  
Antoinetta Bade-Dador (+)  
Julio Millare (+)

### **Thursday, August 6, 2020**

8:30 am

Kaicen Kendrick (BD)

### **Friday, August 7, 2020**

8:30 am

Manuel & Tina Marquez (+)

#### **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 18/19: \$22,311.93

(Weekly totals include contributions made through Faith Direct.)

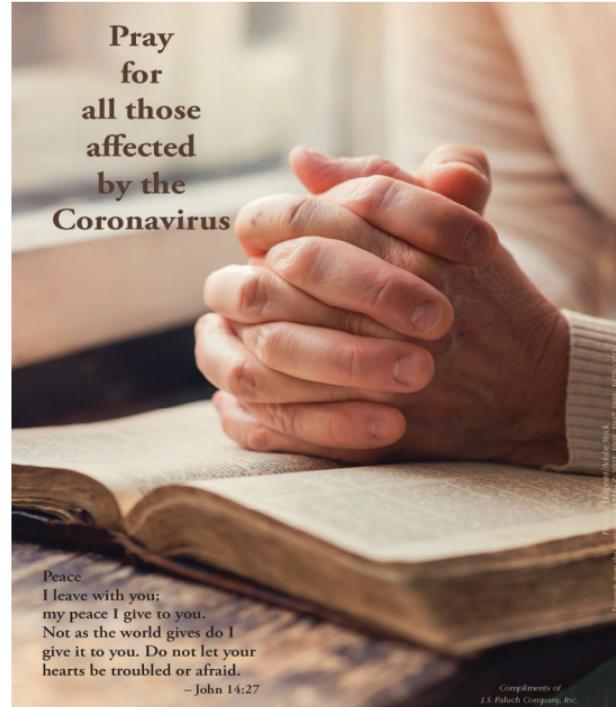
Businesses and churches are beginning to reopen, however Good Shepherd still depends on online donations to continue our ministry.

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](http://faith.direct/CA688), or text 'Enroll' to (916) 439-8801.

**Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!**

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for  
all those  
affected  
by the  
Coronavirus



Peace  
I leave with you;  
my peace I give to you.  
Not as the world gives do I  
give it to you. Do not let your  
hearts be troubled or afraid.

— John 14:27

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### 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?

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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